

**League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson
Position on Consolidated Government**

This position was reached following study and member consensus in 1977, and updated in 2005 and 2008.

The League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson supports consolidation of city, county and town governments within Pima County into a single government for efficient and economical delivery of services.

Amplification:

1. The LWV supports a consolidated government that would:
 - a. Enhance governmental ability to address countywide or regional problems in a unified fashion.
 - b. Provide clear assignment of responsibility in order to achieve more accountability in government.
 - c. Permit variety of service delivery levels to reflect the needs of diverse areas in the county.
 - d. Better coordinate governmental activities and, thus, increase the prospects for responsive administration.
 - e. Reduce the duplication of key services such as police protection, sewage, water and health services.
 - f. Have a broad-based approach for environmental concerns such as control of air and water pollution and land use policy.
 - g. Reduce the time-lag in meeting needs, since current status necessitates legislative permission before a county can take action.

2. As an interim measure, the League supports further functional consolidation through the use of intergovernmental agreements and statutory change to promote greater governmental cooperation in the management and delivery of services.

Due to the lack of probability of a single government being accomplished, the LWVGT supports further functional consolidation as stated in the 2005 position. (2008)