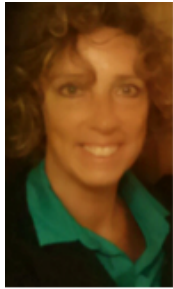


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From the League of Women Voters of Oak Ridge

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Director of Alternatives to Incarceration to speak at Lunch with the League



The community is invited to learn about Alternatives to Incarceration, a program in Anderson County designed to save taxpayers money by reducing jail overcrowding while helping inmates by providing a variety of work, vocational training, and counseling services.

Director Mary Ann Young will provide an overview of the program at the next Lunch with the League on Tuesday, March 7. The program will be held at noon in the Social Hall of the Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church, located at 809 Oak Ridge Turnpike.

Young took over the reins of the program in February, 2015. Born and raised in Anderson County, she is a graduate of Clinton High School. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of the Cumberlands, formerly known as Cumberland College located in Williamsburg, KY.

In 1987, she moved to California where she lived for over twenty years in the Sacramento area. She spent the last twelve years of her time there working for the California Department of Justice (CDOJ) and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). Her experience included working within the Criminal Intelligence Bureau at CDOJ to being a part of rehabilitation services at CDCR. Young said it is because of her unique working background that she has a healthy respect for both sides of the spectrum when it comes to dealing with offenders.

Sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Oak Ridge, Lunch with the League is open to the public. There is no cost to attend and reservations are not needed. Box lunches will be available starting at 11:30 a.m. on a first-come basis for \$8, or you may bring your own. Coffee and tea are provided.

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