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FREE WEBINAR

CANDIDATES: HOW TO WORK A CONVENTION



Endorsements, caucuses and floor fights, oh my! Whether your election is two years out or just months away, Party conventions can serve as the one-stop-shop that sets your candidacy apart.

With the California Democratic Party Convention coming up at the end of the month (May 31st – June 2nd), we're hosting a FREE webinar that will give you the strategies you need to make the most of your time at the convention.

Don't just show up—develop a plan that delivers on your objectives. We can help you do just that.

CTGCA's How-To Guide: Working a Convention to Advance Your Candidacy

Friday, May 17th, 12pm - 1pm PST

With **Mary Hughes**, Founder, Close the Gap California
Elmy Bermejo, Member, EMILY's List Latina Advisory Council
& **Melanie Ramil**, Executive Director, Emerge California

REGISTER TODAY!



TIP: Keep an eye on our [Webinar](#) page to see what topics we will be covering later this year.

IN THE NEWS

WOMEN LAWMAKERS WRITE LAWS TO HELP FAMILIES



From left to right: Asm. **Tasha Boerner-Horvath**, Sen. **Hannah Beth Jackson**, Sen. **Holly Mitchell**, First Partner **Jennifer Siebel Newsom** (speaking), Governor **Gavin Newsom**, Asm. & Women's Caucus Vice Chair **Monique Limon**, Sen. & Women's Caucus Chair **Connie Leyva**, Asm. **Lorena Gonzalez**, Asm. **Cristina Garcia**.

This Mother's Day, we want to acknowledge the contributions of mothers in the Legislature, who develop stellar policy that helps women and families throughout the state.

Several such legislators (pictured) made [headlines](#) this week when Governor

Newsom and the First Partner Siebel Newsom shared their [parents' agenda](#) proposal that includes many laws that lacked gubernatorial support in the past, including eliminating sales taxes on feminine products and diapers.

California's women legislators have been fighting for women's and family issues for many years, and they are thrilled to see more support under the new administration. For example, Assemblywoman **Cristina Garcia** wrote legislation to eliminate taxes on feminine hygiene products (a.k.a, the "tampon tax"). Assemblywoman **Lorena Gonzalez** authored legislation "to eliminate sales taxes on infant and toddler diapers sold in the state, [and she] praised Newsom's endorsement of the plan." Gonzalez notes, "This is something that will affect every single parent in California."

EVENTS

CTGCA AT THE CADEM CONVENTION

Join us at one of Close the Gap California's events during convention weekend.

CTGCA BOOTH

SF Moscone Center **Exhibit Hall**
Friday May 31 through Sunday June 2.

HOSPITALITY SUITE

Hosted by Close the Gap California,
Emerge CA & Fund Her: Friday night
May 31, 10:15pm - Midnight! Sponsored by CAOC.



For more, check out our website's [Volunteer](#) and [Events](#) pages!

SAVE THE DATE

EAST BAY RECEPTION

Please join Hon. **Dion Aroner**, Hon. **Loni Hancock** and Honorary Host Congresswoman **Barbara Lee** to promote gender equality in the California Legislature! East Bay supporters will gather after the Convention to debrief and

discuss recruiting more women.
Reserve your spot today!



Sunday, June 2nd, 3:00 - 5:00 pm
RSVP to Eleanor at emoses4@aol.com

RSVP NOW

INSPIRATION ZONE

ASSEMBLYWOMAN LORENA GONZALEZ



“When I was a new mother breastfeeding at law school, I was forced to use an open space in a bathroom on a dirty couch. No new mother should ever have to go through that.”

—Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez, who proudly joins Sen. Scott Wiener in authoring "this fundamental preventative health measure for both babies and breastfeeding parents.”

Read more about the [Bill to Support Lactation in the Workplace for Working Women](#).



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