

View this email in your browser



DONATE TODAY | [f](#) | [t](#) | [i](#)

FORWARD TO A FRIEND →

PLEASE JOIN OUR FREE LUNCHTIME WEBINAR

From "Year of the Woman" to "Women Forever"

WITH FEATURED PANELISTS:



DR. KELLY DITTMAR

Assistant Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University - Camden



KELLIE DUPREE

Director of Political Strategy at Way to Win



DR. ANNA SAMPAIO

Director and Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies and Political Science at Santa Clara University

A Free Lunchtime Webinar

Women & Elections: Catching a Wave or Building a Movement?

Friday September 20th 12:00pm - 1:00pm

2018's "Year of the Woman" brought the largest class of new women in history to the California State Legislature. In just one year California rebounded from a 20-year low in women's representation, to a tie with its all time high. At all levels and around the country, 2018 saw a similar leap in elected leadership that looks like America. And yet in the CA legislature, women still make up only 31%, grossly out of sync with their status as 51% of the population.

How did we get this far, and how can we go further? What can we do to ensure that 31% is not the high water mark but rather the beginning of the end of gender imbalance? Why did women's representation flatline and even fall after 1992's "Year of the Woman," and what can we do to avoid that in 2020 and beyond? How do we go from "Year of the Woman," to "Women Forever?" Join experts from around the country for a discussion on these questions and the path forward.

Moderated by
Susannah Delano
of **Close the Gap**
California.

(Photo: CTGCA Executive
Director Susannah Delano)



Featured Panelists:

Dr. Kelly Dittmar, Kelly Dittmar is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University–Camden and Scholar at the Center for American Women and Politics at the Eagleton Institute of Politics. She is the co-author of [A Seat at the Table: Congresswomen's Perspectives on Why Their Representation Matters](#) (Oxford University Press, 2018) (with Kira Sanbonmatsu and Susan J. Carroll) and author of [Navigating Gendered Terrain: Stereotypes and Strategy in Political Campaigns](#) (Temple University Press, 2015). Dittmar's research focuses on gender and American political institutions. Dittmar was an American Political Science Association (APSA) Congressional Fellow from 2011 to 2012. At CAWP, she manages national research projects, helps to develop and implement CAWP's research agenda, and contributes to CAWP reports, publications, and analyses. She also works with CAWP's programs for women's public

leadership and has been an expert source and commentator for media outlets including MSNBC, NPR, PBS, the New York Times, and the Washington Post. Dittmar earned her B.A. from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, MI and her Ph.D. from Rutgers University-New Brunswick.

Kellie Dupree, Kellie Dupree currently serves as Director of Political Strategy at Way to Win. Born in Louisiana and raised in Northern Virginia, Kellie has made a career of advocating for a variety of progressive causes, including working for Planned Parenthood, USAID, the Democratic National Committee, Unity '09 and EMILY's List. Most recently she was the Director of Partnerships & Training at the Ballot Initiative Strategy Center where she provided strategic assistance to national and in-state partners, directed and expanded the training and state legislative programs. Kellie graduated from Wake Forest University, where she studied Political Science, German and International Studies.

Dr. Anna Sampaio, Dr. Anna Sampaio is Director and Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies and Political Science at Santa Clara University with research and teaching specializations in immigration, Latina/o/x politics, race and gender politics, intersectionality, and transnationalism. Her recent book, [Terrorizing Latina/o Immigrants: Race, Gender, and Immigration Politics in the Age of Security](#) (Temple University Press, 2015), won the 2016 American Political Science Association award for the Best New Book in Latina/o Politics and she regularly publishes and edits in both academic journals through online public access resources such as the Gender Policy Report, CAWP's Presidential Gender Watch, and Latino Decisions. Outside the university Dr. Sampaio has also worked extensively with campaigns, community based groups, and non-profit organizations in Colorado, New Jersey, and California including ACLU, the Latina Initiative, the Hispanic Leadership Council, the American Friends Service Committee, NARAL, Padres Unidos, the Denver Election Commission, Catholic Charities and the Rapid Response Network of Santa Clara County.

REGISTER TODAY!

Other News:



[September NWPC Orange County trainings](#)

[Time Magazine: "Because She's A Woman"](#)

[AD1 Press Release: "CTGCA Applauds NorCal Women & Allies"](#)

[AAPI Civic Engagement Fund & Groundswell: "Ahead of the Majority: Foregrounding Women of Color"](#)



Copyright © 2019 Close the Gap CA, All rights reserved.

Want to change how you receive these emails?
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).