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WE'RE NOT THROWING AWAY OUR SHOT.

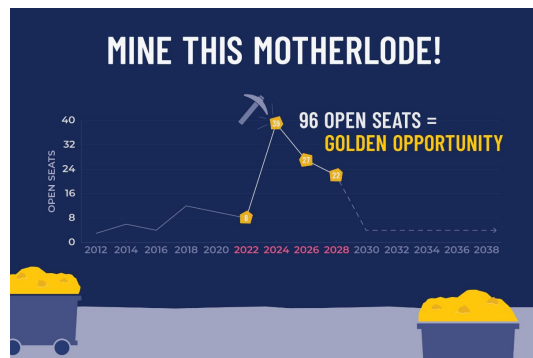
Today California ranks 20th for the percentage of women in our Legislature. Two years ago we were 30th. Together, we changed that. Adding 4 women Members in each election through 2028 will get us to parity. Full stop.

And we're going to take our shot. Reapportionment and term limits mean a minimum of 96 seats will open up in the next decade. This is the reason we started CTGCA.

- ▶ **2022: 8+ open seats**
- ▶ **2024: 39 open seats**
- ▶ **2026: 27 open seats**
- ▶ **2028: 22 open seats**

We're Ready to Make History

The recruiting, training, fundraising and organizing networks are in place. With this **MOTHERLODE** of open seats we can elect a legislature that is gender balanced and reflects California.



ARE YOU READY TO TAKE YOUR SHOT?

Join us!

VOLUNTEER

RECRUIT

RUN

BE AN ALLY

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CTGCA THIRD QUARTER REPORT

While many were at the beach, we were recruiting our final women candidates for 2020 winnable seats, analyzing voting trends and building our network of recruiters and scouts so we're ready to MINE THE MOTHERLODE ahead. Read our Q3 Report [here](#).

2019 THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT

WE ADD PROGRESSIVE WOMEN TO THE CANDIDATE FIELD

On Our Toes –

- Our growing network allowed us to swiftly recruit outstanding women to run in AD 25 (Bay Area) and AD 72 (Orange County).

Momentum Building in NorCal –

- A CTGCA recruit competed in a special election in AD1 (Redding), a longtime GOP stronghold, and advanced to the run-off. The primary results suggest there is growing momentum for new ideas and voters' desire to elect more women!
- Lead Recruiter Janet Cook traveled to the Redding Rancheria to deepen connections with California Tribal women.

CTGCA STRUCK RECRUITING GOLD IN Q3 ...

But this is just a warm-up!

Between 2022 and 2028, a minimum of 96 seats in the California Legislature will become open targets. This is the **Golden Opportunity** that will allow women to level the scales of representation.

MINE THIS MOTHERLODE!

96 OPEN SEATS = GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY

UP NEXT: GOLDMINES OF TALENT

Building for a Golden Opportunity

- At the August CA Democratic Party Howard

Growing Our Dream Team –

- We plan to triple the size of our 2020 recruiting team, in order to identify and prepare an outstanding, progressive woman to run for every one of the 96+ open seats coming



ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A TALENT SCOUT?

CTGCA is tripling its recruiting team in anticipation of the task ahead. If you're interested in applying, sign up to learn more and a veteran recruiter will fill you in on what it takes and where to start. [Learn more here](#).

YES! WE ARE TOOTING OUR OWN HORN,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Proud and grateful to receive the Alameda County Democratic Party's Community Partner Award last week. Especially proud to be a co-recipient with our sister organization EMERGE CA and with Eleanor Moses, a lead Close the Gap Fundraising Committee member who received the Democrat of the Year award.



DIDN'T CATCH OUR WEBINAR, "WOMEN & ELECTIONS: CATCHING A WAVE OR BUILDING A MOVEMENT?"

Life happens and we can't always be where we want, totally attentive when we want. That's why we're making it easy to watch our thought-provoking Q3 webinar. [View here.](#)

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