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RECRUITING TALENTED WOMEN

CA

Forget zombies, dancing foxes, demon sheep or cannibals

Here are **6 Things That Really Scare Us:**

- There are **fewer female legislators** in Sacramento than a decade ago.
- There's **only 1 Latina state senator**, down from 6 in 2003.
- There's **only 1 Asian-Pacific Islander woman** serving in the Assembly, down from 4 ten years ago.
- **Only 3 African-American women** serve in Sacramento today.
- Congress is worse! At the current rate of change, it would take **more than a century** for women to reach parity in Congress.
- Scariest of all....**there are open Assembly and Senate seats here in California where progressive women could win in 2014 but no candidate has stepped forward....yet!**

Get busy. Before we can say, "Boo," check out the [open-seat opportunities](#).

Got recommendations of savvy policy-oriented, community-minded progressive women who live in those districts?

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## Don't trick or treat alone

How do we fend off naysayers and doubters? By working with smart allies, of course. Check out our [latest list](#).

[Learn more](#) about HOPE-PAC, Hispanas Organized for Political Equality PAC.

## Sweet

[Nov 2](#) in Oakland: Annual fundraising dinner of our ally BWOPA-PAC.

**close the gap CA** is a statewide campaign to find talented, progressive women to run for open seats in the California legislature in 2014 and 2016. With focus and a targeted strategy, we can "close the gap"™ and not just the gender gap. When we elect progressive women, we take steps to close the school funding gap, the access gap to affordable health and reproductive care, and the growing gap between the wealthy and those in poverty.

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