

[View this email in your browser](#)



October 8, 2015

They're in short supply too.



Source: getty images. From left to right: President Atifete Jahjaga of Kosovo, President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia, and Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany

Women leaders are doing great work around the world, but we're falling behind.

The U.S. ranks 90th for the percentage of women in Congress compared to other nation's parliaments and federal legislative bodies -- behind even Sudan, Eritrea, Kazakhstan and Saudi Arabia.¹

In 2004, California ranked 6th among the 50 states for the proportion of women in it's legislature. Today, California ranks 20th.²

What do these numbers say about California and the nation? It's not good.

Let's stop the slide.

Nominate. Run. Recruit. Support. Give. Speak. Write. Give again. The trend won't change unless we do.



Recruiting is hard work. Your contributions makes it possible. Please [give](#) today!

Three things you will learn at the October 16th Endorsements webinar:

1. Profile and preparation of a persuasive candidate
2. Common rookie mistakes
3. Best practices of endorsing committees



For more info and to register, [click here!](#)

Stay Tuned: More ctgCA recruits are deciding in the coming weeks.

[Click here](#) to check



out our progress so far
and to see if we're still
recruiting in your
district.

Sources:

- 1 [World Bank](#)
- 2 [CAWP](#)



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.

Paid for by 2015 Close the Gap CA, All rights reserved.
You are receiving this email because you opted in.

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)