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Look at all we've accomplished!



Women: Top Writers



Karriann Farrell Hinds of the LA County Commission for Women and **State Senator Connie Leyva** at a ctgCA Campaign Briefing in Century City Los Angeles Dec. 4.



Number one: *George Eliot*

The BBC recently polled critics on the best ever British novels, and the results are in! Women authors took 4 of the top 5 spots, and 6 of the top 10. Here are the top 5:

- 5. Jane Eyre (**Charlotte Brontë**, 1847)
- 4. Great Expectations (Charles Dickens, 1861)
- 3. Mrs. Dalloway (**Virginia Woolf**, 1925)
- 2. To the Lighthouse (**Virginia Woolf**, 1927)
- 1. Middlemarch (**George Eliot**, 1874)

Find the rest [here](#).

20 PROGRESSIVE WOMEN RUNNING IN OUR TARGET DISTRICTS

TARGETED DISTRICTS: **18**

PROGRESSIVE WOMEN HAVE DECLARED IN: **16**



Left: ctgCA recruits Monique Limon, Darcie Green and Sabrina Cervantes at the CDP convention.

452
THE NUMBER OF WOMEN WE RESEARCHED, VETTED, INTERVIEWED, AND EXPLORED WITH TO FIND OUR CANDIDATES



State Senator Holly Mitchell and ctgCA Board Vice Chair Dezie Woods-Jones in Sacramento

AMONG OUR 20:
14
WOMEN OF COLOR AND SEVERAL FIRST GENERATION

OUR RECRUITS ARE:
SUPERVISORS, MAYORS, SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, ASSEMBLYWOMEN AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.
VERSED IN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY, SOLAR ENERGY, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, HEALTH-CARE AND EDUCATION.



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CTGCA DELEGATES (HOLLY TELISKA, JACKIE WHEELER, AND JANET COOK) SENT TO THE CDP 2016 PLATFORM HEARING.

On women's political leadership:

"...female legislators carry bills that make a difference in the lives of women and families. Here in California, legislation sponsored by women for women is occurring all across the state."

-ctgCA Board Member Susan Rose, WeNews

Read the full article [here](#).

...But there is still more to do in 2016 and beyond.



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