



## Believe Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer Kahan

**Your end of year contribution is critical to assisting great candidates like Rebecca. Recruiting progressive women depends on it.** Results like 2018's historic jump from 21% to 30% in women's representation require a sustained statewide campaign, operating at full speed to recruit accomplished women in every winnable open and purple seat.

**You make that possible when you invest in Close the Gap CA. Please make a contribution today.** It's easy to catch a wave; it's harder to do the week to week, year to year work that achieves steady progress while always preparing for the next wave. We were ready in 2018 because of work we began in 2013.

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The Team at Close the Gap CA

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## News & Events

**A LOT OF WOMEN WON** this past November, but many did not...THIS TIME. The Barbara Lee Family Foundation offers wisdom and practice; steps women can take to make their next race the one they win. [Learn More.](#)



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FAMILY FOUNDATION

**Relaunch: Resilience**  
and Rebuilding for Women  
After an Electoral Loss



### [\[NY Times\] Abortion Debate in Australia Has a New Element: Women in Power](#)

BRISBANE, Australia — Activists in the Australian state of Queensland have tried for decades to scrap a criminal code from 1899 that makes having an abortion an offense punishable with prison time, and for decades their efforts have failed.

[Read more.](#)

## Politico: The Hardest Glass Ceiling in Politics

This was supposed to be the year of the woman. But dozens of female political operatives say they weren't invited to the party. [Read more.](#)



THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES. On January 11th our allies at How Women Lead will be celebrating the newest voices rising in Congress and across the country: Congresswoman Ilhan Omar and Aimee Alison, Founder of She the People. [Details here.](#)

"The sort of feel-good story we desperately need right now."  
- Hollywood Reporter



**TIME FOR ILHAN,  
TIME FOR US**

**Annual Spotlight Awards Gala for Women Leading in  
Social Justice, Philanthropy and Film**

**How Women Lead**

How Women Lead presents the Spotlight Awards Gala, an initiative of to honor those courageous leaders reshaping the landscape for women and girls, and this event includes a film screening of the award winning documentary "TIME FOR ILHAN".

**HONORING**

**AIMEE ALLISON**  
SETTING THE SCENE PACESETTER AWARD

**CONGRESSWOMAN ILHAN OMAR**  
SI SE PUEDE AWARD

**NORAH SHAPIRO**  
CHANGING THE NARRATIVE AWARD



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