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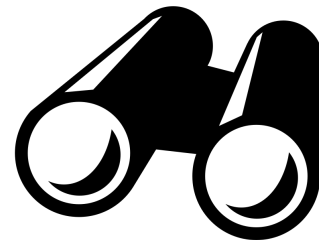


December 2, 2015

**And we don't mean that
green bean casserole
still in the fridge**



**Talented
women
wanted in
Fresno!**



The Assemblyman from Fresno has resigned creating a vacancy. We're looking for an accomplished, progressive woman who is ready to serve. Suggestions? Interested? Shoot us an [email!](#)

You...

Survived Black Friday

Shopped Small Saturday

Sifted through Cyber Monday

Gave on Giving Tuesday

You did it all.

**The week's
reading:**

**On poverty in
California:**

"When women thrive, our communities and our state thrive. Yet, across California, far too many



Almost.

As a political organization **close the gap CA** couldn't benefit from Giving Tuesday so we're announcing **#leftoverwednesday**, the day for shaking out your purse or pockets and sending that loose change to recruit more progressive women for the legislature.

You can keep the casserole.

Just sayin'.



women live paycheck to paycheck, never knowing whether one financial setback – a trip to the emergency room, an unexpected car repair – will push their families to the brink of poverty. "
-Surina Khan,
CEO of the Women's Foundation of California

Read the full article [here](#).

On the need for better family policies:

"Now, 35 percent of children live in single-parent households. But while the numbers are growing, the amount of help available to single mothers is not."
-The Atlantic

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The debate over women's reproductive care and health continues, and Planned Parenthood and its affiliates still need our support. Donate [here](#).

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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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