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## Something you can do after you march



This isn't what we planned for. It isn't what we wanted. **We must be vigilant, present, heard.** And never, never go away.

For us at close the gap CA, we know what to do. Recruit more progressive women to run for the CA legislature until it looks like California; until CA is the nation's gold standard for fair, inclusive, family friendly public policy. **If you're in, you might find these useful:**

[www.wall-of-us.org](http://www.wall-of-us.org) : OUR MISSION To make it simply irresistible for Americans to become active participants in rebuilding our democracy. Four concrete acts of resistance delivered to your inbox each week.

<https://www.indivisibleguide.com/web/> : A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR RESISTING THE TRUMP AGENDA Former congressional staffers reveal best practices for making Congress listen.

<http://robertreich.org/> : The First 100 Days Resistance Agenda: Our 100 days of resistance begins a sustained and powerful opposition. Here's what you can



### 1. Speak Up

On talk radio or to your neighbors. Write letters to the editor, op-eds for the local paper, blog. Put your ideas out there!

### 2. Stand Up

Be present: attend marches, public hearings, and rallies, especially if you've never done it before.

### 3. Volunteer

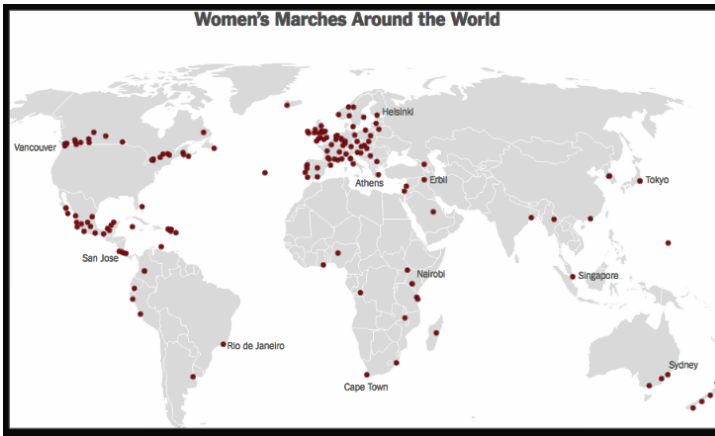
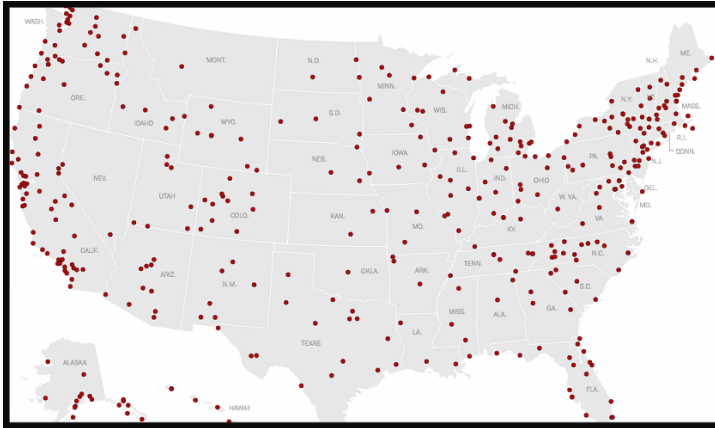
If you'd like to volunteer with **ctgCA**, contact Alice at [alice@closethegapca.org](mailto:alice@closethegapca.org)

### 4. Give

Attend **ctgCA's** N. CA Literature, Leadership and Lunch event this February! Your support will help us recruit more superstars for 2018.

do (it will take about an hour of your time each day)

**Feel good pictures.** Women's marches will be happening all over the country and world. Check out the NY Times maps [here](#).



**close the gap**  
TALENTED WOMEN WANTED **CA**

**LITERATURE, LEADERSHIP AND LUNCH**

AUTHORS READ FROM THEIR WORK & DISCUSS BARRIER-BREAKERS

**Elizabeth McKenzie: *The Portable Veldt***  
**Marianne Cooper: *Cut Adrift: Families in Insecure Times***  
**Barbara Babcock: *Fish Raincoats: A Woman Lawyer's Life***

Please join us for lunch to support close the gap CA, a campaign to recruit progressive women to run for the CA Legislature. A decade ago California ranked 6th in the nation for the number of women in our legislature; in 2016, we ranked 22nd. CTGCA is doing something about that.

**You can too!**  
[www.closesthegapca.org](http://www.closesthegapca.org)

**FRI FEBRUARY 10**  
**11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**  
**MITCHELL PARK LIBRARY**  
**3700 MIDDLEFIELD ROAD**  
**PALO ALTO, CA 94303**

Patrons \$5,000    Hosts \$1,250  
Sponsors \$2,500    Tickets \$125

[Click here to RSVP](#)

**Authors Read From Their Work and Discuss Barrier-Breakers**

**Friday, February 10th  
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

Mitchell Park  
Community Center  
3700 Middlefield Road  
Palo Alto, CA 94303

Click [here](#) for event details and tickets



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**ABOUT CLOSE THE GAP CA**

Close the gap CA is a campaign to increase the number of progressive women serving in the California Legislature by recruiting viable, progressive women to run for open seats in targeted, winnable districts.

The campaign recruits accomplished women who are pro-choice, pro-public school funding and support paths out of poverty. By partnering with CA progressive organizations, close the gap CA aims to achieve gender parity in the CA legislature in 2028.

\*Federal tax law requires us to publicly report cumulative contributions of \$200 or more. We may not deposit your contribution without your name, occupation, and employer, and may not accept contributions of \$100 or more made in cash. Contributions to close the gap CA are not tax deductible. close the gap CA is a registered 527 organization.

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