close the gap RECRUITING TALENTED WOMEN

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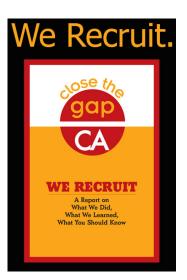




Panelists (L to R): Noreen Farrell, Executive Director, Equal Rights Advocates; State Senator Holly J. Mitchell (D-Culver City); State Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson (D-Santa Barbara); Assemblymember Nora Campos (D-San Jose) and ctgCA Director Betsy Cotton

Thank you for a wonderful and informative discussion. Three accomplished state legislators and ERA's ED discussed the Stronger California Legislative Agenda. They covered poverty, the foster car system, equal pay, worksite flexibility and the state budget.

Read more about the Stronger California agenda <u>here</u>.



Our recently released recruiting report details lessons learned from 3+ years recruiting for the CA legislature. Please send us an email here to request a digital copy. Recruiting works, but to continue we need your help. **Please donate if you want more women legislators.**





Supremely Qualified

What a success!



L to R: **ctgCA** volunteer Jackie Wheeler, candidate for AD43 Laura Friedman and **ctgCA** volunteer Susyn Almond.

We couldn't have done it without our amazing volunteers:

Jackie Wheeler, Olivia Parker, Elizabeth Borges, Susyn Almond, Paula Rugg, Frances Vernon, Cheryl Feiner, Desiree Childress, Katie McDougall, Nancy Shephard, Anne & Dan Vastola, Summer Elliot, Kati Vastola, Ennette Morton, Kristen Johnson, Kim Huynh, Sean Milich, Gillian Reid and Katherine Cima.

A special shout out to Jana Persky for her entertaining best practices for volunteers:

Ten women who could be the next Supreme Court Justice:

1. Jane Kelly, U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

2. Patricia Millett, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

3. Amy Klobuchar, U.S. Senator (D-MN)

4. Loretta Lynch, U.S. Attorney General

5. Jacqueline Nguyen, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

6. Pamela Karlan, Stanford Law Professor and U.S. Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Voting Rights

7. Leondra Kruger, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California

8. Diane Wood, Chief Justice, U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

9. Ketanji Brown Jackson, U.S. District Judge, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

10. Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator (D-MA)

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The women legislators of the Assembly Democratic Caucus are joining forces to ask their new speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Paramount) to prioritize **equal representation in committees and chair posts**. More about it <u>here</u>.

Caroline Paul just published **The Gutsy Girl**, an engaging

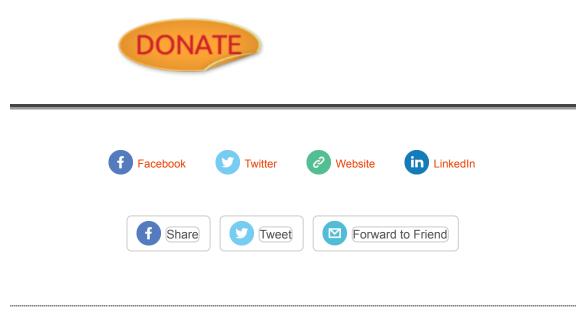
Engage. Bad 🛞 Good! Get up out of your seat and talk to people! "Do you want a piece of candy to support women? "Did you know that only 26% of our legislators are . women? "Red and gold will go great with your outfit! Here's a sticker!" Teach. Bad 🛞 Good! Help people learn about Close the Gap Be sharp, crisp, and to the point! Use your cheat sheet + fun facts Ask for Support. Bad 😕 Good! The primary goal is to get people to sign up for our email list "Please wear a sticker!"

And thank you to our attendees!

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"Here's how you can donate!" "Tell your friends about us!"

We were so glad to see you there.



memoir, journal and guide that encourages confidence and adventure for young women. Read about it <u>here</u>.

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States with "informed consent" laws require women to be given a state-authored information packet before an abortion can be performed. A recent Rutger's study found that 31% of the information in these booklets is **medically inaccurate.** Read <u>more</u>.

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

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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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