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**Q:** What do you get when you put 19 progressive women legislators in a room?



**A:** 26 bills that will:

- Ensure fair pay for women and provide access to 21st century job opportunities and skills;
- Expand access to affordable, quality early childcare and education,
- Support family friendly workplaces and
- Build economic security by addressing poverty.

**C**ongratulations and thank you to the Women's Legislative Caucus who teamed up with Stronger California Advocates Network to [launch a policy agenda](#) that truly addresses needs of



working women and their families. Together they developed policies strengthening the four pillars of the Stronger California Agenda: fair pay & job opportunity, access to childcare, family friendly workplaces, and eradicating poverty.

This historic collaboration is especially remarkable given the relatively small numbers of progressive women legislators. Imagine what California could be if women served in representative numbers! Simply amazing, that's what.

Read more about this [ambitious initiative 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 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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