

We need your help!





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## Summer's almost here, and we're bursting at the seams!

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Some folks need suntan oil, others need BBQ charcoals. Here's what we need: Additional team members like YOU.

To reach our goal of **16 in '16** - 16 talented women running for the 16 most winnable progressive open seats in California - we need your help ASAP to fill these [volunteer positions](#):

- **Candidate recruiters:** Aid in the effort to find the 16; we know they're out there.
- **Fundraising assistant:** Work with us to bring in the money: Events, briefings, matching gift campaigns.
- **Writer:** Get the attention of bloggers and editors with your winning words.
- **Progressive alliance liaison:** Stay in touch with our more than 30 allied organizations and the larger progressive community.
- **Field mapper:** Become our in-house expert exploring the 16 Assembly and Senate districts.

You'll learn a ton, support a great cause and have fun. For more info, see the [job descriptions on our website](#). Then send an email to [alice@closethegapca.org](mailto:alice@closethegapca.org) telling us why you're interested. Thanks.

### "WHY WOMEN?" WEBINAR

Have you signed up yet? Join us for this free event at noon PT on June 10. Get the latest info from our all-star panel on why we need more women, plus we'll share highlights on how women fared in the June 3rd primary. [RSVP now](#).

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## ALLY SPOTLIGHT

Get to know [LA African-American Women's Public Policy Institute](#)  
(aka LAAAWPPI)

## IN THE NEWS

TIME WARNER CABLE: [Video]: [Former Senator and Our Steering Committee Member Deborah Ortiz on why we need more women in the CA legislature.](#)

## VOTE

Turnout is expected to be low. Be sure to do your part & vote!  
[Here's the list](#) of 76 women running for the CA legislature in 53 races.



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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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