close the gap CA
RECRUITING TALENTED WOMEN

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Q: Why Aren't More Women Running for the CA Legislature?

For the past two years we've been recruiting progressive women to run for the state legislature. And many great women are stepping up.

BUT NOT ENOUGH! Every week for the next month, we'll be giving you their reasons.

Let us know what you think here and on our Facebook page. Do all you can to change the status quo so more women will run. **Talk. Write. Support close the gap CA**.
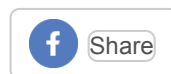
Happy Mother's Day!

To celebrate Mother's Day, we'd like to give a shout out to the Legislators who support the Stronger California initiative to improve economic opportunities for **all** women:
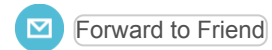
Women:
Sen. Loni Hancock
Sen. Hannah-Beth Jackson
Sen. Connie Levya
Sen. Carol Liu
Sen. Holly Mitchell
Ass. Toni Atkins
Ass. Cheryl Brown
Ass. Nora Campos
Ass. Susan Eggman
Ass. Cristina Garcia
Ass. Lorena Gonzalez
Ass. Jacqui Irwin
Ass. Patty Lopez
Ass. Shirley Weber

Allies:
Sen. Kevin de Leon
Sen. Robert Hertzberg
Sen. Mark Leno
Ass. David Chiu
Ass. Kansen Chu
Ass. Bill Dodd
Ass. Jimmy Gomez
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A #1: Running and serving require a big

sacrifice, more than many women can ask of their families. Women say the cost of maintaining two residences, while caring for and educating their kids on a Legislator's salary, is a big hurdle. This lack of affordability is keeping good women from running.

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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.