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AD 48: The hub of San Gabriel Valley



This summer we're sharing information about our [16 target districts](#) for 2016. The goal: to identify and recruit terrific progressive women to run for each open seat.

While the Latino Caucus in the Legislature continues to grow, the number of Latinas has not kept pace. Six progressive Latinas (Ducheny, Escutia, Figueroa, Ortiz, Romero, Soto) served in the State Senate in 2003.

In January 2015 there will be nada.

The Assembly must add to its 5 progressive Latina members and [Assembly District 48](#), currently held by Roger Hernandez (who is terming out in '16), is ripe for a Latina representative! This seat includes West Covina, Baldwin Park, Glendora, Covina and Asuza. Whose work do you admire on a city council or school board? Who led a civic effort and succeeded where others shied away?

Send us your [recommendations](#) today. **We don't have a moment to waste.**

BONUS:

Who was California's first Latina state senator? [Tell us on](#)

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Last week's answer: Fiona Ma (Assembly 2006-2012)

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