

No one likes the heavy hand of IEs distorting the outcome of races, but absent campaign finance reform, we are stuck with them.

Here's what you need to know:

- Millions were spent for and against CTGCA recruits.
- The best protection against IEs is a good candidate with a prepared bank account.
- Several CTGCA recruits overcame heavy IE spending against them or for others to win.

At CTGCA, we prepare women to make informed choices about running for office. For 2018, we're again recruiting women who reflect the values and aspirations of their voters.

Great candidates can beat big money.

Targeted recruiting works.



*Read more here about IEs in this primary cycle.

Former ctgCA intern Kristen Powers published a piece on Medium. In it she discusses millennial political activism, hope, and her participation in America2026, a project by Action for America. Read more here.



Icelandic Politician Halla Tómasdóttir "Looking at Hillary's Nomination Through a Nordic Lens" - In major political election years, we tend to focus on women's chances of winning top leadership roles in government. But change in gender perceptions must be effected everywhere." -Billmoyers.com (here)



Democratic women register and turn out at higher rates, creating a significant gender gap in the Democratic vote. More here.

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Close the gap CA is a campaign to increase the number of progressive women serving in the California Legislature by recruiting viable, progressive women to run for open seats in targeted, winnable districts. The campaign recruits accomplished women who are pro-choice, pro-public school funding and support paths out of poverty. By partnering with CA progressive organizations, close the gap CA aims to achieve gender parity in the CA legislature in 2028.

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