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## Big Shoes to Fill



These four women state senators with a combined 46 years experience shaping public policy must leave the Legislature at the end of 2016. History tells us their successors will come from the Assembly, a city council or a school board.

- SD 3 **Lois Wolk** (Vallejo, Fairfield, Vacaville, Napa, Davis)
- SD 9 **Loni Hancock** (Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, San Leandro, Alameda)
- SD 25 **Carol Liu** (Glendale, Pasadena, Burbank, Upland)
- SD 27 **Fran Pavley** (Los Angeles, Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Santa Clarita)

Who do you know who can fill these shoes?

Know these [districts](#)? Got information on prospective candidates? [Alice](#) wants to hear from you! Special call for bloggers and tweeps (Twitter people) who cover those districts, please tweet to us at [@closethegapca](#).

### CONGRATS TO BETTY YEE

While **close the gap CA** can't endorse candidates, we applaud whenever talented progressive women step up, run and prevail against the odds. Hats off to Betty Yee and her legions of supporters. She's just been certified (at last!) to be on the November ballot for Controller.

### COMING UP

SAVE the date - Sept 9 - for our free webinar on "Preparing to Be a Great Candidate" - Don't forget to [RSVP](#). And stay tuned for details.

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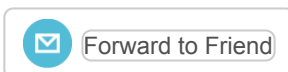
### MEET THE TEAM



Do you know [Karen Weinstein](#) and [Holly Teliska](#) who just spoke to the CA Democratic Party's executive board?



The team also includes kayakers [Janet Cook](#) and [Alex Gillis](#).



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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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