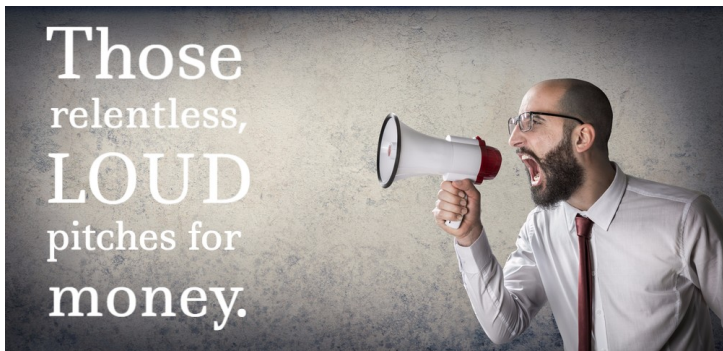


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August 31, 2016



So we're whispering:

The work to recruit talented women progressives to run for the CA Legislature in 2018 is underway:

- research
- mapping
- search parties
- requests for recommendations

We're on it.

We know everyone and their Uncle is asking you to contribute to November 2016 races. Good people. Good causes. So give.

BUT we're asking you to send us **18%** of what you plan to give this year, so when the **2018** election comes around, you'll have more great women leaders to choose from, vote for and elect. For ctgCA, every gift extends our reach.

We need 30 contributions in 30 days.

Will you invest?



Great Reads:



Susannah Wellford's Op Ed in US News discusses the need for women to support one another and work together to succeed. Read [here](#).

Cynthia Richie Terrell's article discusses the need for systemic changes to reach gender parity in politics, changes akin to what Title IX did for sports. Where does she suggest we start? Recruiting. We agree!



ctgCA founder Mary Hughes will be speaking at Elect to Run, a project of California Women Lawyers, on Friday, September 9 in LA. Register [here](#).

What do you think? Can you give us a hand by answering



three questions?
Click [here](#) for the survey.

We Recruit.



ABOUT CLOSE THE GAP CA

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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