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# close the gap

TALENTED WOMEN WANTED



## Congratulations, Holly Mitchell



California has a new state senator. The assemblywoman who made contraceptives more readily available and championed children during budget negotiations can do even more for Californians.

And Holly won in a [landslide](#).

BUT the number of women in the Capitol hasn't changed overall: still 32 women in the 120-seat CA legislature.

Want more progressive women in Sacramento? Here are a few things you can do:

- Check the open seats [HERE](#) and tell us who the women leaders are in those communities.
- Join a search party to identify candidates for 2014 & 2016 open seats:

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- Spread the word about the urgent need for talented progressive women to run: [Share these images](#) about women in CA and the open-seat opportunities.

### More good stuff

Check out this recap of our social media meetup by Catherine Lee Adams [HERE](#). Planned Parenthood Mar Monte and talented bloggers engaged new audiences. Bravo!

### Did you know?

We have more than several dozen organizational allies, and we're adding more each week. Read about [Emerge CA](#) here (and let your friends know the deadline to apply for Emerge's training program is Oct 4).

**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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