



2019 THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT

WE ADD PROGRESSIVE WOMEN TO THE CANDIDATE FIELD

On Our Toes –

- ▶ Our growing network allowed us to swiftly recruit outstanding women to run in AD 25 (Bay Area) and AD 72 (Orange County).

Momentum Building in NorCal –

- ▶ A CTGCA recruit competed in a special election in AD1 (Redding), a longtime GOP stronghold, and advanced to the run-off. The primary results suggest there is growing momentum for new ideas and voters' desire to elect more women!
- ▶ Lead Recruiter Janet Cook traveled to the Redding Rancheria to deepen connections with California Tribal women.

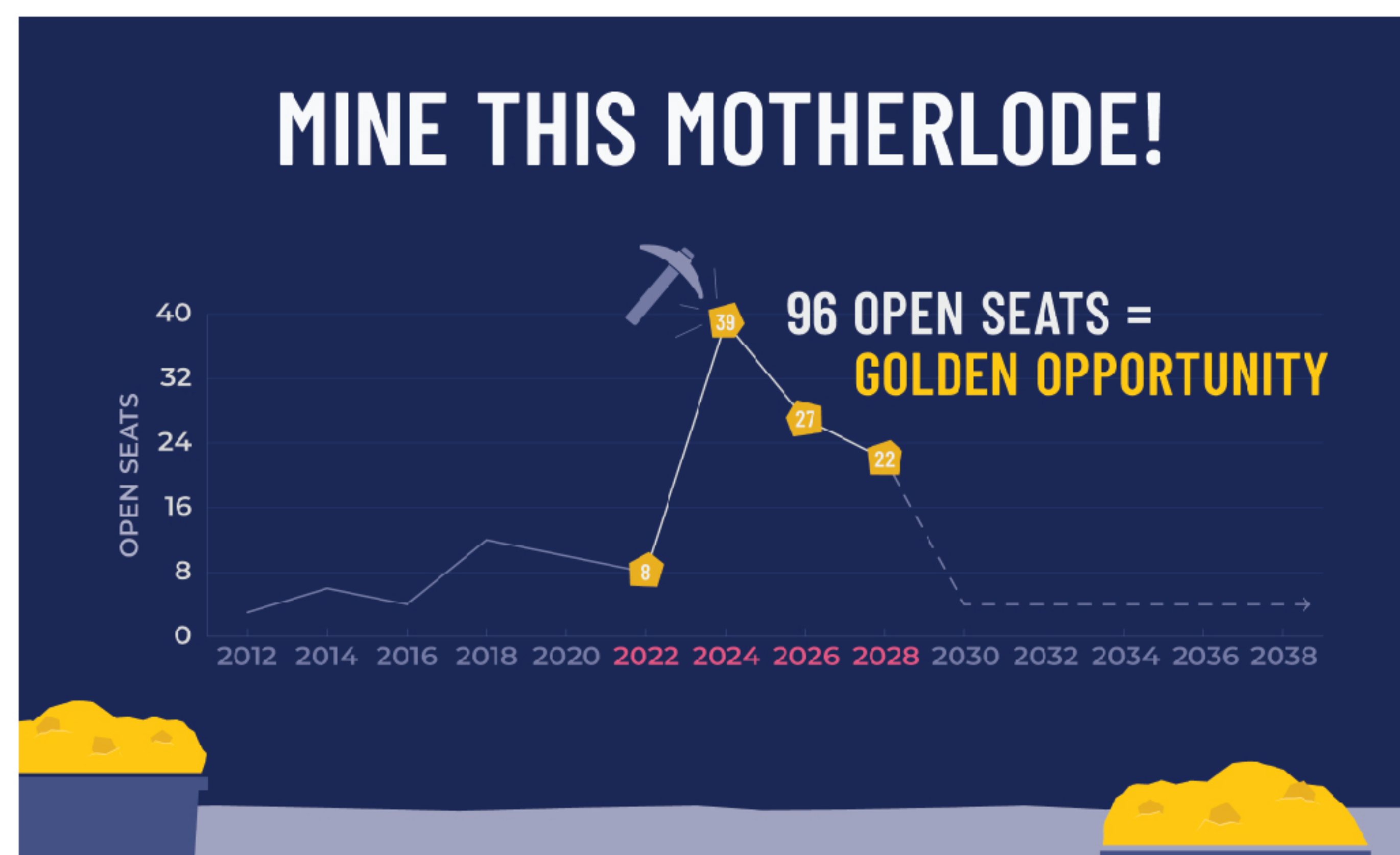


Tracy Edwards & her daughter Miranda with Janet.

CTGCA STRUCK RECRUITING GOLD IN Q3 ...

But this is just a warm-up!

Between 2022 and 2028, a *minimum* of 96 seats in the California Legislature will become open targets. This is the **Golden Opportunity** that will allow women to level the scales of representation.



UP NEXT: GOLDMINES OF TALENT

Building for a Golden Opportunity –

- ▶ At the August CA Democratic Party E-Board meeting in San Jose, we launched our official call to action – MINE THIS MOTHERLODE! – to build the team we need to make history. We hosted a briefing and issued the call at every caucus to raise awareness and enlist support.

Growing Our Dream Team –

- ▶ We plan to triple the size of our 2020 recruiting team, in order to identify and prepare an outstanding, progressive woman to run for every one of the 96+ open seats coming soon. **This** is how we get to 50%.

Welcome new Recruiters:

- ▶ Angela Barnes (Inland Empire) & Sarah Wernikoff (Bay Area)



Do you or someone you know have what it takes to help us Mine the Motherlode? Learn how to apply at closethegapca.org



OAKLAND MAKES IT RAIN FOR OUR RECRUITS

At CTGCA's first fundraising reception since launching our "Mine the Motherlode" expansion, Oakland came through with some major star power and a gorgeous crowd.

- ▶ Special Guest **Congresswoman Barbara Lee** reminded everyone that she herself was the last African American woman elected to the CA Legislature north of LA, driving home the urgency of recruiting the next generation of progressive women leaders.
- ▶ Hosts **Mayor Libby Schaaf, Senator Nancy Skinner** and **Assemblymember Buffy Wicks** spoke powerfully about what a difference it makes to have women in office in the halls of power.
- ▶ Special thanks to our Emcee and Co-Host, the **Honorable Dezi Woods-Jones**, to **Eleanor Moses** for spearheading, and to **Assemblymember Rob Bonta** for his support.
- ▶ Thank you to our many community allies who boosted the event. We are so grateful to them, and to our incredible Steering Committee, donors, new friends and volunteers!

SHARING OUR EXPERTISE ON THE PATH TO GENDER EQUITY

8/23 Santa Clara County Commission on Status of Women

- ▶ Women's Equality Day Luncheon featured CTGCA Founder Mary Hughes.

9/20 CA Women Lawyers Panel

- ▶ ED Susannah Delano and allies outlined resources available to potential future candidates.

9/20 Webinar: Women & Elections: Catching a Wave or Building a Movement?

- ▶ CTGCA hosted an informative webinar featuring noted experts discussing best practices and trends heading into 2020. Check out the recording on our website!

9/28 Alameda County Democratic Party Honors Close the Gap & Partners



CA Women Lawyers Panel (*Top*)

CTGCA team with Alameda County Dems Community Partner Award (*Bottom left*)

Eleanor Moses, Alameda County Democrat of the Year, with Rep. Lee (*Bottom right*)



THANK YOU TO OUR TEAM MEMBERS!

Tremendous gratitude to outgoing **Boardmember Silissa Uriarte Smith** for her service! As well as a special thank you to our interns **Prameela Kottapalli, Piper Richardson, Avery Schoen, Karina Sun, Mei Timpson.**