

California's Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women first pioneered a celebratory week of Women in History to coincide with the established international recognition. Three years later, in 1981, the United States Congress went a step further by passing a resolution establishing a "National Women's History Week", where schools and various other organizations would feature special projects, exhibitions, sponsored talks, and the distribution of materials honoring Women's History. Participation quickly spread and in 1987, Congress expanded the designated week to a month long commemoration.

Many outstanding local organizations advocate for women and girls in need on a regular basis. To recognize, honor, and celebrate the achievements of these organizations, the County of Santa Barbara Commission for Women established the Women's History Month Service Awards. In honor of National Women's History Month, the Commission for Women annually celebrates the contributions women make every day throughout the Santa Barbara community.

Performance Measure: N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: N/A

Budgeted: N/A

Fiscal Analysis: N/A

Narrative: N/A

Staffing Impacts: N/A

Special Instructions: N/A

Attachments:

Description of the 2016 Women's History Month Service Award recipients

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