

Annual Report To Board of Supervisors November 7, 2017

Mission Statement:

The Commission for Women (CFW) promotes the well-being and equal status of women in Santa Barbara County. We work to:

- ❖ Develop, facilitate, recognize and recommend programs
 - * Collaborate with other agencies
 - ***** Gather and disseminate information
 - * Conduct public meetings
 - **❖** Advise the Board of Supervisors (BOS)





CFW's Countywide Program Development & Activities

The Santa Barbara County Commission for Women (CFW) is pleased to present some of our important and exciting work undertaken on behalf of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and Santa Barbara County's women and girls since October 2016 to November 2017, and going forward.



To promote the well-being and equality of women and girls countywide, we updated the 2016 internal survey of priorities, goals and opportunities among Commissioners attuned to the unique needs of each supervisorial district. As a result, we revised six key subcommittees:

CFW Subcommittees

- 1. Outreach: Public face of Commission work
- 2. Policy: Tracks local, state, and national legislation affecting women. Attend Conferences
- 3. Leadership
 Development: Encourage
 women's participation in
 community, business and
 political leadership
 involving women and girls



Subcommittees (Cont.)

- 4. Listening Sessions: Be eyes and ears of BOS and Constituents, conduct public meetings
- 5. Advocacy: Discover, support and promote key causes directly beneficial to women and girls
- 6. Veteran's Stand Down:
 Annual Collaboration with annual Veteran's Stand
 Down program



Women in Leadership: Two Public Events



"Women Building Community," Santa Maria Veterans' Memorial Community Center February-23-2017



"Women Speak Up," Santa Barbara Public Library's Faulkner Gallery March -9-17 2017



- Keynote Speaker: Kelly Jenkins-Pultz, Dept of Labor, Women's Bureau
- Panels: "Women in Government and Community Activism," "Women in Business" and "Women in Nonprofits"
- CFW Organizers: Commissioners Tracey Beard, Teresa Reyburn, Heidi Summers

Highlighting Community Resources – Audience Centered Event with Speakers:

- Wendy Sims-Moten, Santa Barbara School Board and First Five
- Yolanda Robles, VP Clinical Operations Planned Parenthood Central Coast
- Elizabeth Diaz, Family Violence Prevention Program Attorney
- CFW Organizers: Suzanne Peck, Sigrid Wright, Marianne Partridge, Anna Everett, Victoria Juarez



Collaborations with Other Agencies



American Red Cross, Pacific Coast and Ventura County Chapter Constituent Outreach During Alamo and Whittier Fires, Santa Barbara August 2017





Meeting Arranged by Supervisor Janet Wolf, 2nd District

- Kimberly Coley, Executive Director, American Red Cross
- Commissioners Anna Everett and Suzanne Peck
- CFW Administrative Assistant Susan Foley

Girls Inc., "Wonder Women" Speaker Series, Santa Barbara September-14 2017





Organized by Leah Tabas, Girls Inc., Santa Barbara Center Director

- Commissioners Suzanne Peck and Anna Everett
- Classroom Assistants
- Girls 8-12 years old



Collaborations with Other Agencies (Cont.)

Veterans Stand Down Event 2017, Santa Maria Fairgrounds, October 21, 2017









Organizer, Supervisor Steve Lavagnino, 5th District

- CFW Lead, Commissioner Tracy Beard, with
- Commissioners Heidi Summers, Suzanne Peck, and Anna Everett

CFW collaborates on this annual event to provide key support, donated goods and services, volunteer workers











Collaborations with Other Agencies (Cont.)

Santa Barbara Unified School District Board Meeting, October 10, 2017









Invitation, School Board Member Laura Capps (Former CFW Commissioner)

Follow-up to CFW "Women Speak Up" Event to learn concerns of high school girls (sexual harassment, teen suicide, deportation anxiety, gender parity)

CFW Presentation by

- Commissioner Anna Everett
- Commissioner Suzanne Peck
- Commissioner Marianne Partridge



Support for Other Organizations







"Equal Means Equal" Film Screening Santa Barbara Public Library, Faulkner Gallery August 24, 2017

"Equal Means Equal," (Kamala Lopez, 2015)

This documentary film addresses persistence of gender discrimination in the U.S. The film also explores the renewed interest in ratifying the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) among women as more seek political office in pursuit of basic gender equity.

CFW supports the screening event, along with SBWPC and SB Library.





Representing Santa Barbara County Statewide and Nationally



Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW)

Regional Meeting, March, 2017, Santa Barbara



ACCW and NACW

The aim of these associations "is to sustain, strengthen and advocate for women's commissions in their work to promote equality and justice for all women and girls . . ."

Commissioner Tracy Beard represented Santa Barbara County CFW

National Association of Commissions for Women (NACW)

Annual Conference, July 12-16, 2017, Buffalo, NY





Community Outreach and Achievements

It is not enough to do good-We must be seen doing good!





Laura Burton Capp Chair, 2014-2015

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Welcome to the County of Santa Barbara Commission for Wo Thank you for your interest in the Santa Barbara County Commission for Wome Our commission is made up of a diverse group of energetic and committed women who are active community members from each of the five supervisorial districts The Commission for Women seeks to promote the well-being and equal status of

women in Santa Barbara County. Our goal is to help women in need, collaborate

We would like to hear from you and you are welcome to attend our meetings! W

meet monthly and our sessions are open to the public. Any group that would like

to make a presentation to the Commission should contact the Equal Employmen Opportunity office at (805) 568-2807 to be added to the agenda

women and children throughout Santa Barbara County. We distribute a resource card in both English and Spanish that includes key contact information. It can be

The Commission for Women often has open positions. Should you be interested in

This year our initial focus will be Women in Leadership, Mental Health, and Wome

Veterans. In conjunction with these issues, we will participate in the Santa Barbari

County Veterans Stand Down, work with the Mental Health Commission, and look forward to more opportunities to learn, lead and engage during the next twelv

It is our privilege to support the many people and organizations that are dedicated

to honoring, supporting, and improving the lives of all women in Santa Barbari

CFW Old and New Logos

Updating CFW Website and Logo

2017 Service Award Recipients



First District

Future Leaders of America

Second District

AHA! (Attitude, Harmony, Achievement)

Third District

Chumash Educational **Foundation**

Fourth District

Sara Araujo, Santa Maria High School

Fifth District

SBC Promotores Network

1st District

Charlotte Gullap-Moore



Suzanne Peck

Anna Everett, Chair



2nd District





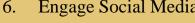
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- Follow Up with School Districts and
- Continue Collaborations
- **Engage Social Media**
- Need 4 additional Commissioners

Future Activities

- Add Women in Leadership Public Events in Spring, Countywide; And a Listening Session with Promotores in Santa Maria
- Update Gender Report
- Strengthen Policy Committee
- California "Healthy Youth Act"



3rd District

Tracy Beard



Marianne Partridge



Karen Steinwachs



Fourth District (Two Vacancies)

Tami Rabska



4th District

Fifth District (Two Vacancies)





5th District