



**SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT ON THE
STATUS OF WOMEN**

February 2020

San Francisco Commission & Department on the Status of Women Newsletter



Commission Meetings

The mission of the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women is to foster the equitable treatment and advancement of all women and girls throughout San Francisco through policies, legislation, and programs.

Commission meetings are open to the public and you are welcome and invited to attend.



Commission President Breanna Zwart and Vice President Dr. Shokooh Miry wish you a Happy New Year. They are excited to be leading the Department into the New Year with the new [strategic plan](#) that the Commission approved in December, that paves the way for the next two years.

February 2020 Commission Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

5 - 7 pm

Location: City Hall, Room 408

March 2020 Commission Meeting

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

5 - 7 pm

Location: City Hall, Room 408

[2020 Commission Meeting Schedule](#)



Calendar

Saturday, February 8

[Summer Resource Fair](#)

11 am – 2 pm

County Fair Building

Golden Gate Park

1199 9th Avenue

Thursday, February 13

[Crafts & Trades Career Fair](#)

9 am – 12 noon

Port of San Francisco, Pier 50 - Shed D

Terry A Francois Boulevard

Tuesday, February 25

[Civic Appointments Training](#)

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Hansen Bridgett

425 Market Street, 26th Floor

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Past Events

Agendas, Minutes, and Supplemental meeting materials can be found [here](#).



Investiture Day January 8

The Commission sends their congratulations to Mayor London Breed, Sheriff Paul Miyamoto, District Attorney Chesa Boudin, and District 5 Supervisor Dean Preston.

Commission & Board Openings

Leadership Opportunities on Boards and Commissions. You can find Commission and Board openings at the following links:

1. [311 List of Boards and Commissions](#)
2. Board of Supervisors List: [Vacancies on Boards and Commissions](#)



Commissioners in the News

Commission Vice President Dr. Shokooh Miry appeared on KQED on January 10 to discuss the impact on Iranian-Americans after the US airstrike killed Iranian General Qassem Soleimani. [Details](#)

Police Commission Presentation January 8

Following a two-year process in collaboration with the San Francisco Police Department and the San Francisco Police Officers Association Women's Action Committee, the Department has released the Pathways to Promotion: Gender Analysis of the San Francisco Police Department report. Policy and Projects Director Elizabeth Newman presented findings and recommendations at the January 8 Police Commission. The Police Commissioners were very impressed with the comprehensive report and complimented Ms. Newman on the data formatting which was easily accessible by readers.

Published Reports

Representation of Women in City Property: [Report](#)

Gender Analysis of San Francisco Police Department: [Report](#), [Executive Summary](#)

Human Trafficking in San Francisco: [Report](#), [Highlights](#)

2019 Gender Analysis of Commissions and Boards: [Report](#), [Executive Summary](#)



Staff & Fellow Updates

Roxanne Hoegger Alejandre, J.D. joined us in November 2019 as the Senior Manager of Human Trafficking Outreach, Prevention, and Education. She

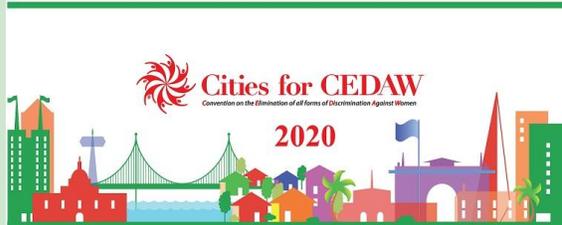
SFCAHT Human Trafficking Awareness Month Launch & Modern Day Abolitionist Awards Ceremony on January 13

Featuring community-based advocates,

is leading the Department's efforts on the Safety, Opportunity, Lifelong relationships (SF SOL) project and is the Department's new Anti-Human Trafficking representative. Learn more about the SF SOL project [here](#).

Policy and Projects Director Elizabeth Newman is out on leave tending to a new family member. She will return to the office in June.

Future Events



San Francisco Delegation to the UN Commission on the Status of Women

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the UN World Conference on Women where the Beijing Platform for Action was concluded. Leaders of the women's movement will gather in New York for the 2020 UN Commission on the Status of Women meetings, March 7-21. The Non-Governmental Organization Committee on the Status of Women, New York (NGO CSW NY) will host an NGO Forum to explore achievements since 1995 and challenges ahead. San Francisco-based groups will host the following 6 panel sessions. A delegation of a record 40+ leaders in the San Francisco Bay Area will participate in this year's NGO Forum.

1. "Accelerating Gender Equity and Women's Economic Empowerment: Salary Negotiations Workshop" by the Friends of the Commission on the Status of Women
2. "Aging & Women: Promoting Economic Security and Ending Abuse" by the National Council of Jewish Women San Francisco Chapter
3. "Environmental Justice & World Leadership: Lessons from a CEDAW State," Office of Governor Gavin Newsom, Department on the Status of Women, and the Commission on the Environment.
4. "ABCs of Collaboration in Ending Human Trafficking" by the San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking.
5. "Amplify, Act, Advance: Youth Voice to Address Sexual Exploitation" by the SF SOL Collaborative (California Department of Social Services, Freedom Forward, Huckleberry Youth Programs, the SF Department on the Status of Women)
6. "Making the Global Local: From the Beijing Platform for Action to Cities for CEDAW" by the Women's Intercultural Network.

federal law enforcement, and state and local government representatives including the newly appointed District Attorney Chesa Boudin as speakers, this year's kick-off marked the 10th anniversary since the launch of SFCAHT by then-Mayor Gavin Newsom, then-District Attorney Kamala Harris, and others at City Hall. The awardees this year were California Governor Gavin Newsom received by District Representative Elmy Bermejo, Artist Activist Regina Evans, Deputy Public Defender Patti Lee, Founder of Love Never Fails Vanessa Russell, and Youth Champion Sakshi Satpathy.



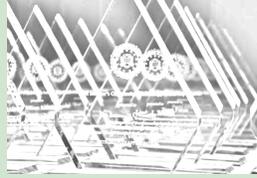
SF Census Launch on January 17

Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi and Mayor London Breed joined SF Census Co-Chairs Women's Commissioner Andrea Shorter and Self-Help for the Elderly Executive Director Anni Chun to kick-off the initiative at San Francisco City Hall on Friday, January 17. Organized by the Office of Community Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, the SF Counts Census 2020 effort is seeking part-time workers paid at \$27 - \$30 per hour. [Details](#)



Women's March 2020 on January 18

The Department hosted a diverse delegation of march participants, including friends, family members, and feminist activists from Japan who traveled to San Francisco for the purpose of joining the March. A shout out to Women's Commissioner Sophia Andary, Co-Chair of the Women's March San Francisco, who did an amazing job of organizing the event that attracted thousands of people from near and far.



FBI Director's Community Leadership Award

In recognition of "outstanding service to the local community and enduring contributions to the advancement of justice," Director Murase has been selected for the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award and will be flown to Washington, DC on May 1 to join other honorees receiving the award from FBI Director Christopher Wray. As Co-Founder of the San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking and convener of the Mayor's Task Force on Anti-Human Trafficking, Director Murase has helped launch the anti-human trafficking movement in San Francisco and beyond.



The Commission and Department want to particularly thank the Friends of the Commission on the Status of Women for all of their continuous support and specifically for their \$25,000 donation to help the Department continue its Fellowship program.

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