



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

September 2020

San Francisco Commission & Department on the Status of Women Newsletter

Dear Community,

We hope you are well and staying safe during this time.

We are very thankful for all first responders across California who are working hard to save lives, homes, and support our communities.

At the August Commission meeting the Commission voted to re-elect the current leadership for another year, we send our congratulations to President Breanna Zwart and Vice President Shokooh Miry.



Please continue to support our community and reduce the spread of COVID-19 by staying home as much as possible, avoiding gatherings, wearing face coverings, and staying up-to-date on [City and County of San Francisco COVID-19 recommendations](#).

Domestic violence, child abuse, and elder abuse are continuing to happen, and we want survivors to know that help is available. With that in mind, we want to offer some resources for survivors of violence. We have produced a one pager summarizing the resources, available [here](#), and the Mayor's Office has a [webpage](#) with resources. Do not hesitate to reach out if you need help.

We also want to highlight a few hotlines and text-lines you can contact:

W.O.M.A.N., Inc.
TEL: 415-864-4777
24-Hour Crisis Line: 415-864-4722
Toll Free: 877-384-3578
www.womaninc.org



Census

Please do the Census now and ensure jobs, housing, opportunities and programs for your family and community. Every person counted brings \$20,000 in federal resources for essential programs and services over the next 10 years. Being counted ensures our fair political representation and more important, confirms that you are here and are part of America. Go online now to my2020census.gov and do the Census. It's not too late to participate! For multilingual community resources and support, go to sfcounts.org

Upcoming Events



Celebrating Women's Suffrage

This year we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the adoption of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which eliminated sex as a basis to deny the right to vote. The W Challenge launched a social media campaign to spotlight the 100 years of

La Casa de las Madres
TEL: 415-503-0500
24-Hour Adult Crisis Line: 877-503-1850
24-Hour Teen Crisis Line: 877-923-0700
24-Hour Text Crisis Line: 415-200-3575
www.lacasa.org

San Francisco Women Against Rape
TEL: 415-861-2024
24-Hour Crisis Line: 415-647-7273
www.sfwar.org

Commission Meetings

Join us for our upcoming September Commission meeting. We will be hearing about the Department's Racial Equity Plan and there will be an informational overview of California State Proposition 16 which is on the November ballot.

September 23 [Online](#)
Watch (via WebEx): <https://bit.ly/3gEhYmX>
Public Comment Call-In: 415-655-0001
Access Code: 146 500 7863

October 28 Online

Commission meetings are online public events, please check our website for instructions on how to join.

[Commission Meeting Information](#)

Commission & Board Openings

Our Commission currently has one seat open.

Any citizen interested in serving on our Commission or learning more about the process is encouraged to contact the Mayor's Office for more information.

Contact:
Tyra Fennell
Director of Appointments
Office of Mayor London N. Breed
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 200
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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](#)

Supporting Our Community

women leaders on Women's Equality Day in August. The W Challenge social media campaign will continue to share important messages of voting and civic participation up to the November election. Use #WChallenge to engage in our social media campaign and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) as we share inspirational stories of 100 women leaders or visit wchallenge.org to find out more.

Salary Negotiation Workshop

Learn how to find the right words and the confidence to negotiate for better benefits and pay at the Friends of the Commission on the Status of Women's free salary negotiation workshop designed for women. The workshop will be virtual and held on September 15 11:30am-1:00pm.

[Register here.](#)

45 Years of Inspiring an Equal Future: CEDAW Women's Human Rights Awards Virtual Celebration and Auction



Presented by
FRIENDS of the Commission
on the Status of Women

September 29, 2020
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

[REGISTER NOW!](#)

CEDAW Human Rights Awards

Join the Friends on the Commission on the Status of Women to celebrate their 45th anniversary and honor exceptional women and allies who are helping the San Francisco Bay Area community create gender equity and empower women and girls. The CEDAW Women's Human Rights Awards will be on Tuesday, September 29, 6:00pm-7:30pm. [Register here.](#)

Upcoming Election

All registered San Francisco voters will receive a mail in ballot for the upcoming election in October. The deadline to register to vote in the November 3 election is October 19, so go to registertovote.ca.gov or contact the Department of Elections for paper registration applications to make sure you are registered to vote. In addition to voting by mail, voters will also be able to vote in-person. Polling places will be open on election day and at City Hall starting 29 days before election. Each polling place with require face covering and have hand sanitizer, gloves, and enforce social distancing guidelines. Curb side voting will also be available at all voting places and all polling places will be ADA compliant.

WELL Webinar: Issues of Race and Gender Equity in this Moment in Time

The Coronavirus pandemic has had a huge impact on workers and businesses in our neighborhoods. We have now been given the opportunity to rethink where and how we are investing into our community. Take this opportunity to patronize local small businesses and women and/or minority owned business.

If you missed our webinar with the SF Chamber of Commerce this week, you can still watch Policy and Projects Director Elizabeth Newman discuss how the issues of race and gender bias and discrimination in the workplace are exacerbated by the current crises and what we can do to address them. [Watch Now!](#)

For resources for businesses and employees visit: <https://oewd.org/resources-businesses-and-employees-impacted-covid-19>.



Have your say! VOTE your way!
November 3, 2020, Consolidated General Election

The Commission and Department on the Status of Women remain dedicated to serving the City and County of San Francisco, and we are here to support you and the community.

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