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# Let's Break Records!

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Are you inspired by the world-class skaters, skiers and first-ever women ski jumpers? We are. Because excellence, and the preparation, training and discipline that go into it, can be transformative. Recruiting gold-medal worthy women for the state legislature requires an Olympic-sized effort from all of us.

We've found excellent women devoted to improving the lives of 38 million Californians and they're running! **But this is only the beginning.**

Here's what you can do:

**Step 1)** Join us on the Stop the Slide Tour. We're launching a multi-city tour to raise awareness and recruit progressive women to run in 2016, featuring all-star speakers including Asm. Sharon Quick-Silver, State Sen. Christine Kehoe (retired), SF Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu and special guest, Rebecca Sive, author of "Every Day is Election Day."

- **LA** March 8 – Hyatt Regency LA Downtown, 4 pm
- **San Diego** March 9 – Women's Museum of CA, 3:30 pm
- **SF** March 10 – The Bar Association of San Francisco Conference Center, 6:30 pm
- **Palo Alto** March 11 – Woman's Club of Palo Alto, 7:30 pm

RSVP and latest Tour details here.

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Many thanks to our growing list of co-hosts and allies including BASF's *No Glass Ceiling Initiative*, California List, HOPE-PAC, LAAAWPPI, NWPC, Planned Parenthood Action Fund of the Pacific Southwest, Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project LA County and Run Women Run.

**Step 2)** Listen to our webinar recording on “How to Be An Ace Recruiter.”

**Step 3)** Ask an excellent woman to run.

**Step 4)** Tell your friends to LIKE us on Facebook!

**IN THE NEWS:**
Riverside Press-Enterprise: "Gender Imbalance Grows Among Elected Leaders"

**close the gap CA** *is a statewide campaign to find talented, progressive women to run for open seats in the California legislature in 2014 and 2016. With focus and a targeted strategy, we can ‘close the gap’ and not just the gender gap. When we elect progressive women, we take steps to close the school funding gap, the access gap to affordable health and reproductive care, and the growing gap between the wealthy and those in poverty.*

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