

Women's March Contra Costa - Empowerment by Voting

Voting Is Our Super Power takes to the streets, phones & texts to make sure every voice is counted

(Civic Park, Walnut Creek, CA) Women's March Contra Costa (WMCC) is hosting its 4th annual march on January 18, 2020, welcoming all who value protecting women's rights and gender equality, sensible gun legislation, clean air and environmental safeguards, humane immigration reform and American democracy. As we head into the 2020 election, the right to vote and the right to have that vote counted is critical. This year's March's theme, **Voting is Our Super Power**, emphasizes the sanctity of this right while celebrating the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, giving women the right to vote.

To kickoff the event, Shannon Watts, founder of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America - the nation's largest grassroots gun violence prevention group with chapters in all 50 states will be the headline speaker. Additional speakers include, Planned Parenthood Public Affairs Director, Lauren Babb, U.S. Congressperson Mark DeSaulnier, and California Assemblyperson, Rebecca Bauer-Kahan,; each covering issues pertinent to the 2020 election.

According to WMCC Co-President Leslie Shafton, "This year's march is only the beginning of a year-long campaign to activate every citizen to get involved and become a positive force for change, be it through texting campaigns, phone banking or physical canvassing, WMCC is committed to supporting groups that align with these goals." WMCC is coordinating efforts with Contra Costa NOW, San Ramon Democratic Club, Diablo Valley Democrats, Commit to Flip Blue, 350 Contra Costa, League of Women Voters Diablo Valley, Association of American University Women, Planned Parenthood, Citizens' Climate Lobby, Interfaith Council and Moms Demand Action San Ramon.

WMCC invites all women, men, and children of all races and ages to a family friendly event to peacefully rally and march. On hand will be a Suffragette photo opportunity, hat and shirt sales and sign decorating booth with award for most creative sign.

- **When:** Saturday, January 18, 2020: from 10:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Where:** Civic Park in Walnut Creek, CA (on the corner of Broadway and Civic)
- **Details:** 10:00 Meet and greet
10:30 Rally with speakers
11:00 March through Walnut Creek
11:30 **Voting is Our Super Power** Celebration with booths and activities and signups for volunteering in multiple capacities.
- **March Route:** Scheduled to start at 11:00am, map available on the [event website](#). Streets will not be closed to traffic. The march is on the sidewalk only, on both sides of the street from Civic Park, heading south on Broadway, west on Mt. Diablo, north on Main St and east on Civic Dr.
- **Media check-in:** starting at 10:00 a.m. at the press table in Civic Park.

About the Women's March Contra Costa

Women's March Contra Costa is a local movement dedicated to empowering, educating and mobilizing citizens of Contra Costa County to stand together in support of civil liberties and protecting our planet. As women, we stand in solidarity as the unifying force that binds families together and unites communities. Our focus is to support, educate and organize events providing meaningful connections, and to speak out against intolerance.

IMPORTANT LINKS

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