



WOMEN'S ACTION NETWORK

The *Women's Action Network (WAN)* is a Silicon Valley coalition of diverse individuals and groups that works to position itself as a significant partner to state and local governments in addressing the welfare of women and girls.

The mission of the *Women's Action Network* is to provide a collective voice to impact policies, laws and practices affecting women's lives.

WAN is the result of a meeting in 2001 of area non-profits that share common goals & core values regarding the welfare of women & girls.

2004 FOCUS ISSUES

Women Center in SC County
Women's Health
Women's Education
Criminal Justice for women
Economic Empowerment
Violence against women
Decision Making & Political Involvement

BENEFITS

Collaborative strength from a unified voice
Network for immediate action
Joint research and action
Clearinghouse for information on policy positions, legislation and events
Effective cross-organization communication through directories & online list serve

ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

On-line list serve to track action-alerts and events of interest

A directory of local women's organizations and programs serving women and girls

Identified and prioritized specific areas of mutual interest

Legislative, Media & Program committees to further our mission.

Online presence with Interactive website

SAMPLE LEGISLATIVE ALERTS

Plans to Cut Aid to Global Poor

Impact of State Budget Cuts on Women's Health Issue

California Welfare Legislation Update

The Safe and Healthy Marriage Act,

Title IX updates

Judicial Nominations

CEDAW



Women's Action Network

participants are active in a diverse array of organizations, including -

American Association of University Women, Palo Alto (AAUW-PA)

California Women's Agenda (CAWA)

Coalition for Equal Pay

Commission on the Status of Women, Santa Clara County

Girl Scouts of Santa Clara County

League of Women Voters of Palo Alto and of Mountain View/Los Altos

9to5 Bay Area (National Association of Working Women)

Planned Parenthood Mar Monte

SanJose/SouthBay National Organization for Women (NOW)

United Nations Association of the Midpeninsula (UNA)

Women As Allies

WAN supports the principles outlined in the Platform for Action, the official document created at the UN 4th World Conference on Women, 1995, as the foundation for creating a continuing, forceful, and collective voice that favorably affects all public policy that has gender implications.

WAN's partners are:

California Women's Agenda- CAWA
National Partnership for Women & Families -NPWF

Women's Intercultural Network
WIN

Office of Women's Advocacy, SCC-
OWA

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"The fastest way to change society is to mobilize the women of the world"

*Charles Malik, Chair,
UN General Assembly's
Third Committee*

