SOLANO COMMISSION for WOMEN and GIRLS PURPOSE MISSION GOALS

(February 1st, 2018)

NAME: Solano Commission for Women and Girls

ENABLING MANDATE: Approved with edits

LOGO: Solano County's Mother Earth Statue (some version of the statue)

PURPOSE (approved)

The Solano Commission for Women and Girls shall provide community education, and advisement to the Solano County Board of Supervisors, and other entities as necessary, on issues relating to the changing social and economic conditions of women and girls in the county. The Commission will increase awareness of women's issues, celebrate the achievements of local deserving women, champion opportunities for women and girls, and recommend legislative solutions at the city, county, state and federal level. Areas of focus, will include, but not be limited to: socio-economic conditions, workplace issues, social treatment of gender issues, education and health and safety for women and girls.

MISSION (approved)

Improve the economic status, health and social welfare, and overall quality of life for women and girls in Solano County.

GOALS (approved)

Provide a focal point for issues related to women and girls in Solano County

Educate and advise the Board of Supervisors and the public on issues relating to the changing social and economic conditions of women and girls in the county, with emphasis on the economically disadvantaged.

Legislatively advocate on behalf of women and girls

Advocate for full equality in all areas of life for women and girls and promote their rights and opportunities

Organize and co-sponsor conferences, forums, and public hearings which address issues related to women and girls

POTENTIAL ACTIVITIES (approved)

- Collect and analyze data of women and children in poverty
- Host events to support the empowerment of women and girls
- Conduct a Gender Analysis of Boards and Commissions
- Promote Women's Political Leadership Development
- Conduct a Women's Clothing Drive
- Raise awareness on Human Trafficking and the need for prevention

- Advocate for gender responsive programming options at the Women's Correctional Center
- Legislative Advocacy
- Hold a Women's Hall of Fame or Women Making History celebration
- Hold a Women's Art Exhibit During the month of March (Women's History Month)
- Create a permanent Women's Hall of Fame Exhibit
- Develop a social media platform (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- Develop a Website
- Develop a Women in Leadership Program (a series of panel and roundtable discussions presented by the Solano Commission for Women and Girls aimed at supporting gender equality and opportunities for women in the workplace. Our goal is to raise awareness in Solano County, provide a call to action to organizations and businesses to close the leadership gap, and to encourage and empower women.)
- Develop a "Expanding Women Entrepreneurs" program
- Create Reports: Family Violence, Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Solano County (see San Francisco Commission report)

POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES:

Form Friends of the Solano Commission for Women and Girls. For example, San Francisco's "Friends of the Commission on the Status of Women" is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation founded in 1976. Its purpose is to raise awareness and funding for activities and initiatives of the Commission that are not funded by the City of San Francisco.

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