Since 1971, the Junior Leagues of California State Public Affairs Committee (CalSPAC) has represented the interests of its member Leagues and their community projects to policymakers at the national, state, and local levels. CalSPAC advocates for legislation favorable to its member Leagues’ projects and issues in the following four focus areas: health, education, family support, and violence prevention.

Our mission is to take action on select state and national issues that support our projects, mission, focus areas and/or positions statements, to educate individual Junior League members on issues selected for action by CalSPAC, to facilitate communication among the member Junior Leagues of California in the area of public affairs, to provide training in advocacy skills and strategies, and to act as the representative of the member leagues at the state and national levels.

Since 1992, CalSPAC has sponsored six bills and co-sponsored three bills that are now California Law; sponsored one California Resolution; and co-sponsored one Congressional Resolution.

The Junior Leagues of California are organizations of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving our communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

CalSPAC represents 17 member Junior Leagues comprised of over 10,000 women volunteers across the State of California:

The Junior League of Bakersfield
The Junior League of Fresno
The Junior League of Long Beach
The Junior League of Los Angeles
The Junior League of San Joaquin County
The Junior League of Monterey County
The Junior League of Napa-Sonoma
The Junior League of Oakland East-Bay
The Junior League of Orange County
The Junior League of Palo Alto-Mid Peninsula
The Junior League of Pasadena
The Junior League of Riverside
The Junior League of Sacramento
The Junior League of San Diego
The Junior League of San Francisco
The Junior League of San Joaquin County
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CalSPAC Position Statements

Our advocacy efforts are targeted to policy within the following focus areas:

**Education**
SPAC is committed to ensuring that all children and young adults receive educational opportunities that are developmentally appropriate, increase achievement, and lead to workplace marketability.

**Health**
SPAC is committed to advocating for better access to quality health care and prevention programs that will improve mental and physical health of our community members.

**Family Support**
SPAC is committed to advocating for programs and policies that promote the physical and emotional well-being of all families.

**Violence Prevention**
SPAC is committed to addressing the impact of violence in our communities through prevention, intervention and education.

**Human Trafficking**
SPAC is committed to ending human trafficking in all its forms. SPAC supports policies and programs that stop human trafficking, advocate for victims, and educate the community at large.

Additionally, since 1992, SPAC has sponsored or co-sponsored 11 pieces of legislation that have become law:

**Health**

**ACR 53 Kelly Abraham Martinez Act (2011)**
Recommends the development of a statewide perinatal depression collaborative task force. Urges education for healthcare workers and families about perinatal depression prevention, risk factors and triggers.

**ACR 105 (2010)**
Designates the month of May as "Perinatal Depression Awareness Month" in California.

**SJR 22 (2006)**
Memorializes the U.S. Congress and President to enact the Microbicides Development Act to facilitate the development of microbicides to prevent the transmission of HIV and other diseases.

**AB 2878 (2000)**
Provides breast cancer treatment for uninsured women.

**AB 38 (1997)**
Establishes a minimum hour standard of in-patient care following childbirth.

**Family Support**

**AB 2661 (2004)**
Requires DSS to provide access to information relating to decertification of foster care families.

**AB 2268 (1993)**
Establishes the Children's Bicycle Helmet Law.

**AB 3087 (1992)**
Establishes the Kids License Plate to fund child abuse prevention and prevent unintentional injury.

**Violence Prevention**

**SB 564 (2002)**
Requires training for mental health in domestic violence detection.

**SB 563 (1999)**
Expands domestic violence statutes to include former spouses and co-habitants.

**AB 102 (1997)**
Enhances the penalties for committing domestic violence in the presence of a minor.