Project Title

Answer the following questions for yourself and share with the other members of the team. Consolidate your answers to help build an effective team.

Question	Answer
Describe success for your project?	
With respect to working on projects, what are your strengths? What do you like to do?	
What do you think would help to make this a positive and productive team?	
How can we set up each other for success?	
How would you describe a dependable teammate?	
What challenges or obstacles you face in working on this project that your teammates should know about?	

### To: San Mateo County Commission on the Status of Women From: Aeneas Bufiy, San Mateo County Youth Commissioner Date: 1/18/20 Subject: Commissioner Updates for January 16th Private Meeting

### Updates:

- Breakfast Up! School Breakfast Participation Event
  - Breakfast Up! Is a program to educate kids and teens on the importance of breakfast. Also, Breakfast Up! provides school breakfasts in schools all over San Mateo County
  - Event is to increase the participation of students in school Breakfast programs
  - Wanted Youth Commission to sponsor it. Youth Commission passed a motion to sponsor it.
  - Heather Hopkins
- Children's Collaborative Success-Drafting a letter of support
  - Children's Collaborative Success is a program that aims to identify which kids are most vulnerable to go into Juvenile Hall or behavioral rehab centers. The program also looks to identify solutions, and act on them, so that kids in San Mateo County can stay out of Juvenile Hall or behavioral rehab centers.
  - Youth Commission voted to write a letter of support to the board of supervisors for this program.
  - Maeve Johnston
- Health and Wellness Committee- Vote to send letters to Board of Supervisors
  - 1st letter entails that more mental health resources must be introduced into San Mateo County. Youth Commission voted to send this letter to BOS.
  - 2nd letter entails to pump more funding into IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) to ensure special needs programs are not cut and more can be introduced. Youth Commission voted to send this letter to BOS.
- Environmental Justice Committee- Vote on letter that would declare climate emergency in San Mateo County.
  - Letter is to put pressure on the Board of Supervisors and School Boards to take more drastic actions to combat climate change.
  - Letter is approved and has been sent to BOS and School Boards.
  - Climate Emergency has now been declared by Youth Commission.

To: San Mateo County Commission on the Status of Women

From: Becky Abens, Commissioner

Date: January 28, 2020

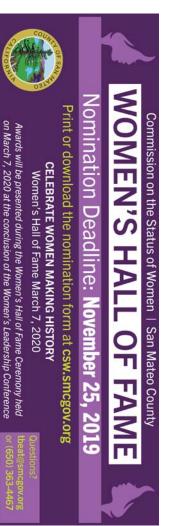
### Subject: Commissioner Updates

Update:

- <u>Quarterly Domestic Violence Council Meeting</u> January 9, 2020
  - Report outs from:
    - Domestic Violence Awareness Committee Lori Smiley-Klinger
      - Presented some basic statistics for local DV service providers
        - Questions and ideas for more meaningful insights from currently available data
    - Legal Process Committee- Melissa Gibbs
      - Looking at law enforcement protocols for "civil stand-bys" (e.g. victim/perpetrator move outs); currently each local department handles these calls differently
      - Looking at strangulation protocols for law enforcement (strangulation can be an indicator of lethality and important risk factor for homicide)
      - A robust discussion ensued about strangulation, criminal charges, and possible legislative opportunities to provide law enforcement and prosecutors with more tools
  - Facilitated discussion to decide on areas of focus for 2020
    - Brainstorm of focus areas-where can we have an impact, stop the cycle, and improve
    - Count of areas where council members were most interested
    - Vote on focus areas at next meeting in April
  - o Announcements
    - Next meeting: 4/9/2020
    - Bay Area Legal Aid was present to remind folks that they work on domestic violence and family law issues; they hold restraining order clinics all over the bay area
    - CORA's annual luncheon is March 6<sup>th</sup>; speaker is Rachel Louise Snyder, author of No Visible Bruises, more information and tickets on website

### Overview

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Belinda Hernandez-Arriaga Judge Beth Labson Freeman

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Sarah Pistorino

Celine Wen

## Women's Hall of Fame 2020







Judge Beth Labson Freeman is a Judge on the Federal Court in the Northern District of California, appointed by President Obama in 2014. Judge Freeman sits in the San Jose Division, hearing a broad array of cases including antitrust, civil rights, consumer class actions, commercial litigation and technology cases including patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret cases. She serves on the Northern District's patent local rules and jury instruction committees. Judge Freeman previously was a Superior Court Judge in San Mateo County, California from 2001 to 2014. Judge Freeman served as Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge of the San Mateo Court.

Prior to her appointment to the bench in 2001, Judge Freeman was deputy county

counsel in San Mateo County, and an associate attorney at Lasky, Haas and Cohler in San Francisco and Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver and Jacobson in Washington, D.C. Judge Freeman is a graduate of the Harvard Law School and University of California, Berkeley.

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children living in San Mateo County. She has spent a and live in the coastal community of Half Moon Bay. struggle in search for equity. Her work is centered in human children and families to tell their stories of strength and connections for healing. Belinda is committed to social Ballet Folklorico and drumming as part of cultural the cultural arts, where she has grown programs of Mariachi Latino youth. A significant part of her work is dedicated to experiences that impact undocumented and mixed status understanding the emotional, psychological and traumatic Border Relief team to provide advocacy and support to the South Texas border over the past year with the Bay Area significant amount of time supporting migrant children at trauma, u-visas, asylum and has worked with newcomer extensive work with farmworker families and their children, Latino Advisory Council in Half Moon Bay. Belinda has done work. She is a Licensed Clinician. She is co founder of the USF with a doctorate in education and a masters in social living on coastside. Dr. Hernandez Arriaga is a graduate from program dedicated to working with rural youth and families cultural arts, education, mental health and social justice Ayudando Latinos A Soñar (www.alashmb.org), a Latino Education. She is Founder and Chief Executive Director of the University of San Francisco in the School of justice advocacy and is committed to elevating voices of families in crisis. Her current research is focused on her mental health practice is focused on immigration Dr. Belinda Hernandez Arriaga is an Assistant Professor at rights. She and her husband have three young daughters



# Young Woman of Excellence 2020





Celine (Huijia) Wen, a current Junior at Aragon High School, immigrated from China in 2016 and lives in San Mateo. She founded Women of the World Club in her school in 2017 for her interest and passion to help out women, especially homeless women in the Bay Area. The club collects donations through bake sales, farmer's markets, and collaborations with organizations like Happy Period and Saint Bartholomew's Church. Funds collected during every three-month period are used to purchase hygiene products for homeless women. Outside of school, Celine volunteers at Friends of Children with Special Needs (FCSN) and teaches autistic children arts and crafts every other week for three years and was awarded Best Volunteer of the Year in 2018. Celine is also a varsity tennis and badminton player at Aragon. While working hard in school, she continuously encourages herself to give back to society and help the underprivileged.

# Young Woman of Excellence 2020





**Sarah Pistorino** joined the San Mateo County Youth Commission in 2016 as a freshman at Sacred Heart Preparatory High School and currently serves as Chair. She is a founding member of the SafeSpace Youth Advisory Board, an organization that provides resources to youth around mental health, referral to services, on-site counseling and communities where youth can connect and share their stories. With her work on the Youth Commission she has shown leadership with her fellow commission members and has worked closely with Supervisor Carole Groom on projects such as the development of the County's Social Host Ordinance and cannabis health education campaign, Decoded. Sarah lives in Menlo Park and is looking forward to continuing her development in higher education this coming fall.



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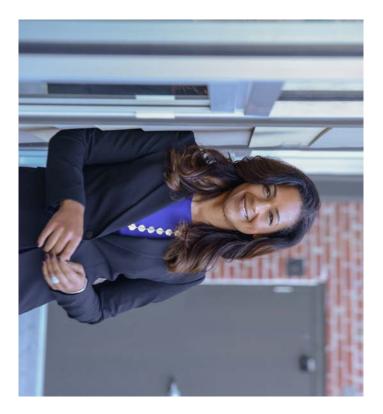
### Keynote

Aimee Allison is the founder and president of <u>She the People</u>, a national network elevating the political voice and power of women of color. By bringing together the nation's top women of color candidates, strategists, and movement leaders, Ms. Allison was one of the primary architects for the electoral successes in 2018 that made it the "year of women of color in politics."

In April 2019, she convened the first presidential forum for women of color, reaching a quarter of the American population on social media and inspiring thousands of articles and news segments. A democratic innovator and visionary, Ms. Allison leads national efforts to build inclusive, multiracial coalitions led by women of color. In addition, she leverages media, research and analysis to expand the electorate and support leaders who advocate for racial, economic and gender justice.

A thought leader, a speaker, and a writer, Ms. Allison has been featured at NetRoots, Women's March, Politicon, Harvard University, Stanford University and SXSW. She was featured in Politico's 2019 Powerlist. In the early 1990's, Ms. Allison was one of the first women of color to be honorably discharged from the U.S. Army as a conscientious objector and works today to support courageous, moral leadership.

Aimee Allison holds a B.A. and M.A. from Stanford University. Author of Army of None, she has written for the New York Times, The Hill, Teen Vouge and ESSENCE Magazine and has appeared in hundreds of outlets including MSNBC, CNN, the Washington Post, Associated Press and PBS.



### Emcee

A lawyer by schooling and nonprofit executive by trade, **Aila Malik** has been a change-agent in her community and the nonprofit sector, at large, for over two decades. Aila earned her B.S. in Environmental Science from UC Santa Barbara, JD from Santa Clara Law School, and has received recognition for her leadership, activism, and tireless service. In 2015, Aila founded a unique management-consulting firm, <u>Venture Leadership</u> <u>Consulting</u>, which partners with not-for-profit organizations to drive performance and scale solutions the close systemic gaps of inequity. Aila's greatest motivation for social change is her desire for her three kids live in a world where disparity does not limit access to opportunity, such that ALL people have a chance to live a healthy and fulfilling life.



### Speakers / Panelists

<u>Mental Health Panel:</u> <u>Helene Zimmerman, NAMI</u> Maria Lorente, BHRS Molly Henricks, SMCOE

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<u>Workplace – STEM:</u> Jing Yi, Genentech Merline Saintil, Change Healthcare Subha Rajana, Biarca Giuliana Garcia, Oculus/Facebook

<u>Workplace – Academia:</u> Toni Moos, San Jose City College

<u>Youth-Led Advocacy Panel:</u> Youth Leadership Institute Hénia Belalia, About-Face Celine Wen, Young Woman of Excellence <u>Elected Representatives Panel:</u> Richa Awasthi, Foster City Amourence Lee, San Mateo Cecilia Taylor, Menlo Park SMCOE Superintendent Nancy Magee Supervisor Carole Groom <u>Grassroots Panel:</u> Belinda Hernandez-Arriaga, ALAS Colsaria Henderson, CORA Rita Mancera, PUENTE Monica Valencia, Dreamer Fund

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