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One Hundred Years and We're Just Getting Started

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment Giving Women the Right to Vote
Media Op to Celebrate a Week of Activities

WHO: **San Antonio 19th Amendment Centennial Committee**, a committee of 45 women including:
Senator Judith Zaffirini, TX District 21
Representative Ina Minjarez, TX District 124
First Lady Erika Prosper
Councilwoman Jada Andrews-Sullivan, District 2
Councilwoman Melissa Cabello-Havrda, District 6
Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales, District 5
Councilwoman Adriana Rocha-Garcia, District 4
Councilwoman Ana Sandoval, District 7
Councilwoman Rebecca Viagran, District 3

WHAT: Join women from across San Antonio on August 18, to honor the 100th anniversary of the women's suffrage movement and the ratification of the 19th Amendment, giving women the constitutional right to vote. And, recognize the 55th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (August 9) and remember that it took the Voting Rights Act and the civil rights movement to enforce the voting rights guaranteed by the 14th and 15th Amendments for our Black, Latinx, Asian, and Indigenous sisters.

WHERE: Brackenridge Way and Tuleta Drive in Brackenridge Park; parking is available on Brackenridge Way.

WHEN: Sunday, August 16 at 10:30 a.m.
(If you are interested in pre-coverage prior to this event, please contact Michele Brown at 210-884-8075)

VISUALS: We will meet in Brackenridge Park in honor of Eleanor Brackenridge, a suffragist and the first woman in San Antonio to register to vote. Committee members will be wearing white like the suffragists who used this as a symbol of strength and solidarity of the women's suffrage movement. Participants will tie white ribbons around trees in the park. This activity will require masks and social distancing to participate.

HOW: Here's how you can recognize and honor our suffragist sisters and all who fought for women's rights, paving the way for generations of women to make our voices heard:

- VOTE November 3! [Get registered to vote by clicking here](#) and click “Register to Vote” under the “Quick Resources” section. Deadline to register for the November 3 election is October 3.
- Light the Night in White! On August 18, turn your porch light on to honor the women suffragists of the 1920s known for wearing white to show their support for voting rights.
- During the week of August 16, tie a white ribbon on a tree, mailbox, or porch to honor the sisters of the women’s suffrage movement. Snap and share a photo on social media using the hashtags [#100YearsOfWomenVoting/#SASuffragists/#VotingWomenMakeADifference](#).
- Starting the week of August 16, more than 500 white ribbons tied to the trees along the San Antonio Riverwalk.
- A flyover by the [Women in Aviation Alamo City Chapter](#) at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 21. The flyover path starts at Stinson Municipal Airport and will travel over the San Antonio Missions, University of the Incarnate Word School of Osteopathic Medicine, downtown San Antonio, The Pearl, Providence High School, Brackenridge Park, Incarnate Word High School, University of the Incarnate Word, Our Lady of the Lake University, and the Young Women’s Leadership Academy.
- Join The [League of Women Voters of the San Antonio Area](#) and Can We Talk for the virtual event, “Hard Won, Not Done.” This virtual celebration will take place on Wednesday, August 26 at 7:00 p.m. and is free. Details can be found at <https://lwvsa.org/>.
- [Download](#) the youth guidebook which provides interactive opportunities for students to do at home or in the classroom. In addition, we encourage all kids ages 6-18 in Bexar County to participate in an essay contest ending August 31 and have the chance to win a Chromebook, Whataburger gift cards, H-E-B gift baskets, and the archival of the essay into the newly established National Institute of Mexican American History of Civil Rights at Our Lady of the Lake University.

For more information go to 100yearsofwomenvotingsa.com

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