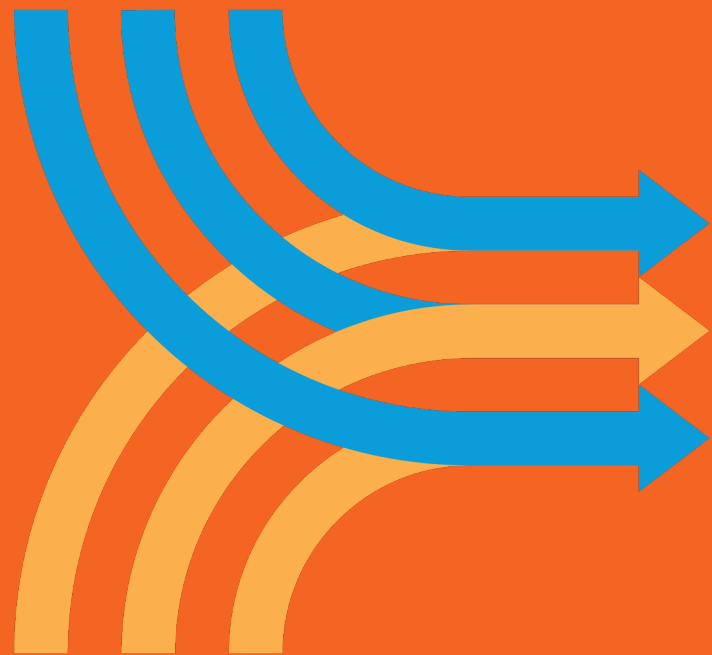

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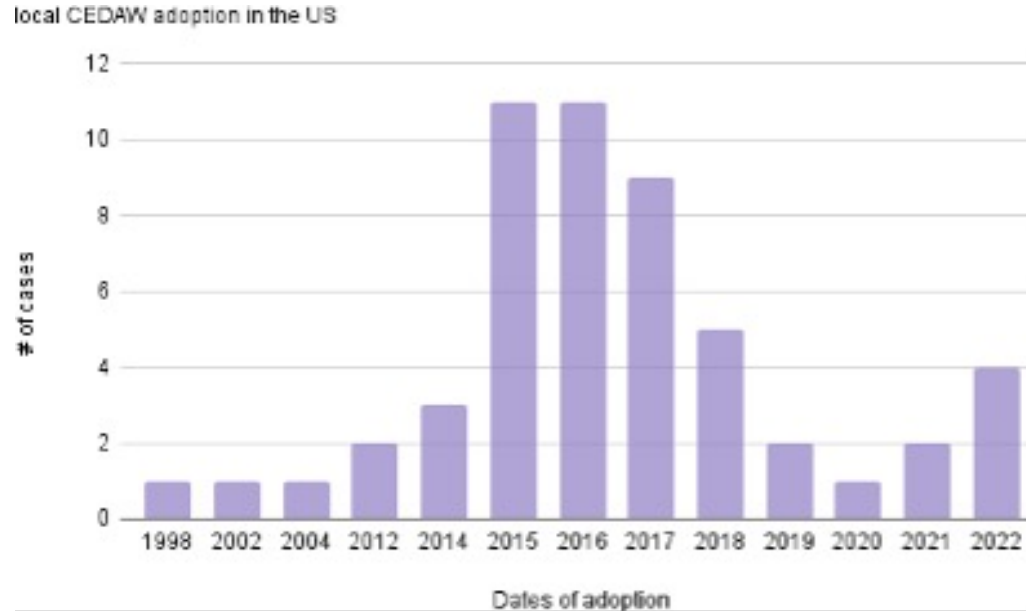
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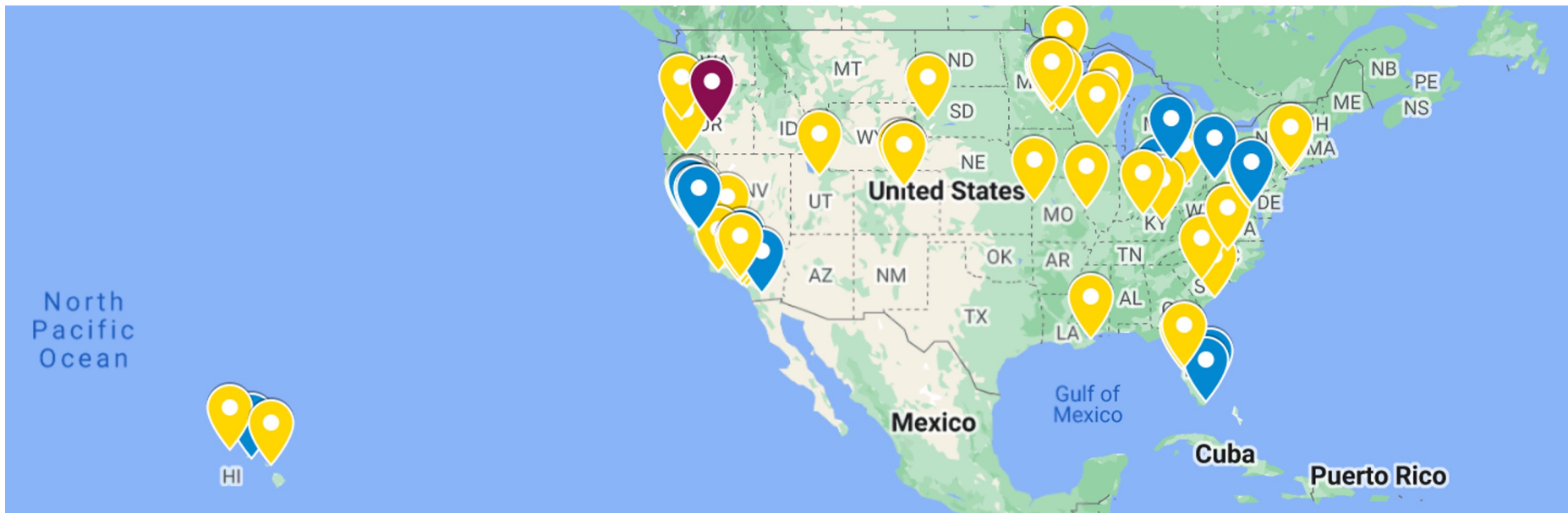
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Our Common Agenda

Campaign data



(Source: Sarah Kimiko Ernst, "Network Dynamics of Grassroot Activism: The Case of "Cities for CEDAW" in the United States", B.SC.Thesis, University of Twente, 2022)



Source: Cities for CEDAW History and Futures Project

CEDAW Ordinances and Resolutions are currently signed in nearly 65 cities, towns, counties, and states and covers 80 million Americans



What are the Issues C4C is Tackling in the U.S.?

A Focus on Substantive Equality

Most CEDAW resolutions and ordinances address:

- Discrimination
 - Violence against women
 - Education
 - Economic development
 - Health
 - Pay equity
 - Human trafficking.
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Standout Success: San Francisco

No domestic violence related homicides for 14 consecutive months

First municipality to provide 12 weeks of 100 percent paid parental leave to city male and female employees and flexible workplace

Tracks data on appointees to city commissions and boards by gender, LGBTQ+ status, disability and ethnicity/race

Standout Success: Los Angeles and LA county

2014 Mayor Garcetti:
Mayoral Declaration
For Gender Budgeting



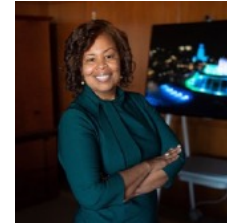
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Board of Supervisors

Fesia Davenport
Chief Executive
Officer



Chanel Smith
Women & Girls
Initiative Executive
Director



Transform political culture



The all-women city council in St. Paul, Minnesota, a City for CEDAW



Strategies to Change Political Culture

Public education and coalition building before an ordinance or resolution helps to ensure sustainable momentum

Male mayors and City Councils can be CEDAW champions of change and take the CEDAW Challenge

Counties and States can use levers to change social norms and political culture in other places

Local Financing

Women's funds

University research

Law schools

Friends of Women's Commissions

Women's Funding Network

PUBLIC FUNDING IN CEDAW
ORDINANCES



CELEBRATING THE PASSAGE OF

EDAW

Elimination of Discrimination Against Women

IN WASHINGTON, DC

*a gender analysis every four years

*ensure training on gender equity and human rights

The ordinance will be monitored in its 80 plus agencies so that resources are allocated throughout departments



Mayor 's Office of Women's Policy and Initiatives

**BASELINE DATA IN CEDAW
ORDINANCES (ad here)**

**Gender budgeting all city
departments (Los
Angeles, San Francisco)**

**CEDAW's impact beyond
numbers**

- **Measuring
Impact**

Push Forward



Connecting Global to Local is a two-way process

The Cities for CEDAW campaign can bring its innovation and leadership to the international arena.



international feminist and women's movements can benefit from the experiences of the Cities for CEDAW campaign.

**WELCOME TO THE MOVEMENT
TO END DISCRIMINATION
IN YOUR CITY**



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Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women





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The CEDAW Challenge for Future Generations:

Why Innovation Matters

March

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2024

Parallel Event for CSW68

10:30 -12:00 PM

Church Center | 2nd floor | 777 UN Plaza

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Cities for CEDAW unites leaders, human rights advocates, UN experts, and youth activists and will share innovative strategies that connect human rights of women and girls from the global to local level.

Scan code below to register for the event or click [here](#).



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Summit of the Future and SDGs

**Strengthen accountability
through CEDAW**

- Use CEDAW for all 17 SDGs: accountability and implementation
- CSW works closer with UN Habitat
- Cities for CEDAW leaders help the Local Voluntary Reports submitted to the High-Level Political Forum in 2024

