

Electing more women, and especially women of color, to state legislatures will create a more representative government and accelerate social progress.

State legislatures create **real change** for communities and serve as a **training ground** for higher office.

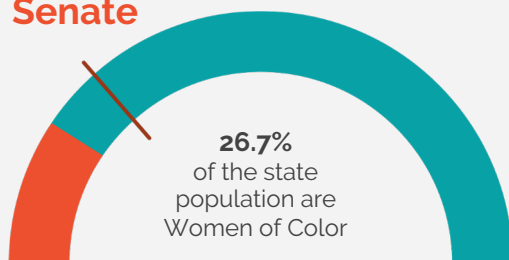


How representative is Nevada's state legislature today?

Nevada is the only state in the U.S. to have achieved gender parity in the state legislature.

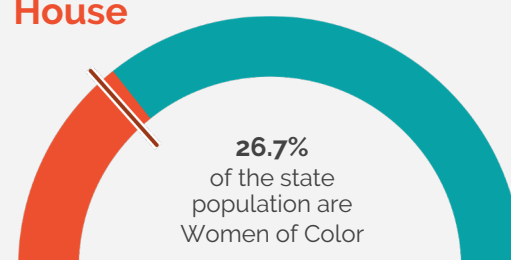
More women of color must be elected to both the Senate and House to reflect the state population.

Senate



19.1% of state senators are Women of Color

House



13.3% of state senators are Women of Color

2024 Electoral dynamics

Extensive recruitment efforts by in-state leaders resulted in **women running in 86% of the targeted, competitive state legislative races**. This includes four of four competitive Senate races and nine out of 11 House races. **Eight of the 13 recruited candidates are women of color**.

Nevada is a top presidential target, and U.S. Senator Jacky Rosen will have a very competitive reelection. Three of the state's four congressional races are also competitive.

All members of the house and half of the senate seats are up for reelection in 2024.

Legislators are limited to serving a total of 12 years in each chamber.

The primary election is on **June 11, 2024**.

WomenCount is an online giving platform that raises funds for women candidates and simplifies the giving process. WomenCount and Electing Women Alliance, a national network of giving groups, work together to close the political gender giving gap as a pathway to electing more women.

Campaign finance considerations

Donation limit:

\$5,000 per separate primary or general election.

- LLCs can contribute directly to candidates.
- There are no unique disclosure requirements for independent expenditures.

All donors are advised to consult an accountant and/or legal counsel to determine the limits and reporting requirements that apply.

Overarching campaigns that are supporting key women candidates



Nevada Legislative Victory Fund

After narrowly winning in 2022, Republican Governor Joe Lombardo has made it his mission to break the power of Nevada's majority-female, pro-middle class Senate and Assembly. In his first year in office, Lombardo vetoed 75 bills, including legislation for affordable housing, cheaper prescription drugs, collective bargaining, gun safety, clean energy, and free breakfast and lunches at public schools. At least 10 seats that are currently held by women are being targeted, including Senate Majority Leader Nicole Cannizzaro. The Nevada Legislative Victory Fund is working to protect and expand the list of women state legislators.

Urgent: Candidates in need of primary support before June 11



Jennifer Atlas for State Senate

Senate District 5 (Henderson and Clark counties)

Atlas is an 18-year Las Vegas resident, single mother, and advocate for schools, teachers, and kids. She first came to Nevada pursuing a career as a ballroom dancer and has gone on to work in the gaming and hospitality industry with one of Nevada's largest companies. A passionate advocate for education, Atlas is serving her second term on the City of Henderson's Blue Ribbon Commission on Education. Her focus is on diversifying the state's economy, creating good paying jobs, expanding access to affordable health care, protecting women's health care rights, and ensuring every classroom has a qualified teacher.



Rep. Angela Taylor for State Senate

Senate District 15 (Washoe County)

Rep. Taylor is a lifelong educator and the first in her family to graduate from college. She also earned a doctoral degree. She currently represents assembly district 27, where she has sponsored and supported bills focused on protecting women's access to healthcare, improving public education, and creating more affordable housing opportunities.

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Cinthia Moore for State Assembly

Assembly District 11 (Clark County)

Moore works for the Nevada Environmental Justice Coalition where she advocates for healthier communities. She is an immigrant and mom, who has deep organizing experience around environmental issues. Moore's platform focuses on better schools, better jobs, and better healthcare for all Nevada residents, as well as protecting women's access to healthcare. She faces a man in the primary and will face one of two men from the Republican primary if she wins.



Mishon Montgomery for State Assembly

Assembly District 17 (Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, and Storey counties)

Montgomery is a passionate, award-winning motivational speaker, trainer, strategist, and coach. A United States Air Force Veteran, she has experience driving social impact initiatives and excels in leveraging leadership and diversity, equity, and inclusion concepts to create cultures of belonging in an equitable and accessible manner producing long-term sustainable change. Proudly hanging her boots in North Las Vegas, she is a wife, mother, business owner and advocate. Montgomery sits on the boards of Emerge Nevada, focusing on recruiting, training, and providing powerful networks to increase the number of women from diverse backgrounds in public office and Silver State Equality, a statewide LGBTQ+ civil rights organization.

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Candidates without active primaries, but where early support matters



Majority Leader Nicole Cannizzaro for State Senate

Senate District 6 (Clark County)

A former district attorney, Sen. Cannizzaro was first elected to the Nevada State Senate in 2016. During her time in the legislature, she has been a passionate advocate for the state's most vulnerable communities, sponsoring legislation to protect senior citizens from elder abuse, crack down on domestic violence offenders, and eliminate barriers for disabled veterans to obtain medical treatment. She also took the lead on legislation to increase access to mental health services through mobile mental health units and provided more workplace protections for pregnant women. The majority of Sen. Cannizzaro's bills were passed with bipartisan support and, in her first-term, signed by a Republican Governor.



Sen. Dallas Harris for State Senate

Senate District 11 (Clark County)

Since graduating from law school, Sen. Harris has dedicated her career to public service. From 2015 to 2017, she worked as a Policy Extern at Public Knowledge, a D.C.-based nonprofit that advocates for expanded broadband access and consumer protections. She then returned home to Nevada and took a job as an Administrative Attorney at the Public Utilities Commission until mid-2019. In her time in office, she has sponsored or supported bills related to public safety, workers' rights, affordable housing, and affordable housing.

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Majority Leader Sandra Jaregui for State Assembly

Assembly District 41 (Clark County)

Assembly Majority Leader Jaregui is running for her third consecutive term to represent Assembly District 41. In college, she worked for Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, where she directly served her community and helped Nevadans across the state secure affordable housing. Assemblymember Jaregui has proven throughout her career that she will fight for working-class Nevadans and their families. Her efforts include securing \$20M to support Nevada's Millennium Scholarship program; supporting efforts to recruit and retain healthcare staff; leading the charge for common-sense gun reform; and helping bring green jobs to the state.



Assm. Elaine Marzola for State Assembly

Assembly District 21 (Clark county)

Assemblymember Marzola was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, immigrating with her parents to Las Vegas, Nevada, in 1984. She attended law school as a single mom of a son who made the higher education journey with her. First elected in 2020, Assemblymember Marzola is honored to be part of the only female majority legislature in our nation's history. She is a mother, sister, and daughter dedicated to building a better Nevada for families. She is proud to have two brothers who are United States Marines and a son who graduated from the University of Reno, Nevada School of Medicine. During her time in office, she has been a dedicated public servant, sponsoring legislation to increase health care access, providing paid leave for workers, and getting teachers much-needed pay raises.

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Assm. Selana La Rue Hatch for State Assembly

Assembly District 25 (Washoe County)

Assemblymember La Rue Hatch has spent nearly a decade teaching underprivileged children in Washoe County School District, first at Hug High School and now at North Valleys High School. She believes that education is the only way we can truly change the world and is proud to help shape the next generation to be thoughtful, empathetic, and empowered leaders in our world. The realities of what educators have faced over the last several years inspired La Rue Hatch to serve. She was first elected as the Assemblymember for District 25 in 2022 and served in the Nevada Legislature for one regular and two special sessions. In her first regular session, she sponsored bills to improve the learning and working conditions in Nevada schools, address climate change, and protect the basic rights of all Nevadans. As an Assemblymember and classroom teacher, she has always been a fierce advocate for her community and fights every day to ensure that her constituents are heard in the halls of power.

Assm. Shea Backus for State Assembly

Assembly District 37 (Clark County)



Assemblymember Backus is a native Nevadan who had the benefit and continues to thrive from her public education from kindergarten through law school, where she had an emphasis in Native American legal issues. From personal life experiences, Assemblymember Backus understands the importance of access to health care. With her parents and in-laws aging, she recognizes the need for community and families to support our aging population. In her time in office, she has supported or sponsored bills related to access to healthcare, supporting women's access to healthcare, education and public safety. She wants to fight the good fight: for Nevadan children so that they benefit from a solid education, for Nevadans to continue to thrive from economic growth and clean energy, and for Nevadans to have access to affordable preventative and diagnostic health care.

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