



VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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Mission Statement

The Ventura County Commission for Women encourages, supports and facilitates the empowerment and education of Ventura County Women.

The Commission was established in 1981 to advise the Board of Supervisors on issues affecting women and to serve as a liaison organization with other county groups.

The Commission is composed of fifteen members, three of which are appointed by each of the five Supervisors. They serve in an advisory capacity to:

- Make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on issues impacting and/or relating to women and families.
- Coordinate efforts with federal, state, and local community groups to improve the quality of life for women and families.
- Conduct additional studies or tasks assigned or approved by the Board of Supervisors.

An ongoing project since May 2005 is a Ventura County Women's Summit guided by the issues identified at the 1995 Beijing Conference, e.g. women in poverty; education; health care; mechanisms to promote the advancement of women; power-sharing; and decision-making.

All of the commissioners have met with their Supervisor in the last three months and shared the ongoing plans for the summit. At the March 7, 2006 Board of Supervisors meeting many of the commissioners were present to accept a resolution for Women's History Month. Commission Chair Diana Goodrow shared ongoing projects of the commission and discussed the summit and its progress. The live broadcast can be reviewed on the County website http://ventura.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=16.