

Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women Regular Meeting Agenda Wednesday, March 12, 2025 | 6:30pm to 8:30pm



The Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women (COSW) is dedicated to advocating for the advancement and equitable treatment of women across all ages within the county. The commission works to promote social equality and parity in key areas, including housing, employment, healthcare, child and elder care, education, transportation, credit access, legal rights, and community services. Through advocacy, policy recommendations, and community engagement, COSW strives to create a more inclusive and just society for all women in Alameda County.

Attend In Person (required of all Commissioners):		
Gail Steele Multi Service Center		
24100 Amador St 6 th Floor – Wallflower Room		
Hayward CA, 94544		
Remote Attendance Options		
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Orly Amey, Chair	District 1			
Susan Burgess-Lent, Vice Chair	District 5			
Sonia Salwan, Secretary	District 1			
Guadalupe Angulo, Treasurer	District 2			
Veena Kaul	District 1			
Ilham S. Malick	District 2			
Angela Pedrigal	District 2			
Khilynn Fowler	District 3			
Patricia M. Castro	District 3			
Sheweet Yohannes	District 3			
Carlotta Brown	District 4			
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Vacant	District 4			
Vacant	District 4			
Vacant	Human Relations Commission			

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Welcome to the Commission on the Status of Women.

Public comment is permitted after each agenda item and during the open comment period for non-agenda items. Joining the meeting via Microsoft Teams:

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Guidelines for addressing the Commission:

- State your full name for the record before presenting.
- For non-agenda items, wait for the Chair to open the floor during the Regular Calendar.
- Only matters within the Commission's jurisdiction may be addressed.
- Time limits shall be at the discretion of the Chair.

Item No.	Topics	Presenters	Objective and Time
1.	Call to Order, Roll Call & Welcome Community Agreements Review	Chair Amey	Information (6:30 PM)
2.	 Approval of Minutes February 19, 2025, Regular Meeting 	Commissioners	Information/Action
3.	 Commissioner Announcements – Updates February 2024 CEDAW Update and Annual COSW Update to Social Services Committee March: Women's History Month and Proclamation at Board of Supervisors' Meeting Legislative Breakfast Update 	Commissioners, SSA Staff	Information/Action
4.	 COSW Submission to SSA Newsletter a. What should the first message be? b. How often will the commission make submissions? c. Does COSW want to have a standing submission? 	Vice Chair Burgess-Lent Commissioners	Information/Action
5.	Finalize Committee Formations and Meeting Times	Commissioners	Information/Action
6.	 Updates re: Policy and Advocacy CEDAW Ordinance Update and next steps March 10 CEDAW Public Hearing on Unhoused Women and Girls (Santa Clara County COSW) Legislative Platform Development/Brainstorming 	Chair Amey, Vice Chair Burgess- Lent	Information/Action

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7.	2025-2026 FY Budget Building	Commissioners	Information/Action
8.	Treasurer Report	Treasurer Angulo	Information/Action
9.	Agenda Building	Commissioners	Information/Action
10.	Public Comment		
11.	Appreciations, Closing and Adjournment	Commissioners	

NEXT COSW MEETING(S)

- Regular Meeting April 9, 2025 24100 Amador St 6th Floor Wallflower Room
- Regular Meeting May 14, 2025 24100 Amador St 2nd Floor California Poppy Room

OTHER MEETINGS, EVENTS, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

COSW COMMITTEES (*ex officio) Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee: TBD Communications Committee: TBD Policy and Advocacy Committee: TBD Junior Commission Committee: TBD Nomination Ad Hoc Committee: TBD