Womens History Month



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Women's History Month began as Women's History Week in 1978 in Sonoma County, California, and gained national recognition when President Jimmy Carter proclaimed it in 1980. In 1987, Congress officially designated March as Women's History Month to honor women's contributions to history, culture, and society. Each year, a theme is chosen to highlight specific achievements and challenges faced by women.

Women's History Month celebrates the achievements and resilience of women throughout history, highlighting their struggles and triumphs in the fight for equality. One of the most pressing modern challenges women face is homelessness, often driven by factors such as domestic violence, economic instability, and lack of access to affordable housing. Recognizing and addressing the unique barriers faced by homeless women aligns with the spirit of Women's History Month by advocating for policies, services, and support systems that empower all women to achieve stability, safety, and dignity.

In 2025, the National Women's History Alliance (NWHA) proudly presents the theme "Moving Forward Together! Women Educating & Inspiring Generations." This theme celebrates the collective strength, equality, and influence of women who have dedicated their lives to education, mentorship, and leadership, shaping the minds and futures of all generations.

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NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY ALLIANCE

Alternatives for Girls is a non-profit organization that offers safe shelter, crisis support, and various services to help women and girls avoid harm, succeed in school, and become community leaders. training, and other services. To find out more about the organization, visit their website at https://alternativesforgirls.org/

NSO is dedicated to alleviating homelessness by offering emergency shelter for women, permanent supportive housing, and rapid rehousing services. To find out more about the organization, visit their website at https://www.nso-mi.org/homeless-recovery-services.html

Alternatives For Girls

NSO
Neighborhood Service Organization

Sources + More Information

- *National Women's History Alliance:* https://endhomelessness.org/homelessness-in-america/who-experiences-homelessness/veterans/

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