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## ***WOMEN'S MARCH LOS ANGELES BRINGS OUT OVER 600K ATTENDEES***

### ***March Focused on Power to the Polls!***

(Los Angeles, CA January 20, 2018) – The Women's March Los Angeles returned to Downtown Los Angeles today for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual event, drawing an incredible turnout of over 600,000 attendees. The powerful lineup of activists and stars included **Elizabeth Banks, Chloe Bennet, Rowan Blanchard, Connie Britton, Yvette Nicole Brown, Sophia Bush, Ted Danson, Viola Davis, Lea DeLaria, Zoey Deutch, Tony Goldwyn, Sarah Hyland, Paris Jackson, Allison Janney, Scarlett Johansson, Mila Kunis, Ashton Kutcher, Eva Longoria, Megan Mullally, Olivia Munn, Lupita Nyong'o, Natalie Portman, Rob Reiner, Nicole Richie, Catt Sadler, Adam Scott, Jurnee Smollett-Bell, Mary Steenburgen, Lea Thompson, Marisa Tomei, Olivia Wilde, Larry Wilmore, Alfre Woodard, and Constance Wu**, and performers **Idina Menzel, Andra Day, Rachel Platten, Daya, Maxwell, Andy Grammer, Keala Settle**, and **The Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles** with **Melissa Etheridge**. Additional special guests included Mayor **Eric Garcetti**, GLAAD President **Sarah Kate Ellis**, Los Angeles LGBT Center CEO **Lorri L. Jean**, civil rights advocate **Kimberlé Williams Crenshaw**, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles President & CEO **Sue Dunlap**, Black Lives Matter's **Melina Abdullah**, ACLU of Southern California Executive Director **Hector Villagra**, Supervisor **Hilda L. Solis**, and more. Women's March Los Angeles is part of a national movement to unify and empower those who stand for women's rights, human rights, civil liberties and social justice for all.

This year the Women's March LA Foundation was committed to turning out the vote and used the power of today's March, along with the work being done by partner organizations, to bring attention to the urgency of preparing for the November midterm elections. The March encouraged participants to use their vote in order to help build a government that reflects their ideals, and provided the tools to do so by having voter registration available on-site. Speakers addressed important issues such as voter turnout, access, restrictions and intimidation, and discussed a plan of action leading up to November 2018 and beyond.

The 2018 Women's March Los Angeles featured music, art, community and speakers all aligned with the National Women's March Unity Principles of ending violence, protection of reproductive rights, LGBTQIA rights, workers' rights, civil rights, disability rights, immigrant rights, Indigenous people's rights and environmental justice. Crowds gathered at Pershing Square leading up to the 10:00AM start of the March, which brought everyone to Grand Park. The festivities continued at Grand Park with food trucks, an art exhibit, voter registration, community booths, speakers, performances, and more.

The event was streamed on [Facebook Live](#), where viewers were able to get a real time look as presenters, speakers and performers took the main stage. Supporters were also able to donate to the cause directly through Facebook's donate button. For additional information, please visit <https://womensmarchla.org/> and join the conversation on social media by following @wmnsmarchla and using #hearourvote #powertothevotes and #wmla2018.

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### **ABOUT THE WOMEN'S MARCH LOS ANGELES**

Women's March LA Foundation is a women-led 501c3 organization created in 2016 by the producers of the historic Women's March LA. Our mission is to bring attention to the struggles of marginalized communities and all attacks on human rights. At Women's March LA Foundation we recognize that there is no true peace, freedom or inclusion without equity for all, and through education, canvassing, social media, and events, we activate our collective political power to bring about lasting social change. For a complete list of WMLA Community Partnerships please visit [www.womensmarchla.org/partners](http://www.womensmarchla.org/partners).