

SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY NOW

National Organization for Women
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NOW's Purpose is to take action through intersectional grassroots activism to promote feminist ideals, lead societal change, eliminate discrimination, and achieve and protect the equal rights of all women and girls in all aspects of social, political, and economic life.

This year the Sun Cities/West Valley NOW Chapter will be **on zoom**. Our next meeting is **Wednesday May 5 at 1:00 PM**. We will share stories about women who are wrestling with the problem of global warming/climate change. Carolyn Modeen will host the zoom meeting.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 12 Wed 1:00 PM
NOW Board Mtg
Host: Emma Haring

Global Warming

Our May meeting will focus on climate change and what women around the globe are doing to grapple with the problem. Why not share what we are finding in our research? This meeting will share some amazing stories about some of these women. If you would like to be part of the program, let Emma Harris or Carolyn Modeen know who you will be sharing with us. CModeen

NOW Celebrates Earth Day

Earth Day was April 22, 2021 and National NOW noted the day with a statement acknowledging the importance of this crisis and the need to take action to avoid destroying our planet.

Climate change affects all of us but disproportionately affects women, low-income people, and people of color.

NOW applauds Congress-woman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) and Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VI) for introducing the Green New Deal for Public Housing, which will improve the quality of water and electricity in public housing, as well as create jobs and reduce carbon emissions.

NOW also acknowledges progressive climate advocates like Secretary Deb Haaland, now in a

position of power. As a native woman finally leading the Department of the Interior, our government can start protecting both the rights of indigenous tribes across the country and our beautiful land from continued exploitation. Activists around the world are working to end the climate crisis - like Amariyanna Copeny aka Little Miss Flint, Greta Thunberg, Leah Namugerwa, and Helena Gualinga. These young women are the future and inspire us every day. **Adapted from NOW web page**

Jamie Margolin

Jamie (born Dec 2001) in Seattle, Washington, is an American climate justice advocate. In 2017, at age 15, she co-founded the youth climate action organization Zero Hour with Nadia Nazar, Zanagee Artis, and other active youths. Her writings about climate change have appeared in many publications including Huff Post, Teen Ink, and CNN. In 2018, she was named as one of People Magazine's 25 Women Changing the World.

In September 2019, Jamie was part of a youth group that sued Governor Jay Inslee and the State of Washington over greenhouse gas emissions. The lawsuit charges the Washington Government with lack of action around climate change, implying that the government is denying the younger generation a constitutional right to a liveable environment.

The Zero Hour Organization's goal is to educate people about the climate crisis and get more of us involved in activism. They believe that every individual in every community should have access to clean air, water, and public lands. They put the needs and health of our communities before corporate gain.

Jamie is the author of the book *Youth to Power: Your Voice and How to Use It*. **Editor & Wikipedia**

NOW Publicity Chair

There is currently an opening for Publicity from our group. Anyone interested in this position? If yes, contact **Carolyn Modern**.

Member Meeting April 7, 2021

NOW SC/WV Board

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