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## Women of Toledo celebrates Women's Equality Day with Free Virtual Community Presentations

WHEN: Wednesday, August 26 2020 11:30 AM and 5:30 PM (see below)

WHO: Responsive Advocacy Task Force, Women of Toledo

August 26 marks 100 years since the passage of the 19th Amendment, which gave women won the right to vote. In Ohio, women won the vote in June 16, 1919. Now celebrated nationwide as Women's Equality Day, August 26 gives us the opportunity to reflect on the contributions of the suffragists, learn about women's history and commit to advancing gender equality in the future.

Women of Toledo and several Leaders in Toledo will be celebrating Women's Equality Day by participating in two separate virtual interactive presentations dedicated to educate, engage, and empower our female community (and HeForShe) pertaining to our current political, economic and social issues.

Presentation I at 11:30 am to 1:00 pm: 'A seat at the Table' forum session lead by Diana Patton, RISE Advocate. Guest Panelists: Dr. Sharon Barnes, Associate Professor and Chairwoman of the Department of Women's and Gender Studies in the College of Arts and Letters of the University of Toledo, Candice Harrison, External Communication Manager for the Toledo Public Schools and Katie Moline, at-Large Councilwoman for Toledo City Council.

**Presentation II at 5:30 pm to 7:30pm:** 'Re-vision 2020 through a Woman Lens of past, present and future' mentorship circle lead by **Dr. Angie Fitzpatrick**, Director of the Eberly Center for Women of the University of Toledo. Guest Mentors and topics featuring: Business & Finance with **Michelle Pommeranz**, Lehner Carroll Shope Capital Management, Advocacy & Economic Injustice with **Katy Crosby**, Chief of Staff, the City of Toledo, Health & Wellness with **Dr. Erin Marten**, DNP, CNM, Mercy Women's Health Physicians and Midwives and Race & Education with **Kelley Webb**, Principal Consultant at the Matching Peace.

Given the importance of this milestone, during the opening of this presentation, Women of Toledo will also share a Past-Present-Future Slideshow with photos and images of the suffrage movement & anti-suffrage ephemera, political cartoons dating to the women's suffrage campaign era in the U.S. Courtesy of the Library of Congress.

Guests can register to attend by visiting www.womenoftoledo.org

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Established in 2014, Inclusive for Women Inc. DBA Women of Toledo (WoT) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization serving the Greater Toledo community that advocates for diversity and inclusion with a focus on economic empowerment. The organization offers programs and services that help tackle issues critical to women's economic advancement and interrupt various biases in the workplace, marketplace, community, and family. For more information on WoT and other initiatives, please visit womenoftoledo.org.