



**Annual State Directors & First Term Legislators Conference**  
November 13-14, 2019

**Healthcare & Technology Summit**  
November 14-16, 2019

The Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, DC

**Registration Now Open for Women In Government's Conferences in Washington, DC!**

\$800 travel scholarship to attend one conference or \$1,000 travel scholarship to attend both conferences. [Legislators, please click here to register!](#)

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**Get To Know Newly Elects: Ohio Representative Susan Manchester (R)**

**What has been your proudest moment since taking office?**

“I have the honor of recognizing my constituents for their achievements with official commendations from the Ohio House of Representatives. Since taking office, I have delivered over 30 commendations to people across my district; recognizing them for the talent, dedication, and strength they’ve provided to their respective communities. This has afforded me the opportunity to better know and understand the people, businesses, and institutions that make my district a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family. I would not be in this position without the input of my constituents, and I consider it an absolute privilege to recognize them at the



- Member, Agriculture & Rural

state level for their accomplishments. These moments are what I enjoy the most as an elected official.”

**Keep Scrolling for our Democrat Newly Elected Feature!**

- Development Committee
- Member, Primary and Secondary Education Committee
- Member, Transportation and Public Safety Committee



## **WIG In Olympia!**

Thank you to Representative Cindy Ryu, WIG Board Member, and Senator Patty Kuderer for hosting WIG in Olympia for a policy roundtable on non-invasive prenatal screening!

[Check out presentations from the roundtable here!](#)

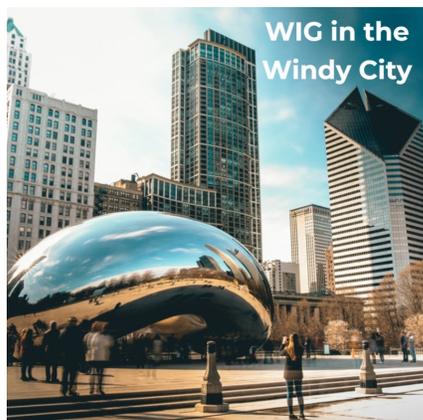
## **WIG in Annapolis!**

Delegate Sheree Sample-Hughes, Chair of the Maryland Women's Legislative Caucus and WIG Board Member hosted Women In Government staff in Annapolis on March 20th. It was great to see Maryland legislators in action and to visit each office personally!

Did you know that there are 72 women state legislators in Maryland and that Maryland is #8 for the highest number proportionally of women in a state legislature?



**Are you hosting an event in your state and want Women In Government to attend? Please let us know - we'd love to join you!**



**Where: Chicago, Illinois  
The Blackstone Hotel**

**When: Thursday, June 13 -  
Saturday, June 15, 2019**

**Join and Learn with Women In Government's Legislative Leaders this June in Chicago at our Annual National Conference!**

Women State Legislators  
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## Get To Know Newly Elects: Maryland Delegate Alice Cain (D)

### **What has been your proudest moment since taking office?**

“I’ve had many memorable moments as a freshman. One that made me proud occurred after chairing my delegation’s capital budget subcommittee where we had to winnow 30 requests for funding to a handful. I won’t soon forget the moment when the full delegation voted to support my subcommittee’s recommendations and there was bipartisan and unanimous support from every delegation member, including those whose projects weren’t funded. We prioritized helping our most vulnerable constituents, those dealing with domestic abuse, addiction, and mental health challenges. It feels great to have helped unify my delegation around providing resources to those most in need.”



- Member, Ways & Means Committee
- Member, Education Subcommittee of the Ways & Means Committee
- Member, Election Law Subcommittee of the Ways & Means Committee



*Pictured Above: Massachusetts Representative Natalie Higgins with Tunisian Secretary of State*

“I am so thankful for the WIG nomination into the ACYPL. This opportunity to travel to Tunisia and Morocco to learn from their young elected officials and community leaders was such a valuable experience at the end of my first term as State Representative in Massachusetts. I admittedly knew very little of the North African region before my travel, and this trip challenged my assumptions, and I was encouraged that we were working through many of the same policy challenges. I look forward to continuing to work with the ACYPL, and supporting their exchange

### #WIGAroundTheWorld

Last year, WIG nominated Massachusetts Representative Natalie Higgins to participate in programs with the American Council of Young Political Leaders ([ACYPL](#)). In December, Representative Higgins traveled to Tunisia and Morocco as part of a the bipartisan ACYPL delegation to meet with rising leaders in the region.

For more than 50 years, ACYPL has designed and managed [international exchanges](#) for emerging political and policy leaders, sending American delegations of young political leaders ([always half Democrats and half Republicans](#)) overseas and hosting reciprocal international delegations.

As a nominating partner, Women In Government encourages legislators between the ages of 25-40 to nominate themselves or a colleague for this program.

Contact [Maura LaGue](#), Managing Director, for more information.

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