



## **GovTrek**

### **A Project of the Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW)**

- AAUW’s Mission: To advance equity for women and girls through education, research, and advocacy. AAUW is non-partisan and values diversity in its membership and its community projects
- Purpose of GovTrek: To introduce high school Junior and Senior girls to careers in public service and to encourage them to consider such careers as they prepare for college
- GovTrek Schedule
  - 6 sessions, 2 hours each
  - Saturday afternoons in October and November 2019; January -April 2020
  - Culminating in half-day conference in May 2020
  - Internships Summer 2020
- GovTrek Sessions
  - Politics 101
  - So You Want to Be a Lawyer?
  - How City Government Works
  - How State Government Works
  - How Federal Government Works
  - Behind the Scenes Careers in Public Service
- Presenters
  - Current female legislators or their staff
  - Career women from AAUW
- How the Students Will Benefit
  - Real life immersion in public service careers
  - Exposure to female role models
  - Development of critical thinking skills
  - Development of skills in the art of compromise
  - Increased understanding of their responsibility as informed citizens
  - Increased awareness of the advantages of a public service career
  - Opportunity to earn a summer internship in a public servant’s office or operation