# The Australian Women's Register

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## EMILY's List Australia

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Summary

EMILY's List Australia is a national organisation aimed at getting more progressive Labor women elected to Parliament. Based on a model established in the United States in 1986 by Democrat women, EMILY's List Australia identifies talented Labor women seeking election and supports them with funding, campaign advice, skills and information.

The founders of EMILY's list recognised that money spent early in the campaign is often the most important support a candidate can have when heading into an election. Consequently, the 'Emily' in EMILY's List, is not a name, but an acronym standing for 'Early Money is Like Yeast' – it makes the dough rise.

EMILY's List provides financial, training and mentoring support to endorsed candidates in State and Federal election campaigns. It currently has over 2000 members, and Action Groups in each State and Territory.

Source: http://www.emilyslist.org.au/

### Published resources

#### Resource

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