A Few Key Suffragists

**Susan B. Anthony** - One of the most visible leaders of the early suffrage movement, Susan B. Anthony was arrested and tried for voting in 1872.

**Carrie Chapman Catt** - Catt directed the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA) in its last years and founded the League of Women Voters (1920), which has become one of the most effective organizations to register, educate and mobilize voters.

**Dorothy Height** - As the president of the National Council of Negro Women, Height helped organize the March on Washington in 1963 and coordinated “Wednesdays in Mississippi,” where both black and white women throughout the nation met to discuss racial justice issues.

**Alice Paul** - Paul founded the National Woman’s Party, which lobbied and protested, including picketing the White House. She was subsequently jailed as were more than 150 other activists who staged hunger strikes to oppose the injustice.

**Mary Church Terrell** - In 1896, Terrell founded the National Association of Colored Women (NACW), and campaigned tirelessly among black organizations and mainstream white organizations for women’s suffrage, which she saw as essential to elevating the status of black women, and consequently, the entire race.

**Sojourner Truth** - In 1851, Truth delivered her famous “Ain’t I a Woman?” speech where she challenged prevailing notions of racial and gender inferiority and inequality.

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