

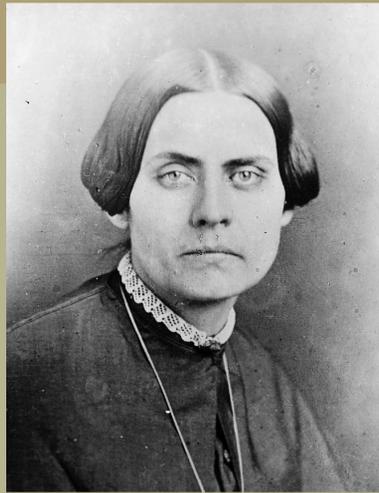
Susan B. Anthony: Leader for Women's Rights

Well I have been & gone & done it!!—positively voted... so we are in for a fine agitation in Rochester....

Susan B. Anthony to Elizabeth Cady Stanton
Nov 5th 1872

Susan B. Anthony and 14 other women voted in the 8th Ward polling place in a general store near this site on November 5, 1872.

Claiming their right to vote as citizens under the 14th and 15th Amendments to the U. S. Constitution, the women voted in the 1872 Presidential election. Anthony was arrested in her home at 17 Madison Street and tried and convicted of illegal voting seven months later. She died March 13, 1906,



"Failure is Impossible!"

Susan B. Anthony

fourteen years before the 19th Amendment was ratified giving all women citizens the right to vote. Her sister, Mary, Rochester's first female school principal, also voted. She shared the Madison Street home with Susan. Mary died in 1907.



Give Mother the Vote!



**Our Food, Our Health
Our Play, Our Homes
Our Schools, Our Work**

**Are all regulated by Men's
Votes. Think it over, and—**

GIVE MOTHER THE VOTE!

Left: Circa 1920s Young women line up at a polling place in Rochester, NY.

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Left: "Give Mother the Vote!"

Chromolithograph by Rose C. O'Neill, 1915. Missouri History Museum Photographs and Prints Collections. Women's Suffrage.



Left: Circa 1920 Placard-carrying members of the National Woman's Party march from Highland Park to Susan B. Anthony's grave site at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

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Winning The Right to Vote

1848

1848 Women's Rights Convention at Seneca Falls; second convention follows in Rochester

1865 Civil War Ends
13th Amendment ends slavery

14th Amendment: Ratified July 9, 1868, "All persons born or naturalized in the United States ... are citizens...."

1869- Wyoming is the first state to adopt an amendment granting women the right to vote

15th Amendment: Ratified February 3, 1870, "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged ... on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude."

1872- Susan B. Anthony and 14 other women vote. Ulysses S. Grant elected 18th president of the United States. Home of Frederick Douglass burned by suspected arson. Douglass moves to Anacostia, Washington, D.C.

1890- Major women's suffrage organizations merge to form National American Woman Suffrage Association

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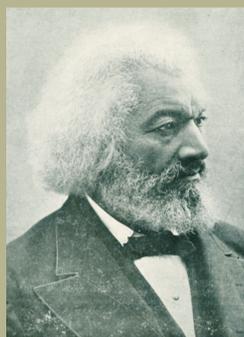
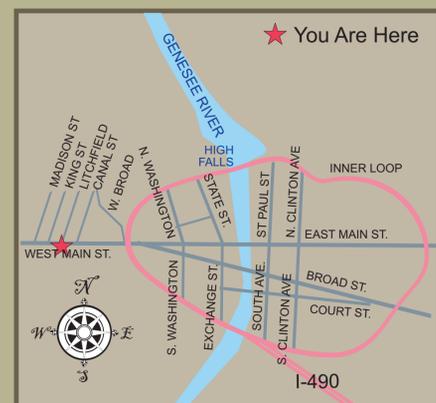
1895-Frederick Douglass dies

1906 Susan B. Anthony dies

1907 Mary Anthony dies

1920-19th Amendment Women Receive right to vote

1920



Frederick Douglass, long time friend of Susan B. Anthony, attended the first women's rights convention at Seneca Falls in 1848. On the day he died February 20, 1895, he had attended a women's rights convention in Washington, D.C.

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*Above: Rochester's Mayor Hiram Edgerton at pro-suffragist tent circa 1915
Albert R. Stone photograph, Courtesy Rochester Museum & Science Center*



*Above: Rochester's Mayor Hiram Edgerton at anti-suffragist tent circa 1915
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19th Amendment

to the United States Constitution signed into law August 26, 1920 now known as Women's Equality Day.

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

