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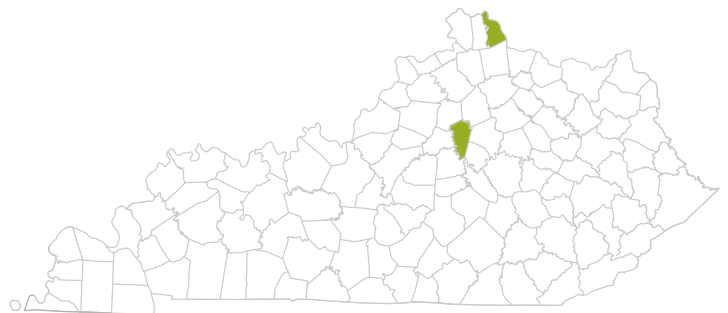
LEADERSHIP & LEGACY IN KENTUCKY HISTORY  
JOSEPHINE HENRY | 1846-1928



The Kentucky Equal Rights Association led the fight for women's voting rights – culminating in the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920. (Kentucky Historical Society)

**WOMEN ARE NOT PROPERTY**

– Every married woman in Kentucky who owns property, a car or even clothes has experienced Josephine Henry's legacy. In 1890, Kentucky was the only state in which a law still existed that said women *became* property when they married. Henry, cofounder with Laura Clay of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association, advocated for change and saw success with the 1894 passage of the Married Woman's Property Act. Her work continued as an advocate for suffrage and she later became the first Southern woman to run for state office.



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