## MEN =WOMEN

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On February 1, 2017, the USPS released its 40<sup>th</sup> stamp of the Black Heritage series featuring **Dorothy Height**. The stamp unveiling was held at Howard University in Washington D.C. celebrating African-American History Month

"The **Dorothy Height** Forever stamp will serve as a lasting tribute to her life and legacy of seeking equality and justice for all Americans, regardless of ethnicity, gender or race."

In 1963, the **Height**-led National Council of Negro Women joined the Council for United Civil Rights Leadership. Height was an architect of the August 1963 March on Washington, where she shared the stage with **Martin Luther King Jr.** It was Height who pushed to include a voice of youth like John Lewis of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and insisted on no time limits for King's speech.

Gender equality also was important to Height, who fought for the rights of women, particularly women of color. President John F. Kennedy named her to his Commission on the Status of Women, which was chaired by Eleanor Roosevelt. Height attended the 1963 White House ceremony where Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act. In 1971, she helped form the National Women's Political Caucus. In 1977, Height officially retired from the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA), for which she worked for 40 years. In addition to numerous honorary degrees, Height received the nation's two highest civilian honors. In 1994, President Bill Clinton awarded her the Presidential Medal of Freedom. A decade later, President George W. Bush presented her with the Congressional Gold Medal. In 2009, she was a guest of Barack Obama when he was sworn in as the nation's 44th president.



UN and India post released this stamp on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016 for Womens day celebrations and emphasis on the change' must be from boys '

**GENDER EQUALITY** is not only for the development of women but for the society and future generation.