

Alice Paul and other Suffragists adding stars to their flag as US states ratified the 19th Amendment. 36 stars were needed.

SUFFRAGISTS FLAG

Garment Materials:

Hand-dyed cotton

Garment Origin Info:

- US Suffrage's visual strategies via hand-made banners, flags, and garments
- Sandwich Board signage and wearable flags
- Sports jerseys

These two flag "pinnies" are modeled after the flag of the US Suffrage movement. Alice Paul, one of the Suffragist leaders, is credited with bringing tactics from the UK Suffrage Movement back to the US and translating their colors (green, white, and purple) to gold, white, and purple.

As apparent in today's social movements, handmade visual communication strategies such as flags and protest signs are important to capturing poular attention and the spirit of a cause. Lucy Parsons, American Anarchist and labor organizer, was also a master sewist and was likely responsible for many of the effective flags and banners of the early 20th century US labor movement.