

Susan B. Anthony

born *February 15, 1820*
died *March 13, 1906*



Susan B. Anthony was an American suffragist, abolitionist and women's rights activist. She is best known for her fiery oration and for her arrest after illegally voting. In 1979, she became the first U.S. woman depicted on a coin (the dollar).

Anthony did much of her social reform work alongside fellow suffragist, Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Together they founded the Women's Loyal National League in 1863, which collected an astonishing 400,000 signatures supporting the abolition of slavery and contributing to the implementation of the Thirteenth Amendment.

Anthony and Stanton also founded the American Equal Rights Association in 1866, campaigning for equal rights for women and black Americans. Anthony traveled both within the U.S. and abroad, giving 75 to 100 speeches a year in defense of suffrage and women's rights.

In 1872, Anthony was arrested for illegally voting in Rochester, New York. She was arrested, went to trial and was given a fine, which she refused to pay.