Suffrage Sunflower

The sunflower is a symbol of the suffrage movement. The sunflower is the Kansas state flower. Suffragists Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony wore sunflower pins as they campaigned for the right to vote in Kansas in 1867. While the Kansas referendum failed, yellow remained a color of the suffrage movement through the 20th century.

You can make a sunflower to show your support for women’s suffrage!

Supplies:

- Yellow, green, and brown construction paper (You can color white paper yellow, green and brown with crayons or markers instead.)
- Popsicle stick or pencil
- Glue stick or tape

Directions:

1) Take two pieces of yellow paper and fold them like an accordion or a fan. Use tape or a glue stick and press the two sides together so they form a complete circle.
2) Cut out a brown circle. Glue or tape the brown circle in the center of your flower.
3) Take the green construction paper, wrap it around the popsicle stick or pencil, and tape it together to make the stem.

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Women’s suffrage button. Museum of the City of New York, ca. 1904.