

PRIMARY ELECTION

# 2026 VOTER EDUCATION GUIDE

July 21, 2026

*Statewide & Legislative Candidate Statement Pamphlet*

Citizens Clean Elections Commission

*All District*

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YOURS**

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# VOTER DASHBOARD

**VOTING CAN BE COMPLICATED, THAT'S WHY THIS ISN'T.**

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Everything you need for the next election is in one place. Simply enter your home address to find your districts, candidates, voting locations, and more. Make your voting plan with your personalized **Voter Dashboard**.

## DISTRICT INFORMATION

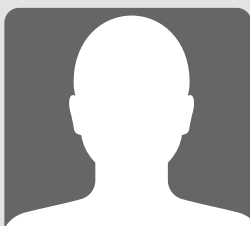
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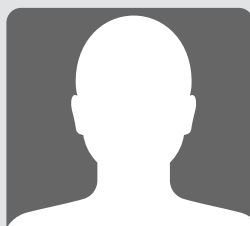
Board of Supervisors District

City Council District


## MY CANDIDATES



Candidate Name  
Party - Office



Candidate Name  
Party - Office

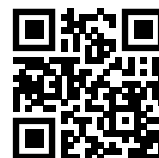


Candidate Name  
Party - Office

## WHERE TO VOTE

Early On Election Day

**SCAN TO OPEN THE VOTER DASHBOARD**  
or visit [azcleanelections.gov/voter-dashboard](https://azcleanelections.gov/voter-dashboard)





## OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE: 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION



Dear Arizona Voter,

As we approach the **primary election on July 21, 2026**, the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission is pleased to provide you with this official Voter Education Guide.

As the state's nonpartisan voter education agency, our role is to ensure you have the clear, factual information you need to feel confident at the polls. In an era where navigating election news can feel overwhelming, we are committed to being a source you can trust—our goal is to inform your decision, never to influence it.

### **Why Your Participation Matters**

The primary election is a vital step in our democratic process. Voters will nominate the partisan candidates who will advance to the general election; in many cases, the outcome of the primary effectively determines the final representation for your community.

### **Every voice counts, and every voter can participate**

**Independents:** If you are registered as an independent or "no party preference," you are eligible to vote in a primary.

**The Impact:** The final outcome of some races can actually be decided in a primary, yet primaries typically have low voter turnout. Showing up makes your individual vote incredibly powerful.

### **Your Voice, Your Vote**

We encourage you to look through this guide to learn more about the candidates, key dates, and how to cast your ballot. Our mission is to help you cut through the noise so that you can make your voice heard with clarity and confidence.

*Thank you for being an active participant in Arizona's future.*

Respectfully yours,

Mark S. Kimble, Chairman, Christina Estes Werther, Sam Crump,  
Galen D. Paton, Steve M. Titra, Arizona Citizens Clean Elections  
Commission

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## WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS?

Your household is receiving this Voter Education Guide because you or another resident is registered to vote. Voter guides are sent based on the districts assigned to your residence. Your household may receive multiple guides for different districts if there is a voter registered at a different residential address that uses the same mailing address.

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## WHY SHOULD I READ THIS VOTER EDUCATION GUIDE?

This guide contains statements directly from the candidates for statewide, legislative, countywide, and board of supervisors offices. This is an opportunity for voters to hear directly from candidates, not third parties, about their views. This guide also contains official and accurate information on:

- How to Register to Vote
- Ways to Vote
- Accepted ID at the Polls
- County Elections Contact Information



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## WHO SENT THIS?

This guide was created by the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (Clean Elections). Clean Elections is a state government agency created by voters in 1998. Voters mandated by law for Clean Elections to create this Voter Education Guide and mail it to households prior to the primary election.

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## WHAT IS CLEAN ELECTIONS?

Clean Elections is the state's nonpartisan voter education agency founded in 1998 after Arizona voters passed the Citizens Clean Elections Act (A.R.S. Title 16, Chapter 6, Article 2).

<p><b>1</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Voter Education</b> We provide voters with nonpartisan election information, tools, and resources so they can vote informed.</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Clean Campaign Funding</b> We provide campaign funding to candidates who run for state offices in Arizona who agree not to accept special interest money.</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Enforcement</b> We conduct audits of candidates' campaign finance reports and investigate complaints to ensure funding is used appropriately.</p>
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## HOW IS CLEAN ELECTIONS FUNDED?

The Citizens Clean Elections Fund, created by voters, receives revenues from: a 10% surcharge imposed on all civil and criminal fines and penalties, qualifying contributions from registered Arizona voters to participating candidates, and civil penalties assessed against violators.

Funding for Clean Elections does not come from taxpayer money from the state general fund.

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## WHO ARE THE COMMISSIONERS?

The Commission consists of five members, no more than two of the same political party and of the same county. The Governor and the highest-ranking official holding a state-wide office, who is not a member of the same political party as the Governor, alternate in appointing Commissioners.

# ABOUT THE PRIMARY ELECTION

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## WHAT IS THE PRIMARY ELECTION?

The July 21 primary election determines the candidates from each political party who will advance to the General Election in November.

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## WHO CAN VOTE IN A PRIMARY ELECTION?



All voters, including those not affiliated with a recognized political party (Independents), can vote in the primary election.

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## WHY IS VOTING IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION IMPORTANT?

Voting in a primary election is vital because it determines which candidates will represent each party on the general election ballot.

Since some races feature candidates from only one party, the primary often decides the ultimate winner of an office.

By participating, you ensure a direct say in who appears on the final ballot and who ultimately represents you.

# IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

July  
**21**  
PRIMARY  
ELECTION DAY

June  
**22**  
VOTER REGISTRATION  
DEADLINE

June  
**24**  
EARLY VOTING  
BEGINS

July  
**10**  
LAST DAY TO  
REQUEST A BALLOT  
BY MAIL

*at 5 p.m.*

July  
**14**  
MAIL BACK EARLY  
BALLOT

July  
**17**  
LAST DAY TO VOTE  
EARLY IN-PERSON

*at 7 p.m.*

July  
**17**  
EMERGENCY EARLY  
VOTING

*at 7 p.m. through Monday,  
July 20 at 5 p.m.*

Polls open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

# VOTER REGISTRATION

Voters must be registered by **Monday, June 22, 2026**, to vote in the primary election. Not sure if you're already registered? Check online at [azcleaselections.gov/am-i-registered-to-vote](https://azcleaselections.gov/am-i-registered-to-vote).

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## WAYS TO REGISTER

### Online

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You must have a valid Arizona driver's license or identification card to use this service. You will be emailed a confirmation after you complete the registration process. Visit [azmvdnow.gov/guest/customeranonymous/voterregistration](https://azmvdnow.gov/guest/customeranonymous/voterregistration).

### Paper Form

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Voter registration forms are available at county recorder offices, motor vehicle division (MVD) offices, most libraries, city clerk offices and public assistance agencies.

To download a paper form or for more information on the registration process, including the qualifications to register to vote, please visit [azcleaselections.gov/register-to-vote](https://azcleaselections.gov/register-to-vote).

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## VOTER REGISTRATION CARD

Your county recorder will mail you a voter registration card a few weeks after you register. Voters are encouraged to verify that the information on their card is correct. Please contact your county recorder with any questions or to request a replacement registration card. Your registration card may be used as a form of ID at the polls.

## HOW DO I VOTE?

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### VOTE EARLY BY MAIL

Ballots will go out in the mail on June 24 to voters who are:

- On the Active Early Voting List (AEVL)
- Have requested a one-time early ballot
- Independent voters who have requested either: a ballot for a party holding a primary open to independents or a local nonpartisan ballot

Voters can mail their voted ballots back (mail by July 14) or drop them off at:

- Designated ballot drop boxes (if available)
- Any early voting location in their county
- The county recorder or elections office
- Any voting location on Election Day in their county (you do not need to wait in line)



Voted ballots must be received no later than 7:00 p.m. on July 21, 2026 (Election Day).

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### VOTE EARLY IN PERSON

- Voters may vote early in person at the County Elections Office or at any early voting site in their county.
- Early Voting will begin on June 24.
- Voters must bring their ID.

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### VOTE ON ELECTION DAY

- All voting locations will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- Visit [azcleaselections.gov/voter-dashboard](https://azcleaselections.gov/voter-dashboard) to find your voting location.
- Voters must bring their ID.

# BALLOT TYPES IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION

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## WHICH BALLOT DO I GET?

Voter = Ballot Type

Democratic Party = Democratic Party Ballot

Green Party = Green Party Ballot

Libertarian Party = Libertarian Party Ballot

No Labels Party = No Labels Party Ballot

Republican Party = Republican Party Ballot

Independent Voter (No Party Affiliation) Choose one = Democratic Party Ballot, No Labels Party Ballot, Republican Party Ballot, or local non-partisan (if available)



**Independents CAN vote in the primary**  
(you do not need to re-register with a party)

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## STEP 1 PICK A BALLOT

Independent voters must choose which ballot type they want to vote. Voters may only vote one ballot. (Choose One: Democratic, Republican, or local non-partisan).

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## STEP 2 DECIDE WHEN TO VOTE

### VOTE EARLY

**1. By Mail:** If you want your county recorder to mail you a ballot, you must contact them by July 10 to choose a ballot type. Your county will be able to tell you which ballot types are available to you for selection. If you miss this deadline, you can still vote in person (early or on election day).

**2. In-Person:** Visit an in-person early voting location, and ask the election worker for the ballot of your choice (must show ID).

### VOTE ON ELECTION DAY

Ask your poll worker for the ballot of your choice (must show ID).

## VOTER ASSISTANCE

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### UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT (UOCAVA)

The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) ensures that U.S. citizens who are service members, their eligible family members or overseas citizens can vote in their home states. This guide has been mailed to every Arizona Military and Overseas voter.

#### RESOURCES FOR UOCAVA VOTERS:

1. Secretary of State's online system: Used to register to vote, request an early ballot and return a voted ballot.  
[app.enhancedvoting.com/ebd/voter/arizona](http://app.enhancedvoting.com/ebd/voter/arizona)
2. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA): Used to register to vote, request an early ballot or update your voter information [fvap.gov/arizona](http://fvap.gov/arizona)
3. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB): Used as an emergency back-up ballot and to register to vote.  
[fvap.gov/arizona](http://fvap.gov/arizona)

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### VOTERS WITH A DISABILITY

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requires every polling place to be accessible and have available (and set up for use) accessible voting equipment that may be used by any voter. Additional assistance may be available, such as curbside voting, braille and large print ballots. Voters can contact their County Elections Office for additional information.

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### ALTERNATIVE FORMATS & LANGUAGE

Voters can contact Clean Elections to request a larger print version of this guide or to request an alternative format.

This guide is printed in Spanish to assist local jurisdictions in complying with federal law (Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA)). For more information about federal law, please contact the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, Voting Section at 800-253-3931 or [voting.section@usdoj.gov](mailto:voting.section@usdoj.gov).

# WHAT ID SHOULD I BRING TO THE POLLS?

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## LIST 1

Sufficient Photo ID including name and address (One Required)

- Valid Arizona driver license
- Valid Arizona non-operating identification card
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Valid United States federal, state, or local government issued identification

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## LIST 2

Sufficient ID without a photograph that bears the name and address (Two Required)

- Utility bill of the elector that is dated within 90 days of the date of the election
  - A utility bill may be for electric, gas, water, solid waste, sewer, telephone, cellular phone, or cable television
- Bank or credit union statement that is dated within 90 days of the date of the election
- Valid Arizona Vehicle Registration
- Indian census card
- Property tax statement of the elector's residence
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Arizona vehicle insurance card
- Recorder's Certificate
- Valid United States federal, state, or local government issued identification, including a voter registration card issued by the County Recorder
- Any mailing to the elector marked "Official Election Material"

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## LIST 3

Mix & Match from Lists #1 & #2 (Two Required)

- US Passport without address and one valid item from List 2
- U.S. Military identification without address and one valid item from List 2
- Any valid photo identification from List 1 in which the address does not reasonably match the precinct register, accompanied by a non-photo identification from List 2 in which the address does reasonably match the precinct register



Members of federally-recognized tribes are not required to have an address or photo on their tribal identification in order to cast a provisional ballot.

## CONTACT INFORMATION



### Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Call for questions on this guide or voter education, tools, and resources.

602-364-3477

1-877-631-8891

[ccec@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:ccec@azcleanelections.gov)

County	Recorder (voter registration and early ballots)	Elections (voting locations and election information)
Apache	Phone: 928-337-7516 TTY: 800-361-4402 <a href="mailto:voterreg@apachecountyaz.gov">voterreg@apachecountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-337-7604 TTY: 800-361-4402
Cochise	Phone: 520-432-8358 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:vreg@cochise.az.gov">vreg@cochise.az.gov</a>	Phone: 520-432-8970 TTY: 520-432-8360 <a href="mailto:elections@cochise.az.gov">elections@cochise.az.gov</a>
Coconino	Phone: 928-679-7860 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:voterservices@coconino.az.gov">voterservices@coconino.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-679-7896 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:elections@coconino.az.gov">elections@coconino.az.gov</a>
Gila	Phone: 928-402-8619 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:voterreg@gilacountyaz.gov">voterreg@gilacountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-402-8709 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov">emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov</a>

<b>County</b>	<b>Recorder</b> (voter registration and early ballots)	<b>Elections</b> (voting locations and election information)
Graham	Phone: 928-428-3560 TTY: 928-428-3562 <a href="mailto:recordersoffice@graham.az.gov">recordersoffice@graham.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-792-5037 TTY: 928-428-3562 <a href="mailto:hduderstadt@graham.az.gov">hduderstadt@graham.az.gov</a>
Greenlee	Phone: 928-865-2632 TTY: 928-865-1717 <a href="mailto:recorder@greenlee.az.gov">recorder@greenlee.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-865-2072 TTY: 928-865-1717 <a href="mailto:bcastaneda@greenlee.az.gov">bcastaneda@greenlee.az.gov</a>
La Paz	Phone: 928-669-6136 <a href="mailto:recorder@lapaz.gov">recorder@lapaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-669-6149 TTY: 928-669-8400 <a href="mailto:elections@lapaz.gov">elections@lapaz.gov</a>
Maricopa	Phone: 602-506-1511 TTY: 602-506-2348 <a href="mailto:voterinfo@maricopa.gov">voterinfo@maricopa.gov</a>	Phone: 602-506-1511 TTY: 602-506-2348 <a href="mailto:electioninfo@maricopa.gov">electioninfo@maricopa.gov</a>
Mohave	Phone: 928-753-0767 TTY: 928-753-0769 <a href="mailto:voterregistration@mohave.gov">voterregistration@mohave.gov</a>	Phone: 928-753-0733 <a href="mailto:elections@mohave.gov">elections@mohave.gov</a>
Navajo	Phone: 928-524-4192 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:voter.registration@navajocountyaz.gov">voter.registration@navajocountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-524-4062 <a href="mailto:elections@navajocountyaz.gov">elections@navajocountyaz.gov</a>

County	Recorder (voter registration and early ballots)	Elections (voting locations and election information)
Pima	Phone: 520-724-4330 TTY: 520-724-4320 <a href="mailto:recorder@recorder.pima.gov">recorder@recorder.pima.gov</a>	Phone: 520-724-6830 TTY: 520-724-6871 <a href="mailto:elections@pima.gov">elections@pima.gov</a>
Pinal	Phone: 520-866-6830 <a href="mailto:recorder@pinal.gov">recorder@pinal.gov</a>	Phone: 520-866-7550 <a href="mailto:elections@pinal.gov">elections@pinal.gov</a>
Santa Cruz	Phone: 520-375-7990 TTY: 711 or 1-800-842-4681 <a href="mailto:voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov">voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 520-375-7808 TTY: 711 or 1-800-842-4681 <a href="mailto:electionday@santacruzcountyaz.gov">electionday@santacruzcountyaz.gov</a>
Yavapai	Phone: 928-771-3248 Ext. 9 <a href="mailto:voter.registration@yavapaiaz.gov">voter.registration@yavapaiaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-771-3248 Ext. 8 <a href="mailto:elections@yavapaiaz.gov">elections@yavapaiaz.gov</a>
Yuma	Phone: 928-373-6034 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov">voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-373-1014 <a href="mailto:elections@yumacountyaz.gov">elections@yumacountyaz.gov</a>

## DEFINITION OF OFFICES TO BE ELECTED

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### **GOVERNOR (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Governor is similar to a company's CEO, representing Arizona as the top elected officer of state business and functions in both official and ceremonial events. The Governor can sign a legislative bill into law or veto it to keep it from becoming law, approve the state budget, issue executive orders, and oversee state agencies.

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### **SECRETARY OF STATE (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Secretary of State acts as the Chief Election Officer. The Secretary is **third** in line in succession should the Governor leave office due to death, resignation or impeachment.

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### **ATTORNEY GENERAL (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Attorney General is the Chief Legal Officer of the state. The Attorney General provides advice to state agencies and enforces consumer protection, civil rights, environmental, criminal, and other laws on behalf of the State.

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### **STATE TREASURER (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Treasurer serves as Arizona's Chief Banker and Investment Officer, as well as the Chair of Arizona's State Board of Investment. The Treasurer manages Arizona's investment portfolio.

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### **SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction is the head of the Department of Education. The Superintendent oversees the state's education finances and implements policy mandated by the State Board of Education.

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### **STATE MINE INSPECTOR (VOTE FOR 1): 4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Mine Inspector is in charge of inspecting the safety and conditions of mines in the state to ensure the safety of the mine workers and the general public.

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**CORPORATION COMMISSIONER  
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2):  
4 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona Corporation Commission has five members, each elected to four-year terms. The Commission regulates the rates, business practices, and health and safety of many utilities. It also regulates corporations, securities, railroads and pipelines.

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**STATE SENATOR  
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1):  
2 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona State Senate is the upper house of the Legislature, made up of 30 Senators, one from each of Arizona's 30 legislative districts. The Senate can draft, introduce and vote on legislation. Along with the House, the Senate approves the state's annual budget. The Senate can place measures on the ballot for voter approval.

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**STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2):  
2 YEAR TERM**

The Arizona State House of Representatives is the lower house of the Legislature, made up of 60 Representatives, two from each of Arizona's 30 legislative districts. The House can draft, introduce and vote on legislation. Along with the Senate, the House approves the state's annual budget. The House can place measures on the ballot for voter approval.

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**CLERK OF THE COURT (COUNTY OFFICE - VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1):  
4 YEAR TERM**

The County Clerk of the Courts is an elected position and serves a four-year term. The county clerk oversees various administrative duties and assists the public in navigating the court system without offering legal advice. The County Clerk of the courts maintains records of court cases, grants marriage licenses, implements programs to help with child support enforcement, spousal maintenance, and/or parenting time in child support cases.

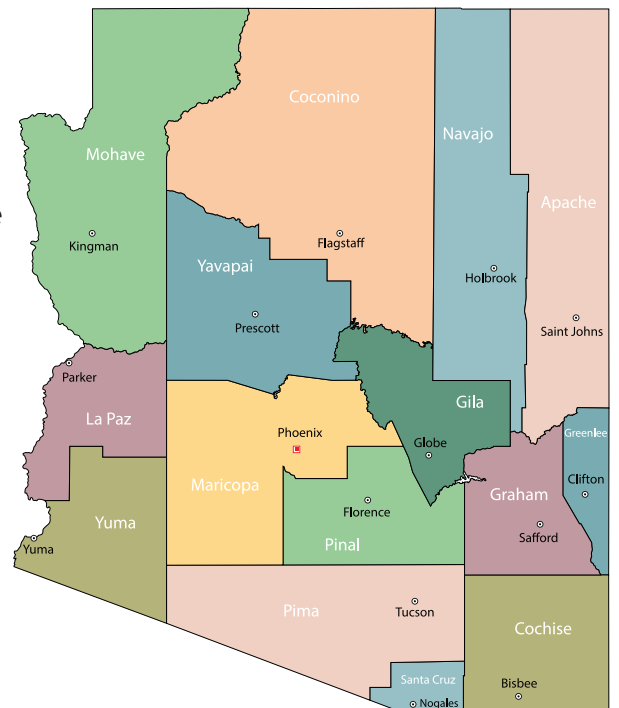
*For more information on office responsibilities, including federal, county, and local offices, please visit [azcleanelections.gov/civics](https://azcleanelections.gov/civics).*

# HOW TO AVOID MISINFORMATION IN VOTING AND ELECTIONS

Misinformation can spread rapidly during election season, making it harder to distinguish what's real from what's not. Strengthening your media literacy is key to understanding election news with confidence. Always check who created the message, why it was shared, and what techniques might be used to shape opinions. Use trusted, nonpartisan sources and verify facts across multiple outlets before sharing. Look for clear distinctions between news reporting and commentary. Arizona Clean Elections provides reliable tools, including the Voter Dashboard, official election dates, and ballot details, to help you stay informed and make confident choices when voting.

## WHAT ARIZONA LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT AM I IN?

Arizona is divided into 30 legislative districts, and your district is based on your home address. This determines who represents you in the state legislature and which legislative candidates appear on your ballot. This Voter Education Guide lists the candidates running for office in your legislative district. To find out who currently represents you, visit the Clean Elections Voter Dashboard and enter your address. Reviewing the candidates and current elected officials helps to inform your vote and shape decisions in your community.



## CANDIDATE INFORMATION

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### WHICH CANDIDATES ARE IN THE GUIDE?

- Every statewide, legislative, and countywide or Board of Supervisors candidate that has their name printed on the primary election ballot is listed in this guide, per the Clean Elections Act.
- ALL OTHER CANDIDATES may be found on the Clean Elections website:  
[azcleanelections.gov/find-mycandidates](https://azcleanelections.gov/find-mycandidates)

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### WHAT INFORMATION IS LISTED ABOUT THE CANDIDATES?

The candidate's name, party affiliation, campaign funding type, and website are provided. Campaign funding type is listed as either traditional or participating. A traditional candidate funds their campaign through private donations. A participating candidate funds their campaign through participation in the Clean Elections Clean Funding program.

Each candidate had the opportunity to submit a 100-word biography and a 200-word statement. The statements were reproduced as submitted and were not edited for spelling, grammar, or punctuation. Non-substantive editing may have occurred for layout purposes only. These statements represent the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for accuracy of content.

## CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR



### Andy Biggs

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** biggsforarizona.com

**Biography:** Congressman Andy Biggs was elected to Arizona's Fifth District in 2016. Previously, Andy served in the Arizona State House of Representatives for eight years and in the Arizona State Senate for six years. In 2012, Andy was elected as State Senate President. An Arizona native, Andy and his wife, Cindy, have lived in Gilbert for over 35 years and have been married for almost 45 years. They have six children and twelve grandchildren. In his campaign for

Governor, Andy is endorsed by President Trump, Charlie Kirk, and forty current or former members of the state legislature.

**Statement:** Andy Biggs is running for Governor to bring down costs for Arizona families and businesses by growing our economy, lowering taxes, encouraging job growth, and reducing government interference. As Governor, he will prioritize the use and expansion of reliable and affordable energy sources for every Arizonan and responsibly manage our water and land resources to ensure long-term growth and an increased supply of single-family homes. Biggs will protect the rights and freedoms of Arizonans to make their own education and health choices, supporting school choice policies and enacting the MAHA agenda at the state level.



### Katie Hobbs

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** katiehobbs.org/

**Biography:** Born and raised in Arizona, Katie Hobbs understands the challenges everyday Arizonans are facing. Growing up in a working-class family in Tempe, she sometimes relied on her church community and food stamps to get by. Katie worked her way through college at NAU and ASU, becoming a social worker and eventually helping to lead one of the largest domestic violence shelters in the country. Katie ran for office because career politicians were

too caught up in partisan politics and weren't solving problems. As governor, Katie has always worked to find common ground and has never stopped fighting for Arizonans.

**Statement:** As governor, Katie Hobbs has delivered real results by setting politics aside and putting Arizona first. Katie is fighting to bring down costs that keep rising because of Washington's failed policies. She championed middle-class tax cuts to save 88% of Arizonans money, give seniors an additional \$6,000 deduction, and eliminate taxes on tips and overtime pay. To make housing more affordable, she has repealed the tax on rent, helped first-time homebuyers with down payments, and eliminated red tape. While Washington politicians slashed healthcare, Katie cancelled \$642 million in medical debt for almost half a million Arizonans and cut the cost of prescription drugs by up to 80%. She canceled leases of a Saudi Arabian corporation pumping Arizona's groundwater and shipping crops overseas. And she has worked across the aisle to deliver over \$215 million to our local law enforcement working to secure the border and stop drug and human trafficking. Her efforts have led to the seizure of 12 million fentanyl pills and nearly 5,000 pounds of meth. Katie has stood up to politicians of both parties here and in Washington, and she won't back down until every Arizonan has the security, opportunity, and freedom they deserve.

## CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR



### Teri Ann Hourihan

**Party:** No Labels

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [teriann4azgov.org/](http://teriann4azgov.org/)

**Biography:** Teri is an Arizona native, mother, and small business owner. Teri is a licensed professional counselor since 2017 and earned her PhD in 2018. Teri entered the race as Governor as a way to serve her state and people in it by saving Arizona, protecting families, and fixing corruption. "I am tired of people in my state of which I love, including myself, being harmed by the people set in place to help us." - Teri

**Statement:** Teri chose to run Independently due to the political climate that is dividing our state and nation. Teri believes unity is needed and despite differences people over politics needs to remain at the forefront. Teri is able to support both sides through a lens of honesty, integrity, wholesome, and remaining not prompted by politics or money to make decisions. Teri respects the politics on both sides but chooses to keep people at the forefront first. Teri does not, and will not, accept PAC or corporate donations as she believes this is part of the issue in our government today. Teri is focused on ensuring public servants throughout the government and state agencies begin to fully serve the public first, not last. Teri believes that people in Arizona are being harmed by the systems set up to help the people, and she will address and fix this immediately. Teri will ensure cost of living, water, homelessness, courts, rural communities, border control, legal immigration and other big topics are protected, covered, and firmly addressed with change that supports the constitution and the people, first. Teri is focused on people in the community, not serving first herself and government.



### Risa Lombardo

**Party:** Green

**Funding:** Participating

**Website:**

**Biography:** I was born in New York City, where I went to school and started my family. We moved to Arizona in 1991 and for 35 years this is where I raised my two daughters (both graduated from Peoria schools and ASU) and had a successful career working as a legal secretary/assistant. After being in both major parties, I registered with the Green Party because its platform best reflects my principles. I don't have a lengthy political resume because I'm not a career politician. I'm someone who loves Arizona and wants to rise above the political games to get things done!

**Statement:** I'm running for Governor to be a voice for everyone being ignored by the major parties, and to champion issues that matter to every Arizonan. I've been registered with both major parties, although I spent most of my life as a Democrat. Each party has some elected officials who can be admired or respected in some way, but on the whole, neither party seems interested or capable of fixing the problems we face. Equal opportunity for everyone, based on our individual merit. Fair and transparent elections to ensure our voices are heard and reflected in the outcome. A responsible environmental plan to protect our air and water. And meaningful reforms on critical issues like education, homelessness, and the prison system. Other challengers don't offer much in these regards, and four years with Katie Hobbs as Governor has produced no progress at all. We deserve better but won't get it until we stand together in sufficient numbers that we earn the attention of the powers that be. When they realize they need us, they'll listen to us and work with us. Join this campaign movement and let's reward candidates who want to fix our problems, not just talk about them!

## CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR



### Hugh Lytle

**Party:** No Labels

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [hughlytle.com/](http://hughlytle.com/)

**Biography:** Hugh Lytle is a problem solver, entrepreneur, healthcare innovator, and Independent candidate for Governor. His career has served those left behind or ignored by traditional programs. He founded Equality Health, which provides care to low income, largely Hispanic communities with more than 800,000 patients across five states. Hugh prioritized senior citizen care by co-founding Univita Health and Axia Health Management, where the

Silver-Sneakers program reached more than 13 million members. Lytle was named the 2024 Pacific Southwest Entrepreneur of the Year by Ernst and Young. He and his wife Barbara founded the Hugh & Barbara Lytle Foundation and have three adult children.

**Statement:** Why I'm Running: I'm running for Governor because Arizona deserves a government that actually works for its people, not one that's constantly stuck in partisan fights. For too long, Republicans and Democrats have been more focused on scoring political points than solving real problems. The result is higher costs, growing frustration, and a sense among too many Arizonans that their voices don't matter. I've spent my career building businesses, creating jobs, and solving problems by bringing people together around practical solutions. I'm not a career politician, and I'm not interested in playing the same broken game. I'm running to change how our government operates. As an Independent, I answer to no party and no political machine. I answer to the people of Arizona. That means focusing on what actually works. Lowering costs, improving our schools, strengthening our economy, and making state government more accountable and responsive. This campaign is about more than one person or one election. It's about giving Arizonans a real choice and a new path forward. One rooted in common sense, respect, and results. If we're willing to step outside the old divisions and work together, we can build a stronger, more united Arizona.



### Ken Miceli

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [votekenmiceli.com/](http://votekenmiceli.com/)

**Biography:** Ken Miceli is a seasoned executive, entrepreneur, and humanitarian with over 25 years of proven leadership across multiple industries. Known for building businesses, creating jobs, and developing innovative solutions, he brings real-world experience to the challenges facing Arizona. Ken has worked alongside engineers, financial leaders, and industry experts to design actionable plans focused on economic growth, water sustainability, and tax relief. Driven

by a people-first philosophy, he is committed to delivering results—not politics. As a candidate for Governor, Ken Miceli stands for transparency, accountability, and bold leadership to secure a stronger, more prosperous future for all Arizonans.

**Statement:** Ken Miceli is running for Governor of Arizona to bring real solutions, real leadership, and real results to the people of this great state. With over 25 years of executive experience, Ken has built businesses, created jobs, and worked alongside top engineers, financial leaders, and industry experts to develop actionable plans—not political promises. Frustrated by years of inaction, red tape, and empty rhetoric, Ken stepped forward with a different approach: transparency, accountability, and execution. His campaign is centered on delivering bold initiatives that address Arizona's most critical needs, including water sustainability, economic growth, job creation, and meaningful tax relief. Ken believes leadership is about serving the people—not political interests. That's why he has assembled a team of professionals across multiple industries to ensure every policy is designed, tested, and ready to implement. His vision includes securing long-term water solutions, lowering costs for families, and positioning Arizona as a national leader in innovation and opportunity. As a businessman and humanitarian, Ken Miceli is committed to putting people first, cutting through bureaucracy, and building a stronger, more prosperous future for all Arizonans.

## CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR



### Scott Neely

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [neely4governor.com/](http://neely4governor.com/)

**Biography:** Scott Neely brings bold ideas and strong leadership to Arizona. A lifelong entrepreneur who started his first business at sixteen, he built his career from hands-on concrete work to founding Action Concrete Pumping and Action Concrete Pumping Supply in Arizona. He has contributed to major state projects—including the Arizona-Mexico border wall and infrastructure across the Valley—and founded the National Shotcrete Association to train

future operators.

**Statement:** Scott Neely is the voice that Arizona has been waiting for — the voice that refuses to be ignored, pushed aside, or talked over. He speaks with the fire and conviction of someone who knows exactly what everyday Arizonans are going through, because he's lived it too. While career politicians argue, Scott stands up and says what the people have been shouting for years: Enough. It's time for real leadership. Scott is a true conservative with the backbone to fight for what matters. He doesn't just list Arizona's problems; he confronts them head-on with bold, clear solutions rooted in common sense and real-world experience. But what sets Neely apart is this: he isn't just speaking to the people — he's speaking for them. His message breaks past party lines and resonates with Republicans, Independents, and Democrats who feel unheard, overlooked, and tired of politicians who don't deliver. Scott Neely is the people's voice. The voice of the fed up. The voice of the forgotten. The voice ready to fight for a stronger, safer, freer Arizona. And he's just getting started.



### David Schweikert

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [davidschweikert.com/](http://davidschweikert.com/)

**Biography:** Congressman David Schweikert currently represents Arizona's 1st district in the United States Congress. In Congress, David serves as chairman of the Joint Economic Committee while also serving on the House Ways and Means Committee. In Congress, David has been a champion for lower taxes, smaller government, economic growth and prosperity, and strong and secure borders. He's been recognized by leading conservative organizations as

one of the most conservative members of Congress. David and his wife Joyce are the proud parents of Olivia and Matthew. They live in Fountain Hills and attend St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church.

**Statement:** Friends, As the father of two young children, I'm usually up early. I like to watch the Arizona sun rise over our deserts and mountains and greet the new day. But as I look out across our great state, I ask myself: What is Arizona becoming? Do we drift down a path that mirrors the struggles of California, losing what makes us unique? Or do return to the principles that built this state we call home? Principles of strength, freedom, and opportunity that have always defined Arizona's soul. I'm running for Governor to shake things up. To bring bold, unapologetic conservative leadership to state government just like I've done in Congress. In Congress, I helped write President Trump's tax cuts, voted for the largest spending reduction in American history, and fought for the toughest border security laws out there. In the months ahead, I want to hear from you. Together, we'll talk about our vision for Arizona—a place where every family can thrive, every worker can prosper, and every child can dream big. This is our Arizona. Let's make it the best place to live, work, and raise a family. Let's make it home again.

## CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY OF STATE



### Duwayne Collier

**Party:** Green      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** I'm Dwayne Collier, a 46-year-old born in a small farming town in California. I've worked in construction, labor, sales, and service, where I developed a strong ability to connect with people. After traveling across the country, my wife and I settled in Arizona, where we're raising our two children. We fell in love with the community and way of life here. I'm proud to call Arizona home and am committed to helping make it an even better place to live. I respectfully ask for your support and your vote.

**Statement:** My name is Duwayne Collier, and I am an advocate for the citizens of Arizona. I believe in strong borders and legal immigration. We must expand lawful pathways to bring people to America, helping grow our population and strengthen our economy—especially in Arizona, where farming and construction depend on a reliable workforce. While we should encourage Arizonans to fill these roles, legal immigration plays an essential part. I support renewable energy, particularly fusion technology, which offers safe, clean power and represents the future of energy in America. Protecting Arizona's water supply is critical. I will prioritize securing our fair share of Colorado River water to ensure the state's long-term sustainability. I am committed to clean air and water and will hold corporations accountable when they violate public trust. As the Grand Canyon State, we must protect our natural environment for future generations. I will work to bring manufacturing and high-paying jobs to Arizona while supporting a balanced economy that includes agriculture, construction, service industries, defense, and investment. I am a devoted family man, active in ministry, and committed to serving my community. I respectfully ask for your support and your vote.



### Adrian Fontes

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [electfontes.com/](http://electfontes.com/)

**Biography:** In 2022, Adrian Fontes was elected Arizona's 21st Secretary of State. A proud Arizona native, Marine Corps veteran, husband, and father, he has dedicated his life to justice and defending democracy. After serving on active duty from 1992–1996, he pursued law, advocating for the disadvantaged as a prosecutor in Denver and Maricopa County, and leading the International Prosecution Unit at the Arizona Attorney General's Office. As Maricopa County Recorder, he modernized elections, expanded access, and improved transparency. Since January 2023, Secretary Fontes has strengthened election integrity, promoted voter access, and ensured Arizona's business community has a trusted, nonpartisan partner.

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**Statement:** As Secretary of State, I've delivered on key promises to strengthen election integrity, ensure voter access, improve business services, and promote transparency. In everything I do, my goal is to protect your vote. These efforts include launching a statewide ballot tracking system that allows voters to receive text and email updates when their ballots are sent and received. I have fought to protect your private data and vote-by-mail because nobody should have to stand in long lines in the heat to cast their vote. Ahead of the 2024 election, I hosted statewide tabletop exercises with election officials, law enforcement, and cybersecurity experts to prepare for potential threats, including emerging challenges like deepfakes and content authentication. To combat misinformation, I established the Artificial Intelligence and Election Security Advisory Committee, bringing together leaders from academia, business, and technology to assess risks and identify opportunities. In 2025, I received a Clearie Award from the U.S. Election Assistance Commission for the third consecutive year, honoring innovation and excellence in election administration. Importantly, I successfully oversaw the peaceful administration and certification of the 2024 election, reinforcing trust in Arizona's democratic process. I would be honored to earn your vote. Thank you.

## CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY OF STATE



### Alexander Kolodin

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.alexforaz.com/](http://www.alexforaz.com/)

**Biography:** For more than a decade, Alex Kolodin has fought for transparency, accountability, and the rule of law in the courtroom and at the Capitol. In the Legislature, he sponsored bipartisan election reforms that strengthened early-voter verification, protected military ballots, improved chain of custody, and helped speed up results. Alex is an experienced election attorney, Arizona State Representative, and small business owner running for Secretary of State

to restore transparency to our elections. He's a graduate of Georgetown University, the University of Pennsylvania Law School, and a former Goldwater Institute Reagan Fellow. Alex lives in Scottsdale with his wife and two children.

**Statement:** As Secretary of State, my sole focus will be on serving all voters, regardless of political affiliation, and administering elections that are secure, transparent, honest, and follow the law, while delivering fast results that all Arizonans can have confidence in on election night. I've been fighting for Arizonans' civil liberties, including the right to free and fair elections, for well over a decade. As an experienced election attorney, I've successfully challenged my opponent Adrian Fontes' numerous and repeated violations of the law in court. As a member of the Arizona House of Representatives, I've been the state's most successful election policy-focused legislator — achieving broad bipartisan support for some of the most important election laws in state history. I've fought to protect the voting rights of military members, veterans, the disabled, rural voters, and voters from every Party, income level, race, gender and age. The reality is that the process of administering elections shouldn't be about right vs. left or rich vs. poor. Election administration is about following the law, running world class elections, and delivering fast results that voters can trust. I'm Alex Kolodin and I'm humbly asking for your vote to be Arizona's next Secretary of State.



### Gina Swoboda

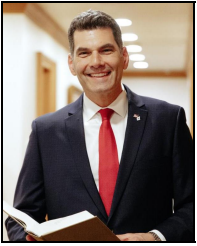
**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [ginaforsos.com/](http://ginaforsos.com/)

**Biography:** Gina is a certified elections officer and has served under two AZ Secretaries of State. She is a Senior Fellow with Honest Elections Project and has served as Senior Policy Advisor on Elections at the AZ Legislature. Gina was AZGOP Chair in 2024, winning races up and down the ballot, and as Chairman of the RNC Committee on Election Integrity ensured victories in swing states through crucial litigation. She graduated with her BA magna cum laude from ASU and

has been married to the love of her life for 32 years and has two children, two dogs, and a tortoise.

**Statement:** I am running for AZ Secretary of State to secure our elections, restore customer service across all divisions, improve response times and upgrade our software and security. The SOS covers many divisions, and the greatest concern is the Elections Division. I have served in every role in that division, and I know what it takes to execute under enormous pressure under conflicting statutory deadlines. There is a series of legislative actions that can help secure our systems. I will submit drafts to our AZ Leg Leadership to secure our elections immediately. Among these, routine post-election audits, an expansion of how we conduct Logic & Accuracy testing to include peripheral equipment, providing mandatory, public reporting to the Legislature on changes in the statewide voter registration database and conducting ongoing audits of every one of these procedures. Paramount among the responsibilities of the AZ SOS is the Elections Procedures Manual. That joint, stakeholder driven process will begin the day I walk back into that office. Business Services is a hugely important part of AZ SOS. We need to provide tools for faster response times to speed up the flow of economic growth across our state. It would be an honor to serve.

## CANDIDATES FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL



### Rodney Glassman

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.rodneyglassman.com/](http://www.rodneyglassman.com/)

**Biography:** Rodney Glassman is a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Air Force JAG Corps Reserve, experienced prosecutor, and practicing litigation attorney of nearly two decades. He is married to his law school sweetheart and the proud father of two daughters. Rodney is running for Attorney General to protect Arizona's law enforcement, children, and prosperity while working with President Trump to secure the southern border. On day one, Rodney will withdraw Arizona

from Kris Mayes's click-bait lawsuits and rescind her political indictments. Rodney's campaign is chaired by Maricopa County Sheriff Jerry Sheridan, Arizona Superintendent Tom Horne, and former Senate President Karen Fann.

**Statement:** Rodney is a Trump conservative and the only candidate running with experience as a practicing attorney. As a Lieutenant Colonel, when Rodney puts on his uniform to serve at Luke Air Force Base, he leads the active-duty legal office of JAGs, paralegals, and support staff providing all the legal services for the one-star general and base squadrons commanders. He has prosecuted drug dealers and financial crimes while protecting victims of sexual assault. Rodney is also a successful litigator who has fed his family for nearly two decades as a private sector attorney. Experience matters because the Arizona Attorney General runs the largest law office in the state, with over 400 attorneys and 1,000 support staff, providing all legal services for every state agency. Protecting law enforcement means standing with law enforcement, every time. Protecting children means safeguarding school choice, keeping biological boys out of girls' sports, combating fentanyl and human trafficking, and advocating for parents and families. Protecting prosperity means enforcing Arizona's election laws, defending small businesses from overregulation, rooting out fraud, and ensuring Arizona's consumers and seniors are protected. As Arizona's next Attorney General, Rodney will focus the Attorney General's office on what matters most: protecting Arizona and Arizonans.



### Kris Mayes

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.krismayes.com/](http://www.krismayes.com/)

**Biography:** Kris Mayes is a single mom and Arizona native from Prescott who was raised by a public-school teacher and a neighborhood pharmacist. Mayes began her career as a journalist focused on holding the powerful accountable. She served a senior role in Governor Napolitano's administration and later was elected to the Arizona Corporation Commission where she helped create thousands of good-paying jobs and saved consumers billions. In 2022, after winning the

narrowest statewide race in Arizona history (280 votes), Kris Mayes revamped the Attorney General's office to fight for lower costs, protect Arizona families, and defend our personal rights and freedoms.

**Statement:** I am running for reelection as Arizona's Attorney General and your 'Lawyer for the People.' As Attorney General, I have fought like hell for Arizonans – lowering prices, blocking mega-mergers, addressing rising rent, stopping the flow of deadly fentanyl and protecting working families. I sued the Saudis for over pumping Arizona's groundwater and opposed unfair electricity rate hikes by Arizona's monopoly utilities. Working with federal partners, sheriffs, and police chiefs, I have seized more than 27 million fentanyl pills off of our streets– the most of any Attorney General in Arizona history. My office has prioritized shutting down scams, prosecuting fraud, and going after those who put Arizona seniors in danger. I blocked the federal government's tariffs at the Supreme Court and have protected more than \$1.5 billion for Arizonans with our federal lawsuits. I will continue to fight for Arizonans' personal freedoms; securing reproductive healthcare, standing up to federal overreach, and safeguarding Arizona's environmental future. I have heard from people all across the state at my town halls how I can fight for them. It is critical to reelect me as your Attorney General, so I can keep protecting Arizona families and making life more affordable in Arizona.

## CANDIDATES FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL



### Warren Petersen

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.petersenforag.com/](http://www.petersenforag.com/)

**Biography:** Warren Petersen, a third-generation Gilbert resident and Gilbert High graduate, earned his bachelor's and J.D. from ASU. He has served in the Arizona Legislature since 2012, holding key leadership roles including House Majority Leader, Rules Chair, Judiciary Chair, Ethics Committee member, and current Senate President. A lifelong advocate for limited government, low taxes, free markets, and individual rights, Petersen has championed fiscally

conservative policies, religious freedom, Second Amendment protections, and crime victims' rights. He led efforts to defend state laws, including keeping men out of women's sports and opposing unconstitutional mandates. Honored with the Silver Beaver Award for youth service and multiple recognitions for protecting freedoms, Petersen is a proven conservative leader.

**Statement:** I will restore the Attorney General's office to its core mission: fighting crime, rooting out corruption, securing our elections, and defending our Constitution. Under Kris Mayes it has drifted into partisan and woke politics. With over a decade of broad legal experience, I have served as Judiciary/Rules Chairman and now Senate President—giving me unmatched constitutional expertise among the candidates. When Mayes failed to uphold the law, I stepped up to defend it. I have managed over 110 cases or amicus briefs, including high-profile matters like the Save Women's Sports Act that reached the U.S. Supreme Court (*Doe v. Warren Petersen*). My primary opponent has switched parties three times. I am the only lifelong Republican in the primary who has won an election. Already leading a major branch of government, my proven blend of legal acumen and leadership prepares me to run the office effectively from day one. I am the only candidate endorsed by conservative Attorneys General, County Attorneys, Sheriffs, law enforcement leaders, and our next governor, Trump endorsed Andy Biggs. They recognize my strong conservative record on policy, leadership, and legal experience. I respectfully ask for your vote. Visit [petersenforag.com](http://petersenforag.com) to view all endorsements.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE TREASURER



### Katherine Haley

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [katherinehaleyforaz.com/](http://katherinehaleyforaz.com/)

**Biography:** An Arizona native and small business owner, Katherine Haley is a proven conservative leader with more than two decades of experience in public policy, financial stewardship, and responsible governance. She believes in limited government, lower taxes, and personal freedom. Katherine began her career on Capitol Hill and later worked in philanthropy, directing millions to expand education freedom and workforce development. In 2021, she

founded a firm that builds mission-driven organizations through responsible investment and strategic planning. She serves as President of the Arizona State Board of Education and is active in her church and nonprofit boards.

**Statement:** As an Arizona native, I am committed to the values that built our state: personal responsibility, limited government, and respect for the taxpayers who make it all possible. I am running for State Treasurer to protect your tax dollars and grow them responsibly. This is not a role for those who take big bets or unnecessary risks—it requires discipline, sound judgment, and a clear understanding that every dollar managed by the state belongs to the people of Arizona, not the government. As your Treasurer, I will be a vigilant steward of public funds. I will insist on transparency, eliminate waste, and uphold the fiscal discipline that keeps Arizona strong. Responsible financial management is essential to keeping taxes low and protecting the freedom of Arizona families. That same commitment extends to education. I will stand up for parents and defend education freedom, ensuring families have the flexibility and resources to choose what's best for their children through Empowerment Scholarships and 529 accounts. I am running to serve with integrity and accountability, and I am honored to be endorsed by Kimberly Yee and three former State Treasurers. Learn more at [katherinehaleyforaz.com](http://katherinehaleyforaz.com)



### Nick Mansour

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.MansourforArizona.com](http://www.MansourforArizona.com)

**Biography:** Nick Mansour, a third-generation Arizonan, is running for Arizona state treasurer to restore fiscal accountability and strengthen education focus. Prior to his candidacy, Nick served as Chairman and CEO of the Arizona College of Nursing, growing it from one campus into a national leader with 20+ campuses across 14 states. Raised by a nurse and a doctor, he learned the value of hard work, service, and education. He attended Salpointe Catholic High School and

later earned degrees in Industrial Engineering and an MBA. Nick and his wife, Annemarie, live in Phoenix with four adult children.

**Statement:** For Nick Mansour, the State Treasurer's office is not a political stepping stone for higher office. It is the place to make Arizona the best place to live, work, and raise a family. That work starts with restoring fiscal accountability and transparency to the Treasurer's Office, along with investing in education so Arizonans are ready for today's challenges and tomorrow's opportunities. Nick's career has been dedicated to leading companies that help others better themselves, whether through earning a nursing degree, working in emergency services, or pursuing other opportunities. He defines success by how much he helps others succeed. Nick knows that Arizona's money is OUR money. He is running for State Treasurer to watch over taxpayer dollars, eliminate waste, invest responsibly, and return money to hardworking Arizonans where it belongs. He will ensure the state's finances are run like those of the successful businesses he has led, so cities, towns, school districts, and counties have the resources they need. He understands the Treasurer's main job is investing and managing tax dollars wisely. Recent waste, fraud, and abuse of taxpayer dollars are unacceptable to Nick. In his view, even one dollar of waste is too much.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE TREASURER



### Elijah Norton

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [nortonforaz.com/](http://nortonforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Elijah Norton is a self-made businessman and conservative leader with a proven record in finance, investments, and organizational leadership. Elijah started a business with just \$1,000 in savings and grew it into a global organization that is a recognized leader in the finance and insurance industry, headquartered in Arizona - creating hundreds of jobs. Norton also served as Treasurer of the Arizona Republican Party, overseeing budgeting, financial

reporting, internal auditing, and fiscal compliance. His background reflects proven, results-driven leadership, accountability, and deep private-sector financial expertise. He is committed to safe, responsible investment of taxpayer dollars.

**Statement:** I am running for Arizona State Treasurer to bring disciplined, results-driven investment leadership to state government. As a self-made businessman, I built a successful company from the ground up and understand how to manage capital, evaluate risk, and deliver strong returns—skills essential to protecting taxpayer dollars. I believe the Treasurer’s primary responsibility is to safeguard and grow Arizona’s investments. I am committed to investing taxpayer dollars safely and responsibly while maximizing returns, ensuring our state’s financial future remains secure. My approach prioritizes performance over politics—rejecting ESG and politically driven investment strategies that put ideology ahead of results. I will also increase transparency and accountability in how public funds are managed. I will work to identify inefficiencies, eliminate waste, and ensure every taxpayer dollar is protected and working effectively for the citizens of Arizona. I am running to bring private-sector discipline to public finance, deliver strong and stable returns, and ensure Arizona remains financially secure for generations to come.

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## CANDIDATES FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION



### Thomas Horne

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.tomhorne.com](http://www.tomhorne.com)

**Biography:** Tom Horne is Arizona's Superintendent of Public Instruction and a former Arizona Attorney General. He has dedicated his career to improving academic achievement, strengthening school safety, and expanding educational opportunity for Arizona families. Since returning to office in 2023, Horne has increased the number of police officers in schools from 190 to 565, established free tutoring statewide, and led initiatives that have helped participating

schools double reading progress and triple math progress compared to the state average. Previously, Horne served as Arizona Attorney General and as a member and President of the school board in one of Arizona's largest districts.

**Statement:** Tom Horne believes every child deserves a high-quality academic education and parents deserve meaningful choice in their children's schooling. As Superintendent, Horne has refocused the Arizona Department of Education on academic excellence. Through Project Momentum, participating schools have achieved double the state's average progress in reading and triple the progress in math. In struggling schools, 80% have moved out of the bottom 5% statewide after receiving targeted support. He redirected federal funds to provide free tutoring for families who requested it, with many students making six months of academic progress in just six weeks. Horne supports greater parental choice, expanding opportunities for families to select the educational setting that best meets their child's needs. Under his leadership, participation in Arizona's ESA program has grown significantly, empowering parents to make decisions about their children's education. He also championed keeping cell phones out of classrooms to reduce distractions and maximize instructional time, ensuring students stay focused on learning. In addition, Horne has strengthened school safety by increasing the number of police officers on campuses, helping protect students and staff. Tom Horne is committed to strong academics, parental involvement, safe schools, and preparing every Arizona student to graduate college or career ready.



### Teresa Leyba Ruiz

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.drruizforarizona.com](http://www.drruizforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Dr. Teresa Leyba Ruiz, a native Arizonan and first-generation college graduate, has dedicated 35 years to advancing education and strengthening communities. As a math teacher, a community college president, and a nonprofit executive, she has worked tirelessly to create opportunities for students and educators. Her leadership extends beyond the classroom, serving on the Glendale Chamber of Commerce Board, WestMarc Board, various nonprofit

boards, and national commissions advising the U.S. President on education policy. Now, Dr. Ruiz is running for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to ensure every Arizona student has access to the same education opportunities she did.

**Statement:** Her platform includes increasing transparency and accountability, protecting taxpayer dollars, stabilizing the teacher workforce, upholding high academic standards with strong support systems, and expanding post-secondary education and training pathways. As a former community college president and nonprofit executive, Dr. Ruiz understands the importance of transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility when managing budgets and is committed to protecting taxpayer dollars being spent on non-educational materials. Having spoken to educators across all 15 counties, she plans on supporting her fellow teachers through professional development, support systems, and advocacy for higher wages. As Superintendent, Dr. Ruiz will work to enhance student systems that promote academic excellence while expanding career opportunities and pathways for students across the state. She believes that when our schools succeed, our state succeeds.

## CANDIDATES FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION



### Brett Matthew Newby

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.brettnewby.com/](http://www.brettnewby.com/)

**Biography:** Brett Newby is an educator, behavior analyst, and father dedicated to strengthening Arizona's public schools. With over two decades of experience supporting children, families, and educators, he brings a practical, student-centered approach to leadership. As a Board Certified Behavior Analyst and university professor, Brett has trained future educators while advocating for compassionate, evidence-based practices. He is

committed to fully funding public education, supporting teachers, and ensuring every student thrives in every zip code. Grounded in empathy, values, and community, Brett Newby seeks to unite Arizona around a shared vision of opportunity, accountability, and success for all learners.

**Statement:** I am running for Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction because I believe our students, educators, and families deserve strong, fully supported public schools. My career has been dedicated to helping children succeed—as an educator, Board Certified Behavior Analyst, and university professor training future educators. I've worked directly with families and schools, so I understand the real challenges we face across Arizona. I'm also a proud Arizona public school dad, and this work is personal to me. Every child, in every zip code, deserves access to a high-quality education and the opportunity to thrive. That's why I am committed to fully funding public education, increasing teacher pay, and retaining and developing the incredible educators who make a difference every day. I lead with empathy, values, and cultural responsiveness. I believe in bringing people together to solve problems, not dividing them. My focus is on practical, student-centered solutions that create lasting impact. I'm ready to serve Arizona with integrity, accountability, and heart—so together, we can build stronger schools and brighter futures for every student.



### Kimberly Yee

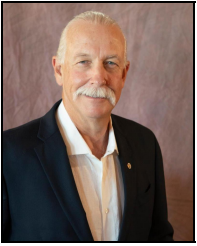
**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [kimberlyyee.com/](http://kimberlyyee.com/)

**Biography:** Born in Arizona, Kimberly is the daughter of a public school teacher of 38 years. Kimberly has an extensive policy background in K-12 and higher education spanning 30 years, serving two gubernatorial administrations, a State Board of Education and Senate Education Committee. Kimberly advanced school choice, school safety, civics education, financial literacy and vocational education as a former Senate Education Committee chairman and State Charter

Schools Board member. She's endorsed by four former Republican Arizona State Superintendents. A graduate of Pepperdine University with an M.P.A. from ASU, Kimberly is married with two children and active in her church and community.

**Statement:** Kimberly Yee is one of the most respected statewide leaders, currently State Treasurer, bringing 30 years of experience in K-12 education policy with an extensive background in school finance and fiscal accountability. A longtime advocate of school choice in Arizona, Kimberly began her career drafting laws giving families the freedom to attend schools outside of their residential zip code with open enrollment and charter schools. She believes parents should have the opportunity to select the education that best fits their child's unique needs and a pathway to academic success no matter where they live. She supports ALL forms of education, including public schools, charter schools, private schools, homeschools and tribal schools. Kimberly is a strong supporter of teachers as the daughter of a 38-year veteran public school teacher in Arizona. With student proficiency in reading and mathematics ranked at the 25th percentile, Arizona deserves better leadership in education. The current State Superintendent is asleep at the wheel. Kimberly's plan to bring back phonics-based reading instruction and traditional mathematics will ensure we get back to the basics, with a focus on real-world life skills in home economics and shop classes to encourage the trades, including vocational and workforce development. Visit [www.KimberlyYee.com](http://www.KimberlyYee.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE MINE INSPECTOR



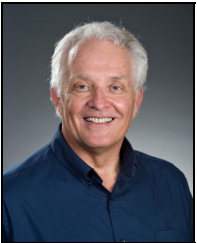
### Brian Matlock

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.matlockforazmi.com/](http://www.matlockforazmi.com/)

**Biography:** Brian is a Mechanical Engineer and Marine Reserves Veteran. Professionally, Brian has decades of heavy-industry experience including forestry, pulp and paper, foundry, and mining. Brian is named as an inventor on six US patents, some directly related to mining safety. He has worked at industrial sites on every continent except Antarctica. His experience includes design, field service, marketing, and management with supervisory duties. Brian enjoys time

with his family, mountain biking, building and maintaining trails as a community volunteer, designing ways to conserve water, and, an extension of his lifelong love for engineering and mechanics, tinkering on his budget racecar.

**Statement:** Arizona was built on mining, and the men and women who power that industry deserve leadership that implements world-class health and safety mining practices. I'm Brian Matlock, and I'm running for State Mine Inspector because the job is about one thing, protecting lives while supporting world-class mining that keeps our economy thriving and robust. I've built my career solving problems. I've seen what works and what fails. As Mine Inspector, I plan to: · Put real-world safety first by enforcing practical standards that protect miners every day. Not politics. Not bureaucracy. Just results keeping people safe. · Bring a professional, boots-on-the-ground approach to the office focused on expertise, accountability, and transparency. This is not a political position. It's a public safety job. · Ensure the inspection gap is filled as Federal oversight wanes. · Work with local experts and federal agencies to secure abandoned uranium mines in the Sovereign Lands. Secure backcountry abandoned mines that threaten families, hikers, and rural communities. Arizona's mining industry is vital, but nothing is more important than the people who power it. The State Mine Inspector must be visible, responsive, and accountable to both workers and the public. I'm ready to get to work.



### Walter "Les" Presmyk

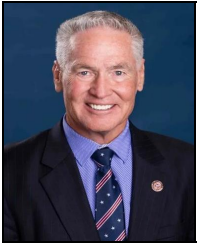
**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [lespresmyk.com](http://lespresmyk.com)

**Biography:** Les Presmyk is a lifelong Arizonan and mining engineer with 44+ years of experience in Arizona's mines. He has worked in operational and management positions in both underground and open-pit mines and understands mine safety, planning, and operations from the ground up. Appointed Arizona State Mine Inspector in 2025 by Governor Katie Hobbs from a group of seven Republican applicants, he now oversees mine inspections, safety

training, and reclamation to help ensure every miner returns home safely each day. Les is a former member of the Gilbert Town Council and brings decades of civic and volunteer leadership to this role.

**Statement:** I spent my entire 45-year career in Arizona's mining industry, starting by exploring old underground mines in high school and going on to work in large underground and open-pit copper mines, Arizona's largest coal mine, and my own small mining operation. Appointed by Governor Katie Hobbs from a group of seven Republican applicants, I now serve as your Arizona State Mine Inspector. My top priority is ensuring that mines are safe, so every miner, contractor, and supplier returns home safely at the end of each workday. I also oversee mine inspections, safety training, the securing abandoned mines and final mine reclamation statewide. Beyond my professional work, I served on the Gilbert Town Council for 12 years and have devoted years to serving on boards and commissions in Gilbert and the Southeast Valley, with a special focus on supporting veterans and their families. I have spent countless hours supporting the two University of Arizona mining/mineral/gem museums in Phoenix and Tucson. Safety is not a partisan issue, and I am committed to safeguarding both Arizona's miners and our mining industry. I am the only candidate with this depth of experience. I respectfully ask for your vote so I can continue this work.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Ralph Heap

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Dr. Ralph Heap is a fourth-generation Arizonan, a respected orthopedic surgeon, and a lifelong servant-leader who has spent his career caring for others — both in the operating room and in his community. Dr. Heap’s dedication to service extended far beyond Arizona. As a medical missionary in Africa, he has traveled to 23 countries — providing life-changing pediatric orthopedic care and supporting faith-based healthcare initiatives around the globe. He and his

wife Denise — his high school sweetheart — have built a life rooted in faith, family, and freedom, raising three children and eight grandchildren in the state they love.

**Statement:** Ralph Heap was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives, where he has been a strong voice for limited government, free markets, medical freedom, and parental rights. Now, as a candidate for the Arizona Corporation Commission, Dr. Heap is ready to stand up for ratepayers, defend rural communities, and block the encroachment of globalist energy agendas. As Corporation Commissioner, Dr. Heap will: · Fight against ESG mandates and California-style energy experiments · Oppose unnecessary utility rate increases that punish families and seniors · Ensure a reliable, diverse energy grid — not one dictated by ideology · Fully Support the Trump Energy Agenda, with emphasis on fossil fuels and Nuclear energy. · · Protect water access and infrastructure, especially in rural Arizona · Demand transparency and stand against special interest influence at the Commission With decades of real-world experience, a commitment to constitutional principles, and a heart for service, Dr. Ralph Heap is the steady, conservative leader Arizona needs at the Corporation Commission.



### Jonathon Hill

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.votehillaz.com/](http://www.votehillaz.com/)

**Biography:** Jonathon brings a unique perspective to the Commission as a scientist, engineer, and proud, lifelong Arizonan who was born in Kingman. He has spent 18 years at Arizona State University working on NASA missions to Mars, Jupiter, and asteroids, earning degrees in Aerospace Engineering and a doctorate in Geological Sciences. His expertise gives him a deep understanding of energy, infrastructure, and groundwater challenges, especially in rural areas.

Jonathon is committed to asking tough, technical questions and using his background to protect hardworking Arizonans from rising costs while ensuring reliable, sustainable energy and water systems statewide.

**Statement:** I’m running for the Arizona Corporation Commission because too many Arizonans are paying more every month and seemingly getting less in return. As a scientist who has spent my career working on complex systems and solving real-world problems, I believe we need leadership that is grounded in facts, transparency, and accountability. The Commission has enormous influence over our utility bills, our energy reliability, and our long-term economic competitiveness, yet too often it has failed to ask tough questions or fully represent ratepayers. I’m not running as a career politician; I’m running as someone who believes government should work for people, not special interests. We can lower costs, strengthen our grid, and invest in cleaner, more efficient energy that protects our water and air while supporting business growth. Arizona deserves leadership that is practical, forward-thinking, and focused on results. That’s what I will bring to the Commission.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Nicholas "Nick" Myers

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [nickmyers.us](http://nickmyers.us)

**Biography:** Myers is the incumbent Chairman of the ACC. He brings a background in software engineering, entrepreneurship, and advocacy following a dispute with a utility. He is spearheading natural gas and nuclear in Arizona, prioritizing the elimination of subsidies, mitigating wildfires, and containing data center costs so residents don't foot the bill. He is the Chairman of the Markets+ State Committee, a western day-ahead energy market going live in

2027, and serves as a member of the Gas and Critical Infrastructure Committees at NARUC and is one of only 10 members nationwide to serve on the Federal/State Current Issues Collaborative with FERC and NARUC.

**Statement:** Nick Myers has delivered measurable results for Arizona ratepayers by focusing on affordability, reliability, and accountability at the Corporation Commission. He has led efforts to remove costly mandates that drove up utility bills by \$3 billion, while advancing policies that ensure new growth, especially large energy users like data centers, pays for itself rather than shifting costs onto Arizona families. Myers has been a voice for consumers by cutting over \$1 billion (and climbing) from current utility rates. Myers has been a leading voice in strengthening grid reliability and supporting pragmatic energy, water, and gas solutions that keep utilities affordable and available as Arizona continues to grow. His work has helped position Arizona as a stable, investment-friendly state for critical infrastructure and development. He has also taken a firm stance on transparency and regulatory reform, working to improve how decisions are communicated and ensuring the public has a clearer understanding of how rates are set and why. He spearheaded efforts that led to commissioners' votes being made public and easily researched online. Known for his independent approach, Myers focuses on practical solutions over politics, prioritizing dependable service, responsible oversight, and long-term cost savings for Arizona consumers.



### Clara Pratte

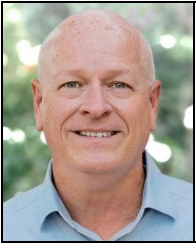
**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.claraforaz.com/](http://www.claraforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Clara Pratte has dedicated her life to public service, entrepreneurship, and advocating for underserved communities. A member of the Navajo Nation, she grew up in Lupton, Arizona, without electricity or running water until middle school, shaping her commitment to reliable, clean energy. She served under three U.S. Presidents and four Navajo Nation Presidents, holding senior roles advancing economic and tribal policy. Now a small

business owner and co-founder of Navajo Power, she promotes solar development. Clara is running for Arizona's Corporation Commission to lower costs, protect consumers, and expand sustainable energy opportunities statewide for all Arizona families.

**Statement:** I'm running for the Arizona Corporation Commission because I've lived the consequences of decisions made in this office. Growing up on the Navajo Nation without electricity or running water, I understand how essential reliable and affordable utilities are to everyday life. Today, too many Arizona families, ranging from rural communities to our cities, are struggling with rising costs and uncertainty about the future. I've spent my career working in energy, economic development, and now as a small business owner, helping bring infrastructure and opportunity to communities that have been overlooked. Communities just like my hometown. It's why I believe the Commission should be a watchdog for the people by ensuring fair rates, reliable service, and encouraging smart investments that strengthen our economy while protecting our air and water. We can expand clean, cost-effective energy, create good-paying jobs, and protect our natural resources while keeping Arizona competitive. We just need the political courage to do so. I'm running to restore trust, bring real-world experience to the Commission, and make sure it works for every Arizonan.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Kevin Thompson

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [thompsonforcorpcomm.com/](http://thompsonforcorpcomm.com/)

**Biography:** I've served as a Commissioner since 2024 and was previously selected by my peers as Chair. I have over 30 years of professional public service, including serving as a combat veteran during Operation Desert Storm for the US Air Force and a twice-elected Mesa Councilmember. I'm a co-founder of the Mesa Veterans Resource Center, was awarded the Mesa Veteran Appreciation Award, and was recognized as the 2025 Champion of the Year by

the Arizona Manufacturers Council. I have a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, and have been married to my wife, Donna, for 37 years. They have two adult children.

**Statement:** One office that shouldn't be political is the regulators who oversee utilities and our grid. My focus is protecting ratepayers and grid stability. I've championed an all-of-the above energy approach to manage Arizona's energy grid, focusing on eliminating Green New Deal policies that have cost customers billions of dollars in extra surcharges, while pushing for greater ratepayer protections and holding utilities accountable for wasteful and frivolous spending. I championed the elimination of previously enacted Commission mandates that forced utilities to fund energy projects and programs costing ratepayers nearly \$4Billion since their inception. I led the charge in eliminating over \$50Million in ratepayer surcharges from the state's largest electric utility in incentives for things like electric golf carts, EV charging stations, and payments to homebuilders to install appliances. I've worked tirelessly to remove regulatory barriers and mandates to unleash energy innovation, while ensuring grid stability and maintaining reliable energy supply. Under my watch, Arizona's grid is now ranked the 7th most reliable in the country. I recently led the charge to prevent ratepayers from being saddled with \$1.9Billion in extra costs to open a shuttered power plant and have worked on federal permitting reform for natural gas and nuclear power.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 1



### Christine Ellen Dargon

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.dargonforazsenate.com](http://www.dargonforazsenate.com)  
**Biography:** Dr. Christine Dargon is a community organizer, grassroots Democrat and candidate for Arizona State Senate in LD 1. A former resident of Prescott and 15+ years in Rimrock, she is the co-founder of Indivisible Rimrock, has served as a Yavapai County precinct committeewoman. With deep roots in the Prescott and Verde Valley area, she has built relationships with tribal nations, veterans, small business owners, neighbors across party lines and collected signatures to put reproductive rights on Arizona's ballot. She owns her own business and works as Associate Faculty for two AZ universities. Christine will listen and answer to the people of LD1.

**Statement:** Legislative District 1 deserves a senator who actually works for the people who live here and right now, we don't have one. Our current senator parachuted into this district after losing a statewide race and has spent his time denying elections, banning abortion with no exceptions for rape or incest, chasing national headlines while LD1's real problems go unaddressed. He does not work for you - I will! Our wells are failing as aquifers are drawn down by unregulated corporate pumping. Our schools are among the most underfunded in the nation. Families are driving two hours for basic medical care. These are not unsolvable problems. I will fight for groundwater protections that put LD1 families before corporate extraction interests. I will fight to fully fund our public schools and pay teachers what they deserve. I will fight to expand rural healthcare access so that a medical emergency doesn't also become a financial one or a tragedy because help is hours away. I will fight for zoning reforms that remove unnecessary barriers to workforce and affordable housing development, state investment in rural housing infrastructure, and tenant protections that keep working families stably housed. Solutions over stunts. Community over career. No special interests.

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### Mark Finchem

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**  
**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 1



### Selina Bliss

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.SelinaBliss.com](http://www.SelinaBliss.com)

**Biography:** I am honored to serve and have just completed my second term in the Arizona State House of Representatives. Having lived in Legislative District 1 since 1971, I am engaged in a variety of political and civic organizations, including the Yavapai County Republican Party, the State and National Federation of Republican Women, the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association, and the Armed Women of America. I am running for re-election because of a deep

respect for our rich history, and I am dedicated to protecting and strengthening Legislative District 1 and Arizona.

**Statement:** Now finishing my second term in office, I am happy to report I've kept my promises and built a conservative record on the issues that matter most. Working with Representative Quang Nguyen, I prioritized efforts to boost our economy and fight inflation, secure our border and stop the open border crisis, and restore integrity to our election process. I voted to defend our 2nd Amendment rights, secure our water future, protect life, and look after both our veterans and first responders. I am also using my background as a nurse and educator to advance progress for our schools, universities, and healthcare systems. I am fighting to protect your medical freedom rights and to prevent future attempts at government mandates. I've lived in this District since 1971 and have been involved with a variety of political, charitable, and civic organizations. I'm committed to public service and am grateful for the trust you have shown me. You have TWO VOTES FOR STATE HOUSE, and I hope I can count on you to cast one vote for me so I can return to work alongside Representative Quang Nguyen to keep Arizona great! Thank you for your support!



### Quang Huu Nguyen

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Quang was rescued from Vietnam by the US military just one week before Saigon fell. It took months to be reunited with his family, but Quang's American dream had begun. Working jobs, he taught himself English, graduated high school, then from Long Beach State, before going to work for Northrop Corporation on the F-20 and F-18 programs. In 1993, a wonderful woman, Mai, said "Yes" and they began their life together. They moved to Arizona in

2004 with their two kids, Quang later started his own business, and he was elected to the State House just a few years ago.

**Statement:** I ran for office as a Constitutional Conservative, you trusted and elected me, and I've gone to work each day and KEPT MY WORD! That means real election integrity measures, secure borders (finishing that wall), criminalizing fentanyl dealers, fighting for affordability, medical freedom, safe neighborhoods, improved highways and transportation (improving I-17), long-term water security, and personal liberty. I have a 100% pro-gun, pro-Constitution, pro-life, pro-school choice, and pro-Arizona voting record. I've worked closely with Representative Selina Bliss and our district is home to Arizona's most reliably conservative State Reps. We are again being challenged from our left by the same candidate you rejected last time, but that's okay. Voters should have choices, and we're going to keep voting for conservative ideals no matter who runs against us. You know me, and you know the love I have for my country, my state, and everyone who calls it home. If you want a proven America First team, then I ask you to cast your TWO State House votes for Nguyen AND Bliss. On behalf of my wonderful wife and kids, THANK YOU! And may God continue to bless America.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 1



### Shawn Dell Wildman

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** wildmaninthehouse.com/  
**Biography:** Shawn Dell Wildman has lived in Yavapai County since 1994. She and her husband owned and operated Coffee Gram, a county-wide advertising and print business, for over 22 years. She descends from veterans serving back to the Continental Line of the American Revolution. That heritage of duty shapes everything about this campaign. Shawn Dell is a Clean Elections candidate — beholden to no special interest, no political machine, and no incumbent.

Just Yavapai County, its families, and the truth.

**Statement:** Defend Life. Defend Freedom. Yavapai County First. Career politicians talk conservative. I live it. I am no politician — I am a Yavapai County small business owner, a homeschooling mother, 44-year wife, and lifelong conservative. For over 30 years, my husband and I built businesses, raised our children, and served this community the honest way — working hard and keeping our word. Here is where I stand - without reservation. Life is sacred. I will defend it. I will protect your Second Amendment rights — not as a talking point, but as a Federal Firearms licensed dealer who actively stood behind that right. Our ballots must be counted with full transparency. I will demand it. Government has grown too large, too intrusive. I will fight to shrink it. Parents — not government — direct their children's lives. I will defend that right fiercely. Family Court is broken. I support reform to fix it. Our veterans and first responders deserve real representation. I will deliver it. I am a Clean Elections candidate because integrity is not a campaign slogan — it is the standard I hold myself to every day. Yavapai County deserves a representative who means what they say. I do! Freedom. Honor. Family. Integrity.



### Sandy Zalecki

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** sandyzforaz.com  
**Biography:** I am a mother, a grandmother, and a Veteran. I am a 30-year resident of Arizona, hold a Bachelor's Degree in Bible and Theology, a widow, and most recently a candidate for Legislative District 1 State Representative. I was born in a very rural area of Colorado and understands the struggles of both rural and small-town areas of Arizona.

**Statement:** I have never wanted to be a politician, but I found out that being in politics is one of the best ways to help others if it's done properly. I'm not good at making big promises that I can't keep. I don't like to lie. If I were to be elected, I would work to take as much money out of politics as possible. I would introduce a bill to make everyone run clean elections campaigns. Clean Elections is a fund that provides money to pay for candidates' campaigns. If they receive clean elections funding, they can't take PAC money or corporate money. Affordable healthcare is also very important to me. I have a granddaughter that's a diabetic. She needs affordable insulin. I would work to make insulin and other pharmaceuticals affordable. Affordable housing, education, and water issues are also very important to me. I'm running because I care, and I want to help people. I don't care about money or power; I just want to leave the world a little better because I've been here

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 2



### Shawna Bolick

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** bolickforarizona.com

**Biography:** A mom, wife, and champion for hardworking families throughout Arizona, Shawna Bolick has spent her career fighting for educational freedom, reducing state taxes, protecting our children, countering fentanyl abuse, and working to end human trafficking. At the Capitol, Shawna has fought to repeal the rental tax, provide funding for border security and law enforcement, and invest new dollars into our classrooms. Shawna will continue

fighting to protect our neighborhoods and support great schools and teachers. Shawna championed a ground-breaking piece of legislation protecting our pets against animal cruelty. Shawna lives in Phoenix with her family and their three greyhounds.

**Statement:** Actions and accomplishments speak louder than empty promises. Since 2019, I have represented you with a common-sense voice at the State Capitol. I have supported legislation to secure our border, reduce taxes, and support small businesses. Over the last few years, I have taken the lead in the fight to make housing more affordable, lower prices for food and housing, invest in our schools and teachers, fight drug trafficking and fentanyl, advance consumer protection, and end child sex trafficking. As a mom and neighbor, these issues are personal to me - and critical for our community. As a wife, mom, and protector of our children, I will continue to fight for common-sense solutions to the challenges facing our community, from standing up for veterans to protecting our water supply. We have all witnessed the consequences of single-party rule, which is why keeping a check on the Governor's agenda creates a more balanced policy outcome and safer communities. Please visit my website at [www.BolickforArizona.com](http://www.BolickforArizona.com) to learn more or ask questions, and I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you! Shawna



### Timothy John Ferrara

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** votefferrara4az.com/

**Biography:** Timothy Ferrara is originally from Long Island, New York, and has proudly called Arizona home since relocating in 2006. With over 25 years of experience as an IT professional, he has built a career focused on problem-solving, innovation, and delivering reliable technology solutions. Timothy is now running to better serve the residents of Legislative District 2, bringing his technical expertise and practical mindset to public service. He is committed to improving

his community, supporting responsible growth, and ensuring that the voices of LD2 residents are heard and represented effectively.

**Statement:** Timothy Ferrara has been an Arizona resident since 2006 with deep roots in the LD2 community. He understands firsthand the challenges that excessive regulations and high taxes create for job growth and economic prosperity. He's committed to creating an environment where businesses can thrive and create opportunities for Arizona families. He believes that government should be limited, transparent, and accountable to the people. In the State Senate, he will fight against government overreach, defend our constitutional rights, and work to ensure that Arizona remains a beacon of freedom and opportunity. Beyond his professional achievements, he is dedicated to serving his community and guided by conservative values and a strong faith in God

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 2



### Amelia Gallitano

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.ameliaforaz.com/](http://www.ameliaforaz.com/)

**Biography:** My name is Amelia Gallitano, and I'm a doctor, neuroscientist, professor, and a mom. I'm a problem-solver fed up with corporations getting richer while hardworking Arizonans struggle with the rising cost of living and affordability. I moved to North Phoenix 19 years ago to be a founding professor at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Phoenix and have been educating new doctors ever since, while caring for veterans with PTSD. As a doctor and educator, I support reining in pharmaceutical price-gouging and investing in public education. As a scientist, I believe data centers must pay their own energy costs, and we must address climate and water crises.

**Statement:** My name is Amelia Gallitano. I'm a doctor, neuroscientist, professor, and mom. I moved here 19 years ago with my two sons to be a professor at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Phoenix, and I've been educating new doctors ever since. I also cared for veterans with PTSD at the Phoenix VA for years. It does not take a PhD in neuroscience to see that something is very wrong in our legislature. Lawmakers are giving tax breaks to private plane owners while everyday Arizonans struggle to make ends meet. They are giving away a billion dollars with no accountability to private school vouchers while attacking the public schools that 90% of Arizona families choose. They want to take away Vote by Mail, which more than 75% of voters rely on. I've spent my life in public service, and I'm stepping up to work for everyday Arizonans. I will make healthcare more affordable, support our public schools and teachers, and stop corporations from driving up housing and energy costs. It's time for a state senator focused on people, not corporate profits. I would be honored to represent you.



### Daniel Toporek

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [danforaz.org/](http://danforaz.org/)

**Biography:** Daniel Toporek served 34 years in uniform, first as an enlisted Marine and later as an Army National Guard aviator and instructor pilot. After retiring from military service, he worked for U.S. Senator Mark Kelly helping Arizona veterans and military families, then served as an FAA Aviation Safety Inspector. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Aviation Flight Technology from Thomas Edison University and a Master's degree in Public Leadership from the University of San

Francisco. Dan is running for State Senate to continue serving Arizona with integrity, accountability, and practical leadership.

**Statement:** I'm running for State Senate because District 2 needs steady, effective leadership focused on the challenges families face every day. Arizona families deserve a government that is accountable, practical, and committed to solving problems. In the legislature, I will work to lower the cost of living, strengthen public schools, protect reproductive freedom, defend the right to vote, support veterans and working families, secure our water future, and keep our neighborhoods safe. I believe public service is about listening carefully, showing up consistently, and doing the work required to deliver results. This district needs a senator who will take the responsibility of the office seriously and always put the public interest first. My focus will be on the issues that matter most in people's daily lives, including housing, education, infrastructure, water, public safety, and economic opportunity. I'm running to help build an Arizona where families can afford to live, children can succeed in strong public schools, and every community in District 2 has a voice and a fair shot at a better future.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2

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### Stephanie Simacek

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.simacekforaz.com](http://www.simacekforaz.com)

**Biography:** Stephanie was raised in Oregon, where her teachers instilled in her a passion for education. In 2014, she made Arizona her home with her two daughters. She began teaching first grade in a public school after graduating from Grand Canyon University with a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education. Working with first graders was rewarding and challenging, and it reaffirmed her belief in the power of education to transform lives. In 2022,

her neighbors elected Stephanie first to the Deer Valley Unified School District Governing Board, then two years later, to represent Arizona's second legislative district at the House of Representatives, where she faithfully serves all of Arizona.

**Statement:** I am a mom, public school teacher, Deer Valley Unified School District governing board member, and an Arizona State House Representative. I first ran for office to strengthen public education, address our water crisis, and tackle rising costs, including childcare, healthcare, and housing. Since my election in 2024, I have had the honor and privilege to fight for these issues on behalf of Arizona's second legislative district. These are not partisan issues; they affect us all, regardless of our political affiliation. As a public school teacher, I saw firsthand the positive impact of diverse teaching methods, dedicated staff, and engaged parents. As a mother, I've felt how hard rising costs in healthcare, housing, childcare, food, and utilities have hit Arizona families. As an Arizonan, I know we must act fast to ensure that future generations get to enjoy this great state we all know and love. I am seeking reelection this year because our work is far from finished. There is still so much we can do, and I remain committed to continuing that work on behalf of my neighbors.



### Danielle Skranak

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.danielleforhouse.com](http://www.danielleforhouse.com)

**Biography:** Danielle Skranak is a proud to have grown up in Arizona, she is U.S. Army veteran, ASU graduate and successful entrepreneur. Danielle worked as a paralegal in the U.S. Attorney's Office but returned to the private sector and founded ProParalegalAZ, a business that assists Arizonans in restoring their civil and constitutional rights. Through this work, she has empowered individuals to reclaim their dignity and rebuild their lives. Danielle was honored to

serve on the board of the USS Arizona Legacy Foundation, a nonprofit committed to preserving the legacy of the USS Arizona battleship while supporting and educating future generations about the forthcoming USS Arizona submarine SSN-803.

**Statement:** Our district is currently represented by one Republican and one Democrat – which means every time Justin Wilmeth votes to cut our gas taxes, Stephanie Simacek votes to keep them higher. Wilmeth votes to get rid of taxes on tips and Simacek votes to keep them. Wilmeth votes for school safety and more money into classrooms and Simacek votes against it. That makes no sense. I'm committed to working with Justin Wilmeth on everything from ending illegal immigration to lower prices, from election integrity to protecting school choice and getting more dollars out of administration and into classrooms. We need long-term water plans, safe neighborhoods, an end to DEI and radical social engineering that targets our kids especially, support for our police and first responders, and policies that support our veterans. I ask for your vote so we can advance an Arizona First agenda that reverses the damage done by Katie Hobbs, and gets Arizona back on the RIGHT track!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2



### Justin Wilmeth

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.justinwilmethaz.com/](http://www.justinwilmethaz.com/)

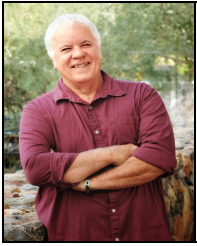
**Biography:** I was born in Texas, but I am proud to have been living in Arizona since 2015. I am three-time graduate of Arizona State University, earning a bachelor's degree in Political Science; a Master of Public Administration; and a Master of Arts in Global Security. I enjoy reading about history and international affairs, watching as much baseball as possible and taking road trips all over the state. I'm a movie buff and usually always have a random pop culture reference at the

ready. I am jovial, considerate and a positive type of person.

**Statement:** Howdy everyone! I have had the honor of serving in the Arizona House of Representatives for the past six years. I've spent that time fighting against overreaching COVID mandates, lowering taxes, eliminating burdensome regulations, improving housing affordability and, yes, making Pluto the State Planet. I've been chairman of the House Commerce Committee, where I focused on improving economic development and bringing more jobs to the district. Currently, I serve as the chairman of the House Artificial Intelligence & Innovation Committee, where I am helping guide the way on the new digital policy frontier. I want to help this technology be more beneficial to you! I've spent my entire career in public policy. I've worked a combined 12 years at two different state legislatures, including here in Arizona, where I was a policy staffer for the Republican Caucus. I also worked at Americans for Prosperity, a Conservative entity focused on lowering taxes, regulations and shrinking government wherever possible. I'm very proud to say I'm an effective Legislator for our district and I understand how to get the job done. I want to ensure Arizona continues to be friendly for free markets and individual liberties! I look forward to earning your support.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 3



### Jeffrey Fortney

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [electfortney.com/](http://electfortney.com/)

**Biography:** I've lived in Cave Creek since 1999. I adore the desert beauty around my home. I'm a husband, father, and grandfather. I left a career in computers in 2004 to become a special education teacher. I've also had the honor of being on the Cave Creek School Board since 2021. I've been a dedicated advocate, knocking on thousands of doors for causes and candidates that inspire me to engage my community, since 2017. Fully funding public education, voting rights,

clean elections, protecting people's human rights and making sure ALL Arizonans are treated with dignity and respect are my core issues.

**Statement:** I am running for State Senate in Legislative District 3 for several reasons. Too many families in Legislative District 3 are feeling the economic impact of decisions being made federally and rubber stamped locally. Many are trying to balance working (sometimes multiple jobs), while paying for child care, medicine and other increasing costly expenses. These people are feeling the effects of national economic decisions locally, while local legislators rubber stamp policies that are driving up these costs. Families are effectively being billed an average of \$2,300 due to illegal tariffs. Grocery prices continue to climb while local legislators are doing nothing to support working families. They are in fact making it even more difficult for working families to feed and support their children. I will work tirelessly to support working families in Arizona. In addition, I have a long record of protecting, supporting, and respecting vulnerable children while many local legislators bully these same children while supporting and protecting powerful people who are taking advantage of children. Voters are looking for leadership that prioritizes lowering everyday costs and holding decision-makers accountable for policies that hurt American families. I want to be their advocate at the state capitol.



### John Kavanagh

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.electkavanagh.com](http://www.electkavanagh.com)

**Biography:** Senator John Kavanagh is a conservative leader focused on public safety, low taxes, and limited government. First elected in 2006, he is known for strong principled leadership. He served 20 years as a police officer and detective sergeant with the Port Authority Police of New York and New Jersey. He holds degrees from New York University, St. John's University, and Rutgers University, and has spent 25 years as a college professor teaching criminal justice and

government. In the Legislature, he has worked on border security, tax relief, and election integrity, while serving in key leadership roles, including Senate Majority Leader and Appropriations Committee Chair.

**Statement:** I am running for re-election because Arizona deserves experienced, steady leadership that delivers results. Throughout my legislative service, I have worked to protect our communities, strengthen public safety, and ensure government remains accountable to the people. With a background in law enforcement and years of legislative experience, I understand the challenges facing our state and the practical solutions needed to address them. I have fought to secure Arizona's borders, support law enforcement, and keep our neighborhoods safe. I believe in responsible government, keeping taxes low, controlling spending, and reducing unnecessary regulations so families and businesses can thrive. Arizona's continued success depends on affordability and economic growth that protects taxpayers. I am also committed to defending Arizona's water resources, defending school choice, and keeping "woke" ideologies out of our schools - classrooms should focus on academics, not politics. Additionally, I have supported improvements in transportation infrastructure and investments in education. There is still important work to be done. I ask for your support to continue delivering commonsense leadership to keep Arizona safe, prosperous, and free.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 3



### Robert Michael Wallace

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.robert4you.com/](http://www.robert4you.com/)

**Biography:** Robert Wallace is a Christian conservative candidate for the Arizona State Senate in Legislative District 3 who believes public office is a trust to be exercised with integrity, accountability, and leadership. His background includes ten years in IT support, seven years in real estate, and years of engagement and grassroots organizing. Robert has advocated for parental rights, served as a precinct committeeman, worked with Turning Point Action, served

as secretary of the Log Cabin Republicans of Phoenix, and is founder and CEO of America First Mayors. He and his husband, Neal, have been together sixteen years and married for twelve.

**Statement:** I am running for the Arizona State Senate because Legislative District 3 deserves principled, energetic, and accountable leadership for a new era. Public office is not something to be held indefinitely; it is a trust to be renewed through service, vision, and results. After many years of the same representation, I believe LD3 is ready for a fresh voice and a forward-looking conservative leader who will meet this moment with seriousness and conviction. My background reflects both private-sector experience and grassroots engagement. I spent ten years in IT support and seven years in real estate, experiences that taught me how to solve problems, serve people directly, and understand the challenges families face in the real world. I have also been active in parental-rights advocacy, grassroots political organizing, precinct-level leadership, and voter engagement, including work with Turning Point Action, service as secretary of the Log Cabin Republicans of Phoenix, and as founder and CEO of America First Mayors. I am a Christian conservative who believes in constitutional government, fiscal responsibility, public safety, parental rights, educational excellence, and honest representation. I am running to help lead LD3 into a new chapter marked by integrity, accessibility, strength, and a renewed commitment to the people of this district.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



### Julie Gable

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.juliegable.com/](http://www.juliegable.com/)

**Biography:** Julie Gable is a proven business leader who has spent her career solving hard problems, from leading technology consulting firms to serving as CEO of a behavioral health organization. Recognized by the Phoenix Business Journal as an Outstanding Woman in Business, Julie brings a pragmatic, principled approach to service and leadership. She and her husband, Dieter, raised two daughters in Arizona's public schools. She is the daughter of a WWII

Veteran/POW/Bataan Death March Survivor. She also he proudly serves on the boards of the Arizona Humane Society and the Arizona Center for Nature Conservation/The Phoenix Zoo.

**Statement:** Julie Gable believes in practical solutions that put community first. She is running for State House LD3 to expand access to affordable healthcare, strengthen public education, champion responsible AI policy, and protect Arizona's natural resources.



### George Khalaf

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.georgekhalaf.com/](http://www.georgekhalaf.com/)

**Biography:** George Khalaf is a candidate for Arizona State House in LD3. He defines himself first and foremost as a Christian, a husband to Briana, a father to three sons, and an unabashed America-First conservative. His professional background is in political data and consulting and education freedom advocacy, where he is proud to have taken arrows fighting for the conservative causes he believes in. He's been endorsed by law enforcement organizations and

elected and grassroots leaders across the northeast valley and Arizona. George graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor's in Political Science. George and his family reside in Scottsdale.

**Statement:** I'm George Khalaf and I'm proud to be running to represent LD3 in the Arizona House. We need leaders to cast and deliver a conservative vision for our state, and that's why I stepped up. First and foremost, I'm a Christian, husband to Briana, father to three sons and an America-First conservative. My parents immigrated legally to the US from Lebanon to give their children a chance to experience freedom and the American dream. I wake up every day grateful to live in the greatest country in the world. I'll focus on growing a pro-family economy through low taxes, more efficient government, and pro-small business policies. I'll support strong families by defending parents' rights, opposing woke indoctrination and making education work for parents and students. Safe communities start with a secure border. I'll back our men and women in law enforcement and vote for policies that keep criminals off our streets. I'll defend our Constitutional Freedoms of life, free speech, religious freedom and the 2nd Amendment. I'll fight for free and fair elections with full transparency. As your representative, I'll answer to the people and my principles—not special interests. Together, we'll make Arizona's next 10 years free and prosperous.



### Cody Reim

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



### Jay Schlum

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** After Charlie Kirk's tragic assassination, I was deeply moved by calls from his wife, Erika, and his TPUSA organization for Christian conservatives to re-engage. Shortly afterward, someone approached me to run for our open State House seats, and I decided to answer that call to service once again. My family has been in Arizona for five generations. I've been blessed in our great state as a husband, father and grandfather, successful small-business owner, and

former Mayor of Fountain Hills. We're active in church and community and make time to root for our Suns, Cardinals and Diamondbacks!

**Statement:** Everyone runs as a conservative and claims to be MAGA, so how can voters know for sure? Well, I'm the candidate with an actual voting record and conservative accomplishments. I don't just say I'm conservative, I've already governed as a conservative. As Mayor, I saved Fountain Hills from financial calamity by making tough choices, cutting spending and red tape, supporting law enforcement, and growing our economy. I fought the left and we ALL won! Now we need to stop Katie Hobbs and win these fights at the state level. Like strong borders, secure elections, real school choice, lower taxes, more jobs, an end to DEI and left-wing attempts to target our kids, lower prices on everything from utility costs to gas to housing and more, Term Limits for Congress, protecting girls' sports and keeping men out of their locker rooms, supporting law enforcement, and developing a long-term water strategy for our state. Tough important battles are ahead of us, ones we can't afford to lose. You get TWO votes for State House, please cast one for the candidate who doesn't just promise to fight for you, but who has already fought AND WON for you. Vote Jay Schlum. Thank you!



### Richard "Rick" Robert Spargo

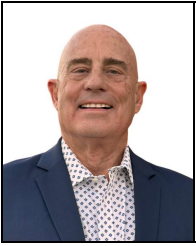
**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.electspargo.com](http://www.electspargo.com)

**Biography:** As our nation marks its 250th anniversary, I take pride in deep American roots. I am descended from five Revolutionary War patriots who fought for independence. For 37 years, I have run a successful business while raising four children with my wife here in Arizona, where I've lived for four decades. A graduate of San Jose State University, I have led national organizations that provide scholarships and youth programs, continuing a lifelong

commitment to service and leadership. I also support charitable efforts for veterans and dog shelters, carrying forward a family legacy of patriotism, integrity, and community involvement.

**Statement:** I stand for Common Sense and Moderation. You won't find any extremism here. Our District and Arizona deserve leadership grounded in practicality, not partisanship. The challenges we face are water scarcity, underfunded public schools and the rising cost of living. I call for cooperation and real solutions that bring people together, not drive us apart. Securing our water future must be a top priority. We must invest in conservation, expand water reuse, and protect our supplies from overuse and speculation. Arizona can grow while preserving sustainability. Strong public education is the foundation of opportunity. I'll work to ensure every classroom has the teachers, resources and support needed to help students thrive. Affordability matters. From housing to energy to healthcare. I will champion for policies that keep Arizona livable for working families, small business owners and seniors alike. I'm running to restore moderation and respect to our politics, focusing on results over ideology, collaboration over conflict, and responsibility over division. Together, we can build a balanced, forward-looking future rooted in common sense.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



### Thomas M. Walsh II

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** tomwalshaz.com/

**Biography:** Dr. Tom Walsh Arizona State House, LD3 | Republican Arizona needs leaders who've lived real life — not made careers out of politics. Dr. Tom Walsh served as a U.S. Air Force Captain, 44-year dentist, small business owner, and LD3 Precinct Committeeman. Married 45 years. Father. Grandfather. A life built on service. His agenda is simple: healthcare that puts doctors and patients first, education that builds critical thinkers, and a state budget with zero

deficit spending. Every vote measured against the Constitution and the best interests of LD3 — nothing more, nothing less. Real experience. Clear principles. Unwavering accountability. Vote Dr. Tom Walsh for Arizona State House, LD3.

**Statement:** My friends — Arizona stands at a crossroads. My name is Tom Walsh. I grew up in a modest family, worked nights to put myself through dental school, served as a Captain in the U.S. Air Force, and spent 41 years as a doctor — looking people in the eye who were scared and wondering how they'd make it work. I know what it means to earn trust. You are working harder and falling further behind. Groceries. Gas. Property taxes. Insurance. LD3 is one of the most affluent districts in Arizona — Scottsdale professionals, Fountain Hills families, Cave Creek ranchers — and nobody is immune. Government overspending, excessive regulation, and irresponsible politicians are why. I'm here to stop it. We will cut waste, eliminate the state income tax, and put more money back in your pocket. Your children deserve better schools. Your family deserves safety, secure borders, and clean water. Your freedom is a birthright — not a privilege. Every decision I make will start with one question: Is it constitutional? Arizona doesn't need another politician who disappears after Election Day. Arizona needs a fighter. I've got you. Visit tomwalshaz.com — donate, spread the word, and join us. Let's go to work!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 4



### Aaron Lieberman

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.aaron4az.com/](http://www.aaron4az.com/)

**Biography:** Aaron is a native Arizonan, entrepreneur, and former member of the Arizona House of Representatives. He co-founded and led Jumpstart, a national nonprofit focused on early literacy and school readiness, as well as Acelero Learning, an organization dedicated to delivering high-quality early education and support to underserved communities. Aaron is the founder and CEO of Buzze, an Arizona-based company accelerating electric vehicle adoption in

multifamily housing. In 2021, Aaron ran for governor, gaining a deeper understanding of Arizona's challenges and opportunities. Throughout his career, Aaron has built organizations, created jobs, won tough races, and served with integrity.

**Statement:** Aaron Lieberman is running to deliver practical, results-driven leadership for Arizona families, focused on tackling the state's affordability crisis, strengthening public education, and building an economy that works for everyone. If elected, Aaron will work to lower everyday costs, address rising housing prices, and expand access to affordable healthcare so families don't have to choose between paying bills and getting care. He will increase teacher pay and invest in neighborhood public schools to ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed. Aaron is committed to supporting small businesses, creating pathways to good-paying jobs, and growing a strong, sustainable economy. He will also focus on keeping communities safe by supporting law enforcement and ensuring first responders have the resources they need to do their jobs, while protecting Arizona's water future through responsible, long-term planning. Aaron believes government should deliver real solutions to the problems Arizona families are facing. Aaron has a proven record of working across the aisle to pass meaningful legislation and will continue that approach to deliver results. His goal is simple: make Arizona a place where every family has the opportunity to succeed.



### Carine Werner

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.wernerforaz.com](http://www.wernerforaz.com)

**Biography:** Carine Werner is an immigrant, mom of three, small business owner, and Scottsdale School Board Member committed to safeguarding the Arizona dream. Carine is a proven problem-solver, focused on reducing crime, improving our schools, fostering economic prosperity, and creating a better quality of life for all Arizonans. Inspired by her kids and community, Carine is fighting to stop healthcare fraud, improve the Department of Child Safety, and strengthen penalties for drug dealers. Thanks to Carine, our schools are safer, and our community is stronger. Her family proudly calls Scottsdale home.

**Statement:** As a mom of three Scottsdale Unified school district graduates, I've fought for educational excellence and common-sense solutions to the challenges facing our state for nearly a decade. When I first ran for State Senate, I committed to stand up for our children, support small business owners, help our veterans, and improve our schools - and since I was elected, I've fulfilled my promise and even streamlined government agencies and improved transparency. As the first freshman legislator to be named Health Committee Chair, I've worked with stakeholders to shed light on Medicaid fraud, improve care for foster kids, and protect vulnerable Arizonans. We need consistency in government; leaders who will tackle critical issues without compromising our values. We can balance compassion with accountability to ensure our tax dollars are spent wisely. I will always protect the community we love, make our neighborhoods safer, and create great opportunities for the next generation. I'm grateful for your continued support and encouragement. Learn more and get involved at [www.wernerforaz.com](http://www.wernerforaz.com).

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



### Tammy Caputi

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.tammycaputi.com/](http://www.tammycaputi.com/)

**Biography:** Tammy Caputi has lived and worked in Arizona for 25 years. She's the Owner of Yale Electric West, a company she founded in 2001. Tammy holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Wellesley College and a Master in Business Administration from Simmons University in Boston, MA. She's a Fellow with the Flinn-Brown Center for Civic Leadership. She served 4 years on the Scottsdale City Council and 3 years on the Development Review Board. Tammy and her

husband have 3 daughters who attend local public schools. She's running for the State House to make Arizona better for all our children.

**Statement:** I'm Tammy Caputi, and I'm always running. I run my own small business bringing light and power all over our State, I run marathons, I run my 3 daughters to school and activities, and now I'm running for the Arizona House of Representatives, after serving 4 years on the Scottsdale City Council, to be a positive, forward-thinking voice for our State. As a business owner, I've signed the front of paychecks. I've navigated recessions. I've dealt with rising costs, supply chain challenges, and tough decisions to keep people employed. That experience grounds me and reminds me that public policy isn't abstract. It affects real families, real workers, and real communities. This is a defining moment for our state. We can allow dysfunction and division to shape Arizona's future - or we can choose leaders who are willing to do what's right. The policies we pass today will shape the Arizona our children grow up in tomorrow. I will run as hard and fast as I can to keep Arizona moving forward: create opportunity, strengthen our communities, and leave Arizona better than we found it - for the next generation as well.



### Pamela Carter

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [pamelacarter.com/](http://pamelacarter.com/)

**Biography:** Fourth-generation Arizonan whose great-grandfather immigrated from Mexico to work in the copper mines near Globe. Raised in Phoenix's Arcadia area, I built the nation's largest sports medicine and weight training facility in Scottsdale, training NFL athletes and ASU football players. That led to my national health and fitness TV program, "Get in Shape with Pamela Carter," which aired 18 years on TBN. I hold a master's degree in Communications and

Biblical Studies and serve on the board of Help 4 Kidz, reaching at-risk youth. Currently a State Legislator in LD4, I've sponsored bills protecting children from online predators and supporting school choice.

**Statement:** Pamela Carter — Arizona House of Representatives, Legislative District 4 Republican | Candidate for Reelection My name is Pamela Carter. I'm a fourth-generation Arizonan, small business owner, and proud representative of the community I've called home my entire life. In my first term, I was appointed Vice Chair of the Public Safety and Law Enforcement Committee, a leadership role rarely given to a freshman, and I worked to earn it. I passed legislation protecting deployed military service members from unfair vehicle taxes, championed Arizona's nuclear energy future, and stood against powerful corporate interests to defend Scottsdale's right to vote on its own development decisions. This session, I sponsored Cade's Law to hold accountable those who encourage minors toward suicide online, legislation targeting sexual extortion of minors, and bills protecting Arizona homebuyers and expanding access to our state's critical minerals. My priorities haven't changed: safe communities, strong law enforcement, parental rights in education, local control, low taxes, and secure elections. LD4 deserves a representative who shows up, listens, and puts Arizona first. That is the commitment I make to you every day. I humbly ask for your vote. [pamelacarter.com](http://pamelacarter.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



### Sandra Christensen

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [sandraforaz.com/](http://sandraforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Sandra Christensen, a dedicated public servant and business leader in Arizona, earned a BBA in Information Technology and built a career in IT project management at Honeywell and Perot Systems. She later studied and worked in the veterinary industry. Currently a Governing Board Member for PVUSD, Sandra is a strong voice for students and parents. As Constituent Services Manager/Ombudsman for Az Department of Education, she

helped constituents resolve education concerns with state and federal agencies. An active church member and community volunteer, Sandra and husband Coy were married in 1997 and are proud parents of a Horizon High School graduate.

**Statement:** I'm Sandra Christensen, running for LD4 State House of Representatives to make our schools centers of academic excellence, grow our economy, and keep our communities safe. As the only conservative voice on the Paradise Valley Unified School District Governing Board, I've earned the nickname "Voice of the People" by listening to parents, teachers, and community members — and fighting to protect students without compromise. Guided by faith and the values my parents taught me — work hard, keep your word, and serve others — I bring proven leadership and a no-nonsense approach to public service. My priorities are clear: Educate. Prosper. Protect. Educate our children with rigorous academic standards by directing dollars into the classroom, supporting teachers, defending parental rights and school choice, and ensuring schools operate with fiscal responsibility and transparency. Prosper by cutting taxes and reducing burdensome regulations so small businesses can grow and Arizona families can thrive. Protect our communities by supporting law enforcement, safeguarding constitutional freedoms, and defending parental rights in healthcare decisions. As a wife, mother, business leader, and public servant, I'm running to restore trust in government, amplify your voice, and deliver real results grounded in integrity and shared values. Now is the time to stand up, take back our future, and fight for all Arizonans.



### Karen Gresham

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.karenforaz.com/](http://www.karenforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Karen Gresham is a third-generation Phoenician with deep roots in Arizona. She attended public schools in LD 4 and graduated Summa Cum Laude from Arizona State University, earning a BS in Accountancy and minors in Spanish and Communication. After working as a CPA at a major accounting firm for several years, she later chose to focus on raising her three sons, while remaining deeply engaged in her community. Today, Karen is now serving

her second term on the Madison School district governing board and is a board member of the Arizona Trail Association, supporting conservation and outdoor access across the state.

**Statement:** As a school board member, she oversees multimillion-dollar budgets, advocates for responsible fiscal management, and supports educators and staff. This gives her the skills and experience needed to carefully evaluate policy for their impact on the public while collaborating with fellow board members. If elected to the legislature, Karen will work for public education funding, fiscal accountability, and an affordable Arizona with a budget that works for everyone. I'm a third-generation Arizonan who believes our state works best when we invest in opportunity and manage our finances responsibly. As a former CPA and graduate of Arizona State University, I understand how to build balanced budgets and analyze data to make smart decisions. I am currently serving my second term as an elected member of the Madison Elementary School District governing board. I know what Arizona schools, teachers, and students need. I am running to strengthen public education, restore fiscal accountability, and ensure an affordable Arizona with a budget that works for everyone. I look forward to representing LD4 in the State House and working on sensible solutions to the challenges we face.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



### Matt Gress

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.MattGress.com](http://www.MattGress.com)

**Biography:** Matt Gress, representing Arizona's District 4, chairs the House Education Committee and serves as Vice-Chair of Appropriations. Raised by a single mom, Matt worked his way through college driving school buses and became the first in his family to earn a degree. A former high school teacher in a low-income area, he served on the Madison School Board, fighting for open schools during COVID-19 and parental choice. Before the House, he

was Arizona's budget director and helped author the largest tax cut in Arizona history. At the Capitol, Matt has advanced school safety and supported law enforcement families.

**Statement:** Matt Gress represents District 4 in the Arizona House of Representatives, delivering real results for Arizona families. A conservative Republican, Matt believes in securing our border, cutting taxes, balancing budgets, and protecting individual liberty. At the Capitol, Matt has proven he can get things done. He authored and passed the most comprehensive school safety legislation in decades, led the effort to enact Preston's Law to crack down on teen mob violence, and secured funding to support law enforcement families and strengthen recruitment. He has worked to increase teacher pay, lower the cost of living, and keep Arizona free, competitive, and open for opportunity. Matt's story is rooted in hard work. Raised by a single mom in a small town in Oklahoma, he worked his way through college by driving school buses and became the first in his family to earn a degree. He later taught high school and served on a local school board, fighting to keep schools open during COVID-19 and expand educational freedom. Before the Legislature, Matt served as Arizona's budget director, helping deliver the largest tax cut in state history. Matt Gress is a proven conservative fighting to keep Arizona on the right track.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 5



### Jason LaForest

**Party:** No Labels      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [linktr.ee/laforest4az](https://linktr.ee/laforest4az)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Phoenix, Jason LaForest attended public schools, earned degrees from the University of Arizona and Grand Canyon University. After graduating, he began a decade-long career in public service, becoming one of Arizona's youngest chief financial officers to lead multiple state agencies. Jason has served under different administrations and worked closely with elected officials from both parties, shaping his belief

that when governing becomes political, the public pays the price. An Eagle Scout and avid outdoorsman who completed the Arizona Trail, he values what makes Arizona unique and is committed to creating lasting opportunities for future generations.

**Statement:** Serving as Chief Financial Officer for the Corporation Commission, the Department of Gaming, and the Arizona State Hospital, I witnessed firsthand systemic failures in oversight, accountability, and governance across Arizona's public institutions. These experiences shaped a core belief: when Arizonans aren't getting results, the solution isn't to blame the processes at the bottom, it's to reform systems at top. I'm running to restore professionalism, strengthen accountability, and return rules-based governance to state government. By modernizing oversight and reinforcing legislative accountability, we can reverse institutional decline and rebuild a public service that delivers for every Arizonan. Government reform motivated me to run for office, but my campaign is about more. As a Clean Elections Candidate, I will work to remove corporate money and influence from political campaigns. Arizona's initiative, referendum, and recall processes, along with vote by mail, are cornerstones of our democracy; they must be protected, and expanded in ways that meet today's voters. Above all, as an independent, I am committed to effectively representing Central Phoenix as State Senator for LD5. If you are in this district, I want to hear from you. Please visit my website and share the issues that matter most to you.



### Christine Marsh

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.christineportermarsh.com/](http://www.christineportermarsh.com/)

**Biography:** Christine Marsh is a mother, foster mother, and retired teacher with 32 years of experience. In 2016, she was named Arizona's Teacher of the Year, and she traveled the state and saw firsthand the issues public schools face. She believes school choice must include quality public schools in every part of Arizona and that all schools using taxpayer dollars must be held to the same standards of accountability. She is a runner and attended UCLA on a track

scholarship. She now works part-time as a caregiver, and her current client is her 92-year-old former running coach.

**Statement:** I was first elected to the State Senate in 2020 and served two terms. I have a record of supporting reproductive rights, gun safety, voter protection, clean air, safe water, and education. I originally ran for office because I knew I could be a voice for public school students, teachers, and staff. As a former English teacher with as many as 44 students in a class, I know what it means to be underfunded and understaffed—and I still do; my teaching experiences guided my work as a member of the Education Committee. I also served on the Transportation Committee where I advocated for public transit and investments in transportation infrastructure. One party rule has stifled Arizona and harmed vulnerable populations. Too many good bills fail without a hearing and it is too easy for extreme legislation to pass with just partisan support. I was able to sponsor and pass a bill to legalize fentanyl testing strips after losing my youngest son to an accidental overdose, but there is more work to be done to mitigate the loss of life due to Arizona's drug crisis—and I will continue to focus on reducing access to fentanyl and other dangerous drugs.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 5



### Sarah Liguori

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** sarahliguori.com/

**Biography:** Sarah Liguori is a proud Arizona native with a background in real estate, finance, and public service. She built her career helping families and small businesses plan for the future, bringing a deep understanding of the challenges facing working Arizonans to her work. She has served on boards including the Urban Land Institute and Arouet, and led impact investing at the Arizona Community Foundation to expand affordable housing across the state.

During her four years in the Arizona Legislature, Sarah has delivered practical, results-driven solutions on housing affordability, childcare, water and energy, healthcare, and criminal justice reform. She brings a passionate focus on strengthening Arizona's economy, expanding opportunity, and supporting working families.

**Statement:** I'm running to use thoughtful policy and meaningful advocacy to improve people's lives. I believe government should remove structural barriers, expand opportunity, and focus on the issues that matter most for people, like affordability, access to care, good paying jobs, and safe communities. In the Legislature, I've successfully worked to protect reproductive rights, expand housing options, and advance water and environmental solutions that secure our future. As a mom, these issues are personal. I'm focused on building a state where families can thrive, public education is strong, and our kids are prepared for the workforce of tomorrow. My approach is grounded in listening, building relationships, and working collaboratively to deliver real results for Arizona.



### Aaron Marquez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 6



### Lloyd Johnson

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.Lloydjohnson4az.com](http://www.Lloydjohnson4az.com)

**Biography:** I was born in Washington State. I have over 20 years experience as a maintenance manager. I currently Maintenance Manager for concessions at the Petrified Forest National Park. I have a very strong work ethic, and would consider it an honor and privilege to represent the citizens of LD6. I have always had an interest in politics. In 1988 I attended the Republican National Convention in Tacoma Washington. I have raised a family. I have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. In 2011, my wife and I relocated to Arizona. In 2017 we made Holbrook our home.

**Statement:** I am not a politician, I am a Statesman. A "statesman" and a "politician" are both individuals involved in public affairs, but they are often distinguished by their motivations and perceived impact. A statesman is generally viewed as someone who prioritizes the long-term well-being and interests of their nation or community, often acting with integrity and statesmanship. In contrast, a politician is often perceived as someone primarily driven by personal ambition, electoral success, or party interests, potentially at the expense of broader public good. Here's a more detailed breakdown: Statesman: Focus: Long-term public good, national interests, and ethical principles. Actions: Guided by a sense of responsibility, integrity, and a desire to leave a positive legacy. Perception: Often viewed with respect and admiration for their wisdom and leadership. Example: Figures like George Washington are often cited as examples of statesmen. Politician: Focus: Electoral success, party loyalty, and personal advancement. Actions: May prioritize short-term gains, compromise on principles for political expediency, or engage in tactics that are seen as self-serving. Perception: Can be viewed with skepticism or distrust, particularly if their actions are perceived as opportunistic or self-serving. In essence, while both statesmen and politicians operate within the same sphere of public life, the distinction lies in their motivations, priorities, and the perceived impact of actions.



### Jamescita Peshlakai

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.trailblazers4az.net/](http://www.trailblazers4az.net/)

**Biography:** Jamescita Peshlakai is a combat veteran of the Persian Gulf War. She previously served in the Arizona legislature as a Representative and a Senator for this district. Peshlakai earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at NAU in Flagstaff, and is currently a student at ASU's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. Peshlakai served as the Tribal Liaison to the Department of the Interior under the Biden Administration. She also serves on the Arizona

Department Board of Transportation, appointed by Governor Katie Hobbs.

**Statement:** I am Navajo of the Tangle People Clan, born for the Red House clan, maternal grandfathers are of the Deer Water clan, and paternal grandfathers are of the Cliff Dweller clan. I was born north of the sacred mountain of the west, Doo'ko'osliid (the San Francisco Peaks). Funding public education, providing for our youth and elders, and protecting the environment will be key tenants of my service at the legislature. Tribal sovereignty must be respected and being LD 6 this district represents 10 tribes in Arizona, it's vital that we elect a representative who can work with these tribes and advance their interests at the state legislature. We are the largest, most rural district in the state and we deserve representation that will travel to meet people where they are at. I am committed to serving the people of Arizona.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 6



### Myron Tsosie

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** My name is Myron Tsosie, 46 years of age, Dine, of the Coyote Pass Clan born for the Towering House People my maternal grandparents are the Towering House and my paternal grandparents are the Water Flows Together People from Chinle, Arizona (the Heart of the Navajo Nation). Since 2014 I have served on the Chinle Unified School District School Board working with local, state and national leaders both in the House and Senate. I have spent countless hours working and serving members of the community; I find satisfaction in energetically confronting tough challenges and working collegially to overcome them. Since 2018 the residents of Legislative District 6 is my ultimate focus, I have worked with my colleagues to create a shared vision for work and learning; built strategic partnerships; sustained the community progress through continuous involvement; adopted and maintained current policies, maintained strong ethical standards; and objectively sought answers to questions and challenges as they arose. I currently serve on the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee and as the Democratic Ranking Member on the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



### Angela "Walker" Maloney

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.trailblazers4az.net](http://www.trailblazers4az.net)

**Biography:** Angela Maloney was born and raised on the Navajo Nation. She attended boarding schools growing up, and earned a Master of Public Health degree from Loma Linda University. Angela had a 40 year career in public and environmental health and she was part of the team that worked to contain the hantavirus outbreak in 1993. She also accomplished major road safety improvements on State Route 89 through research and advocacy during her time with

the Indian Health Service.

**Statement:** My name is Angela Maloney. I am of the Ta'neezahnii (Tangle/Ladder People). Born for the To Dich'ii'nii (Bitterwater People). Maternal grandfather is Ashiihi (Salt People). Paternal grandfather is Tse Deeshgiizhnii (Rock Gap People). Born and raised on the Navajo Nation I am a mother, a grandmother, and a great-grandmother. I have a Bachelors degree in Environmental Science and Allied Health from Northern Arizona University, and a Masters Degree in Public Health from Loma Linda University. I spent over 40 years working for Indian Health Services, the Bureau for Indian Affairs, and at the Tuba City Medical Center. Healthcare is a human right. I have witnessed the effects of lack of access to healthcare facilities and spent my career expanding/improving healthcare infrastructure across the Navajo Nation.



### Mae Peshlakai

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.trailblazers4az.net/](http://www.trailblazers4az.net/)

**Biography:** Representative Mae Peshlakai is running for re-election to State House. She has diligently served for the last 4 years passing budgets with the Governor and acquiring funding for healthcare in Northern Arizona. Representative Peshlakai also co-sponsored legislation to create the Turquoise Alert System. She is an accomplished silversmith and traveled the country, as well as internationally sharing indigenous knowledge with her husband James Peshlakai.

**Statement:** Representative Mae Peshlakai is Diné - Tangle People Clan and born for the Deer Water Clan, maternal grandfathers are of the Salt clan and paternal grandfathers are of the Rock Gap clan. She is a boarding school survivor. Mae attended a U.S. Federal Bureau of Indian Affairs Boarding School in Tolani Lake, Arizona, 100 miles northeast of Flagstaff, Arizona.. Mae was married to James Peshlakai, an accomplished silver and goldsmith. She took up silversmithing and, to this day, makes jewelry every day as well as weaves. She and her husband worked with prestigious colleges and universities across the nation sharing the Navajo culture and assisting scholarly research. Mae knows the issues and challenges of District 6 and has worked tirelessly for two terms representing all the communities of District 6. In 2025, Representative Peshlakai fought and voted for a budget that made historic investments in Indigenous Tribal healthcare and traditional healing practices. Rep. Peshlakai was elated to support an opportunity to leverage \$100,000 from the state to secure more than \$220 million in federal matching funds to cover culturally relevant traditional healing practices that are vital to our way of life and well-being.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



### Ian Teller

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.tellerforarizona.com/](http://www.tellerforarizona.com/)

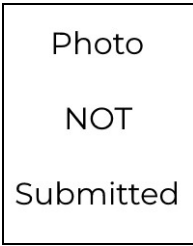
**Biography:** Ian Teller is a proud Diné leader from Tsaile, Arizona, rooted in family, culture, and community. He earned a BA in Business Administration from Fort Lewis College and an MS in Music Industry from the University of Southern California. Ian has used his background in media development to expand outreach and advocacy for Native communities, raising voting awareness and promoting participation in the democratic process. His work has earned him

recognition as a CNAY Champion for Change and UNITY 25 Under 25 honoree, establishing him as a prominent advocate in the region. He is committed to serving LD6 with integrity and accountability.

**Statement:** Ian Teller is running for State Representative in Legislative District 6 to bring bold, community-centered leadership to Northern Arizona. Rooted in his Diné upbringing, Ian believes in building a future where families are supported, communities are connected, and no one is left behind. His priorities begin with strengthening public education by ensuring schools are fully funded, culturally responsive, and accessible to every child—because no student should feel unsafe or unable to learn due to financial hardship. Ian is also focused on addressing the housing crisis by advancing smart housing solutions that build communities, not just homes, with infrastructure that supports long-term growth in rural and Tribal areas. He is committed to tackling the rising cost of living by supporting policies that improve affordability for working families. Protecting the environment and securing water rights are central to Ian’s vision. He is committed to safeguarding natural resources for future generations while promoting sustainable development. Ian is running a people-powered campaign, rejecting corporate and special interest money to remain accountable only to the people of LD6. Through collaboration, transparency, and respect for community voices, Ian Teller is ready to serve and deliver meaningful change for Arizona.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 7



### Michiel "Mike" Montiel

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**  
**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided



### Wendy Rogers

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** WendyRogers.org  
**Biography:** Lt Col Rogers is a retired 5th-generation military officer. Bachelors & Masters degrees: Social Work. Masters degree: Nat'l Security Studies. 20 years active duty. Jet transport C-141 & C-21 Aircraft Commander. US Air Force Academy Squadron Commander & flight instructor. Led 3 HQ US Air Forces Europe divisions during fall of Berlin Wall & improving relations w/ former East Bloc. Deployed to run Bosnian Airlift. Over 3,000 hours jet time + numerous commendations, including Defense Meritorious Service Medal. 23-year Arizona home inspection company business owner. Married 48 years to Hal. 2 successfully married adult kids. 7 precious grandkids.

**Statement:** Pro-Trump, AMERICA FIRST Senator Wendy Rogers is Pro-Border, Pro-Life, Pro-Gun, Pro-ESA School Choice, and Pro-Free Market. As Chair of the Arizona Senate Judiciary and Elections Committee, Senator Rogers has accomplished hard-fought-for ELECTION INTEGRITY legislation to restore faith in our election processes. Sponsored and passed 2nd Amendment legislation, consumer protection bills, got numerous critically-needed rural and natural resources projects funded for her district, as well as veterans legislation passed. Senator Rogers continues to FIGHT EVERY DAY for us. SHE GETS IT DONE! Current pilot who constantly flies across her vast district to serve her beloved constituents. Tough as nails. Smart. Unrelenting. Homeschool mom of 2 and grandma of 7. Re-elect Senator Wendy Rogers for rural Arizona... re-elect Senator Rogers really for ALL of Arizona!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 7



### Walter "Walt" Blackman

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Walt Blackman is a decorated combat veteran with over 21 years of military service. He also made history as the first African American Republican to be elected to the Arizona Legislature. He has served as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee and is now Chairman of the Government Committee. He is a public policy leader, author, and host of The Walt Blackman Show. In 2021, his lifetime of service was honored with induction into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. He and his wife Kristie have five grown children.

**Statement:** As a veteran, I don't use words like honor casually. So when I tell you that I'm honored to serve as your State Representative, please know how sincerely I mean it. I campaign as an Arizona First conservative and then I govern just like I said I would. That means I'm working hard on advancing our shared goals: A strong rural economy, quality schools and school choice, secure borders and secure elections, medical freedom, religious liberty, low taxes, rural infrastructure, protecting our water, passing Term Limits on Congress, protecting our Constitutional rights, and much more. I'm running as a team with David Cook because he has a very strong record of championing rural Arizona's needs, and I believe we'll be a dynamic and effective team. I'm a proud combat veteran who believes in the greatness of America, if we fight to defend it. I ask for your vote and thank you for the trust you have placed in me. You get TWO VOTES for State House, so please vote Walt Blackman AND David Cook. Thank you!



### David Cook Sr.

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** A lifelong Arizonan who owns and operates the DC Cattle Company. He ran for the Legislature to ensure rural Arizona would have a strong voice. He's a leader on issues related to ranching, agriculture, rural issues, water, and education, he has been particularly effective on transportation and infrastructure issues, and he has brought increased funding for roads and bridges to our part of the state. David has been married to Diana since 2000 and they have two children. He is active in his community and makes time to cheer on the Arizona Cardinals and Diamondbacks.

**Statement:** I'm a work horse whose rural roots are deep and real. I'm a rancher and state leader on issues related to water, agriculture, ranching, and more. My record is 100% pro-Taxpayer, pro-2nd Amendment, pro-Life, and pro-Constitution. I've delivered college and K-12 funding for our classrooms and teachers, I've championed real election integrity measures, pushed to secure our borders and enforce our laws, and brought funding to our district to improve our roads, highways and bridges. Payson, Globe, Florence, Williams, Heber, Show Low, Snowflake or Pinetop-Lakeside aren't just places on a map, they're my towns and people. I support President Trump's fight against the DC swamp and ran the bill to Term Limit Congress. I'm running as a team with Walt Blackman because we share conservative values, we both fight for rural Arizona, and I appreciate his service to our nation and the integrity he brings to the job. You get TWO VOTES for State House, so please vote David Cook AND Walt Blackman. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 7



### Andrew Costanzo

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [voteandrewaz.com/](http://voteandrewaz.com/)

**Biography:** God, Family, County, and Guns is my creed. I am a constitutional conservative who knows that government is established to protect and maintain individual rights. I am a husband, business owner, long-time Arizona Republican activist, and former Turning Point Action employee. I am a Pro Life Christian, a member of Arizona Free Enterprise Club, and member of pro 2A organizations, NRA, GOA, and AzCDL. I support military, veterans, and law

enforcement. I proudly and enthusiastically support President Trump and his agenda to Make America Great Again. Please investigate me to determine if I am worthy of receiving your vote, [www.voteandrewaz.com](http://www.voteandrewaz.com).

**Statement:** We The People will Make Arizona Great Again! I believe that Arizona's most pressing issues are: 1 - Economic Prosperity: MUST include tax cuts along with eliminating waste, fraud and abuse at the respective state agencies, using DOGE style audits. 2 - Election Integrity: Demands that only US citizens with ID may vote. 3 - Law and Order: Requires that ALL illegal aliens are deported. 4 - Schools: We must fix our broken, administrative bloated, education system. We must protect the ESA program. 5 - Water: Local control and Arizona's appropriate share of Colorado River water is paramount. Additionally, foreign entities should not be allowed to own land (along with the respective water rights) within Arizona. 6 - Fire: The health of our forests has been mostly ignored. At both the Federal and State level, we must implement fuels reduction that may include timber harvesting, mastication, and open grazing. These simple concepts are far superior to allowing our forests and deserts to burn, which endangers rural citizens and communities. 7 - Energy: We must end the "Green New Scam" which has been replacing reliable and less expensive gas and coal with unreliable, costly, and heavily subsidized solar and wind. Fighting for We the People!



### Barby Ingle

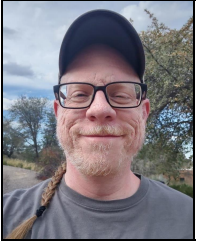
**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [barbyingle.com/](http://barbyingle.com/)

**Biography:** I am Barby Ingle, Republican candidate for Arizona State Representative, Legislative District 7. Born in Bangkok, Thailand to U.S. Army parents, I earned a B.S. in Psychology from George Mason University. I am currently a health advocate for over 20 years, Best-selling author, and nonprofit leader, I have authored/co-authored seven legislative proposals in Arizona—four now law—protecting privacy and patient rights. I serve as Pinal County Precinct

Committeeman and have collaborated on legislation in 35+ states. Married to Ken Taylor, we live in Pinal County. Guided by Christian faith and conservative values, I fight for border security, fiscal responsibility, constitution, and freedom. Faith. Family. Arizona First. MAGA. MAHA.

**Statement:** I believe Arizona's policy priorities must put our families, rural communities, and conservative values first. AZ First and America First always. The next legislative session brings rising living costs, border threats, unreliable energy that harms our land, and healthcare reform that puts patients in control. We need bold action, not government overreach. I stand for border security by supporting sheriffs, securing the border, ending catch and release and sanctuary policies, backing law enforcement, and protecting the Second Amendment. I support voter ID, paper ballots, full audits, precinct voting, and ending unsecured mail-in ballots for election integrity. I oppose large-scale solar and wind farms. I support lower taxes, tax relief, and banning foreign farmland ownership. I defend school choice and Empowerment Scholarship Accounts. As a chronic pain warrior, I fight for personalized care and MAHA principles. With faith, family, and freedom, I will bring constitutional conservative conviction to the Arizona House. I am ready to deliver. #BarbyForLD7 #AZFirst

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 7



### Samuel "Sam" Martin

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [sanitysam.com/](http://sanitysam.com/)

**Biography:** "Sam Martin is a lifelong Arizonan, raised in Yuma by a public school teacher and a deputy city clerk. With more than 20 years of experience solving problems in technology, healthcare, and agriculture, Sam is an expert communicator with proven integrity who will bring fairness and democracy to the Legislature."

**Statement:** This year, it's important to make the right choice for legislator. I'm the right choice for LD7: I know the real pitfalls and potential of technologies like social media and AI - my opponents will believe any salesman who walks in the door. I will ensure healthcare access for every Arizonan - my opponents will let you die in a gutter. I know the value of good public schools because I went to them - my opponents will never do anything for public education but tear it down. I am the only candidate who will stand up the the corruption, cruelty, and chaos coming from Washington DC. The choice is clear - vote for Sam!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 8



### Lauren Kuby

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kubyforsenate.com](http://www.kubyforsenate.com)

**Biography:** Lauren holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago and a master's in public history from ASU. An ASU Senior Global Futures Scientist, she has worked with communities, nonprofits, and scholars to develop real-world climate solutions and led the Stardust Center for Affordable Homes and the Family. Her political experience includes serving two terms on the Tempe City Council, including two years as vice mayor, where she championed campaign finance reform and community engagement. She and her husband, Mike, an ASU transportation geographer, raised two daughters in Tempe and enjoy their two grandchildren.

**Statement:** Senator Lauren Kuby is a proven leader who has spent her career fighting for Arizona's future. Her background in clean energy and climate justice has shaped her public service. Elected to the State Senate in 2024, she represents Tempe, Scottsdale, Mesa, Phoenix, and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. If you live in this area, you know how important clean air and water are to a thriving community. Everyone in central Arizona deserves an affordable place to live and strong public education. Our state legislature can do more to make Arizona the best place it can be for working families. Here's how: The Legislature must: 1) seize the day—and the sun—to spark a clean energy economy that reduces pollution, creates high-quality jobs, and enhances the lives of Arizonans; 2) Use science-based strategies for water management; 3) Eliminate the expansion of ESA vouchers and reinvest those dollars into public education; 4) Protect immigrant communities and our neighbors; and 5) Halt the erosion of Arizona's Voter Protection Act and PROTECT ARIZONA'S VOTE-BY-MAIL SYSTEM. Vote for our future. Keep Kuby. Learn more at [KubyForSenate.com](http://KubyForSenate.com).



### Deborah Nardozzi

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.deborahforarizona.com/](http://www.deborahforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Deborah Nardozzi is running for State Senate while doing what many families in District 8 are doing every day: raising kids, running a small business, and staying involved in her community. She has spent years organizing to win hard races across the East Valley. Deborah has already served District 8 in the AZ House, where she learned how the system works and how to move community priorities through it. Her focus is: strong public schools parents can trust, housing people can afford, and childcare that makes it possible to work and raise a family at the same time.

**Statement:** Deborah grew up watching her parents, both public school teachers, make each paycheck count by filling the pantry, paying the heating bill, and still sharing whatever was left with neighbors in need. They taught her how to live on little and still give plenty to others. She never forgot those lessons... In 2007, Deborah chose South Scottsdale to raise her family. She navigated parent-teacher nights after double shifts, built her small business after bedtime stories, paid bills at the kitchen table, and still knocked doors to organize her neighbors. When others said it couldn't be done, she built the South Scottsdale Democrats Club anyway. When political insiders dismissed her organizing power, she flipped legislative seats anyway. And when the opportunity came to serve District 8 in the Arizona State House, Deborah walked through that door not alone, but with her community beside her. Deborah Nardozzi's leadership is bigger than claiming a seat at the table. It's about building that table together, gathering neighbors around it, and sharing ideas, solutions, and the work it takes to move us all forward. Now, she's taking her local organizing and State House experience to the fight for fully funded classrooms, and housing working families can afford.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 8



### Janeen Connolly

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.azjaneen.com](http://www.azjaneen.com)

**Biography:** Since 2025, Rep. Janeen Connolly has been serving in the AZ House. She retired an SRP Senior Government Representative responsible for rural Arizona cities and counties, also Chambers of Commerce. For 24 years Janeen conducted grassroots engagement throughout Arizona helping communities understand critical infrastructure projects. Still a fierce advocate, she served on Governor Jan Hull's Taskforce on Employment for People with Disabilities. Janeen

raised four children while graduating from MCC and ASU then earned a master's in Communication (Advocacy). The Representative now engages with her district, attends seminars on policy issues, and enjoys a cabin at Top of the World.

**Statement:** Already forging a path for success! As of this writing (3.28.26) Rep. Janeen Connolly has passed two bills out of the House and one through a Senate committee. She has signed-on to bills that accomplish the following: Job creation: Consistently voting to grow the Arizona economy, Rep. Connolly has bolstered bills that create jobs locally and across the state. Housing: A fierce advocate for making homes affordable for Arizonans, this year's focus has been on reshaping policy for STR's, helping opponents accept what she calls "appropriate pockets" for middle housing and uncovering the issues behind corporate housing ownership. Energy Leadership: Leveraging her professional expertise to ensure Arizona's energy needs are met reliably and sustainably, Rep. Connolly votes for sound energy policy. In addition, she was selected to serve on the Western Energy Caucus representing Arizona among ten western states to focus on critical energy and wildfire policy. Finally, in August Rep. Connolly was uniquely recognized by The AZ League of Cities and Towns. As a freshman legislator she sponsored the League housing bill which essentially defeated a bill working to circumnavigate permitting and building codes for new homes. She was also presented a League Champion Award.



### Brian Garcia

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [BrianGarciaAZ.com](http://BrianGarciaAZ.com)

**Biography:** Rep. Brian Garcia is running for re-election to the AZ House of Representatives in Legislative District 8. Brian is a community advocate and an attorney. As a first-generation graduate of Tempe public schools, Brian served on the Tempe Union High School District Governing Board as president and vice president. He fights to protect public education, advocates for pro-democracy policies, has represented unaccompanied children, and fighting

for an Arizona we can afford. Brian is a member of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Brian holds a Bachelor in Global Studies, a Master of Legal Studies, and a Juris Doctor of Law (Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law) from Arizona State University.

**Statement:** For Brian's family, education is the American Dream. He was born and raised in Arizona by parents from El Salvador and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe in Mexico. Upon becoming citizens, they fought to ensure Brian and his brother Aaron had access to opportunities. Brian's desire to serve is rooted in fighting for our families and our community. This is our home. Brian was raised by our community. He was the first in his family to graduate from high school, college, graduate school, and earn a law degree. Brian has been successful because of teachers, mentors, and community leaders who have helped along the way. One teacher is Mindy Udall – his Social Studies teacher. She instilled the importance of civic engagement. It is because of teachers like Mindy who have gone above and beyond for first-generation students like Brian that create opportunities for us to grow and give back to our communities. Brian is a tested leader in the fight for public education, working families, indigenous rights, immigrants, and our democracy. Brian is an advocate and a proud product of the LD8 community. Rep. Brian Garcia is running as a Clean Elections candidate for re-election to the AZ House.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 8

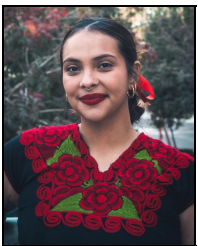


### Donald Hawker

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [rightright.wordpress.com/](http://rightright.wordpress.com/)

**Biography:** My family moved to Arizona in 1960, and moved to Tempe. I attended school in Tempe through high school. I entered the Navy in 1977 getting stationed in Norfolk. I graduated from Old Dominion University with B.S. in math. I was then employed by the Pacific Missile Test Center in Ventura county CA and worked at various positions doing programming. In 2000 I returned to Tempe and retired from the Western Area Power Administration. I don't as yet have a website but my outlook is available on my blog [rightright.wordpress.com](http://rightright.wordpress.com) Thank you for your consideration.

**Statement:** Democrats are very assiduous at attaining political power while demeaning unto violence those who actually execute/adjudicate duly instituted law, most blatantly e.g., immigration law. It condons the treasonous perversion of taxpayer money to import and distribute "migrants" nationally, villifying corrective actions. The Republican party is portrayed as "far right". This model is not accurate. The Democrat party indeed owns the left label as Marxism, while schitzophrenically embracing the real extreme right- -the piously cloaked political Mohammedism (let's cut through the aliases--the 50+ conquered countries, Al Quaeda, Isis, Muslim brotherhood, CAIR, Hamas, etc.. The basis is Mohammed's documents). Should their common extreme left-right objective succeed--neuterization of the effective, public engaged form of government as implemented in 1789--which they rightly see as an impediment to their world domination goals--will initiate armededdon between themselves. They condone whatever weakens our country--moral degeneration, uncontrolled immigration, infiltration of culturally influential institutions: schools (and text books), news social media, entertainment, and, of course, politics. Uniformed armies are passe given the effectiveness of these influences. The Republican party platform principles are like a graphite rod in the nuclear reactor of the political extremes embraced by the Democrat party.



### Claudia Kline

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Claudia Kline, Arizona native, educator, and community advocate. Born and raised across the state—from Cottonwood and Phoenix to Prescott, Tucson, and Douglas—Claudia was the first in her family to earn a high school diploma. She completed a bachelor's and a master's at Prescott College in nine semesters, serving on the executive board and championing low-income and international students. During graduate studies she volunteered at refugee centers

in Douglas and began work on congressional campaigns. Most recently, as president of the Young Democrats of Arizona, she grew statewide membership, bringing youthful energy and inclusive leadership to Arizona politics for future generations.

**Statement:** I'm running because after witnessing the complexities of politics my whole life, I can no longer stay on the sidelines. I've seen friends and family grow disengaged when candidates care more about lining their own pockets than serving people. My younger sisters deserve a quality education, my aunts shouldn't have to choose between childcare and rent, and my brother shouldn't suffer because health-care costs are too high. We all deserve better. Through my work over the last 9 years, I've learned that many candidates campaign on affordability, yet when real need arises they abandon their communities. Winning seats isn't enough; true leadership means showing up for constituents when they need help most. How can a candidate promise affordable housing while profiting from Airbnbs, or accept donations from companies that drive up rents and utility bills? I am committed to people-first policies: expanding affordable health care, securing child-care support, and building economic security for every Arizonan. I will refuse money from landlords, short-term-rental platforms, and utility corporations that undermine those goals. Together we can rebuild trust, ensure representation that truly listens, and create a future where no family has to sacrifice basic needs for a healthy life.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 9



### Bridget Fitzgibbons

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [bridgetfitzgibbons.com/](http://bridgetfitzgibbons.com/)

**Biography:** Dr. Bridget Fitzgibbons is a board-certified physician with advanced training in psychology, bringing a real-world perspective to the challenges facing Arizona families. She has served as an addictions counselor and public-school consultant, working with educators, administrators, and families to improve outcomes, enhance safety, and build career pathways. She is very active in her community as a small business owner, Flinn-Brown Fellow, and a Mesa

Police Academy and Valley Leadership Alum, and board member of the Arizona Naturopathic Medical Association. Bridget also serves on the Senate President's Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force. She is running to be a voice for all Arizonans.

**Statement:** I'm running for the Arizona Senate to bring commonsense, bipartisan solutions to the big issues impacting Arizona families. As your State Senator, I will work to secure Arizona's water future, making homeownership affordable for the generations coming up behind us, invest in our aging infrastructure, work with our universities on innovative ways to close the doctor and nursing shortages across the state. I intend to focus on solutions that benefit all Arizonans and set our state up for long-term success. We need a strong economy, safe neighborhoods, high-quality schools while being fiscally responsible for taxpayers. You can also count on me to bring civility and integrity to the Arizona Capitol. I was raised with the discipline of civic-minded educators and a family rooted in public service including relatives in the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy, and the Chicago Police and Fire Departments. Giving back to community is a part of who I am. I understand what's at stake for Arizona families and will never stop working to deliver on their behalf.



### Kiana Maria Sears

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [searsforarizona.com/](http://searsforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Kiana Maria Sears is the daughter of a Vietnam Veteran and Municipal Water and Wastewater worker. She is the mother of two adult children and served on the Mesa Public Schools Governing Board for 8 years. Kiana Maria is a proud Arizona State University (ASU) "Sun Devil" who serves her college professionally as a Professor of Practice and socially with friends and family through Alumni activities. Senator Kiana Maria Sears wants people in District 9 to

live well, which means having access to nutritious food, clean air and water, affordable housing, quality healthcare and childcare, and thriving, well-funded public schools.

**Statement:** My faith directs me to lead with love and drives my ability to work with all members of the Legislature. My life's ethos is, "To whom much is given, much is required" (Luke 12:48). This ethos reminds me that the freedoms we enjoy were paid for by service members like my dad; serving my constituents is the least I can do to say thank you. My record of service demonstrates that I listen to my community and take action. This session, I secured \$60 million for education, more services for homeless youth, \$2 million in fresh produce for needy families, \$2 million for meals and essential services for the elderly, and \$2 million for the Arts Commission, which benefits all Arizonans. Lastly, I am championing bipartisan legislation for traditional and charter schools to inform students of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for post-secondary learning opportunities including trade and vocational schools, certifications, community colleges and universities. Less than half of Arizona's high school graduates have applied for FAFSA funds in the last two years. This legislation seeks to increase the number of Arizona youth accessing career and academic opportunities after high school.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 9



### Lorena Austin

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.lorenaaustin.com/](http://www.lorenaaustin.com/)

**Biography:** Representative Lorena Austin is a fifth-generation Arizonan whose family has served this community for over 100 years. Prior to the Legislature, Rep. Austin worked at Maricopa Community Colleges and in the nonprofit and private sectors. They are a proud graduate of MCC and ASU. Rep. Austin is committed to investing in public education and quality healthcare, securing Arizona's water and clean energy future, and lowering costs for

housing and utilities. Since their first term, they have secured over \$46 million dollars for college tuition, workforce development, and childcare assistance funding, and passed innovative legislation to improve housing affordability in Arizona.

**Statement:** As a fifth-generation Arizonan, Mesa native, and former educator, my connection to this community is personal. My Nana and Tata, who owned a local grocery store in the Washington/Escobedo Park neighborhood, were community advocates who exemplified the importance of community service. My father's work as a civil rights attorney and my mother's work as a teacher and social worker taught me to value diverse perspectives and inspired me to run for office. I proudly graduated from Mesa Community College with an AA in Sociology, and Arizona State University with a degree in U.S. and Mexico Regional Immigration Policy and Economy. As your Representative, I'm proud to have secured \$40 million in tuition assistance through the Arizona Promise Program and funding for childcare assistance. I sit on the Appropriations and Public Safety committees and am the Ranking Member on the International Trade committee. When re-elected, I will continue to champion public education, affordable housing, and water conservation. Amidst ongoing challenges from the Federal Government, my dedication to serving and safeguarding our community remains steadfast, and I am eager to continue working for all Arizonans.



### Bradley D. Bettencourt

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [bradbettencourt.com/](http://bradbettencourt.com/)

**Biography:** Brad Bettencourt is a small business owner and community leader in Mesa. He graduated from Arizona State University with Bachelor's and Master's degrees. The prestigious Sun Devil 100 honored Brad's business, alongside other successful alumni, both on campus and on the football field. He is committed to his community's success, shown in his leadership as the Dobson Association's President. He stepped up to run for the board to help correct multiple

issues as the association had gone awry. He has worked with local leaders from both parties to address the issues in his neighborhood.

**Statement:** I am running for the State House in LD9 because our district needs practical, results-driven leadership. Our community deserves representatives who can work outside the political extremes and focus on getting things done. As a small business owner, I understand the importance of accountability and delivering real results. I also serve as the volunteer President of Dobson Ranch. I ran for the HOA board not because I am a fan of HOAs, but because there were serious issues that needed to be fixed, especially financially. In 2024, our board delivered a \$400,000+ surplus, the first strong financial turnaround in years. These experiences reflect how I lead, with a focus on accountability, sound decision-making, and measurable outcomes. I will work with anyone willing to put results ahead of political posturing and do what is right for our community. It would be an honor to bring my spirit of problem-solving as your State Representative and to promote the needs and priorities of my home district.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 9



### Jacob D. Martinez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.martinezforaz.com](http://www.martinezforaz.com)

**Biography:** Jacob Martinez is a lifelong Mesa resident and dedicated community advocate running to represent LD9 in the Arizona State House. Raised in Mesa and a proud graduate of Mesa Public Schools, Jacob understands firsthand how strong classrooms and supportive educators can shape a young person's future. In addition to his local roots, Jacob serves in the U.S. Navy Reserve, where he has strengthened his commitment to service, leadership, and

accountability. Jacob is running to fight for stronger public schools, expanded economic opportunity, and policies that uplift working families across Mesa, Tempe, and the surrounding communities.

**Statement:** I have lived in Mesa my entire life, and have always been dedicated to serving my community. Coming from a working-class family, I know how important a strong public education system and opportunities for economic mobility are to the people in my community, as they have been for me. Over the last few years, the state legislature has drained funding to our public schools and critical social services, all while pushing a politicized agenda and allowing corporations to drive up the cost of housing, healthcare, and utilities in our state. I'm running to help build an Arizona that works for all of us, not just a few. An Arizona that we can all afford. I believe LD9 deserves a representative who listens, shows up, and works every day to deliver real results.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 10



### David Christian Farnsworth

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Senator David Farnsworth, born in Mexico City in 1951, has been an Arizona resident since 1952. A small business owner, he owns Farnsworth and Associates and has previous ventures in real estate, auto sales, and distribution. With experience as a licensed real estate and insurance agent, supervisor, and mechanic, he understands Arizona's business landscape.

Married to Robin Farnsworth, they have 7 children, 32 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, with 5 great-grandchildren on the way, and are active in the LDS Church. Farnsworth attended Mesa High School and Mesa Community College, studying Business Administration. His dedication to Arizona and extensive professional background make him a valuable representative.

**Statement:** I have learned a tremendous amount in my time as a senator, as chairman of finance for two years, financial institutions for two years, government for two years, transportation for two years, education for one year and currently serving as chairman of appropriations Transportation and technology, rules and Joint Legislative Budget Committee. I learn more every day about how to serve my constituents and the state of Arizona. Recognized as the Champion of the Taxpayer, I have consistently advocated for crucial matters such as border security, school choice, Second Amendment rights, the sanctity of life, and the importance of strong family values. With roots tracing back three generations in Arizona, I am deeply committed to preserving our state's unique identity. Your support in the upcoming election is paramount. Let us safeguard Arizona from the perils of misguided policies that would mimic those of California. Together, let us work towards the restoration of liberty. Your vote for me, David Christian Farnsworth, will ensure our shared values endure.



### Blair Moses

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.BlairforAZ.com](http://www.BlairforAZ.com)

**Biography:** Although now retired, I worked as a private attorney, followed by a Staff Attorney at the State Bar of Arizona. Before becoming an attorney, I worked in healthcare for thirty years. I received my B.S. in Medical Technology from the University of Nebraska Medical Center and my J.D. at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (ASU). Also, I serve on the MAB Board for One Community and am a member of Healthcare Rising AZ and the Arizona Leadership Network. I am happily married with three daughters and four grandchildren. I've been living in Arizona for 39 years.

**Statement:** My name is Blair Moses. I am a Democrat running for the Arizona State Senate in Legislative District 10. I am running because East Mesa deserves a Senator who will fight for the people in this district and their Constitutional rights. As a mom and former attorney with a prior 30-year career in healthcare, I am eager to work to ensure Arizonans have access to affordable healthcare; fairly priced utilities, food, and housing; and fully-funded, quality public schools. I'm running as a Clean Elections candidate and will not accept any corporate, PAC, or special interest money. My Priorities · Protect Constitutional Rights Safeguard voting rights, free speech, peaceful assembly, and due process for all Arizonans. Protect vulnerable communities. · Expand Access to Healthcare Ensure every resident receives the healthcare they need. · Increase Affordability Address the rising costs of food, housing, electricity, and water. Establish reasonable controls on the energy and water use of large data centers and their impact on Arizonans' utilities. · Fully Fund Public Schools Support the 80-90% of Arizona students in public schools. Establish oversight, caps, and accountability for the voucher program that has drained more than \$1 billion from the state budget.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 10



### Ciara Anderson

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** My mom died when I was four years old, so I was raised in a small town by my grandparents. They taught me hard work, discipline, and personal responsibility. I've learned hard lessons (I struggled with addiction issues in high school that ultimately cost me my military career) and experienced tremendous victories, like finding God and an amazing husband, earning my degree, having three amazing kids, helping to grow businesses,

volunteering with groups that protect women facing addiction, domestic violence, and human trafficking, and leading our local Turning Point Action Red Mountain Mom's Coalition. Overall, I consider myself truly blessed!

**Statement:** During Covid, we lived in Washington State and experienced firsthand massive government overreach. For not complying with mask mandates, I was harassed, threatened, and even had police called on us simply for exercising personal choice. I watched the community deteriorate as crime, drugs, homelessness, and radical ideology spread. We escaped to Arizona and determined to keep liberalism from taking root here. I've been active in our Republican Party, serving on our local executive board, and was named Precinct Committeeman of the Year by the Maricopa County Republican Committee and Best Coalition Chair by Turning Point Action. I was asked to run because I've long championed conservative causes like ending illegal immigration and supporting ICE and law enforcement. I want secure elections, clean voter rolls, and to punish those who break our laws. I worked hard to elect President Trump and will continue to support MAGA and MAHA policies at the state level. I'll champion the 2nd Amendment, the unborn, and our Constitutional rights. And I'll pass Arizona First policies to bring down prices, cut taxes and inflation, and improve affordability. I'm endorsed by conservative leaders like Sheriff Jerry Sheridan and ask for YOUR vote so we can win this fight!



### Brian Calaway

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.BrianCalaway.com](http://www.BrianCalaway.com)

**Biography:** As an Arizona native with 25+ year's in mesa who is a state party member of the Arizona Democratic party, last fall I wrote a resolution that passed unanimously to change the Arizona Democratic party's platform to FDR's second bill of economic rights to be the core of our messaging! The next step was to further empower this message and run for the state house to bring economic freedom for all!

**Statement:** I am a former science educator that realized around 2010 that we were not cultivating the skills in our children for them to create society with our values in mind. So I left teaching and began running after school enrichment programs for parents who wanted their children to have these skills. And now, I not only want future generations but our generation to have a society and a connected community that can provide them with jobs, housing, and education. My beliefs stem from FDR's second bill of rights which believes we should all have access to education, jobs, housing, food, healthcare (Not sick Care), and everything for us to be successful as humans because economic rights mean economic freedom for all. [www.BrianCalaway.com](http://www.BrianCalaway.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 10



### Helen Hunter

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.voteforhelenhunter2026.co](http://www.voteforhelenhunter2026.co)  
**Biography:** I am a social justice and community advocate, ordained minister, and board-certified chaplain. I have resided in Mesa, Arizona for 19+ years, advocating for human rights, improved community policing, outreach to unhoused and mentally-challenged individuals, women's health, and aging. Community and board affiliations include the EVNAACP Legal Redress Committee, ACAS (Arizonans Concerned About Smoking), AZIFM (Arizona Interfaith

Movement) and AFCSME (American Federation of County State and Municipal Employees). I am committed to creating and sustaining HEALTHY COMMUNITIES through promotion and practice of the GOLDEN RULE - treating others as I want to be treated.

**Statement:** CAMPAIGN PRIORITIES \* AFFORDABILITY – FOOD, HOUSING, HEALTHCARE, GASOLINE, WATER, ELECTRICITY \* WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT \* EDUCATION – TEACHER PAY, PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING, VOUCHER PROGRAM MANAGEMENT \* VOTER REGISTRATION, GETTING OUT THE VOTE, FAIR ELECTIONS, EILIMINATING VOTER SUPPRESSION EFFORTS \* EFFECTIVE AND HUMANE BORDER CONTROL MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES GOALS \* IDENTIFY AND IMPLEMENT MEASURES TO CONTROL AFFORDABILITY ISSUES AFFECTING WORKING HOUSEHOLDS \* INTRODUCE/SUPPORT LEGISLATION INSURING UTILITY COSTS ARE APPROPRIATELY ALLOCATED TO ENTITIES CREATING DEMAND \* DEVELOP A MORE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND REGULATORY PROCESS FOR STATEWIDE MANAGEMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, INCORPORATING STATE, FEDERAL, AND INDIGENOUS INTERESTS \* REVAMP THE VOUCHER SYSTEM INSURING TEACHERS' PAY IS BROUGHT UP TO PAR CONSISTENT WITH LEGISLATION PASSED BY PRIOR VOTER INITIATIVES \*ADVOCATE AND COLLABORATE FOR THE REESTABLISHMENT OF FREE, FAIR ELECTIONS; MAINTAIN MAIL-IN VOTING \* FAIR, LEGAL, AND HUMANE TREATMENT OF DETAINEES – ILLEGAL AND THOSE LEGALLY IN THE PROCESS TO CITIZENSHIP WORK ACROSS THE AISLE, BUILDING COALITIONS FOR THE PASSAGE OF NEEDED LEGISLATION. I AM COMMITTED TO SERVE WITH DIGNITY, RESPECT, AND A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION. I AM EQUALLY DETERMINED TO STAND UP, SPEAK UP, AND FIGHT FOR WHAT IS RIGHT AND JUST ... WORKING TOWARDS THE BEST POSSIBLE LIVING CONDITIONS FOR EVERY AZ CONSTITUENT.



### Justin Olson

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [votejustinolson.com/](http://votejustinolson.com/)  
**Biography:** Justin Olson served in the Arizona House of Representatives from 2011 to 2017 and on the Corporation Commission from 2017 to 2023. In 2024, he was elected to represent East Mesa again in the State House of Representatives where he continues to champion conservative legislation. In addition to his public service, Justin has also served as the CFO of Turning Point USA since 2019. Justin holds an MBA in finance from Arizona State University. He

and his wife, Karyn, both were born and raised in Mesa where they are currently raising their nine children.

**Statement:** In this race, I am the candidate with a proven conservative record. My successful legislation cut taxes, balanced the budget, eliminated job killing bureaucratic red tape, defunded Planned Parenthood and Obamacare in Arizona, expanded school choice, and funded public safety. I earned an A+ rating from the NRA, "Champion of the Taxpayer" from the Arizona Republican Party, "Friend of the Family" from the Arizona Family Project, "Legislator of the Year" from the National Federation of Independent Businesses, and "Free Market Champion of the Year" by The Arizona Free Enterprise Club. When I left the Legislature in 2017, we had passed the first structurally balanced budget the state had seen in years and Forbes Magazine ranked Arizona #1 nationally for projected job growth. In 2018, I was elected to the Arizona Corporation Commission. I fought against the Arizona Green New Deal, protected Arizona ratepayers and advanced free markets. As CFO of Turning Point USA, I am in the trenches fighting the good fight to save our country. With your support, I will continue these important efforts of advancing freedom, faith, and family, and standing up for common sense conservative principles like secure borders, the rule-of-law, the second amendment, and the right-to-life.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 10



### James Rogers

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** jamesrogersaz.com

**Biography:** James Rogers is a sixth-generation Arizonan, a father of four, and a constitutional attorney with degrees from Harvard Law School and the University of Cambridge. He has fought and won cases that matter to Arizona families. He kept Biden's federal vaccine mandate out of Arizona, sued Mesa Public Schools for hiding students' gender transitions from their parents, litigated important election integrity cases, and sued to fight the Biden Administration's open-border policies. He has also helped draft legislation at the Arizona Legislature, including Proposition 314, the Secure the Border Act, along with bills on parental rights and property rights protections.

**Statement:** Do you want to go the way of California and Colorado, former red states that are now permanently blue? Or do you want to go the way of Florida, a purple state that is now solidly red? This election will decide which path Arizona takes. I am running for the Arizona House because I have the skills, experience, and backbone to help make Arizona permanently red. My priorities are straightforward: making it affordable for young Arizonans to start families; fixing our election laws; protecting children in our schools from radical gender ideology; standing fearlessly for the unborn; fighting illegal immigration; and protecting our Second Amendment rights. On elections, Arizona deserves what Florida has: fast, accurate, and trustworthy results. As an election integrity lawyer who has litigated these issues and has already drafted bills for the Legislature, I will be the only Representative with the specialized knowledge of election law to craft the reforms we need. Representative Justin Olson and I are running together as a slate in LD10. Arizona's future is not predetermined. It will be decided by the citizens of districts like LD10, and by the representatives they send to the Capitol. I would be honored to be yours.



### David Scott

**Party:** No Labels      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** davidscottaz.com/

**Biography:** David Scott is a business leader, community advocate, and independent candidate for Arizona State House in Legislative District 10. With over 25 years of experience in banking, he currently serves as Arizona Market President for First Western Bank & Trust, where he works closely with small businesses and families across the East Valley. David serves on multiple nonprofit boards focused on education, economic development, and community impact, and is a certified substitute teacher in Mesa Public Schools. He lives in Mesa with his wife, Jessica, and their two children, and is committed to strengthening opportunity, accountability, and trust in Arizona.

**Statement:** I'm running for State House of Representatives because too many people in our community are doing everything right and still falling behind. The cost of living keeps rising, small businesses are under pressure, and confidence in our institutions is breaking down. I'm not a career politician. I've spent over two decades working with local businesses, helping them grow, hire, and navigate real challenges. I've seen firsthand where policy works and where it doesn't. My focus is simple: make Arizona more affordable, strengthen education, and support small businesses. That means practical solutions including expanding workforce and housing pipelines, improving accountability in education spending, and making it easier for entrepreneurs to access capital and grow. I'm running as an independent because I believe our state needs leadership that prioritizes people over politics. We don't have to choose between parties. We can choose common sense, transparency, and results. Arizona is full of hardworking people who want a fair shot and a stable future for their families. They deserve leaders who listen, who tell the truth, and who are willing to do the work.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 11



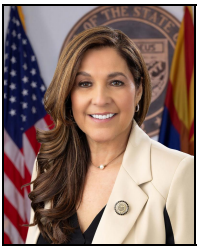
### Joshua Ayala

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** Id11.vote

**Biography:** Joshua Ayala was born in Phoenix, Arizona, on December 26, 1982, and raised in the close-knit community of Laveen. He attended Southwest School in the Roosevelt district, where he built strong connections and a deep appreciation for education and community values. Growing up in South Phoenix, Joshua developed firsthand knowledge of the area's culture, challenges, and resilience. He remains closely connected to the South Phoenix community,

valuing its history and diversity. His experiences have shaped his perspective, grounding him in service, loyalty, and pride for the neighborhood that helped define who he is today and continues giving back whenever possible.

**Statement:** Josh's priorities are unity, family, and safety, values shaped by both his personal experiences and his vision for a stronger community. As a mixed-race individual who grew up facing segregation, he understands the importance of bringing people together across differences and creating opportunities for every resident to thrive. He believes that fostering unity starts with encouraging individual responsibility, strengthening community involvement, and building meaningful partnerships with local businesses that invest back into the neighborhoods they serve. Josh is a strong advocate for family values and supports policies that encourage stable, supportive households. He emphasizes natalism as a way to promote long-term community health, believing that strong families are the foundation of a prosperous society. At the same time, he prioritizes public safety, calling for enhanced and more responsive policing to address issues like drug activity and homelessness. His stance is rooted in firsthand experience, having witnessed slower police response times in District 11 compared to wealthier areas. Josh is committed to ensuring that all communities—regardless of income or background—receive equal protection, resources, and attention, so every family can feel safe, supported, and united.



### Catherine Miranda

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.mirandaforsenate.com/](http://www.mirandaforsenate.com/)

**Biography:** I'm Catherine Miranda, and I'm running for re-election for State Senate in 2026 as a Democrat from Arizona. I have long been dedicated to fighting for the values and priorities of our community, and I am eager to continue that fight in the Senate. As a State Senator, I will be an advocate for immigration, homelessness, the severely mentally ill, quality education, and job creation initiatives that benefit all Arizonans.

**Statement:** District 11, one of the most diverse communities in Arizona, has been my home my entire life. I believe a legislator must maintain close contact with the community and must be available to the people at any time. From the devotion of time my mother, Ysabel Hernandez, spent at St. Catherine's of Sienna Parish, to the time spent at American Legion Post 41, where my father Robert, a Korean War Veteran was a member, to my involvement in sports in the South Mountain Community, this community has always been there to support me in all my endeavors, and I look forward to giving back. From a kindergarten student to a school administrator and school board member, to serving in both chambers of the State Legislature, I am the strong product of the rich diversity of District 11. This diversity within our community is what helps shape my legislative priorities

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 11



### Cesar Aleman

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** My name is Cesar Aleman. I am a husband to my beautiful wife Alejandra with whom I've celebrated ten years being married. I'm blessed with two amazing children. I've lived in Arizona thirty-two years, twenty-five have been in LD11. I am proud to say that I am part of the first class to graduate from Cesar Chavez High School back in 2002. I have worked in both the non-profit and corporate world throughout my career and I now work in full-time ministry at Laveen Baptist Church. I am passionate about serving our community and helping bring solutions to our needs.

**Statement:** I thank God for living most of my life in Arizona and seeing the growth throughout the years. Arizona has potential and District 11 can lead the way. Unfortunately, the increase in crime rate, the lack of securing our border and the distribution of Fentanyl is hurting our district and our State. Our streets are not safe and there's a lack of police presence due to the low officer-to-community ratio. School Choice and opportunities to help families through Empowerment Scholarship Accounts, need to be preserved. As your elected official I will represent our district and not a political party agenda. As your elected official I will act in serving the people by working together in a bipartisan manner and compromise for what's best for our district and our state. I support all life and we must defend and protect it. It is our responsibility as a community to give our children and those to come after them a better and safer future by leading by example and working together for the common good. My simple objective is to serve our community and every resident of District 11, giving them a much needed community voice in the State House.



### Junelle Cavero

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.caveroforaz.com/](http://www.caveroforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Rep. Junelle Cavero was appointed in April 2024 to represent Arizona's Legislative District 11, where she cast the deciding vote to repeal the 1864 abortion ban. A national political consultant, public administrator, entrepreneur, and mother, she brings over 30 years of experience in government relations, nonprofit leadership, and business development. Raised by working-class immigrant parents, she credits her upbringing to her father, a Navy Vietnam veteran and retired union postal letter carrier. Junelle has fought for WWII veterans' equity in Congress, expanded healthcare access, led civic engagement programs, worked on presidential campaigns, and battled housing discrimination in Arizona.

**Statement:** For more than 30 years, Junelle Cavero has championed equal opportunity, equity, and economic security. Her work has focused on advancing policies that support minorities, women, children, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and working families. She earned her Master's in Public Administration with a commitment to serving and uplifting these communities. As a mother of two, Junelle is deeply concerned about the rise in homelessness across our district. She is dedicated to working alongside public safety officials and community members to build trust and ensure safe, thriving neighborhoods. Drawing on her experience as a public administrator, she is well-equipped to develop effective policies and responsible budgets to address these challenges. Junelle serves on the Arizona State House Committees: Commerce, International Trade, Science and Technology and AI and Innovation where she tirelessly advocates for Arizona's working families. As a State Representative, Junelle will continue to advocate for immediate action on workers' rights, universal childcare, small business recovery, public safety, affordable housing, a livable minimum wage, and clean, sustainable water policies.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 11



### Joseph Charles Dailey

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [Id11.vote/vote/](http://Id11.vote/vote/)

**Biography:** Joseph Dailey is a South Phoenix resident, father of three, and engineering leader with an MBA who brings decades of problem-solving experience to public service. Since moving to the community in 2012, he has focused on creating practical solutions that strengthen families, improve public safety, and expand economic opportunity. Joseph believes government should be accountable, efficient, and responsive to the people it serves. He is

committed to supporting better schools, safer neighborhoods, stronger local businesses, and responsible use of taxpayer dollars. His campaign is rooted in service, community trust, and a clear vision for a safer, stronger Arizona for all.

**Statement:** South Phoenix deserves leaders who know the community, listen first, and solve real problems. I am running because families in District 11 face rising costs, concerns about crime and emergency response, pressure on schools, and too few opportunities for long-term economic security. I believe we can do better by focusing on practical results instead of partisan division. My priorities are simple: support safe neighborhoods, stronger schools, and a more affordable future for working families. That means backing law enforcement and community-based solutions to reduce crime, improving infrastructure and emergency response, supporting parents and teachers, and creating an environment where small businesses can grow and create jobs. I also believe government must be accountable, fiscally responsible, and focused on serving people rather than political agendas. As a father, engineer, and longtime South Phoenix resident, I bring a problem-solving mindset and a deep commitment to this community. I am not running to make noise. I am running to help build a safer, stronger, and more prosperous district where families can thrive, businesses can succeed, and every neighborhood is treated with the respect and attention it deserves. Together, we can restore trust and put South Phoenix families at the center of every decision.



### Oscar De Los Santos

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [oscarforaz.com/](http://oscarforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Oscar De Los Santos represents District 11 (South Phoenix, Laveen, Downtown Phoenix, and Guadalupe) in the Arizona House of Representatives. A former sixth-grade public school teacher, he then worked at the Arizona Food Bank Network fighting to end hunger. He also worked on President Obama's 2012 campaign. Oscar earned a law degree from Yale Law School and studied public policy at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. At the Capitol, he has a record

of fighting for working families and the middle class and taking on the interests of corporations, the wealthy, and the well-connected to get results for his constituents.

**Statement:** Oscar De Los Santos is delivering results for working families and the middle class in Arizona. Unafraid to challenge the powerful, Oscar is fighting corporate landlords driving up rents, taking on data centers driving up our bills, and cracking down on health insurance corporations that are price gouging us. At the Capitol, Oscar has a reputation for getting things done. He made school breakfast and lunch free for working-class students; delivered a historic initiative to make community college and public university tuition free for thousands of working-class students; created Arizona's first-ever plan to end veterans homelessness; secured millions in financial relief for Arizonans on the brink of eviction; and expanded legal aid so workers can stand up to predatory employers. Oscar believes that, in the wealthiest nation on Earth, no one should go broke just because they get sick. He was a leader in the successful effort to erase \$2 billion in medical debt for one million Arizonans, and he helped secure \$122 million in lifesaving care for people with developmental disabilities. He is also a leading voice against Donald Trump's cruel ICE agenda.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 12



### Patricia "Patty" Contreras

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [contrerasforaz.com](http://contrerasforaz.com)

**Biography:** Patty Contreras is a native Arizonan originally from the Yuma area. She has lived in the Phoenix valley 40+ years and in District 12 over 30 years. She has a Bachelor's from ASU and a Master's degree from NAU. Patty retired from the City of Phoenix after 31+ years of service to Phoenix residents. She worked in the Parks and Recreation and Human Services Departments primarily providing services, resources, and programs to seniors and people with disabilities. As

a public servant for much of her career, Patty is passionate about providing legislation that will enhance the lives of Arizona residents.

**Statement:** I was first elected to the Arizona House in 2022, re-elected in 2024. I am now seeking election to the Arizona Senate. Issues important to me are fully funding public education, helping seniors and veterans, combating climate change, and protecting Arizona's water supply. I have two sisters and a niece who are public school educators. I support public education and will work towards providing adequate funding for our public schools including increasing teacher's wages, improving infrastructure, and ensuring schools have adequate and well paid support staff. I worked with older adults for much of my career and provided resources and information to enhance their lives and protect them from scams, abuse, and exploitation. Because of my experience with seniors, I was appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging and have been serving on the Legislature's Vulnerable Adults Study Committee. I am concerned about our environment and the effects of climate change. I will continue to work to improve our state's resilience to the effects of climate change and look for sustainable solutions to our water needs. As your Representative, I host a monthly constituent meeting in the district, drop by and chat. I look forward to continuing to serve you.



### Anthony Ramirez

**Party:** No Labels      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [ramirezforaz.com](http://ramirezforaz.com)

**Biography:** Anthony Ramirez is an Arizona attorney, private investigator, and former police officer. He is the founder of Abogado Más Chingón, a Phoenix-based law firm known for aggressively representing injury victims. He has lived in Arizona since 1991, with a brief period out of state in the early 2000s before returning permanently in 2006. He was named Best Attorney in Phoenix 2025 by the Phoenix New Times Readers Poll. Beyond the courtroom, he is

an adrenaline-driven skydiver and community advocate. Anthony is currently running for Arizona State Senate, focused on expanding ballot access and giving unaffiliated voters a voice.

**Statement:** I'm running because Arizona's political system no longer reflects the people it serves. The largest group of voters is unaffiliated, yet they are shut out of primaries where elections are decided. That is not democracy. It is a closed system protecting parties, not voters. My campaign is focused on restoring access, fairness, and accountability. I will push to expand ballot access and open the process so every voter has a meaningful voice. When the majority is excluded, the system fails. I will not caucus with either party. My decisions will not be controlled by party leadership or political pressure. Government should operate under the same standards as everyone else. No special rules, no insider advantages, and no decisions made behind closed doors. Arizonans deserve transparency and accountability, not political games. Water is critical to Arizona's future. Growth without a long-term plan is reckless. We must protect groundwater, require responsible development, and invest in conservation, reuse, and infrastructure. This is about securing Arizona's future, not limiting opportunity. I support strong, accountable public safety, protection of individual rights, and policies that allow people and businesses to succeed without unnecessary barriers. Arizona does not need more partisan conflict. It needs practical leadership focused on results.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 12



### Armando Montero

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [monteroforaz.com/](http://monteroforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Raised here in Arizona, Armando Montero is a product of our public schools and made history as the youngest person elected to the Tempe Union High School District Governing Board. He was later elected President four times, leading the Board through restructuring to increase accountability and transparency. Now, he is running for the Arizona State House to get things done for Arizona families. Armando earned three degrees from ASU

and is pursuing his Juris Doctorate (JD). He worked as a Senior Planning Analyst at ASU and serves on several non-profit boards, including the Arizona School Boards Association.

**Statement:** With six years on the Tempe Union High School District Governing Board, Armando brings pragmatic leadership that blends a fresh perspective with policy expertise and governing experience. His platform includes a focus on public education, affordability, quality affordable healthcare, and water conservation. As a school board president, Armando has seen the impacts of cuts to public education and will champion education reform to improve quality and outcomes in education and fully fund our public schools, including placing guardrails and accountability on Arizona's ESA program. To lower costs, he will lead investments in childcare, workforce development, and affordable housing without cutting back on vital services like public safety or health care. He will work to protect and expand healthcare coverage for low-income and working families, defend reproductive rights, and increase funding for mental health services. Finally, Armando will work to secure our water future by strengthening oversight in groundwater use, supporting investments in water technology and infrastructure, and prioritizing the needs of Arizonans over out-of-state corporations. Armando has been recognized nationally for his leadership on the school board and is running for the Arizona State House to get real results for Arizona families.



### David Richardson

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.votedavidrichardson.com](http://www.votedavidrichardson.com)

**Biography:** I am an engineer, businessman, and proud father to three little ones. Growing up in a rented guest house in Phoenix, I became a first-generation college graduate and founded multiple businesses — living proof of the American Dream. I'm committed to keeping that same opportunity within reach for every Arizona family. Through decades of humanitarian work locally and overseas, developing medical devices to reduce pain, creating tools for cancer

research and treatments, and serving in my local church – I have committed my time and career to helping others. I will continue to do so at the State Legislature.

**Statement:** Education changed my life and now my children will never know poverty the way I did. As we navigate this new AI revolution, education has never been more important and I am committed to ensuring all children have access to high-quality education. As a business owner, I know exactly what it takes to create jobs and how the government can make it easier (or harder) to pay people more. And as a scientist-engineer, I have the experience needed to address complex issues around power and water in our state. We deserve leaders who will rally around our shared values and move to unite us rather than divide us, who think with a long-term mindset, and who don't just criticize to score political points but rather who innovate to solve them. I don't want to be a career politician. I want to help my community and then return home to enjoy my family.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 12



### Stacey Travers

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.traversforaz.com/](http://www.traversforaz.com/)

**Biography:** I was born in the birthplace of democracy, Athens, Greece, to a U.S. military father and Greek mother. A family with a history of military service, I served our country proudly as a Russian Intel Op in the U.S. Army. I earned my BS in Geology from U of A. I met my husband John, a small business owner in the UK. Back in the U.S., I became an advocate for homeless and disabled veterans, a cause I am still deeply committed to. I have two girls and love raising

them in AZ a state prides itself on fierce independence, love of country, and strong sense of community.

**Statement:** Four years ago, I wrote that we need a common-sense approach to governing, to focus more on issues that bring us together, less on what divides us, and to meet the needs of all Arizonans by coming together. I have kept my word. In four sessions, I've fought for families, public education, homeowners, veterans, Arizona's water future and Democracy (our constitutional republic) . I'm proof that you can work in a bi-partisan manner and still hold on to your values. I believe I have represented the will of our community with trust, honesty, integrity and transparency. While I won't promise I'll be as successful in my next term, I will promise that I'll continue to build relationships where I can and continue to think about the legacy we are leaving our children. I still see their world of opportunity getting smaller: their access to quality education, making their own family planning and healthcare decisions, the environment they will inherit, and whether they will have a voice in their democracy. But we're making progress where we can, and stopping bad bills so we don't go backwards. I'm still in this fight for their future, and I'm still in it for yours, too.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 13



### Kristie O'Brien

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kristieforaz.com/](http://www.kristieforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Kristie grew up in Chandler, the daughter of a social worker and granddaughter of a police officer and volunteer fireman. She learned the value of putting in hard work to make the world a safer place and is instilling that in her twin boys. Kristie has devoted her life to serving others and strengthening the community. After losing family members in the 9/11 attacks, Kristie's commitment to public service deepened. As a lawyer/mediator, Kristie knows the

importance of justice and accountable leadership and helps families navigate life's challenges. Now, Kristie is ready to bring those qualifications to the State Capitol.

**Statement:** Having watched our district change from farming to the high-tech hub of the state, it's clear to me our State Senator must represent us and focus on the challenges of today. My priorities are lowering costs, protecting healthcare, education, community safety, and ensuring a sustainable Arizona. Many young families and seniors can no longer afford to live in the East Valley. I will fight to lower our grocery, utility, and childcare costs and am not afraid to take on the political establishment and monopolies to make it happen. I will protect healthcare for families, seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities. One major health emergency shouldn't make a hardworking family go broke. Meeting Arizona's students' needs requires fully funding our K-12 schools, colleges, and universities, and offering competitive teacher salaries. In today's classrooms sit tomorrow's leaders and our community's future. I will work to keep our vibrant community safe and thriving! In the desert, water is life. Ensuring Arizona's sustainable future means a long-term water supply we can count on. A sustainable future for Arizona's economy and quality of life means clean water, clean air, and mitigating the effects of excessive heat.



### Julie Willoughby

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.juliewilloughby.org](http://www.juliewilloughby.org)

**Biography:** Julie Willoughby is a Christian, nurse, mother, and Arizona state legislator serving House District 13. Before entering public office, she built her career caring for patients and advocating them. As a registered nurse, Julie brings real-world medical experience to policymaking, focusing on practical solutions that strengthen Arizona and support Arizona families. In the legislature, she serves as House Majority Whip, working to advance policies that

promote strong communities, responsible government, and opportunities for the next generation. Julie is passionate about service—whether at a patient's bedside, in the community, or at the Arizona Capitol.

**Statement:** As a proud ASU graduate and long-time Arizonan, I've built my life here alongside my husband and children, and what happens in this state matters deeply to me. Serving as Majority Whip in the Arizona House, we've worked hard to cut taxes, invest in public education, and expand economic opportunity for Arizona families. My main priorities are focused on policies that protect children and families. I've passed legislation banning inappropriate material on children's apps, criminalizing child AI explicit imagery, and expanding postpartum depression support for new mothers. My record has earned endorsements from the Arizona Nursing Association, the Arizona Chamber of Commerce, Arizona's public safety community, and many others. My time as a lawmaker is solely focused on delivering results for Arizona families, and I want to continue that work for you in the Arizona Senate. I would be honored to have your vote.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 13



### Racquel "Rockee" Armstrong

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.rockee4az.com](http://www.rockee4az.com)

**Biography:** Dr. Racquel "Rockee" Armstrong is an Assistant Professor at Arizona State University and a former K-12 teacher and school administrator and a cancer survivor. She holds a BA from Wellesley College, an MEd from the University of Pennsylvania, an MBA from The Ohio State University Fisher College of Business, and a PhD from The Ohio State University. Her career has focused on education, leadership development, and public service. Rockee lives in Chandler

and is running for State Representative to support strong public education, economic opportunity, and policies that benefit working families in Chandler, Gilbert, and Sun Lakes.

**Statement:** I am running for State Representative in Legislative District 13 to ensure that Chandler, Sun Lakes, and Gilbert remain great places to live and work. As a former public school teacher, school administrator, and current professor at Arizona State University, I have dedicated my career to strengthening education and expanding opportunity for families. I understand firsthand the challenges our schools face and the importance of investing in strong public education from early learning through higher education. I will prioritize policies that address the rising cost of living, expand attainable housing, and support infrastructure that keeps pace with our community's growth. I will also work to expand workforce development opportunities, including apprenticeships and career and technical education, so residents can access good-paying jobs and long-term career pathways. I will bring a practical, transparent, and community-focused approach to the legislature so that our district continues to thrive for current residents and future generations.



### Kevin Hartke

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kevinhartke.com/](http://www.kevinhartke.com/)

**Biography:** Mayor Kevin Hartke has lived in Chandler for 41 years. He has over 16 years in service as Mayor, Vice Mayor and Councilmember. He has served as a Pastor in Chandler for 40 years at Trinity Christian Fellowship. Currently he also serves on the Maricopa Association of Governments Exec Committee (past chair), Arizona League of Cities and Towns (current president), Arizona Commerce Authority, Greater Phoenix Economic Council, Chandler

Chamber of Commerce Exec Board, Chandler Sister Cities Committee and For Our City Chandler Board. Kevin has been married for 44 years to Lynne. They have four children and four grandchildren.

**Statement:** I'm running for the Arizona House to solve problems. I know that may sound cliché but unlike most first-time candidates for the Legislature, I have a record of doing just that. For the last eight years, I've been serving as the Mayor of Chandler. Under my leadership, Chandler is considered one of the best run cities in the Valley. We've passed fiscally conservative budgets, paid down the cities pension obligations, fully funded and staffed our police, and lowered property tax rates every year. This success isn't mine alone but the result of a bipartisan council working together to deliver efficient services and a high quality of life. I will bring that same collaborative approach to the Legislature. Arizona's biggest issues aren't going to be solved by partisan fighting. We need to lower costs, improve public education, secure our water future, and expand the American Dream. I've been an active leader in my community for 40+ years. I've always believed our responsibility is to be focused on the Arizona we leave to future generations, so our children and grandchildren inherit a state of possibility.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 13



### Debra Schinke

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** I learned about hard work before the age of 10, where my grandparents made me work the fields at their farm. I spent nearly three decades developing and assisting prosecution of fraud cases, and will use those skills to uncover waste in our state budget. I'm currently serving on the Chandler Citizens Police Review Board, and will be a fierce advocate for our first responders at the Capitol. I've lived in Chandler for 18 years with my husband Charlie, and our son Matthew who is serving in the Air Force stationed Kadena Air Base in Japan.

**Statement:** Debra Schinke, running to represent Arizona's Legislative District 13 — because it's time to restore faith, family, and freedom in our great state! Debra Schinke spent nearly three decades assisting criminal investigations rooting out fraud and abuse. She is committed to doing the same in Arizona to ensure taxpayers get to keep more of their hard-earned money. Debra is the daughter of a small business owner and granddaughter of farmers. She is committed to reducing burdensome regulations that stifle growth for job creators. Debra is the past President of the Chandler Republican Women, serves on Chandler's police advisory committee, and 18-year resident in Chandler. Debra has volunteered for Republican candidates across Arizona from Sheriff Mark Lamb, Sen. Mesnard, and Congressman Biggs. Debra and her husband Charlie have one son Matthew serving in the Air Force and recently adopted a rescue dog Roxie. Together, let's restore faith, protect families, and keep Arizona strong and free — because Legislative District 13 deserves a leader who won't back down!



### Jacob Weinberg

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.electweinberg.com/](http://www.electweinberg.com/)

**Biography:** Jacob Weinberg, a 21-year US Army veteran first moved to Arizona in 2000. He volunteered to join the active Army as an undergrad at the University of Arizona after 9/11 and is an Iraq combat veteran. After his tour in the active Army, Jacob joined the Army National Guard, became a CPA, and earned master's degrees from the University of Illinois-Chicago, the University of Illinois, and Harvard. Currently an executive at an Arizona-based software

development company and active in the community, Jacob empowers local organizations to be successful while working to ensure a government that works for everyone.

**Statement:** I am not a politician. I am a veteran, businessman, and local leader who has answered the call to continue to serve my state and my community in its time of need. My life experiences will help me be an effective Legislator. I believe we need to protect our democracy from federal overreach. I will work with our state administration to keep our election system strong while ensuring every eligible voter can continue to exercise their right to vote. I support every Arizonan's right to earn a living and will work to limit the significant costs placed on everyone by our current legislature's bad policies. I support the right to choose that every legislative district in our state voted to approve of in our Arizona Constitution in 2024 instead of working to undermine the will of the people like our current representatives. There is egregious fraud, waste, and abuse we're seeing in our school voucher program, and I believe my tax dollars shouldn't pay for other people's affairs or vacations. My experience auditing public companies to protect consumers is what Arizona needs to rein in these abuses. Together we can ensure a prosperous and safe Arizona for all Arizonans.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 13



### Janet Weninger

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.janetweninger.com](http://www.janetweninger.com)

**Biography:** Janet Weninger is a wife, mother, small-business owner, and nonprofit leader with deep roots in Chandler. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Arizona State University and a degree in theology from W.N.S. of Ministry. She has spent more than a decade serving vulnerable children and families. Through her nonprofit work, Janet has partnered with community leaders, agencies, and organizations to bring hope, stability, and support to those in

crisis. Her faith and real-life experience led her to run for the Arizona House of Representatives. Janet is committed to strengthening education, supporting small businesses, and building safe, thriving communities across Arizona.

**Statement:** There is work to be done, and Arizona's citizens have the opportunity to build something amazing for the next generation. Our communities were never meant to live in fear or instability. Families pay taxes to ensure neighborhoods are safe and schools are available that will prepare children for a life of purpose. When we cultivate vibrant, hopeful communities that empower people to prosper, build new businesses, and create new opportunities, we see families flourish. We should encourage ingenuity and cherish our god-given right to life and the freedom to enjoy it. We can help build a future where Arizona leads the nation in educational opportunities, and every child is equipped to succeed. That means giving parents and students access to the schools they want to attend. It also means creating a business-friendly environment that attracts companies, grows jobs, and provides lasting opportunities for our citizens. Less government control and more opportunities to enjoy an abundant life. "So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding" Romans 14:19. "Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord" Hebrews 12:14 Learn more at [www.janetweninger.com](http://www.janetweninger.com)

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 14



### Mylie Biggs

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.myliebiggsforaz.com/](http://www.myliebiggsforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Mylie was born and raised in Arizona's East Valley, where she was instilled with a deep respect for the Constitution, this nation, and faith in Christ. After her first year of college, she served an 18-month religious mission in Brazil and Utah. She graduated from the University of Arizona in 2024 with a degree in Political Science and a minor in Portuguese. Mylie has worked on multiple congressional campaigns, as well as in roles at Turning Point Action and

the Arizona Free Enterprise Club. She is passionate about small government and restoring American values to Arizona.

**Statement:** I decided to run for the Arizona State Senate because I saw a need for more conservative fighters who will stand up for the values I believe in so strongly. That includes restoring affordability to Arizona by lowering taxes, reducing regulations, and rooting out duplicative or wasteful state programs and agencies. I hope that by easing the burdens on taxpayers, everyone will thrive, but especially those in my generation and future generations, enabling them to afford homes and remain in this beautiful state. I am teaming up with great conservatives Laurin Hendrix and Tyler Farnsworth who are running for the State House. Together, we will work to keep Legislative District 14 one of the best places to live by supporting small businesses and single-family home construction. Government should be small; at every level, federal, state, and local, it has become a burdensome intervenor in our lives. I hope to reduce its influence as much as possible if elected. I love this state and district. This is my home, and I will work hard with Hendrix and Farnsworth to make it the freest state in the nation.



### Stephanie Walsh

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.walshforarizona.com](http://www.walshforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Stephanie Walsh is a mechanical engineer, experienced business owner, wife, and mother of two young adults. With a career rooted in energy research, she has spent decades solving problems in energy, business, and technology. Her current nonprofit work focuses on supporting responsible energy production and the long-term economic health of the West. Stephanie brings a steady, practical, and solutions-driven approach to public service. She

believes balanced, forward-looking decisions today will strengthen Arizona's future and ensure lasting opportunities for families across the state.

**Statement:** I am running for the Arizona State Senate to bring thoughtful, solutions-focused leadership to the Legislature. As an engineer and former small business owner, I understand the importance of strong businesses, jobs that support Arizona families, and an educated workforce. Arizona needs practical problem-solvers who can bridge divides, work collaboratively, and stay focused on what matters to our communities. Today, our state is facing growing demands for energy and water, along with new pressures from emerging technologies like artificial intelligence. These challenges affect every Arizonan, our economy, our infrastructure, and our quality of life. I will work to strengthen Arizona's energy and water security, support responsible innovation, and ensure our policies keep pace with technological change. Arizona should lead with smart, balanced approaches that protect public resources while supporting economic growth and healthy communities. Looking ahead, the next generation deserves strong schools, good jobs, and a stable future here at home. That requires supporting educational excellence, strengthening our workforce, and making home ownership more attainable. The decisions we make today will shape opportunities for Arizonans for decades to come.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 14



### Tyler Andrew Farnsworth

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.votefarnsworth.com/](http://www.votefarnsworth.com/)

**Biography:** Tyler Farnsworth is a lifelong Gilbert resident and seventh-generation Arizonan. He attended Gilbert High School, graduated from ASU, and founded his business here in the Arizona. He and his wife Chelsea are the proud parents of four boys. Tyler is an Eagle Scout who grew up hiking, camping, and exploring Arizona's outdoors, and loves spending free weekends at Snowbowl. He has served over ten years on the Maricopa County Fair board, championing the agricultural roots that built Arizona. A lifelong Suns fan and a believer in his Savior Jesus Christ, Tyler is devoted to faith, family, and community.

**Statement:** I grew up in Gilbert, graduated from Gilbert High, and built my business right here in the East Valley. My wife Chelsea and I are raising our four boys in the same community that raised me. I didn't grow up dreaming of running for office. I grew up learning that when your community needs help, you step up. I'm running for the Arizona House of Representatives because I believe government should do less, do it well, and get out of the way. Too many families are getting squeezed by rising costs while government keeps growing. As a business owner, I know what accountability looks like, and I'll bring that to the legislature. My priorities are protecting taxpayers, defending school choice and parental rights, fighting for our water supply, and restoring confidence in our elections. Every vote I cast will be measured against one question: does this protect individual liberties? I'm running with Mylie Biggs for Senate and Laurin Hendrix for House. You get two House votes, so please vote Hendrix and Farnsworth. I humbly ask for your support.



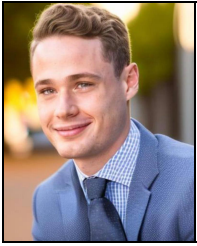
### Laurin Hendrix

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Laurin has lived in Arizona for almost 40 years. He's been self-employed since graduating college and owned/managed a wide variety of successful businesses. On the family side of things, he has been blessed with eight children who attended Arizona public schools and are his greatest accomplishments in life. Laurin served on the Maricopa County Community College District Board, and on the Gilbert City Council. He enjoys backpacking, reading, gardening, traveling, flying remote control airplanes, and hydroponic farming. He's a licensed private pilot and former merit badge counselor and Eagle Scout Review Board member for the Boy Scouts of America.

**Statement:** You elected me to the Legislature to make a positive difference, and I'm working every day to do just that. I've worked to pass strong border bills, legislation to clean up our elections and increase transparency in the process, bills to protect school choice and parental rights, improve health care and how insurance companies treat customers, protect girls' sports, restore our constitutional rights, put Term Limits on Congress, and so much more. I'm running with Mylie Biggs and Tyler Farnsworth because you deserve, and Arizona needs, reliable America First conservatives who will do what is right. You get TWO votes for State House, so please remember to vote for both Hendrix AND Farnsworth. Fighting the left and winning will require proven and trustworthy conservatives, working together, to get the job done. Help keep Arizona great, help us to stop Katie Hobbs and get our economy back on track, and help stop the radical left, including Kris Mayes and Adrian Fontes, from turning Arizona into California. Every vote matters, so please elect your conservative team of Biggs, Hendrix and Farnsworth. THANK YOU! We won't let you down!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 14



### Jedidiah "Jed" Storm Lyons

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** jed4az.com/

**Biography:** Lyons was urged to run by his community due to his unwavering commitment to conservative principles and his willingness to collaborate to find commonsense solutions to complex problems. Most recently, Jed served in the office of U.S. Congressman Hamadeh, where his legislative portfolio included public safety and emergency management. He also co-founded The Dandy Project, a 501(c)(3) public charity with a mission to protect, empower, and

support those who do the same for the next generation. They acquire surplus and overstock childcare goods from major retailers at steep discounts and distribute them free of charge to struggling families through partnerships with law enforcement, tribal organizations, medical providers, and other frontline service organizations.

**Statement:** I am an America-First conservative Republican committed to strengthening quality of life in Arizona by securing our border, protecting parental rights, expanding school choice, supporting homeownership, and advancing policies that keep our communities safe and livable.



### Mary Rose

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** maryrose4ld14.com

**Biography:** Mary Rose is a third-generation Arizonan, growing up in the West Phoenix/Glendale area, but has lived in the East Valley since 1984. Her great-aunt was the first woman to run for Governor of AZ in 1950 and was the state auditor for 25 years. Mary's first foray into politics was in high school when she worked on the successful campaign of Governor Raul Castro, attending the inaugural ball after his win. Mary has a bachelor's degree in HR, and among other jobs in her 24-years with Motorola, worked as an HR Diversity Specialist. She also worked for General Dynamics.

**Statement:** I am not a politician. I'm a woman who is tired of being angry over the politics in this country and our state. I decided to run for office to try to restore some semblance of normalcy, honesty, and integrity. I want to build an economy that works for everyone. To do that, we need fair wages and affordable housing. We need to support small businesses and local entrepreneurs. We need to create advisory boards and open forums that include younger voters, so your ideas shape the policies that impact your life. Public schools deserve to be funded fairly. Teachers should receive competitive pay. The ESA voucher program needs greater oversight and transparency to prevent fraud and restore public trust. We live in a desert. Water is our most precious resource. There should be enforceable urban water budgets. Protection of our rivers, shared aquifers, and green spaces. ICE has no place in our communities. Honest, hard-working immigrants should be welcomed to become citizens in our country. I will stand beside those fighting for their rights, whether it be marriage equality, the right to choose for their own bodies, or the right to vote in a democratic system. Let's move forward together.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 15



### Jayme Accalia

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Jayme Accalia is a native Arizonan and ASU graduate with a degree in Sustainable Food Systems. Raised in a hardworking family with roots in the skilled trades, she learned early the value of hard work and service. Her lifelong involvement in volunteer organizations, including earning the Presidential Volunteer Service Award, reflects that commitment. Today, she and her wife are raising three children while balancing work and family life, an experience that drives her to build a stronger future for working families across Arizona.

**Statement:** I'm running because the system isn't working for the people who are working the hardest. Across Arizona, families are doing everything right — working full-time, raising their kids, and contributing to their communities — yet still struggling just to get by. That's not how this is supposed to work. I've lived that reality. I've worked in retail and service jobs, and I know what it means to stretch every dollar and still come up short. My family faces those same challenges today. I believe in personal responsibility, but I also believe the system should work for people who are doing everything right. That means supporting working people, protecting the right to organize, and making sure a full-time job pays enough to live. It means respecting personal freedom, including the right to make your own healthcare decisions, and ensuring everyone is treated with dignity under the law. It also means supporting the Second Amendment while backing common-sense safety measures and access to mental health resources. My focus is on affordability, healthcare, and education — the foundation of a strong middle class. When those systems are working, families can move beyond survival and build a future.



### Jake Hoffman

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.JakeHoffman.com](http://www.JakeHoffman.com)

**Biography:** Jake Hoffman is a Christian, husband, father of 6, businessman, Americans for Limited Government's 2021 National Legislator of the Year, founding chairman of the Arizona Freedom Caucus, and fierce defender of the Constitution. Jake currently serves in the Arizona Senate where he is the chairman of the Committees on Executive Nominations and Government, as well as, the vice chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. Prior to serving

in the Senate, Jake served in the Arizona House of Representatives, Queen Creek Town Council, and Higley School Board. Professionally, Jake is the CEO of multiple tech, marketing and political strategy-focused small businesses.

**Statement:** As the 2021 National Legislator of the Year, a 100% rated constitutional conservative legislator, a champion of the family and taxpayers, an A+ defender of the Second Amendment, and fierce advocate for the freedom, opportunity, and prosperity that exists in Arizona, you can have confidence that I will always fight for you. At the Capitol I have been hard at work to secure our elections, authoring legislation to ban the private funding of elections, prohibit the mass mailing of ballots to voters who didn't request it, and require proof of citizenship to vote. I've fought to keep registered sex offenders off of our school boards, and to protect children by prohibiting sexually explicit material from being used in our schools. I've stood up against the tyranny of an out of control government by protecting small businesses from rogue government agencies, reining in Arizona governments' use of mass surveillance technology, cutting taxes for every Arizonan, and passing the nation's most pro-school choice legislation in America. These victories for our state are only possible with your support. Thank you for the support over the years. I'm honored to serve you.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 15



### Neal Carter

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.nealcarterarizona.com](http://www.nealcarterarizona.com)

**Biography:** Neal Carter is a conservative Republican who believes in the values of the Constitution: faith, family and a free economy. A District 15 homeowner since 2010, he's married to his lovely wife, Katy, an Arizona native and Gilbert H.S. graduate. Neal and Katy are proud parents of three children. Neal volunteers locally with his church and adopts a segment of Hunt Highway. Neal's educational background includes degrees in literature and law. For work, he

runs an estate planning practice. Neal is honored to serve as your voice in the legislature, a position he considers to be a sacred trust.

**Statement:** Neal Carter is a constitutional conservative we can trust, with the voting record to prove it. Awarded "Conservative Excellence" from CPAC, Highest Scoring Republican from Republican Liberty Caucus, "Patriot" status from Turning Point... I'm fighting for the conservative principles of limited government, rule of law, and lower taxes. I'm fighting at the state legislature to secure the border and reduce spending. I'm running for reelection to defend the values of the Constitution: freedom of religion, freedom of conscience, freedom of speech, economic freedom, freedom to bear arms, etc. A smaller government means a freer nation. The proper role of government is to defend life, liberty and property, not to guarantee happiness. I'm running for reelection because over the past several years I have understood that our country is in crisis, beset by forces that intend to use the power of government to coerce ideologies on us. I'm known for standing up for what's right, and I prefer death over dishonor. Things I believe in include securing the border, defending school choice (parents raise children, not the government), defending life from conception to natural death because life has God-given dignity, fiscal responsibility, balanced budgets, and returning money to taxpayers.



### Michael Way

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [michaelwayforaz.com/](http://michaelwayforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Michael Way is a member of the Arizona House of Representatives, serving Legislative District 15. He is a husband, father of four, and business executive who believes in limited government and strong families. Michael holds a degree in Construction Management from Arizona State University, an MBA and Juris Doctor from the University of Wyoming, and has recently completed his graduate studies in Educational Assessment at the University of

Oxford. He has spent his career in the private sector and is committed to protecting constitutional rights, and ensuring Arizona remains a place of opportunity and freedom for future generations.

**Statement:** I ran for office to bring a real-world perspective to the Legislature and to stand up for Arizona families. As a husband, father, and business owner, I understand the challenges facing our communities and the importance of keeping government accountable. At the Capitol, I have focused on protecting parental rights, expanding school choice, securing our elections, and defending the constitutional freedoms that make Arizona strong. I believe parents, not bureaucrats, should be in charge of their children's education, and that our government must live within its means, just like Arizona families do. Arizona is one of the best places in the country to live, work, and raise a family. But maintaining that requires strong leadership and a commitment to conservative principles. I will continue to fight for lower taxes, responsible spending, public safety, and policies that promote economic growth and opportunity. I am grateful for the trust voters have placed in me and will continue working every day to represent Legislative District 15 with integrity and purpose.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 16



### Elaine Aldrete

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [aldrete4az.org/](http://aldrete4az.org/)

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** Elaine was born and raised in a rural community in New Hampshire. As an adult, she moved to the farming community of Santa Paula, California. In 2018, she moved to Tucson to be near her daughter, who had twin boys a few years later. Elaine is a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, businesswoman, instructor, and community volunteer. She is honest, compassionate, imaginative, dependable, and open-minded. In 2012, using her bachelor's degree and MBA along with her accounting experience, Elaine formed the nonprofit, Teaching Life Choices, Inc. (TLC), which donates books to schools. In 2019, TLC expanded by creating scholarships for low-income college students to buy textbooks. Elaine joined the board of Boxes of Hope in 2023 which helps the unsheltered build a path to stable housing and self-sufficiency. Since 2024, Elaine has been a member of the Governing Board of the Drexel Heights Fire District.



### Thomas "T.J." Shope

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [tjshope.com/](http://tjshope.com/)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Coolidge, T.J. Shope has a diverse family background rooted in community. His family shaped his work ethic and philosophy. While one grandparent worked as a miner and was a member of the United Steelworkers, T.J.'s other grandfather owned and operated an independent grocery store for sixty-five years in Coolidge, where T.J. learned firsthand the importance of small businesses. T.J. has been recognized by dozens of local organizations for his accomplishments at the Capitol. T.J. serves as President Pro Tempore and lives in Coolidge with his wife, Melissa, and dog, Cali

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**Statement:** This election is critical for Arizona. As your State Senator, I'm fighting for Arizona businesses, creating safe neighborhoods, funding infrastructure improvements, and protecting our shared values. I have sponsored legislation to provide law enforcement with the tools and the funding they need to get the job done, and keep criminals off our streets, including voting for harsher penalties against drug cartels, dealers, and human traffickers. We have created an economic environment that attracts more businesses from other states, encourages existing businesses to expand, and allows entrepreneurs to build something new. We have responsibly invested in our schools while protecting school choice, ensuring parents have the final say in their kids' education. From protecting our water rights to balancing our state budget while investing in the I-10 widening and SR 347, I will keep fighting for you at the State Capitol! I even sponsored transparency measures when our liberal Governor was accused of accepting contributions in exchange for bigger state contracts. I am proud to have earned endorsements from first responders, including police and fire, as well as business groups from around the state because of the commonsense legislation we've passed. For more information, visit [www.TJShope.com](http://www.TJShope.com).

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



### Julia Romero Gusse

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.juliaforarizona.com](http://www.juliaforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Julia Romero Gusse is an Air Force veteran, former City of Maricopa Councilmember, and dedicated public servant running for Arizona House in Legislative District 16. She has four generations of family members currently residing in Pinal County and recently retired from state service to run for this seat. Julia served as a Legislative Liaison for the Arizona Department of Veterans Services, where she worked with both Democrats and Republicans, and as a Presidential Appointee with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. She is also a former educator and Director of Veterans Upward Bound at Arizona State University.

**Statement:** Julia Romero Gusse is running to deliver real solutions to the challenges facing Legislative District 16 and to ensure our growing communities are not left behind. Her campaign is focused on addressing critical infrastructure needs, including expanding Interstate 10 and improving State Route 347 to reduce congestion and restore valuable time to families who commute daily. She is a strong advocate for responsible water policy, working to ensure long-term sustainability so future generations can continue to live and thrive. She has a strong track record of working with both Democrats and Republicans. Julia is also committed to strengthening public education by reinvesting in our schools, supporting teachers, and holding voucher recipients accountable to ensure taxpayer dollars are used responsibly. Her vision includes bringing good-paying jobs to the district, supporting economic development that benefits working families, and ensuring safe, affordable communities where residents can build stable lives. Julia is especially dedicated to supporting veterans and ensuring they, along with all families, have access to the services, housing, and opportunities they deserve. Julia is running to bring practical leadership, accountability, and a strong voice to the legislature—focused on solutions that improve everyday life for the people of LD16.



### Chris Lopez

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.Lopezforaz.com](http://www.Lopezforaz.com)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Casa Grande, Chris Lopez is a small business owner and father of five. He chose to raise his family in Casa Grande for its strong sense of community. Chris pursued a marketing degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage and used it to build a business that has expanded across Arizona and into neighboring states. He is active in his faith and serves on nonprofit boards that support local families and community efforts. Chris is

completing his first term in the Arizona State House of Representatives and is seeking re-election to continue serving District 16.

**Statement:** Born and raised in Casa Grande, I have dedicated my life to finding common-sense solutions to the challenges facing our community. As a dad, I know the importance of safe neighborhoods, a secure border, and the ability to provide Arizona families with great schools. As a small business owner, I know how critical a thriving economy is to the hardworking families in District 16, which is built upon safe neighborhoods and an affordable cost of living. In my short time at the Capitol, I've fought for more funding for police, stood up for veterans, defended our neighborhoods, and voted to secure our border. I have sponsored bills to improve our water infrastructure and brought new funding to LD16 to improve our roads, especially SR347. I am the candidate with the private sector experience and knowledge we need to continue working at the Capitol. I raised my family in Arizona because I believe our community offers great schools, strong neighborhoods, and safe streets - and I'm committed to fighting to protect it! Learn more at [www.LopezForAZ.com](http://www.LopezForAZ.com). I look forward to earning your support and vote!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



### Teresa Martinez

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [martinezforarizona.com/](http://martinezforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Rep. Teresa Martinez was born and raised in Casa Grande, the heart of Pinal County. Teresa is a single mom of a 23 year-old son. She is the oldest of 5 children and her dad was a miner at the San Manuel Mine. Rep. Martinez has a long history working in politics, holding multiple positions for two Members of Congress and for the former Republican Arizona Secretary of State. Before getting into politics, Teresa worked as long term substitute teacher at her alma mater Casa Grande Union High School for several years and at the Frito Lay factory in Casa Grande.

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**Statement:** To the residence of LD 16. I want you to know that my top priority is you. I have worked tirelessly to improve our roads, fight for our water, fight for funding for our local veterans. I've been a strong advocate for children, law-enforcement officers, firefighters and our emergency responders. I'm proud to say that I've had many successes! Including securing funding for the I 10 corridor and SR 347! I have also created legislation that helps promote safety ! Recently the governor passed my bill the turquoise alert to help find missing indigenous people I will continue to fight for LD 16! It has been an honor to be your state representative! And I thank you in advance for your support because I know together we can make sure that Pinal County has everything. It deserves everything it needs and I'm grateful to all of you.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 17



### Anthony Dunham

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.dunhamforarizona.com/](http://www.dunhamforarizona.com/)  
**Biography:** US Army Iraq war combat veteran (OIF 3) disabled veteran Dad To 3 Ordained nondenominational minister Certified Chaplain community and Church volunteer former LEO

**Statement:** Following the tragic assassination of Charlie Kirk, Anthony knew he could tell his kids to stand up for their values and beliefs and sit back and do nothing. Anthony is a proven leader and freedom fighter. Anthony will fight every day for LD 17 and to protect their God-given rights. He will legislate from the constitution first and in the beautiful light of Liberty! For faith, family and freedom, LD 17, Arizona and America first, Anthony Dunham for LD 17 Senate



### Christopher King

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [ChrisKingForAZ.com](http://ChrisKingForAZ.com)  
**Biography:** I'm a retired U.S. Air Force Master Sergeant and combat veteran who served as an explosive ordnance disposal technician in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world. My wife and I have been married for 22 years and in LD 17 for over 21 years. We have two adult children, and four granddaughters. I hold a bachelor's degree in government and public service and master's degrees from the UofA and Liberty University. I've served in multiple leadership roles and

currently as an elected school board member. I look forward to serving you and Arizona as the next Senator for LD17.

**Statement:** Hi, I am Chris King and I am a dedicated, educated, and proven conservative servant leader running for senate to keep common sense, accountability, and to continue defending freedom in legislative district 17. An Arizonan by choice with deep roots in the community, I understand the daily challenges facing working families, small businesses, and everyday citizens. Governments were designed to protect the rights of their citizens, and I believe they should serve the people, not control nor overburden them. My priorities are clear, protecting parental choice in education, reducing burdensome regulations, growing our economy so every Arizonan can prosper, working with law enforcement to continue securing our border, and defending the Second Amendment. I bring experience in governance and a no-nonsense approach to fight wasteful spending, bureaucratic overreach, and policies which are antithetical to our Arizona values and way of life. I'm committed to integrity, transparency, and putting Arizona first as the heart of everything I do. I will continue being a strong, unwavering voice for liberty, security, and opportunity in our Grand Canyon State. I invite you to join me in the fight to keep Arizona free for our children, grandchildren, and generations to come.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 17



### Edgar Soto

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.sotoforarizona.com/](http://www.sotoforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Marine. Educator. Proven Leader Putting Arizona Families First. Edgar Soto is a lifelong Tucsonan, Tucson High School graduate, and U.S. Marine Corps veteran dedicated to service and leadership. With over 30 years at Pima Community College, he currently serves as a campus vice president, helping students succeed through education and opportunity. A former middle school teacher and baseball coach, Edgar has mentored countless young people,

including serving as a USA Baseball coach. He remains active in the community through local leagues and service boards. A Flinn- Brown Civic Leadership Fellow and Aspen Rising Presidents Fellow, Edgar believes success is measured by how much we help others succeed.

**Statement:** I'm Edgar Soto, a lifelong Tucsonan, Marine Corps veteran, educator, and community leader. I'm running for State Senate because I believe every Arizonan deserves the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. For over 30 years at Pima Community College, I've helped students—from first- generation college students to working parents build better lives through education. I've seen what works and what doesn't, and I'm ready to bring real solutions to the Capitol. My priorities are simple: lower the cost of living, strengthen public education, support our veterans, protect water resources, and ensure safe, thriving communities. Too many families, like my own 93-year-old mother, are being squeezed by rising property taxes, insurance, and everyday costs. I believe in bringing people together to get things done. Not left or right, but forward. That means listening, finding common ground, and delivering results that improve lives. Together, we can build an Arizona where opportunity, fairness, and community come first.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



### Rachel "Jones" Keshel

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.keshelforarizona.com/](http://www.keshelforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Rachel Keshel has been an active citizen of Arizona for over 20 years. Rachel is a mother of five kids, three of whom were the blessing of adoption. Rachel's faith is her prime motivator in all that she does for her family... and her state. Rachel received her degree in Business Management and spent her career as a business executive at the 3rd largest UPS facility in the country. Her time in business formed a strong, calculated, and passionate leader,

who now hopes to continue utilizing her experience to identify problems, execute solutions, and deliver results in the State House in Phoenix.

**Statement:** I have been truly honored and humbled to serve my constituents these past few years in the AZ legislature. If re-elected, I will continue to fight for honest and trustworthy elections, Family Court and DCS reform, and for the rights of every Arizonan, including the pre-born. I evaluate every piece of legislation based on three principles: Is it constitutional? Is it good policy? Is it the proper role of government. I believe in less taxes, less government and less red tape.



### Hollace "Holly" Lyon

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** I am a retired Air Force Colonel, who commanded twice, taught future military war planners from all services, and led international communications systems negotiations among NATO countries. After retiring from the Air Force, I continued solving complex challenges and delivering results as a corporate IT consultant in the D.C. area. Southern Arizona has been home base for 50 years. My parents moved here after I left for college, and I visited many times while teaching middle school and serving in the military. In 2008, I moved here to care for my aging mother.

**Statement:** For the past 15 years, I've watched the State Legislature fail to address the everyday issues that matter most to the people who call Arizona home. That's why I'm running to be your state representative. You deserve: - Affordable housing - Affordable and accessible healthcare - Affordable and reliable water and electricity In short—an Arizona we can all afford. I am also committed to ending fraud in the school voucher system so taxpayer dollars are spent on education, not luxury vacations, diamonds, or other abuses. Our public schools deserve our support so they can prepare the next generation to be informed citizens and help attract businesses that rely on a well-educated workforce. It's time for leadership that focuses on real solutions for everyday Arizonans.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



### Kevin Volk

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kevinvolkaz.com/](http://www.kevinvolkaz.com/)

**Biography:** Kevin was born and raised in Tucson, where he attended neighborhood public schools and followed family tradition to Salpointe High School. After graduating college with a degree in Economics, Kevin served as a fifth-grade school teacher, interned for Representative Gabby Giffords in Congress, and worked as an English language educator in Mexico. Kevin then came back home to Southern Arizona, where he worked as a real estate agent helping small

businesses and founded a company to create affordable housing units. Now, he is serving Legislative District 17 as a State Representative in his first term.

**Statement:** I'm a small business owner and former teacher, born and raised in Southern Arizona. I ran for office out of frustration with the extreme, divisive politics we see out of Phoenix. Since taking office, I have worked hard to do my part to take down the temperature, work across the aisle, and keep the focus on getting things done. I am proud to be one of the most bipartisan, effective members of the state legislature. My priorities have been and continue to be to address costs of living, improve Arizona schools, support public safety, and secure our water future. I will continue call out current leadership when they are playing politics at the expense of solving problems. I think our legislature looks too much like Congress in DC – voting overnight on 100 bills with short notice, multiple recesses instead of getting the job done, and partisan posturing instead of good-faith negotiation. We can do better. But I'll also continue to work with anyone – regardless of party - to improve our state and make lives better for Arizonans. That's what this job is about. It would be an honor to continue to serve as your State Representative.



### John Winchester

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [winchesterforaz.com/](http://winchesterforaz.com/)

**Biography:** John Winchester is the Senior Director of Government and Community Engagement for Arizona State University, serving Southern Arizona in Pima, Cochise, and Santa Cruz counties. A Tucson native, he and his wife, Fernanda, are raising four children and are active community volunteers. John serves on the Board of Directors of The Chamber of Southern Arizona and on several public policy councils. He is a Flinn-Brown Fellow, a Fellow of

the Southern Arizona Workforce Leadership Academy, and was named one of Tucson's 40 Under 40.

**Statement:** I'm John Winchester, a lifelong Tucsonan, husband, father, and minister. I've spent my life serving our community, from leading the Northwest YMCA to mentoring students and strengthening local nonprofits. I'm running for the Arizona House because I believe leadership means showing up, listening, and solving problems – not playing politics. Arizona families deserve a government that works as hard as they do. That means responsible spending, strong schools, safe neighborhoods, and a healthy economy that supports small businesses and creates opportunity for the next generation. My experience in business, education, and community development has taught me that prosperity doesn't just happen, it's built, one decision at a time, by leaders who put people before partisanship. I'll fight for good jobs, support small businesses, and invest in infrastructure so families can live, work, and thrive right here in Southern Arizona. My faith and family shape who I am and how I lead. I'll bring common sense, integrity, and accountability to the Arizona House. District 17 is my home, and I'm asking for your support and vote to build a safer, stronger, and more prosperous Arizona.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 18



### Douglas Everett

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [vote.arizonadougster.com/](http://vote.arizonadougster.com/)

**Biography:** I have dedicated many years to community service in various roles: youth chess club coach, Boy Scout leader, merit badge counselor, mentor through Big Brothers, and campaign manager. I was an electrical engineer for 37 years in the aerospace industry. My father, a former U. S. Air Force pilot, inspired me to fly high and see the big picture. I did that by obtaining a pilot license shortly after graduating Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. I also serve my church as an usher and as its Knights of Columbus Deputy Grand Knight.

**Statement:** As an engineer, and seeing the big picture, I focus on solving complex problems and ensuring systems, like policy making for Arizona, operate safely and reliably, not engaging in political bickering. Arizona families need high paying Jobs, Opportunities, and Safety. I will strengthen Arizona's economy, improve infrastructure, support dependable energy including SMRs, encourage water management, and embrace fiscal responsibility leading to overall affordability. I will work with federal and local colleagues for efficient solutions. Your taxpayer dollars will be wisely spent with transparency, with some coming back to LD18. I support quality education while preserving funding choices for families. Attaining Eagle Scout, I believe strongly in service, responsibility, and helping our next generation succeed, thus encouraging long-term investments. I encourage closer DPS cooperation with federal and local security agencies, resulting in stronger law enforcement thereby reducing crime. I would adequately fund ADOT for safer roads and airports. Cyclists' and motorists' teeth should not chatter. Funded by Clean Elections, my responsibility is to the LD18 constituents - not large donors. Good ideas deserve support, independent of your party affiliation. Let's meet on the campaign trail (schedule on my website). Strengthen your voice. Vote for DOUGLAS EVERETT, the 6'7" APPROACHABLE candidate.



### Priya Sundareshan

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.priya4az.com](http://www.priya4az.com)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Tucson, Priya loves the opportunities she had for an excellent public education and exploring the outdoors. She taught natural resources law at the University of Arizona, and previously advocated for sustainable resource management with the Environmental Defense Fund. As a voting rights advocate, she has led voter protection efforts and engagement on redistricting within the Arizona Democratic Party. She studied engineering at MIT, and law and natural resource economics at the U of A. As a mother of two small children, she wants her children and all children to inherit a sustainable world and sustainable Arizona.

**Statement:** Priya is running for State Senate in LD18 to make Arizona a leader in renewable energy, restore balance to our water shortage through conservation and efficiency, and improve our democracy by making voting easy and accessible to all. She knows we need more science-based decision-making in politics, especially when it comes to preserving our beautiful state for future generations. She looks forward to passing bills that strengthen labor and worker protections, protect our reproductive freedom, and anti-discrimination legislation to protect our human rights and to celebrate the diversity within our communities.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 18



### Bob Dohse

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** I am a retired Air Force Master Sergeant and have lived in Arizona for more than 30 years. I was raised on a ranch in Wyoming near Yellowstone National Park and also in the suburbs of San Diego, experiences that shaped my appreciation for resilience, independence and a cooperative community spirit. After my military service, I developed humanitarian crisis management and community development programs in regions affected by war and civil

conflict. I have served on my HOA board and on several international national youth leadership development boards. I am a Christian and remain active in my community.

**Statement:** Arizona needs leadership that delivers results, not excuses. My priorities are strengthening our economy, enforcing fiscal discipline, protecting taxpayers, and ensuring that government operates efficiently and transparently. I support policies that promote small business growth, job creation, and long-term economic stability. Government should focus on its core responsibilities and perform them well, not expand beyond its proper role. I am committed to public safety and to maintaining strong, secure, and stable communities where families can live and thrive. Arizona also faces serious long-term challenges, including water security and sustainable growth. These issues require practical, forward-looking solutions - not delay, not partisan rhetoric, and not political posturing. I will support policies that protect our resources while ensuring continued economic opportunity. I will work to reduce partisan gridlock by advancing solutions that produce measurable results. Where collaboration is possible, I will pursue it. Where core principles are at stake, I will stand firm. If elected, I will bring discipline, urgency, and accountability to this role - focused on delivering real outcomes that strengthen Arizona's future.



### Nancy Gutierrez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.nancyforaz.com/](http://www.nancyforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Representative Nancy Gutierrez was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives 2022. She serves her caucus as the Assistant Minority Leader, as the Ranking Member on the Education and is on the Appropriation Committee. She is a Hunt Kean Leadership Fellow and a Member of the Early Childhood Hunt Institute Program. Nancy has taught preschool to high school and is a proud member of the Arizona Education Association.

She fights for reproductive healthcare and equity, LGBTQ+ rights, to protect our precious water and works to pass sensible gun legislation in order to keep our schools and community safer.

**Statement:** Representative Nancy Gutierrez was elected to the State House in LD18 in 2022 and now serves as Assistant Minority Leader and is Ranking Member on the Education Committee. She also serves on the Appropriations Committee. Nancy grew up in Arizona. She attended NAU and earned a BS in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Math. She's lived all over Arizona including Phoenix, Sierra Vista as a military spouse and teacher and Tucson since 2007. She and her husband have raised their two daughters in Tucson. She has held an Arizona Teaching Credential since 1994 and her Yoga Teaching Certificate in 2009, and most recently taught at Tucson since 2013. She's a member of the Arizona Education Association. Nancy is proud to be a Hunt Kean Leadership Fellow, Cohort 12. She serves as a Governor appointed member of the Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers. Representative Nancy Gutierrez is running again to serve the people of LD18 and the entire state. She will continue to work on legislation for free school meals, clean air and water, affordable housing and healthcare and gun safety legislation.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 18



### Chris Mathis

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.mathisforaz.com/](http://www.mathisforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Chris Mathis is a Democrat who lives with his wife, Colleen, in Tucson. He practices elder law, helping older Tucsonans and their families resolve issues related to longterm care, public benefits and passing on property to loved ones. He's a Professor of Practice at the University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law and teaches classes on Health Care Law & Policy and Aging. Chris earned a Master in Public Administration from the Harvard John F.

Kennedy School of Government and a Master in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health as well as law and undergraduate degrees from the University of Illinois.

**Statement:** Chris was appointed to the Arizona House of Representatives in 2021 and elected in 2022 and 2024. He is running for re- election in 2026. In the Legislature, Chris has fought to preserve Arizona's precious water resources, invest in public schools, restore reproductive rights, protect voting rights and pass common sense gun safety laws among other legislative and policy priorities. He is the ranking House member on the Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee and Ethics Committee and also serves on the Health and Human Services Committee and Rules Committee.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 19



### Gail Griffin

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** The Legislature's go-to expert on water issues. Served on a variety of committees, including the House Natural Resource, Energy and Water Committee, the Rules Committee, the Appropriations Committee, and the Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee. Was also on the Governor's Water Augmentation, Innovation and Conservation Council. She has also served on the Water Banking Authority, the Water Protection Fund, and more. Awarded "Senator of

the Year" from the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), "Legislator of the Year" from Arizona Rural Health Association and the Arizona Mining Association. Successful Businesswoman and Realtor for 40+ years. Lives in Cochise County.

**Statement:** As always, JOBS and economic stability are top priorities for me. I believe in LIMITED GOVERNMENT, LOWER TAXES, PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY and the FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM. I'm working hard on issues related to EDUCATION EXCELLENCE, ensuring more taxpayer dollars make it to the classroom to help students and teachers improve academic achievement. I believe we have a duty and responsibility to SECURE OUR BORDERS, enforce our laws, and protect our citizens. We deserve elections that are trustworthy, transparent, and promptly counted and reported. And of course I'll never stop fighting to protect our Water Rights and to ensure our long-term water supply, secure our Property Rights, and champion our Veterans. I am PRO-BUSINESS, PRO-TAXPAYER, PRO-FAMILY and PRO-CONSTITUTION. I'm glad to be part of the Legislative District 19 team with David Gowan and Lupe Diaz because we work hard to ensure our district and southeastern Arizona has a strong voice at the State Capital. I will continue to "WORK for the PEOPLE!". Thank you for your continued support. I ask for your vote.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



### Jackie O'Donnell Anderson

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.jackieforarizona.com](http://www.jackieforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Hi, I'm Jackie O'Donnell Anderson and I have come out of retirement to run for the Arizona State Legislative District 19. I have been a resident of southeastern Pima County since 1995, moving here to be closer to my mother in Green Valley. I live in a rural community and raised my daughter here, along with our dogs, cats, horses, mules. With 42 years of experience as an Emergency Department RN, including 19 years at a critical access hospital in Arizona, I am deeply committed to serving our community.

**Statement:** I am running for office because I am tired of the chaos in our current Arizona State Legislature. Arizonans deserve better, and I want to be the voice for the LD19 voters. My values reflect my capacity for empathy and my vision for humanity. I envision a better Arizona for all, where everyone can achieve the life they dream of for themselves and their families. Justice, truth, and peace for all. As I embark on my campaign, my top priorities are healthcare and public education. I am concerned about access and affordability of healthcare, especially with the upcoming Medicaid/AHCCCS cuts in 2026, which threaten the services of critical access hospitals in District LD-19. Additionally, I am focused on ensuring accountability in the AZ Voucher system, making sure our tax dollars are truly benefiting our children's education.



### Cheryl Caswell

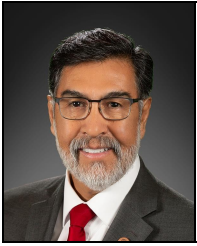
**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.caswellforarizona19.com/](http://www.caswellforarizona19.com/)

**Biography:** Cheryl Caswell has proudly called Vail home for 27 years. She and her husband, Kevin, raised their triplets Trevor, Lainey, and Connor, in the community they love while operating a residential real estate appraisal firm, giving Cheryl firsthand insight into housing and economic challenges facing families, seniors, and small businesses. A dedicated community leader, Cheryl has volunteered with Vail schools, led youth programs through

Scouts and 4-H, and supported local agriculture. She has also served as a Census worker, poll worker, vote center inspector, and Election Integrity Commissioner. Today, she represents CD6 as an AZGOP Member-at-Large, serving five southern Arizona counties.

**Statement:** I am a proud Arizonan, a mother, a wife and a business owner. I am seeking elected office because rural Arizona deserves a voice at the State Capitol who will stand up for your family values, protect your liberty and freedom, and put our district communities first. I am committed to defending your God-given Constitutional Rights. I support the Second Amendment and will defend it. I am endorsed by Moms for America Action PAC for standing for your parental rights, supporting school choice and, for my commitment to protect Empowerment Scholarship Accounts for students in Arizona. I have been a civic leader in the community for over a decade volunteering with youth in scouts, leading youth in 4H and livestock, and protecting our community of interest as a U.S. Census worker. I believe in giving back in my community and I have served as a poll worker, observer at the elections department, a vote center inspector, and as Steve Christy's appointee to the Election Integrity Commission of Pima County representing District 4. It would be my honor to earn your vote and represent our beautiful district at the Arizona State Legislature. May God Bless Arizona and America.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



### Lupe Diaz

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Born in Cochise County, grew up the son of a miner in Bisbee. Live in Benson with my wife Mary. Blessed with two children and eleven grandchildren. Worked at Fort Huachuca, where I was saved and gained an interest in Biblical Theology and the Christian life. Eventually pursued a calling as a full-time pastor. Helped grow Grace Chapel Benson considerably and still serve as the lead pastor. Later opened Grace Christian Academy where I serve as the

Administrator. Also served as President of the Benson/San Pedro Valley Chamber of Commerce and spent four years as a City Councilman.

**Statement:** Our state and nation are under siege by those who would divide us, turn us against each other, and attack our values, principles and beliefs. That's why I'm proud to fight shoulder to shoulder with David Gowan and Gail Griffin – battling the liberal fanatics targeting Arizona. I am proud to defend the freedoms given to us by God and enshrined in our Constitution. I fight for, and will continue to fight for, a strong economy, lower prices and lower inflation, real border security, election integrity, water, freedom from medical tyranny, our 2nd Amendment rights, our mining and agricultural communities, religious freedom, and the rights of parents to direct the education of their children. Being strong conservatives has made us targets, so now we have primary challengers who want us to battle each other instead of Democrats. We are smarter than that and know how the other side works. We watch them target Donald Trump and conservatives around the country and recognize that they will not stop trying to tear us down, so we must build each other up. Thank you for your continued support and prayers, and please vote for the Arizona First team of Diaz, Gowan and Griffin!



### David Gowan

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** David holds a B.A. in Secondary Education/Social Studies from the University of Arizona. He has been married to his wife Jessie for 32 years and they have two sons. They've lived in Southern Arizona for over 30 years. David is an active member of his church. He has been active in BSA where he helped his son earn his Eagle. He sits on the Board for Veritas Christian Community School. He is a member of the ELKS Lodge #2065, is a committed martial

artist, and is the Chairman of Tai Shin Ki Do Martial Arts System founded by Hanshi Barnes.

**Statement:** I'm proud to serve you and never forget why I'm here and who I work for. Liberals don't like me because I'm not politically correct and I don't bow down to the establishment or "powers that be." I work for you, and I'm delivering for rural Arizona alongside Lupe Diaz and Gail Griffin. Our team gives our district a really strong voice that gets results, often overcoming the pro-Maricopa County bias that exists in our State Legislature. I've been named Champion of the Taxpayer, Friend of the Family, earned an A+ from the NRA, turned our state's budget deficit into a surplus, and helped turn Arizona into the #1 pro-life state, #1 pro-2nd Amendment state, and #1 pro-school choice state in the country, all while cutting regulations and growing jobs! These days we're trying to keep Katie Hobbs from wrecking our state, and Diaz, Griffin and I are fighting for greater affordability, lower taxes and costs, election integrity, secure borders, high-paying jobs, quality schools and school choice, our police and veterans, and more. We all face primary challengers who don't like our conservative voting records, but we ask for your vote so we can continue to put Arizona and America first!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



### Aiden Nicholette Swallow

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.aswallowforaz.com](http://www.aswallowforaz.com)

**Biography:** Addie Swallow is a dedicated public servant, 19-year military veteran, and candidate for the Arizona House of Representatives in Legislative District 19. Raised in poverty before joining the Army in 2007, Addie served as a Human Intelligence Collector in Iraq and Afghanistan. She later became a Counterintelligence Special Agent, leading investigations across Southwest Asia and concluding her career as an intelligence and leadership instructor at

Fort Huachuca. Following the 2025 inauguration, Addie entered the political arena to champion "Real Solutions for Rural Arizona," bringing disciplined leadership and a lifetime of problem-solving experience to ensure a more affordable Southern Arizona.

**Statement:** I am running for the Arizona House of Representatives to provide "Real Solutions for Rural Arizona." Our communities deserve a platform that prioritizes the needs of working people over special interests. My primary focus is expanding AHCCCS and fully funding rural clinics. No neighbor should have to choose between food and medical care. Access to local, quality treatment is a necessity that requires aggressive state support, not cuts that threaten our hospitals and emergency response times. I am a staunch defender of public education. We must invest directly in our classrooms and regulate ESA vouchers to ensure public funds support our public schools, which currently rank near the bottom nationally. Arizona is going through a severe water conservation crisis. We must reserve Arizona's water for Arizonans, blocking corporations from depleting our aquifers for outside profit. Our resources belong to our families and farmers, and I will fight to keep them here. I will protect the fundamental rights of all residents—including reproductive freedom, medical privacy, and the safety of our diverse border communities. I am dedicated to defending the LGBTQIA+ community and ensuring equality for all. I ask for your vote to bring an accountable, transparent government to Legislative District 19.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 20



### Alma Hernandez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.almaforarizona.com](http://www.almaforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Alma, the daughter of a Mexican immigrant mother and a union worker father, became the youngest woman ever elected to the Arizona State Legislature. Raised on the South Side and a proud Sunnyside School District graduate, she turned deep local roots into a force for change. She holds degrees from the U of A and ASU, including an MPH, MLS, and a JD.

A professor of Health Policy, she is the Ranking Democrat on Judiciary. Despite a Republican majority, she has passed ten laws, secured millions, strengthened unions, advanced justice reform, protected reproductive freedom, and expanded health care access.

**Statement:** Since I got elected I have focused on one thing: delivering results for my district. We don't need empty promises we need real solutions and someone who understands the legislative process. I secured millions in funding for critical social services and helped low-income seniors with rental and utility assistance. I invested 1M for Pascua Yaqui Tribe Early Childhood Center and Falls Prevention Research at Banner because as a public health professional I understand the importance of protecting the most vulnerable. I passed legislation that strengthened unions and protected working people across Arizona. This record did not happen by accident. It happened because I stayed focused. Few Democratic lawmakers in Arizona have passed any laws or even had a bill hearing but I know what is possible when experience, values, and persistence align and I will continue to deliver for the community where I was born and raised. I am a proud AFT Union educator who has championed legislation focused on affordability and issues that matter. I have been the proud sponsor of rental assistance, bail reform, feminine hygiene and diaper tax exemptions, among many other issues over the years and know what it takes to be effective and lead.



### Rocque Perez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.rocqueperez.com](http://www.rocqueperez.com)

**Biography:** Rocque Perez is a lifelong Tucsonan and the oldest brother of sons raised by a single mother who immigrated from Mexico. His call to service was shaped by political violence against our most vulnerable communities. Committed to their defense, he was appointed to the Tucson City Council, becoming Arizona's first Gen Z official to serve in city or county government. He has worked across Arizona's public university system and leads regional efforts

to help young people pursue college. During his time on Council, Rocque directed more than half a million dollars into small businesses, nonprofits, schools, and neighborhood projects; supported advancements in affordable housing; and preserved investments in early childhood education for Tucson, Flowing Wells, and Sunnyside families.

**Statement:** I'm running for State Senate to put Tucson first: to lower the cost of living, strengthen public education, protect workers' rights, defend civil liberties, safeguard reproductive freedom, and uphold the dignity of our immigrant, LGBTQ+, and working-class communities. I also believe Arizona must do far more to protect our environment. I'm proud to be the candidate endorsed by local leaders, educators, and public workers who know this community and understand what Tucson families are facing. I am the only candidate in this race who will not accept corporate PAC money, because I believe elected officials should answer to the people they represent — not to private or foreign interests. That contrast is clear in this race. While I was protecting Tucson's water against a data center backed by utilities and corporate interests, my opponent was accepting money from them. While I was defending academic freedom and free speech at the University of Arizona, my opponent was pushing bills that restrict protests on campus and leave teachers vulnerable to lawsuits. While I supported student success and school safety funding, my opponent backed voucher expansion and missed votes that keep guns off campuses. Tucson deserves a senator rooted here, accountable here, and willing to fight every day for working families.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 20



### Genoveva Diaz

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** diazforarizona.com

**Biography:** Genoveva Díaz is an educator, community leader, and proud mother who has spent more than 15 years supporting students and families in Tucson, Arizona. She was named Arizona Mother of the Year 2025 and awarded an Honorary Doctorate for her leadership and service. Her work has earned national recognition in education, youth development, and civic engagement. She also brings experience in large-scale cultural projects, including international

book fairs and the development of libraries and auditoriums. Her leadership is grounded in equity, guided by dignity, and shaped by real-world experience.

**Statement:** I am a teacher, a mother of three, and a member of this community. I have spent years working side by side with families like yours, understanding the real challenges we face every day. I am running for State Representative because I believe every family deserves to be heard, respected, and supported. I have seen the struggles, the sacrifices, and the hopes we all carry for our children. Our kids deserve real opportunities—strong public schools, safe environments, and pathways to a better future. When we invest in them, we build stronger families and safer communities. I know what it means to work hard and fight for a better life. I will stand for working families, support businesses, and push for solutions that make housing, healthcare, and daily life more affordable. Healthcare matters deeply to me—I want to help families avoid overwhelming medical costs and get the care they need without fear. I believe in leadership that listens, shows up, and delivers—bringing people together, not dividing them. I am ready to be your voice and fight for the future we all deserve. Allow me to represent you—I will serve you well.



### Sally Ann Gonzales

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Sally Ann Gonzales is a citizen of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. A former tribal council member and public-school educator. In 1996 became the first Indigenous woman to be elected to the Arizona State Legislature. Senator Gonzales is chair of the Indigenous Peoples Caucus, is ranking member of the Health & Human Services Committee and a member of Military & Border Security Committee. As a former classroom teacher, Sally Ann Gonzales continues to be

a strong proponent for quality & equitable education for all. She's a strong voice for children, women, and elders and continues to support health care for all.

**Statement:** I'm Senator Sally Ann Gonzales. It's been my honor to serve my LD20 constituents for the past 20 years. My mission has been to advocate and protect our most vulnerable citizens, our children and elders. Now more than ever, this is crucial as our country and state face uncertain times and, Arizona's Universal Voucher Program continues to bankrupt our state. I will continue to advocate for Arizona to provide a safety net for all our citizens in areas of health, employment, and our children's education. Therefore, fully funding our public schools and improving the working conditions of our dedicated teachers are a must. I am also committed to expanding vocational opportunities and upgrading our workforce by funding and supporting programs like JTED. Our three universities/community colleges must be recognized, treated, and funded as engines of economic development for Arizona. Clean air and water are essential to the well-being of our citizens; therefore, Arizona must have strong laws to protect and improve our environment., protecting our civil rights are extremely important to me. Finally fighting for and conserving Arizona's water is a must. To further my work on these causes, I humbly ask for your continued support on July 21, 2026.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 20



### Ben Koehler

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.BenForAZ.com](http://www.BenForAZ.com)

**Biography:** After visiting family in Arizona for all of my life, I moved to Tucson in August of 2020. Like many, I came for the University of Arizona but fell in love with everything Tucson has to offer. Instead of practicing when I graduated from the College of Law with my J.D. I decided to stay in the classroom, now as a teacher. The last couple years teaching math at Pueblo High School have been the most rewarding. I look forward to advocating on behalf of and representing the community that has become my chosen home.

**Statement:** We need to build a strong public education system so that every child has genuine access to the resources that will set them up for success. We need to limit corporate greed and strengthen the power of workers. We need economic development that lifts our communities up instead of extracting natural resources and raising the cost of utilities. I am running for State Representative to create the government that we deserve, a government that fights on behalf of the people. As your elected representative I will only pursue policies that are focused on bettering the lives of the everyday neighbor in our district. The first action I've taken to back up my word is running as a Clean Elections candidate. Instead of relying on donations from wealthy individuals and outside organizations, the only voices and wallets I care about are those of constituents in LD 20. My role as an elected official is to listen to your voice, amplify your message, and advocate on your behalf. I cannot nor would I want to walk this path alone, please reach out to share your ideas, concerns, and voice so that we can build the government that we deserve together.



### Betty Villegas

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.bettyvillegasaz.com](http://www.bettyvillegasaz.com)

**Biography:** Betty Villegas is a lifelong Pima County resident, third generation Tucsonan, and Arizona State Representative for Legislative District 20. She brings decades of leadership in public service, housing, and community development, with a career focused on improving the lives of working families. Betty has served in local housing leadership roles and on the Pima County Board of Supervisors during the pandemic, helping underserved communities access

critical support. At the Legislature, she works on housing affordability, public education, healthcare, environmental justice, and economic opportunity, while standing up to ensure all people are treated with dignity, respect, and humanity.

**Statement:** I am running for re election because Arizona needs proven leadership, real experience, and a representative who understands how policy affects everyday lives. My lifelong career in public service, housing, and community development has prepared me to lead with compassion and a clear understanding of what our communities need. From local housing leadership to serving on the Pima County Board of Supervisors during the pandemic, I have helped communities through both everyday challenges and times of crisis. In the Legislature, I have fought for working families on housing affordability, public education, healthcare, environmental justice, and economic security. I believe every person deserves dignity, respect, and fairness. I am running to continue delivering experienced, community rooted leadership for Legislative District 20.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 21



### Esteban Flores

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.estebanfloresforaz.com/](http://www.estebanfloresforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Hello, my name is Esteban Flores. I am a Tucson native. I grew up and have spent most of my life on Tucson's South Side. I am a proud husband of twelve years and father of an eight-year-old daughter. I am an alumnus of San Miguel and Pima Community College, majoring in Liberal Arts. I have served our community in youth ministry at multiple churches in Tucson, as well as a health and wellness coach. I have served our district in all walks of life. My

medical background in radiology, anesthesia, and endoscopy has served our community in their most traumatic times of need. Gunshot victims, stabbings, overdoses, domestic abuse, gastrointestinal bleeding, I've seen it all, serving all people, all walks of life during their most desperate moments of need. I will do the same here, utilizing my service at the Gospel Rescue Mission, medical background, business, and ministry experience for economic sustainability and to address the fentanyl crisis. To ensure safe streets and economic prosperity! Let's put Southern Arizona First!

**Statement:** "Government of the people, by the people, for the people!" I'm Esteban Flores, echoing Lincoln's words defending God-given liberties. Freedom above all else! The first responsibility of government is "to protect and maintain individual rights, to form a more perfect union..., ensure domestic tranquility, to provide for the common defense." Ensuring the safety and protection of its citizens. Homelessness and violence have increased in our streets through fentanyl and the recent four years of open borders, while our current representatives have done nothing to fix it! We must change representation! I'm known for my TUSD school board run. I fought to improve education, protect children from inappropriate content, and defend parental authority. I've served our district from Trauma 1 hospital units, anesthesia, endoscopy, and radiology, saving lives from the worst kinds of traumatic violence. Gunshot victims, stabbings, overdoses, domestic abuse, gastrointestinal bleeding, I've seen it all, serving all people, all walks of life during their most desperate moments of need. I will do the same here, utilizing my service at the Gospel Rescue Mission, medical background, business, and ministry experience for economic sustainability and address the fentanyl crisis. To ensure safe streets and economic prosperity! Let's put Southern Arizona First!



### Rosanna Gabaldon

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [votegabaldon.com/](http://votegabaldon.com/)

**Biography:** Rosanna Gabaldón is serving her third term in the Arizona Senate, representing Legislative District 21, after serving four terms in the Arizona House and on the Sahuarita Town Council. A leader from Southern Arizona, she is known for steady advocacy focused on public education, water sustainability, economic opportunity, and protecting vulnerable families. She has built a record of working with schools, local governments, community organizations, and

business leaders to deliver results. Gabaldón continues to bring Southern Arizona's voice, values, and long view to the State Capitol.

**Statement:** I am Rosanna Gabaldón, and I am running for re-election to a fourth term in the Arizona Senate for Legislative District 21. I have grown through this work. Experience has taught me that leadership starts with listening, telling the truth, and staying focused on results that matter in people's daily lives. I am running to protect public education, strengthen water sustainability, support responsible economic growth, and stand up for working families, seniors, and children. Southern Arizona deserves a senator who shows up, works across differences when progress is possible, and stands firm when our values are on the line. I have spent years building trust with local leaders, schools, community groups, and employers because lasting progress takes discipline, relationships, and persistence. I will continue to bring common sense, heart, and a long view to the Capitol. I ask for your support so we can keep building an Arizona that is more affordable, more prepared, and more worthy of the people it serves.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



### Consuelo Hernandez

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [www.consueloforarizona.com](http://www.consueloforarizona.com)

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** Consuelo has been on a mission to make things better for her community since before she could vote. She is proud to finish her fourth year as your state representative. She proudly represents Pima, Santa Cruz, and Bisbee. She has served 8 years as a governing board member in the Sunnyside School District. The lack of economic mobility and access to quality health care, education, and affordable housing led her to run. She has been recognized as one of the most effective Democrats for passing laws to protect bus drivers, improve access to mental health care, and bring millions to social services in every corner of her district. She is running for re-election to continue fighting for worker protections, affordable housing, healthcare and better jobs. She has been recognized as the women's healthcare champion, legislator of the year by the Arizona Public Health Association, as well as by Community Health Centers and Stand for Children. She is a proud Alumni of Sunnyside School District, earned a bachelors at ASU in Global Health, Masters in Legal Studies from UofA, and is a current Law student at ASU.



### Maritza Higuera

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [maritzaforaz.com/](http://maritzaforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Maritza Higuera is a Latina, mom, educator, bilingual author, rural business owner, and community advocate from Rio Rico in Santa Cruz County. Born in Tucson and raised on both sides of the border, she has dedicated her career to supporting children, families, and rural communities through education and community programs. She co-owns an educational ranch that hosts youth programs focused on agriculture, leadership, and environmental stewardship.

Maritza is also a recognized children's author and recipient of an Honoris Causa distinction for her contributions to education and community development. She is a proud Army mom and the wife of a firefighter.

**Statement:** Maritza Higuera is a Latina, mom, educator, author, rural business owner, and community leader running for the Arizona House of Representatives to ensure rural and border communities have strong representation at the Capitol. Born in Tucson and raised on both sides of the U.S.–Mexico border, Maritza understands the realities and opportunities of life in Southern Arizona. She built her career in education, supporting children and families through early learning, health, and nutrition programs. She is also a bilingual children's author whose books promote literacy, healthy living, and appreciation for community heroes. Together with her family, Maritza operates an educational ranch in Santa Cruz County where students learn about agriculture, water conservation, and environmental stewardship while connecting with local farmers and small businesses. Her work in education, humanitarian service, and community leadership has earned national and international recognition, including an Honoris Causa distinction for her contributions to education and community development. As a proud Army mom and the wife of a firefighter, Maritza believes public service is about dedication, resilience, and community. She is running to strengthen public education, support rural economies, protect Arizona's water, and ensure rural and border communities have a voice in state government that represents them.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



### Christopher Kibbey

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kibbeyforaz.org](http://www.kibbeyforaz.org)

**Biography:** I am a Tucson native, a husband, and father. I am a Christian. Professionally, I am an engineer. My family has been a part of southern Arizona for many decades. We have worked in the mines, helped bring water to our neighborhoods and farming communities, run local businesses, and invested in our pueblos. I attended both Pima Community College and the University of Arizona. During graduate school, I moved to Mexico to teach and learn. I returned

home and continued working with folks from all walks of life. These experiences have taught me the value of investing in people.

**Statement:** People matter. What we do today, matters. With a long view of history in mind, we can easily discern our trajectory forward. The obvious question is – what do we need to now to provide every avenue of success to future generations? Our response to this question will determine how well we accomplish our mission. Our Arizona State Constitution declares (Article 2, Section 1) “A frequent recurrence to fundamental principles is essential to the security of individual rights and the perpetuity of free government.” As well as (Article 2, Section 2) “All political power is inherent in the people, and governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and are established to protect and maintain individual rights.” With this foundation established, put me to work. I will fight for educational freedom, to improve scholastic standards, maintain border integrity, protect our citizens' liberties, and help restore our adherence to values embraced and required by our Constitutional Republic. It is our responsibility to teach future generations how to protect and keep a very rare gift – freedom.



### Miranda Lopez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.lopezforarizona.com/](http://www.lopezforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** I'm a two time University of Arizona graduate and a community organizer who has worked in local and state politics in Arizona for the last eight years, including as the former Executive Director for the Pima County Democratic Party and the Southern Regional Director for the Arizona Students' Association. In 2025 I was elected as Treasurer for United Campus Workers Arizona while I was finishing my Masters degree in Public Administration at the UA.

**Statement:** As a young person with student loan debt who lives paycheck to paycheck, I know firsthand that voters in District 21 are facing unprecedented hardships especially in regards to public education, housing affordability, and the exploitation of our natural resources. We need progressive solutions to solve these problems, like returning to a progressive state tax system, reinvesting in public education, incentivizing the development of middle housing and restricting corporate use of water, land and utilities. I'm tired of working to elect Democrats who either refuse to push these progressive policies or actively oppose them and side with Republicans on issues of free speech and voting rights. I myself have direct experience of drafting bill language to cap public university presidential salaries and finding a Republican sponsor to get the bill heard in committee, all without sacrificing my own progressive values in the name of "bipartisanship." By entering the race, I will give voters in District 21 the progressive candidate they deserve, and I will champion the causes of working class families.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



### Stephanie Stahl Hamilton

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.stahlhamiltonforaz.com](http://www.stahlhamiltonforaz.com)

**Biography:** Stephanie Stahl Hamilton is an Arizonan whose early childhood years on Navajo Tribal Lands gave her a deep appreciation for the state's diverse landscapes and its people. She and her husband, Derek, a middle school teacher, have made Tucson their home after she completed her Master of Divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary. An ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA, she has long been active in local schools and community

advocacy, including work with Southern Arizona Advocacy Council, Pima County Interfaith Coalition, and Save Our Schools. She was elected in 2020 and re-elected in 2022 and 2024. She sponsored the legislation repealing the 1864 near-total abortion ban. Term limit 2030.

**Statement:** I bring six years of legislative experience and currently serve as Ranking Member on the Appropriations Committee, with appointments to key oversight committees. That experience allows me to turn shared values into results while fighting every day for the people of Legislative District 21. I have learned that meaningful change takes time, persistence, and the trust of the community. I approach this work with care and a commitment to listening. I show up across the district, talking with families, young adults, and seniors to understand the real challenges they face. Rising housing costs, groceries, utilities, and health care make everyday life harder for too many people, and I am focused on practical solutions that ease these burdens while supporting local economic growth. I first ran for office to strengthen public schools, expand access to health care, and protect our environment. Those priorities remain central to creating opportunity and stability for everyone, from young families starting out to seniors who have spent a lifetime building their communities. Public service is about effort, engagement, and empathy. My goal is to create a stronger and more stable future where everyone in District 21 can afford to live, work, and thrive in the communities they love.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 22



### Eva Diaz

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Arizona State Senator Dr. Eva Diaz is an Arizona native, married, and a mother of two children. Her thirty years in the Field of Education include teaching and serving in administrative positions in public schools, as well as teaching college level education classes and leading professional development. Dr. Diaz earned her Doctorate in Education from Arizona State University. She has been a volunteer with the Chicanos Por La Causa Community

Center. She currently serves on the Arizona State Senate Government and Federalism and Family Law Committees; and serves the democratic caucus as ranking member of the Senate Education Committee.

**Statement:** My name is Dr. Eva Diaz. I have served in the Arizona State Senate since 2022. I am a Democrat who is a tireless fighter for families in our community. I am a lifelong educator and prioritize effective public education, quality, affordable healthcare; affordable housing, and working families. As a lifelong educator, I will continue fighting for: · Public Education · Working Families · Affordable Housing · Affordable Healthcare · Underserved Populations Since my time at the Arizona State Senate, I have made strong relationships at the capitol and fought against bills that would hurt our communities. As a democratic caucus, we have worked collaboratively to fight to lower costs for working Arizona families. I will continue working to make life more affordable for all Arizonans. I am running for re-election to continue the work I have started at the Arizona State Senate. We need a candidate who has integrity and respects democracy. I am committed to being just that. I ask for your vote in July. To learn more about my campaign and where I stand on the issues, please visit my website at [EvaDiaz4AZ.com](http://EvaDiaz4AZ.com).

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



### Veronica Bejarano-Malone

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** Veronica Bejarano-Malone is a dedicated public servant and lifelong resident of Avondale running for Legislative District 22. She was elected to the Avondale City Council in 2016 and re-elected in 2021, serving as Vice Mayor from 2021 to 2022. With 20 years of experience in education, she currently works as a Special Project Technician in the Littleton Elementary School District. Veronica has represented Avondale on numerous local, state, and

national committees. A proud wife and mother of three, she is committed to transparent leadership, community engagement, and ensuring every voice in her district is heard.

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of Avondale, I am deeply honored to serve my community and represent the voices of Legislative District 22. Over the past eight years as a City Council Member, I have had the privilege of working alongside residents, local leaders, and community organizations to address important issues and create meaningful, positive changes. My background in education and long-standing community involvement have shaped my commitment to fostering opportunity, strengthening families, and ensuring every voice is heard. Through my service on various local, state, and national committees, I have gained valuable experience advocating public safety, economic development, and policies that improve quality of life. I believe in transparent, accessible, and collaborative leadership. Our community deserves representation that listens, engages, and delivers results. I am committed to building a stronger, more inclusive future where residents feel connected, supported, and empowered. Serving Avondale has been an incredible journey, and I am ready to continue that work at the state level, bringing the same dedication, experience, and passion to Legislative District 22.



### Steven Chapman

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.chapmanforaz.com](http://www.chapmanforaz.com)

**Biography:** Steven Chapman was born and raised in the West Valley, attending K-12 public school and graduating from Phoenix College and Arizona State University. Since 2010, he has served the community as an elected school board member, representing parts of Avondale, Glendale, Phoenix, and Tolleson. Additionally, Chapman has been a leader in the nonprofit sector for over a decade and was elected president of the Arizona School Board Association in

2019. Known for his expertise in policy, Chapman has led the charge for common-sense solutions and initiatives to strengthen our public schools.

**Statement:** It's time for Arizona to fulfill its promise to address the needs of working families, to reform a system that lacks action, and to fully fund public schools. As an elected school board member for over a decade, I have watched our legislature attack public education and teachers. In my years representing our community, I have built a track record of creating and passing policies that have led to livable wages for school staff, I have led the charge for academic investments that have yielded three A-rated schools and four schools on the verge of an A letter grade, and I have supported innovative school funding initiatives to create exceptional opportunities for students in our community. I believe in the potential the West Valley has to offer; I have dedicated my tenure on the school board to advocating for it. But we must also have elected leaders at the state level who understand the needs and opportunities throughout our LD22 community. With your continued support, we can do more than just brace for the effects of a broken system; we can work to fix it for our students, for our families, and for our community.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



### Gwen Johnston

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** I'm a parent and problem-solver who understands the realities facing working families in Arizona. I've raised children through every stage of life one of whom is graduating with a teaching degree, and others currently in elementary and high school. I know what it takes to stretch a budget, balance responsibilities, and navigate school, work, and healthcare.

Those experiences shaped my belief that government should work for people—not corporations. I'm running to support strong public education, accessible healthcare, fair law enforcement, and better infrastructure. My campaign is people-powered and committed to clean elections, because democracy should belong to all of us.

**Statement:** I'm running for State House because Arizona families deserve a government that works for them, NOT corporate PACs or special interests. Too many people feel left behind while the cost of living rises, public schools are underfunded, and basic needs go unmet. I believe we can do better. I support fully funding public education so every child has the opportunity to succeed, no matter their zip code. I believe healthcare should be accessible and affordable, and that we must protect bodily autonomy and personal freedoms. We need fair, accountable law enforcement that keeps our communities safe while respecting the rights of every individual. Arizona must also invest in modern infrastructure, improving public transportation, reducing car dependency, and building communities that are connected and sustainable. I will fight to protect voting rights so every voice is heard and every vote counts. I'm committed to clean elections because our democracy should not be bought. This campaign is powered by people, not corporations. I'm running to bring integrity, transparency, a focus on real solutions to the State House, and to make sure every Arizonan has a fair shot at a good life.



### Elda Luna-Nájera

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [najeraforaz.base44.app/](http://najeraforaz.base44.app/)

**Biography:** Dr. Elda Luna-Nájera is a proud Arizonan, social worker, community leader, and lifelong advocate for working families. With a doctorate in social work and decades of service, she has dedicated her life to breaking down barriers and creating pathways of opportunity for those who are too often left behind. Raised in a family that valued hard work, perseverance, and compassion, Dr. Luna-Nájera became the first in her family to earn a doctoral degree — a

journey that shaped her deep understanding of the challenges facing immigrant families, working-class communities, and underrepresented voices in Arizona.

**Statement:** I am running to continue representing my community because I believe our families deserve more. As a mother of five, I know firsthand that our children need better opportunities and a brighter future. I am committed to showing up, listening, and fighting for every family — not just those with power and influence. I'm running because I believe in the strength of our community and in our ability to build a future where opportunity, dignity, and justice are truly available to all. My priorities include fully funding public education, protecting women's rights, expanding access to healthcare, defending workers' rights, and strengthening civic participation. Representation matters. District 22 deserves a leader who understands the daily realities of its people. I am running for State Representative to bring my lived experience, professional expertise, and unwavering commitment to being your voice at the Arizona State Legislature.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



### Betsy Munoz

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.munoz4az.com/](http://www.munoz4az.com/)

**Biography:** Betsy Munoz is the proud daughter of immigrants and lifelong resident of the West Valley. Betsy graduated from Glendale Community College in 2019 and transferred to Arizona State University where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Public Service and Public Policy (Law and Policy). She has worked in nonprofit organizations focused on expanding college and career access and currently works for an immigration law firm. Her time in public education

and legal services have provided her with firsthand insight into the challenges students, families, and our community face, fueling her passion for advocacy and public service.

**Statement:** Betsy Munoz is a proud Latina who was born and raised in Arizona within the cities of Tolleson and West Phoenix. She is the proud daughter of immigrants and product of our local public schools. Betsy graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Science in Public Service and Public Policy (Law and Policy). She has previously worked for nonprofit organizations to increase college and career access for all students, and currently works for an immigration law firm helping people with their immigration filings. Her experiences in education and immigration law fuel her passion to run as she has witnessed the gaps in our system and its effect on our communities. Her aim is to ensure our students, families, and communities are at the forefront of conversations at the state legislature. Driven by her background and experiences, she is fiercely committed to uplifting and ensuring each person has access to opportunity and resources. Betsy Munoz is a champion for increased funding for public schools, protecting immigrant rights, developing pathways for affordable housing, and ensuring the economic development across the valley supports our working-class families. She provides a fresh voice and perspective for our community.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 23



### Michelle Altherr

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.altherrld23.com/](http://www.altherrld23.com/)

**Biography:** My name is Michelle Altherr, I am a veteran of the United States Air Force and graduated from the USAF Community College with a degree in Applied Science. I am the Secretary of the Maricopa County Republican Committee, a Member-at-Large for the AZGOP, a Precinct Committeeman, a State Committeeman, and State Delegate. I was also a National Delegate who voted in support of Donald J. Trump as the Republican Presidential Candidate. I

have been married for 37 years to Frank Altherr, and I am a proud mother to one son and grandmother to two grandsons.

**Statement:** I am a grassroots patriot who is proud to stand with 'we the people'. I served 15 years in the Air Force and was consistently recognized for my leadership qualities and my ability to work with people to get the job done without compromising my integrity. One position I held was as liaison between the Command Staff and enlisted personnel, so I am not a stranger to being a voice for those I serve. My journey into politics began with volunteering with Latinos for Trump in 2019, and I have stayed actively engaged. I have prioritized helping conservative candidates get elected and addressing issues within our election process. I am, first and foremost, a Disciple of Christ, determined to fight for policies that prioritize the well-being of our citizens and upholding the values that make America great. With a strong sense of duty and a commitment to servant leadership, I will be guided by strong Biblical principles and work diligently to help return us back to the Founding Father's vision of a Constitutional Republic. I am running to represent you, and together, we can rebuild faith in our Republic and build a brighter future for generations to come.



### Brian Fernandez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.briansfernandez.com](http://www.briansfernandez.com)

**Biography:** As a sixth-generation Yuman, I have dedicated my life to making Arizona an even greater place to live. Seeking my third term as your State Senator for District 23, I bring a robust career spanning technology and healthcare to the legislature. This dual expertise drives my commitment to finding practical, innovative solutions for our community. I am focused on expanding access to health care, lowering the cost of living, and supporting our schools. Deeply

rooted here, I am ready to continue delivering real results for Arizona families.

**Statement:** As a sixth-generation Yuman, my roots in Southwestern Arizona run deep. When I first ran for the State Senate to represent District 23, I committed to bringing practical, forward-looking leadership to the legislature to ensure our community thrives. Drawing on my background in technology and healthcare, I am incredibly proud of our historic work to bring a medical school to Yuma. This generational milestone will expand healthcare access, address physician shortages, and allow local students to train and serve at home. Because a thriving state requires strong infrastructure, I spearheaded the push for dedicated funding to expand the I-10 corridor. This essential project will relieve congestion, improve safety, and keep Arizona's economy moving forward. Furthermore, progress requires a rock-solid commitment to students. I have been an unwavering champion for education at every level—fighting for reliable support for K-12 classrooms and expanding resources for higher education to build tomorrow's skilled workforce. Now, as I seek my third term, our work is not done. I am ready to build on these successes, fight to lower the cost of living, and keep delivering real results for District 23.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 23



### Emilia Cortez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.emiliaforazld23.com/](http://www.emiliaforazld23.com/)

**Biography:** Emilia Cortez is a proud Yuma County native, community leader, and Economic Development Specialist with the Quechan Indian Tribe. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Public Administration and an MBA with a focus on Leadership. Emilia has experience across education, nonprofit leadership, and tribal government, working on projects that strengthen infrastructure, support small businesses, and expand workforce opportunities. She has served

on multiple boards and is committed to public service. Emilia is running to bring a strong local voice to the State Legislature and ensure families, workers, and rural communities are represented with integrity and accountability.

**Statement:** I am running for the Arizona House of Representatives to bring a strong, local voice to Legislative District 23. Our community deserves leadership that understands our challenges and works toward real, practical solutions. As an Economic Development Specialist, I have worked directly with communities to improve infrastructure, support small businesses, and create opportunities for growth. I have seen how state decisions impact families, workers, and local economies, and I believe those decisions should be guided by the people who live here. My priorities include strengthening our local economy, investing in infrastructure, supporting education, and ensuring responsible use of taxpayer dollars. I am committed to working across communities to find solutions that benefit everyone, not just a few. I believe in transparency, accountability, and showing up for the people I serve. This campaign is about making sure our district has a seat at the table and a voice that will advocate for our future. Together, we can build stronger communities and create opportunities that allow families in District 23 to thrive.



### Gary Garcia Snyder

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [WWW.SNYDER48FREEDOM.CO](http://WWW.SNYDER48FREEDOM.CO)

**Biography:** Gary Garcia Snyder, humble voice for our community—driven by service and family values. He has volunteered countless hours supporting food pantries, school drives, and outreach efforts for hardworking families in need. Gary leads by, teaching compassion and responsibility. He stands up for the people, educates neighbors on their rights, and holds leaders accountable. He believes in transparency and protecting the sacred right to vote. Gary

isn't perfect—and he doesn't pretend to be. He listens, learns, and works alongside the community to find real, bipartisan solutions. Voting for Gary ensures our rural voices are heard at the State Capitol.

**Statement:** I'm a proud Mexican American Republican raised in a conservative Christian military family, which shaped my deep respect for America's founding values. As a small business owner with professional experience in economics, sports management, water and agricultural conservation, I'll bring real-world leadership to the table. Proven grassroots record serving as a bilingual Precinct Committeeman, State Committeeman, State Delegate, National Delegate, and Member-at-Large for the Arizona Republican Party. I've long stood with law enforcement, first responders, military families, and defenders of our Second Amendment rights. With your vote, I'll focus on critical issues Arizona Affordability Crisis, including family safety, Elections, veterans housing, law enforcement, water and agriculture, infrastructure, Tech, mental health, SNAP, Native Americans, Immigrant and Daca Legal pathways, affordable housing, jobs, development and most importantly education for our children and Zero Taxes on our Educators. I believe in having honest conversations with everyone—regardless of party lines—because we are neighbors first and foremost. Politics should unite us, not divide us. I'll work to bridge differences, improve lives, and be a strong voice for rural Arizona and our southern communities. TU VOZ ES MI VOZ Y PODER PARA AYUDAR A NUESTRO PUEBLO Y MEJORAR TODO EN ARIZONA. TU VOTO ES IMPORTANTE

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 23



### Juan Manuel Guerrero

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Juan Manuel Guerrero is a veteran, community leader, and candidate for Arizona’s Legislative District 23. The eldest of seven, he left school at 13 to support his family after his father’s cancer diagnosis, later earning his GED and graduating from Arizona Western College and the University of Arizona. He served as a U.S. Navy combat corpsman, providing lifesaving care to Marines. Juan went on to work in law enforcement and the courts, co-founded the

South County Anti-Drug Coalition, and advocates against domestic violence. A Rotarian, youth coach, and grandfather, he is committed to public safety.

**Statement:** My platform is simple: I’ve spent years advocating for our community and understand what families need—safer neighborhoods, affordable healthcare, strong schools, good-paying jobs, and honest government. I will fight for our veterans, seniors, and working families by putting people before politics and delivering real results for LD-23. I support well-trained, accountable law enforcement, including better pay in rural areas, while expanding community policing and youth prevention programs. I will work to crack down on drug trafficking and ensure first responders have the resources they need. I will protect and expand access to affordable healthcare, especially in rural and border communities, while increasing mental health and addiction services and supporting veterans’ care. I believe in strengthening public education by increasing classroom funding, raising teacher pay, and expanding career and technical training tied to local jobs. To grow our economy, I will support small businesses, cut red tape, and invest in job training and rural development. I will also fight to protect our water supply, improve infrastructure, and support seniors through lower costs and stronger protections. Opportunity, and stronger communities.

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### Naomi Miguel

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.MiguelForArizona.com](http://www.MiguelForArizona.com)

**Biography:** Naomi Miguel, MPAP is a member of the Tohono O’odham Nation. She is a small business owner and served as the former Executive Director for the White House Initiative for Native Americans and Tribal Colleges and Universities. She served as a Subcommittee Staff Director and worked for former Representative Raúl Grijalva’s office. Ms. Miguel received a master’s in public administration and policy from American University, and her undergraduate

degree in political science from Mount St. Mary’s University, an all-women’s Catholic college. She enjoys hiking, art, music, spending time with her family & friends.

**Statement:** I leave the Motor Vehicle Division defeated. Despite presenting the required documents, I was denied a REAL ID because my rural tribal address didn’t match a county record. I had a letter from the Federal government with the correct address, but was told to update my county-issued document. With my experience and education in government, I knew this was incorrect. Growing up on the reservation, I experienced life much differently from those in other cities. I firmly believe that no one should be turned away from State services because of where they live. This is one of many reasons why I am running for the State Legislature. In my work at the U.S. House of Representatives, I worked with 574 tribal governments and national groups to secure much-needed funding during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our district faces unique challenges, including accessibility to essential state services for rural and tribal communities. I am committed to listening to constituents and ensuring the needs of our district are at the heart of every decision I make. I value your vote and firmly believe that together, we can build a government that truly serves the people.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 23



### Michele Pena

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** michelepena.com

**Biography:** Born and raised in Yuma, Michele Pena is a mom, strong believer in her faith, and a Republican because she believes in reducing the size of government, balancing the budget, protecting our communities, and supporting small businesses. First elected to the State House in 2022, Michele has fought to protect parental rights in their children's education, support our community and families, and fight for our veterans and their benefits. Michele will continue her

pursuit to be the voice for our great state in pushing for a better living and stand up for District 23.

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of Yuma and the daughter of a mother who immigrated from Mexico seeking a better life, I understand the values that bind our community: faith, family, hard work, and service. My father, a Vietnam veteran, instilled a deep respect for our country and the importance of giving back. Since being elected in 2022, I've dedicated myself to addressing the unique needs of our district. From championing agricultural initiatives that support our local farmers to empowering parents and protecting our children's futures, my focus has always been on delivering results that matter. I have championed legislation to support our agricultural economy, update our infrastructure, and improve Arizona's healthcare. I'm a steadfast supporter of parental rights and have worked to increase opportunities for our veterans. As we look toward the future, I will uphold our freedoms, strengthen our economy, and preserve the way of life we cherish in our district. Your trust and support have been the cornerstone of my service, and I would be honored to continue representing you in the Arizona House. As a mother, I reserve the patience and strength to fight these battles through the everlasting example of Love. Learn more at MichelePena.com.



### Mariana Sandoval

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** www.sandovalforaz.com/

**Biography:** Representative Mariana Sandoval graduated with a degree in Interdisciplinary and Paralegal Studies from Los Angeles Mission College and a B.A in Law from the University of Arizona. She has spent more than 20 years in public service. She worked in legal aid offices in California and Arizona and spent 12 years at the Arizona Attorney General's Office. There, she represented the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the Arizona Game and Fish

Department, focusing on prosecuting polluters and protecting wildlife.

**Statement:** From January 2017 to December 2020, she served on the Agua Fria Union High School District Governing Board and is an ex officio member of the Arizona Latino School Board Association. In October 2024, she joined the Sleeping Heavenly Peace board. She was elected to the Arizona State House of Representatives for Legislative District 23 in November 2022 and began her term in January 2023. Representative Sandoval sees her work in government as a natural extension of her commitment to public service. Statement: Arizona families continue to face challenges with affordable groceries, housing, healthcare, living wages, voter suppression, education, and drought. Our district requires experienced, dedicated leadership to address these issues. Meaningful change depends on electing a democratic majority that puts people before party. Arizona deserves leaders who represent working-class values and prioritize your needs. If re-elected, Rep. Sandoval will continue to advocate for affordable groceries, housing, childcare, universal healthcare, P-20 education funding, educator pay increases, and environmental protections for all Arizonans. Your vote can help build a better Arizona for everyone. Make your voice heard by voting for Representative Sandoval on July 21, 2026, and in the November general election. Together, we can create an affordable and thriving Arizona for everyone.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 24

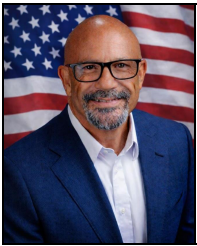


### Analise Ortiz

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.ortizforaz.com](http://www.ortizforaz.com)

**Biography:** State Senator Analise Ortiz proudly represents the people of Maryvale and Glendale in Legislative District 24. As our State Senator, Ortiz passed a law to protect outdoor workers from extreme heat and secured funding for childcare, homelessness, and road improvements. She stands up every day to corporations, billionaires, and the Trump Administration. Ortiz is a born-and-raised Arizonan, a former investigative journalist, and a daughter of public school educators. She has been named Top 25 Young Democrats to Watch by New York Magazine and the most Progressive Legislator by Progress Arizona for her 2025 voting record.

**Statement:** As your State Senator, I work for you. I'm here to listen and take action for you and your family. When I first ran for office, I never imagined I'd be defending Arizona from a second Trump administration—one even more cruel, authoritarian, and dangerous than the last. State legislatures are one of the last lines of defense—and one of the first places where people-powered progress can begin. I am running for a third-term because I am committed to continuing the progress we've made. With your support, I passed heat protections for outdoor workers, secured historic investments into childcare and affordable housing, and fought to strengthen public schools. I take action daily for Maryvale and Glendale residents in need of help. The working class is hurting while Trump and his Billionaire buddies get richer. Enough is enough. I will not stop fighting to lower costs, increase wages, and protect human rights. I've proven that bold, compassionate leadership is possible. I'm ready to keep fighting alongside my endorsements for the State House, Lisbeth Arescurenaga and Alberto Flores. We hope to earn your vote in the July 21 Primary Election.



### Frank Steele

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [steeleforaz.com/](http://steeleforaz.com/)

**Biography:** I am Frank Steele, an Army veteran, father, and grandfather, and a lifelong Arizona resident. I have built my career around leadership, accountability, and service. I am running for State Senate to bring practical, commonsense leadership that keeps our communities safe, supports working families, and ensures government is responsible to the people.

**Statement:** Arizona families deserve to feel safe in their communities, confident in their future, and respected by their government. Too often, common sense has taken a back seat to politics, and the people who pay the price are working families trying to build a better life. I am running for State Senate to restore a focus on public safety, responsible budgeting, and policies that strengthen—not burden—Arizona families. That means supporting law enforcement, ensuring our laws are enforced fairly, and making smart decisions that protect both our communities and our economy. I believe government should be accountable, transparent, and focused on results—not headlines. We need leadership that listens, works hard, and puts the interests of the people ahead of politics. As an Army veteran, I understand service, responsibility, and the importance of standing up for what matters. I will bring that same commitment to the State Senate and work every day to keep Arizona safe, strong, and moving forward.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24



### Lisbeth Arescurenaga

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.lisbeth4az.com/](http://www.lisbeth4az.com/)

**Biography:** Lisbeth Arescurenaga is a community leader, mental health advocate, and candidate for State Representative in Arizona's Legislative District 24. Born in Peru, she immigrated to the U.S. at 15, shaping her commitment to public service and access to resources. She holds a master's degree in mental health and brings over 15 years of experience working with families, youth, and community leaders. Lisbeth has led efforts in education, public health, and civic engagement. A mother and spouse of a veteran, she leads with compassion and is running to ensure every family has a fair opportunity to succeed.

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**Statement:** Lisbeth Arescurenaga is running for State Representative in Legislative District 24 to bring real community voice into decision-making. With a master's degree in mental health and over 15 years of experience working with families and youth, she understands the challenges people are facing every day. Her priorities are clear and urgent: expand access to mental health care, invest in strong public schools, advance environmental justice, and make housing more affordable for working families. Lisbeth believes healthy communities require clean air, safe neighborhoods, quality education, and access to care. She plans to achieve this by working closely with community members, educators, and local organizations to create practical, people-centered solutions. Lisbeth is committed to increasing funding for community-based mental health services, supporting teachers and students, and advancing policies that address the rising cost of living and environmental inequities. As a mother and spouse of a veteran, Lisbeth leads with compassion, accountability, and a deep commitment to service. She is running to ensure every family in LD24 is seen, heard, and has the opportunity to thrive.



### Rosa Cantu

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Mrs. Rosa Cantu currently serves as the Vice President of the Cartwright School District Governing Board, dedicating nearly 25 years to the advancement of education within her community. Her journey in public service began with a heartfelt commitment to her children's education, initiated by volunteering in their classrooms at C. W. Harris School while her youngest son was just two years old. With 38 years of residency in the Maryvale community, she found joy in engaging with her children's classes, which ultimately inspired her to pursue a position on the governing board.

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**Statement:** As a devoted mother of five, Mrs. Cantu has ensured her children benefited from local educational institutions, including C. W. Harris, Palm Lane Elementary, Estrella Middle School, Desert Sands Middle School, and Trevor Browne High School. She has prioritized the importance of higher education, exemplified by her daughter Rosie, who graduated from Arizona State University and returned to the Cartwright community to teach at Holiday Park Elementary. Mrs. Cantu emphasizes her profound connection to her children's educational journeys and futures. A significant milestone in her tenure with the Cartwright School District was her successful initiative to name Raul H. Castro Middle School after the first and only Latino Governor of Arizona. Facing challenges from the naming committee, she was inspired by a documentary about Governor Castro and proposed his name during a board meeting. Her motion passed, leading to the establishment of Raul H. Castro Middle School in 2008, a testament to her commitment to representation in education. The school was recently rebranded as the Raul H. Castro Academy of Fine Arts, further solidifying Mrs. Cantu's impactful legacy within the district

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24



### Alberto Flores

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** floresforaz.com/

**Biography:** Born in the legislative district he now hopes to serve, Alberto Flores is the son of a working-class, mixed-status immigrant family, who is well acquainted with the hurdles standing between individuals and their pursuit of the American Dream. As a teenager, Alberto helped support his family by expanding their business while earning his diploma. Alberto's political activism began under Arpaio and SB1070, and has carried on through his work with

organizations in support of legislation fighting for marginalized communities. Alberto's Political Science degree from Arizona State joins his real-world experience in developing legislation and unifying community groups through shared values.

**Statement:** I'm running for State House to ensure every family in our district can afford to live, learn, and stay healthy. My first priority is affordability. Too many families are being priced out of housing or forced to spend far more than they should just to get by. I will work to expand housing options, support working families through fair wages and the right to organize, and create an economy where small businesses can grow and succeed. That also means making essentials like childcare more affordable so families can stay in the workforce. Second, I will fight to ensure every student has access to a quality education. Arizona's voucher program has grown rapidly, but too many students are still being left behind. We must focus on delivering real results; making sure every child has the resources, support, and opportunities they need to succeed. Finally, I will work to make healthcare more affordable and accessible. No one should have to choose between getting care and paying their bills. I'm running to bring accountable, community-focused leadership to the Capitol and to put working families first.



### Lydia Hernandez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** I am running to serve because I believe in practical, results-driven leadership that reflects our community's values. As the daughter of migrant farmworkers, I learned early the importance of hard work, education, and opportunity. My career in public service from local school board leadership to the State Legislature has focused on delivering results for working families. I've worked to strengthen education, expand economic opportunity, and improve

access to essential services. I bring a balanced, solutions-oriented approach rooted in accountability and transparency. I will continue to be an independent voice who listens, leads, and delivers for all Arizonans.

**Statement:** Lydia Hernandez is a lifelong Arizonan who raised her family in Legislative District 24, where her commitment to community and public service runs deep. Born and raised in South Texas, she learned the value of hard work, responsibility, and perseverance as the daughter of migrant farmworkers. A graduate of Baylor University with a B.A. in Political Science (Pre-Law) and master's level coursework in Education, Hernandez brings both academic preparation and real-world experience to her leadership. She has a strong track record of community involvement and has served on the Cartwright School District Governing Board for over 20 years, helping lead efforts to turn the district around and improve outcomes for students and families. Throughout her career in family services, state government, and community based organizations, she has focused on expanding opportunity and delivering results for working families. She has consistently stood up for her community and all Arizonans, including organizing massive marches that gave families a platform to share their American stories rooted in hard work. Hernandez takes a balanced, solutions-oriented approach to finding resolve. Her priorities include education, jobs, healthcare, and affordable housing ensuring every Arizona family has the opportunity to succeed.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24



### Delores McLaughlin

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** delores.vote/

**Biography:** Delores McLaughlin is a dedicated educator, community leader, and candidate for the Arizona House. A former communication instructor at Estrella Mountain Community College and a GCU doctorate alumna, Delores has equipped students from diverse backgrounds with practical skills for success in healthcare, business, and beyond. Married to her husband Marcus, Delores continues her family's tradition of church service. As a Clean Elections

candidate, she is committed to bringing common-sense solutions to our neighborhoods without taking money from special interests. Delores fights for affordability, excellent education options, support for senior citizens, safer communities, and reduced government corruption to ensure Arizonans thrive.

**Statement:** I am Delores McLaughlin, running for the Arizona State House as a Clean Elections candidate. I served as a communication instructor at Estrella Mountain Community College, helping students gain practical skills for careers in healthcare, business, and more. With a doctorate from Grand Canyon University, I've seen how education and opportunity can transform lives. Our neighborhoods in Glendale and Phoenix deserve a strong voice in the State House: one grounded in common sense and results. I will work to lower taxes so families keep more of what they earn, expand education options to fit every child's needs, and protect seniors from rising property taxes that threaten their homes. I will also fight wasteful spending and corruption, support law enforcement while ensuring accountability, and promote policies that lower energy costs and strengthen our economy. We must reject backroom deals and put hardworking Arizonans first. I ask for your support to deliver practical, principled leadership that strengthens education, supports families, and puts our communities first. Together, we can build a brighter future for Arizona.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 25



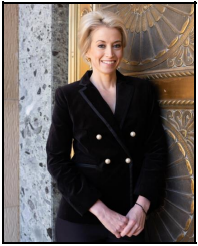
### Timothy "Tim" Dunn

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.timdunnaz.com/](http://www.timdunnaz.com/)

**Biography:** Tim is a lifelong resident of Legislative District 25, growing up in a conservative farming family built on Christian values. He graduated from the U. of A. with a B.S. in Agriculture and has been married to Eileen for 25years. Together they raised two boys Kirk and Ty and are in agriculture in Yuma. Tim is vice chairman of the Senate Natural Resources, Energy & Water committee and serves on education, military and border security and the joint legislative audit

committee. Tim's leadership in water and natural resources issues has been key in protecting Arizona's land, water, and agricultural interests.

**Statement:** America has to protect its citizens by ensuring it enforces its border and immigration policies and stands up for law enforcement. I am avid hunter, gun owner, and strong 2nd amendment advocate. I will fight anti-gun advocates' efforts to limit our freedoms and will always support our constitutional rights. I am PRO LIFE, and will continue to strongly oppose any public funding for abortion. I support choice in education. Parents should choose the right education for their kids. I am dedicated to ensuring every child gets a great education and Universal ESA remains one Arizona's primary options. The colorado river watershed drought has been devastating to systems ability to deliver what's allocated. Saving the system with a seven state solution in part with the federal government will be the driver in Arizona water policy. Those areas that do not use surface water will be under scrutiny as we plan for future growth. The beneficial use of water for Agriculture producing more crop per drop with the utilization of conservation technology and augmentation for smart growth are among my top priorities. I have legislation to strengthen voter ID laws, stop ballot harvesting and properly maintain our voter rolls to make it easier to vote and harder to cheat.



### Laura Huber

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [www.laurahuberforazsenate.com/](http://www.laurahuberforazsenate.com/)

**Biography:** Laura Huber is a Licensed Professional Counselor and small business owner serving Arizona families. She has spent over 17 years on the front lines of mental health in crisis response, hospitals, outpatient counseling, and homeless outreach. These experiences have given her a strong understanding of how systems impact people's lives and where they fall short, offering insight into how to help the greatest number of people through effective policy.

Raised in a family spanning five generations of farmers and ranchers, Laura values Arizona's land, water, and communities and is committed to strengthening them through practical, compassionate leadership.

**Statement:** I'm running for State Senate because we deserve leaders who make decisions based on what actually helps people, not politics or special interests. After nearly two decades counseling individuals and families, I've seen how policies affect real lives and where systems fall short. Most Arizonans want the same things: stability, opportunity, and a future we can rely on. I believe in listening first, focusing on what works, and finding practical solutions that improve everyday life. This campaign is about putting people over division and results over rhetoric. I will work with anyone, regardless of party, to move Arizona forward, strengthen our communities, and ensure that our policies serve all Arizonans, not just a select few.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 25



### Tiffany Byrne

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [byrneazld25.com/](http://byrneazld25.com/)

**Biography:** I have called Arizona home for more than 30 years, building my life in the same community where I have lived, worked, and raised my children. I spent more than 20 years as a classroom teacher and later served in educational leadership, focused on building strong, effective support for families, students, and educators. These experiences shaped my belief in practical, common-sense leadership that puts people before politics. I am motivated by a

simple goal: helping create a stronger Arizona, where schools are strong, families are supported, and every community has the opportunity for a better quality of life.

**Statement:** I am running to serve as State Representative for LD 25 because for years I have worked to ensure success in our local community, and now I want to bring that same commitment to the state level. As an educator and leader, I have spent my career helping people succeed, building strong foundations, and bringing communities together to solve problems. In the legislature, I will fight to ensure that every student, school, family, and educator has the resources they need to succeed. I will also work to make sure Arizonans can afford to live in the communities where they work, strengthening local economies and supporting families across our state. I am committed to protecting the air we breathe and the water we depend on, so they remain clean and available for generations to come. Most importantly, I will lead with common sense and respect. Our communities deserve leaders who bring people together, not drive them apart. I will work to heal divisions, listen to all voices, and focus on practical solutions that improve the quality of life for every Arizonan.



### Michael Carbone

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** I'm a husband, dad, small business owner, and someone who has been involved in education issues for years, both in a professional capacity, and as a conservative activist who wanted to make sure that our tax dollars were being properly spent and that parents had a strong voice in the process. I'm originally from Illinois but my wife and I took our kids and escaped to Arizona, where individual liberties and common-sense conservative values were

valued and celebrated. In my spare time I like to hunt, fish, shoot, and root for the Diamondbacks and Phx Rising FC.

**Statement:** I'm finishing my second term and was elected the Republican Majority Leader, giving our district real clout and a prominent voice in today's major issues. As always, I defend taxpayers, work to lower inflation and prices, fight for election integrity, protect school choice, and fight to end illegal immigration. I've written bills to secure our elections and provide real transparency and accountability. I've voted for efforts to help President Trump secure our borders. I've championed agriculture issues for Yuma and the West Valley in Maricopa County, and Arizona's long-term water future. And I continue to battle the left on issues ranging from taxes to public safety, protecting girls' sports and locker rooms, and fighting for your medical freedom. I'm grateful for the support I've gotten from veterans, cops, doctors and more, and I'll keep fighting the swamp here in Arizona. Alongside Nick Kupper, our district has one of Arizona's most conservative teams, but we now face a challenge from our left who disagrees with our values and votes. You get TWO votes for State House and I ask you to reject the left and vote for both Carbone AND Kupper so we can continue the fight to keep Arizona great!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 25



### Nickolas "Nick" Kupper

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Nick Kupper grew up in Oregon and joined the United States Air Force in 2003, one year before marrying his high school sweetheart, Crystal. After 20 years spent traveling the world as a military electrician, recruiter and manager, he retired in 2023 while stationed at Luke AFB in Maricopa County. Nick has degrees in human resource management and aviation maintenance technology and worked as a paralegal before being elected to the legislature. He

and Crystal have five children, including two adopted daughters. He has made appearances on American Ninja Warrior, Tucker Carlson Tonight and Newsmax.

**Statement:** After a stellar 19-year career, the US Air Force tried to kick me out for refusing a COVID-19 shot I was not legally required to take. That turned me from a conservative citizen who lived to serve others into someone who needed to step up and defend everyone who shared my concerns about our liberties and values. I made dozens of media appearances and worked with members of Congress to find redress for thousands of service members unjustly impacted by illegal mandates. And at the urging of many of you, I stepped up in 2024 and ran for State House here in Arizona. With your support I have fought the good fight alongside State Rep Michael Carbone, on issues ranging from border security to gun rights, eliminating DEI, protecting free speech, water issues, election integrity, defending the unborn and so many others. Now we are being challenged from the left but we will not stop fighting for the West Valley and Yuma! I was willing to risk losing everything during COVID for what I knew was right — and I'll keep doing the same as your elected official. Please vote Kupper and Carbone, thank you!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 26



### Jim Bishop

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Jim Bishop is a Junior HS mathematics teacher with a diverse professional and personal background. Before entering education, Jim spent nearly thirty years as a designer and owned a retail game store. He remains connected to the tabletop gaming industry through illustration and design side work. He holds two master's degrees, one in Management and one in Education. Jim is a US Army veteran and comes from a family deeply rooted in public service,

including law enforcement, firefighting, and military service. His family history includes distant ancestor Francis Scott Key. He is married with two kids and two grandkids.

**Statement:** This year alone, our State Senator voted against cutting our taxes, against efforts to get rid of taxes on tips, against efforts to protect our schools and neighborhoods, against efforts to protect girls' sports and keep their locker rooms private, and more. Why? Because they were introduced by Republicans. That's no reason to vote against good bills that would keep us safe, lower our costs, and boost our paychecks. I'm running for office to put an end to these stupid partisan games. If a bill is good I'll vote YES, and if a bill is bad I'll vote NO, regardless of who wrote it. Partisan politics is poisoning our system and damaging Arizona. I'll be a State Senator who rolls up his sleeves and works with everyone. This race is especially critical for families with kids in our public charter schools or those taking advantage of our amazing school choice programs. Flavio Bravo is committed to ending school choice and shutting down these successful schools so he can force all our kids back into the public district schools, regardless of how badly those schools may be performing. Please, protect our kids and schools. Vote Jim Bishop for State Senate!



### Flavio Bravo

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.flaviobravo.com/](http://www.flaviobravo.com/)

**Biography:** State Senator Flavio Bravo is a fifth-generation Arizonan, born and raised in the 26th district. He serves on the Senate Director Nominations, Education, Finance, and Government committees. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Kino Border Initiative in Southern Arizona and volunteers with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona. A graduate of Brophy College Preparatory, Senator Bravo holds degrees from Loyola University Chicago, the University

of San Francisco, and Arizona State University. Flavio and his wife, Lizbeth Bravo, reside in the Granada neighborhood in west Phoenix with their 1-yr old son, Lalo.

**Statement:** My name is Flavio Bravo, and I have the great privilege of serving as your State Senator. I was first elected to the Arizona State Legislature in November 2022, and I am committed to working across the aisle in a bipartisan fashion and remain focused on the issues most important to you all, such as making housing more affordable, expanding education and job opportunities, and prioritizing public safety within our neighborhoods. Born and raised in west Phoenix, I strongly believe that our families shouldn't have to sacrifice personal safety for affordability. This year, I collaborated with the cities of Phoenix and Glendale and led legislation preventing prostitution and sex trafficking along 27th avenue and the I-17 corridor by elevating the penalties on the buyers of prostitution. This legislation required collaboration across law enforcement, victim advocates, and survivors of sex trafficking. While it is one step towards addressing a major issue in our district, I will continue to support legislation that reduces crime and combats drugs on our streets. As I seek re-election, I humbly ask for your support so that I can continue to fight for a more just and livable future for all Arizonans.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 26



### Cesar Aguilar

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** A native of Phoenix, Arizona, Representative Cesar Aguilar was raised in a working-class household where he learned the values of hard work. After earning his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Northern Arizona University in 2016, he began his professional career with the Arizona Democratic Party, laying the groundwork for a life dedicated to public advocacy.

Before entering the legislature, Representative Aguilar served as the Executive Director of the Arizona Students' Association. In this role, he championed college accessibility and affordability, driven by his conviction that education serves as the ultimate equalizer in society.

**Statement:** Representative Aguilar remains a dedicated fighter for working-class families, ensuring that those who power Arizona's economy can afford to live and prosper. My first two terms have been dedicated to being a voice for the working class. However, the work is far from finished. As the 2026 elections approach, our families are facing an unprecedented cost-of-living crisis under the Trump regime. -Economic Dignity: I remain committed to empower our workers to organize for livable wages, stable pensions, and the respect they deserve. -Educational Equity: As the former Executive Director of the Arizona Students' Association, I will continue to fight for fully funded Preschool- Higher Education as stated in AZ Constitution ( Article 11, Section 6) Public Education must be protected. -Quality Healthcare: No family in District 26 should be forced into debt due to a medical emergency. I will continue to advocate for expanded access and lower prescription drug costs. -Stop the Separation of Families: ICE has gotten out of control. Immigration has murdered Americans Citizens and traumatized our children. Today, too many families fear leaving their homes even when they should not have to. People have lost hope in our government due to the injustices in ICE.



### Quanta Crews

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.quantaforaz.com](http://www.quantaforaz.com)

**Biography:** Rep. Rev. Quantá Marie Crews has spent her adult life in Phoenix, watching the city grow and change while staying rooted in community. Raised just outside Detroit in a union household, she understands the weight working families carry. As a minister, appraiser, and educator, she brings real experience to public service. Now in her second term representing Legislative District 26, she serves as Democratic Caucus Co-Whip, sits on Ways and Means, and

is Ranking Democrat on Public Safety. A mother of three and woman of faith, she is committed to building a future grounded in stability and dignity.

**Statement:** Hi, I am Rev. Quantá Marie Crews, and I am running for you. I was raised just outside Detroit in a union household where we learned that dignity is tied to what you can afford. A safe home, good schools. Healthcare when you need it. I have spent my entire adult life here in Phoenix, watching Arizona grow into the state she is today. Arizona is all grown up now, and she needs sound leadership to steer her in the right direction, the direction of the people. My lived experiences shape how I serve as your State Representative. I have seen how hard our families work just to stay afloat. Affordability is not a talking point for me. It is personal. Too many neighbors are being priced out of their own lives. This moment calls us to stand up and do the work. As your neighborhood auntie, I will continue to show up, speak up, and fight for policies that bring stability, security, and opportunity within reach. I have pushed for real investments in housing, education, and our communities, and I am not done. I am running so you can breathe easier and live with dignity. Let's keep moving forward together. Quantá

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 26

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### Hector Gomez

**Party:** Green      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** hector.green/  
**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** Hey Guys... Are you tired of the same old Democrat - Republican get nothing done gridlock Parties? Well I am too! That's why I'm running for the State House with new ideas and a new voice for real change. Just like the Green Party I do not accept donations from corporations, political action committees (PACs), 527(c) organizations or soft money. I'm running as a Green-Clean- Election candidate, I'm tired of the fraud, the Corporate greed, the rich getting richer while the average Arizonian works two jobs to barely survive. I believe in Grass Root democracy and economic fairness... Single payer universal health care, free higher education, affordable housing, renter protection laws, food security, higher living wages, tax the Super Rich, close Corporate loop holes, support Unions and worker's rights, invest in local renewable energy and electric transportation, abolish ICE, remove corrupt politicians, cancel student and medical debt and provide full equality and legal protection for LGBTQIA and communities. If you agree with a common sense plan, then let's get it done NOW for Arizona... Vote Green-Vote Clean-Vote Hector for AZ



### Jonathan McKenna

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**  
**Biography:** Public service may actually be in my blood! My grandfather, uncle, brother, and cousin have all served as State Representatives in various states, and I was raised to contribute and give back to my community. I came to Arizona for family, rediscovered my relationship with God, and found my home. This is my first campaign but I've been active in our community for years, working with vulnerable populations to help them find housing, jobs, build community and discover a new way to live. I can't wait to meet you on the campaign trail!

**Statement:** Our Representatives are remarkably ineffective. They don't pass bills or get things done, they just show up to vote NO on things that would help our community because they are loyal to their party leadership and want to play political games. We pay the price for their bad behavior. I'll actually work with people and get things done. I'll oppose efforts to raise our taxes or to take more from our paychecks. I'll support safe streets and schools. I'll fight to get fentanyl off our streets and away from our kids and family members. I'll engage with the community, I'll show up, and I'll listen. Health care, education, jobs, high prices, public safety and more, are all issues that motivate me and matter to you. I ask for your vote and promise to earn it every day!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 26



### Frank Roberts

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [frank.vote/](http://frank.vote/)

**Biography:** I'm a small business owner of a company that produces "Private Label All Natural Progesterone and Hormone Balance Creams." I've lived and worked in our district for over 25 years. My education is in Business Administration, and I'm an investor in rental properties working with the city of Phoenix to provide housing to low-income families. I'm an elected state -precinct Committeeman, an aircraft pilot and certified flight instructor, and I own

thoroughbred racehorses that I race at Turf Paradise and across the country with my dream/goal to WIN the Kentucky Derby! I'm also an Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America.

**Statement:** Our State Representatives DON'T CARE about us! As a longtime community advocate and small business owner, I've lived in LD26 for over 25 years. I've knocked thousands of doors to collect signatures for candidates and spread awareness over issues facing our community. With a "principles and policy-first" mindset, I'm determined to best serve the people of LD26 and to reject special interests which is why I'm a CLEAN ELECTION candidate and I'm not taking a dime from the fraud of special interests, their PACs, or lobbyists. I signed and support Term Limits for Congress, keeping men out of girls' sports and locker rooms, and bills that would eliminate taxes on tips and help put more money into your pockets. My priorities include affordable housing, better education, safer neighborhoods, access to healthcare, increasing the average wages for working families, and ensuring all Arizonans regardless of their background to have access to excellent opportunities to succeed and get ahead. I will oppose extremist ideologies on both sides of the aisle while focusing on policies that help actual Arizonans. I'm an ordinary citizen with an extraordinary work ethic, and I am ready to get this job done.... I ask for your vote!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 27

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### Kyle Clayton

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.kyleforarizona.com](http://www.kyleforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Legislative District 27, Kyle Clayton is a lifelong Arizonan committed to building stronger, safer, and more affordable communities. He's raising his family in the district, with one child in WESD. A full-time Realtor®, Kyle brings a data-driven, solutions-focused approach to public service. Since 2023, he has served on the WESD Governing Board, now as Board President, improving attendance and supporting students. Through the Shaw Butte Neighborhood Alliance, he's helped secure over \$250,000 in local investments. Kyle believes in practical, people-first leadership focused on education, affordability, and accountability for Arizona families.

**Statement:** Kyle Clayton believes strong schools are the foundation of strong communities. He will work to ensure fair funding between elementary and high schools, increase per-pupil investment, and expand access to full-day kindergarten and Pre-K so every child has the opportunity to succeed. Kyle is focused on lowering costs for Arizona families. He will support efforts to reduce prescription drug prices, expand healthcare access for young adults, invest in energy efficiency to lower utility bills, improve access to affordable childcare, and promote housing policies that increase supply and protect homeownership opportunities. Committed to fiscal responsibility, Kyle will evaluate tax incentives to ensure they benefit taxpayers, require accountability for companies receiving state support, and prioritize smart investments in education, families, and Arizona's workforce.



### Anthony Kern

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.votekern.com](http://www.votekern.com)

**Biography:** Anthony Kern is running for State Senate in LD 27, bringing decades of experience as a State Representative, precinct committeeman, state committeeman, national delegate, and Arizona Freedom Caucus member. President Trump has praised him for his work on election integrity, and Kern holds top ratings from Turning Point Action, the American Conservative Union, the Arizona Free Enterprise Club, and the NRA. His priorities include securing the border, stopping election fraud, strengthening parental rights and school choice, protecting property owners, backing law enforcement, and defending life and the Second Amendment. A 35-year resident of the district, he is a husband, father, and committed conservative with a proven voting record.

**Statement:** I know how very important it is to elect candidates that puts Arizonans first. President Trump referred to me as "...an incredible fighter for Election Integrity" and applauded my work fighting for economic growth, support of our Second Amendment, and securing the southern border. And, I believe life begins at conception. I support parental choice in education, our military, and law enforcement, having worked as a Reserve Deputy Marshal in Tombstone, AZ. I am very active in Arizona as a current precinct committeeman, state committeeman, a State Representative for 6 years, a national delegate to the Republican Convention in 2016 and 2024, and a member of the Arizona Freedom Caucus. I am rated 100% by Turning Point Action, the American Conservative Union and the Arizona Free Enterprise Club, and an 'A' rating by the National Rifle Association. I have lived in the district for over 35 years, raised my children, and attend Fresh Start Church in Peoria. My eight-year voting record is proof I am a true conservative. My wife and I love the west valley and the state of Arizona. If you want a proven conservative fighting on your behalf, I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 27



### Kevin Payne

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** US Navy Veteran (honorably discharged), married over 35 years, 4 children and 8 grandchildren. 4 years as Electrical Engineer, 3 years Aerospace Technical Consultant, 22 years Information Technology, Small Business Owner/Operator, former GOP District Chairman. Winner of awards and recognition from pro-taxpayer and pro-family groups, including Champion of the Taxpayer, Friend of the Family, Champion of Small Business, Legislator of the

Year from the Arizona Police Association, Top Law Enforcement Supporter from the AZ Fraternal Order of Police, and more.

**Statement:** After years of endorsing and supporting me, Anthony Kern decided to run against me because he misses being in elected office. That's a terrible reason to run. Now we're wasting resources on this race instead of taking the fight to Democrats. Unlike Anthony, I've made a successful living in the private sector, in fact I still operate a successful food truck business when I'm not working at the Capitol. While Anthony campaigns on an old Trump quote, I'm actually doing the work to support President Trump, put America and Arizona First, finish the border wall, enforce our immigration laws, secure our elections, protect school choice, fight inflation and high prices, put Term Limits on Congress, end DEI, and ensure our water future. As Chairman of the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee, I've led efforts to Back the Blue, support first responders, and look after our military bases and veterans. And my voting record is 100% pro-gun, pro-Constitution, and pro-life. I'm a Navy veteran who isn't afraid of a fight. I'm proven, I'm effective, and I'm running for the right reasons. No more career politicians! Please support your America First team of Payne, Rivero & Fink! Thank you!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



### Lisa Fink

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** Lifelong Republican. Board President of Choice Academies. President, Protect Arizona Children Coalition, which advocates for protecting both kids and parental rights, while educating the public and lawmakers on radical efforts to target kids with sexually explicit material, gender ideology programming, and more. Served as Chairman of the Arizona State Constitutional Commemoration Committee. Active member of Mommy Lobby AZ, which

advocates for school choice, data privacy for kids, and parental rights. Chairman of Hometown Christmas Parade in Glendale. Involved in local charities and was a high school volleyball coach. Lisa and her husband Larry are the proud parents of six children.

**Statement:** After a lifetime of community involvement, I stepped up when asked to run for office, and I'm just finishing my first term. As promised, I've spent time fighting illegal immigration, improving our economy, and trying to bring down high inflation rates, prices on gas and food, and housing costs. I've worked to protect school choice from far-left efforts to shut down Arizona's amazing charter schools and ESAs – because they are working and doing great things for our kids. I have supported our law enforcement and fought the scourge of fentanyl that is killing hundreds of thousands of Americans each year. And I got to spend time on a variety of other critical issues like health care, infrastructure, long term water planning, agriculture, looking after our veterans, and an abundant energy supply. I work side-by-side with Tony Rivero and Kevin Payne on these issues and we have been effective as a team. Thank you for honoring me with your vote and support, I will continue working hard to represent you and our great state. Thank you!



### Deborah Howard

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.deborahhowardaz.com/](http://www.deborahhowardaz.com/)

**Biography:** I've worked in public policy at the federal, state, and local levels for over 40 years, and I've witnessed what it takes to truly help people. Our legislature has prioritized politics and outside influence over the people it is supposed to be helping. My goal is to reduce the cost of housing, healthcare, and other daily expenses for families while boosting our economy. I will also push to defend voting rights and promote robust public education. I believe we need to

put grown-ups back in the state legislature. When the government stops working for the people, it's up to us to fix it. Join me.

**Statement:** I'm Deborah Howard, and I've spent more than forty years advocating for families and communities. My experience spans federal, state, and local public policy, where I've seen firsthand what it takes to deliver real results. I believe government should serve the people—not special interests—but for too long in Arizona, that hasn't been the case. Our legislature has too often prioritized politics and outside influence over the needs of everyday Arizonans. I'm running to lower the cost of living by addressing housing, healthcare, utilities, and other essential expenses facing families today. I will defend voting rights and support strong public education, which are fundamental to thriving communities. While these urgent issues persist, the legislature remains stuck in partisan gridlock, leaving Arizonans to bear the burden. Throughout my career, I've worked across party lines—from serving as a Department of Labor appointee under President Reagan, to leadership roles at AARP, to grassroots advocacy in public education. I bring a pragmatic, solutions-focused approach and a commitment to listening. As your state house representative, I will work with anyone willing to solve problems and ensure the government is accountable to the people of LD27 and all Arizonans.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



### Tony Rivero

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

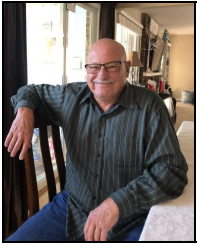
**Biography:** I grew up right here in Peoria, attended Peoria High School, Glendale Community College, and ASU where I earned a Bachelor's in Education and a Master's in Public Administration. As a Peoria City Councilman, I led the crusade against wasteful spending and high taxes. I was elected 3 times to the Arizona Legislature where I won awards from taxpayer and family groups. Then I returned to the private sector where I'm a successful small-business

owner. I'm happily married, blessed with five great kids, and the only thing missing from my life is the Phoenix Suns winning an NBA championship.

**Statement:** My first term in the House was spent working with Lisa Fink in the House and Kevin Payne in the State Senate. Together, we've built a record of conservative achievement on economic issues, jobs, election integrity, public safety, and fighting illegal immigration. Sadly, a lot of the good things we passed were vetoed by Governor Hobbs, but we had some big wins as well. We are protecting school choice from Democrats who want to shut down charter schools and parental choice. We are working to cut gas taxes, utility prices, and housing costs. We are protecting girls sports and keeping men out of their sports and their locker rooms. And we're an effective team when it comes to making sure the West Valley gets its fair share of transportation and infrastructure funding. Hopefully we elect a Republican Governor this November, but we're committed to getting our economy back on track no matter what. I'm running as a team with Lisa Fink and Kevin Payne and hope you'll support our team of proven conservatives.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 28



### Michael Braun

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:**

**Biography:** I was born in Elmhurst, Illinois and raised in the western suburbs of Chicago. I graduated from Proviso West High School in 1971. Began a position in a UAW plant and eventually was elected Shop Stewart than Council chair. In 1986 the plant closed and the Union found training programs at Triton Community College for the employees. I enrolled in a HVAC program and received a certification. Started a maintenance position in hospitals and medical

buildings. I then expanded my education in the field and also in supervisory and management positions.

**Statement:** I met my wife during this time, married now for 44 years. We raised our two children in the Chicagoland area, both now having masters in education fields. As time allowed I became involved in the Democratic Party, where I was elected as prescient committee person. I also held the following positions, vice chair, chair and Sargent of arms. And yes I am the proud papa of two grandchildren." As a lifelong Democrat I support the U.S. Constitution, Arizona Constitution, Democratic Party. Which means equal rights for men, women, LBGQT+, all races, women's right to choose, veterans, proper immigration, due process, healthcare. We need to take care of our environment, water, solar, nature. We need programs to create well pay jobs. I will do everything I can to improve these items



### Frank Carroll

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Moved to Arizona thirty years ago. My wife Joanne and I recently celebrated twenty-eight years together. My career has always centered around the technology of ground transportation vehicles from the muscle cars of the '60-'70's era through today's high-tech vehicles. My long GOP resume includes Precinct Committeeman, Precinct Captain, Area Director, and State Delegate. I served as past President of the Sun City West Republican Club,

am a member of the NRA, AZCDL, the Surprise Tea Party, and I work with Americans for Prosperity and other conservative groups.

**Statement:** As your State Senator, I work hard on the issues you tell me are most important to you: Election Integrity, Ending Illegal Immigration, Public Safety, Improving Transportation, Jobs, Affordability, Quality Schools and School Choice, Water, and Protecting Our Constitutional Rights. I'm running with David Livingston and Beverly Pingerelli as your Proven Conservative Team because, like me, they are award-winning champions of taxpayers and families, and we are extremely effective as a team. I spent my career in the automotive industry, on the mechanical and technological side, so my heart is with the working men and women of this country who want their government to do its job and to otherwise leave them alone to live in peace. Today I serve as the Majority Whip in the State Senate, and I'm using that position to defend our conservative values and champion our America First priorities. I'm honored to serve you and hope you will support your conservative team of Carroll, Livingston & Pingerelli. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 28

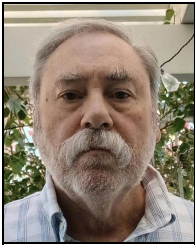
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### Barbara Fike

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** www.fike4az.com

**Biography:** Barbara is a second-generation native of Arizona who has lived and worked in northwest Phoenix her entire life, except for six years in Flagstaff and two in Parker. She is a semi-retired teacher, having taught English, History, and Government/Economics in Deer Valley District and at Glendale Community College. She received her B.S: Honors and M.A from NAU. Her husband is an architect in a Phoenix firm and her son and daughter graduated from Sandra Day O'Connor High School and NAU. She is active in her church (music and social justice) and with her family (including dogs and cat!)

**Statement:** I am an Arizonan to my soul. My mother was born in Clarkdale six years after Arizona gained statehood. I was born and raised in West Phoenix, where I had to pass an Arizona Constitution test to graduate from 8th grade. I have studied and taught history and government for decades. I have respect and reverence for what the founders of the US and of Arizona hoped to create for the future we find ourselves in now. But I fear we've veered away from their vision. We need to prioritize education the way our forefathers built public schools into land grants as our country grew. We need to take pride again in our blend of cultures, especially in Arizona! We need to protect the land and our beautiful national parks for future generations, and ensure that water is used wisely so there will be future generations. We need a legislature that will stop playing politics to enrich themselves and their friends and actually govern instead. We owe Arizona that.



### Marc Graham

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** marcgrahamforaz.com/

**Biography:** Marc Graham is a retired Air Force Master Sergeant with 45 years in aviation and advanced manufacturing, now serving as a campaign architect and community leader in Arizona's LD28. He blends technical precision with a deep commitment to public service, shaped by decades of military discipline and union leadership. Marc has built coalitions across Sun City, Sun City West, and Peoria, focusing on practical solutions, transparent governance, and strong community partnerships. His work centers on empowering residents, strengthening local institutions, and ensuring every voice in LD28 is heard and represented.

**Statement:** Marc Graham is a retired Air Force Master Sergeant with decades of experience in aviation, advanced manufacturing, and union leadership. His background in military service and technical problem-solving shaped a leadership style grounded in discipline, precision, and service to others. After years supporting complex operations and mentoring teams, Marc now brings that same rigor to public engagement and local governance in Arizona's Legislative District 28. As a campaign architect and community leader, he works to strengthen Sun City, Sun City West, and Peoria through transparent communication, practical solutions, and inclusive outreach. Marc has built strong relationships with residents, neighborhood groups, and labor organizations, emphasizing accountability and collaboration. His focus is on empowering voters, improving access to information, and ensuring every resident has a meaningful voice. Driven by fairness and community pride, Marc champions local institutions, supports working families, and elevates the concerns of seniors and long-time residents.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 28



### David Livingston

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Moved to Arizona in 1983. Bachelor's Degree in Finance (ASU). Financial advisor and franchise owner of Ameriprise Financial in Peoria from 1992 - 2012, where he guided his clients toward their financial and retirement goals. After 20 years of hard work building his highly successful business, David sold the business in 2013 and semi-retired. Later ran for office and has served as Majority Whip, as well as Chairman of several critical committees, including the

Finance and Transportation Committees in the Senate, and both the Appropriations and Finance, Insurance & Banking Committees in the House. Married with two kids and three grandkids.

**Statement:** I'm proud to be considered one of Arizona's most reliably conservative legislators, because you deserve someone who puts Arizona and America First. I have a 100% voting record for jobs, lower prices, secure elections, a strong border (border wall!), and an end to illegal immigration. I have a 100% pro-life and pro-2nd Amendment record. I've earned the "Friend of the Family" and the "Hero of the Taxpayer" awards and helped lead the fight for real school choice and parental rights. I vote for medical freedom and am working to secure our water future. As part of your Proven Conservative Team of Carroll, Livingston & Pingerelli, we are again being challenged by a candidate who disagrees with us on these issues, but we will continue voting right no matter who the swamp runs at us. We won't back down from what is right. I have opposed special interests, voted NO on bad bills, and was proud to be a delegate for Donald Trump at the RNC National Convention, so you know I don't scare easily. I'll keep doing what is right and ask you to cast your TWO State House votes for Livingston & Pingerelli. Arizona's Most Conservative Team. Thank you!



### Beverly Pingerelli

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** First person in my immediate family to graduate from college. Former school board member. Served as a Republican precinct and state committeeman since 2014. Received my B.S. in Biological Sciences from Wayne State University and held an American Society for Clinical Pathology Cytogenetics Certification, CG(ASCP)CM for Laboratory Personnel. Currently work full-time at Grand Canyon University as a Science Program Coordinator. Served as

Chairman of the Education Committee and currently am Chairman of the Science and Technology Committee. My husband Peter and I were married for 35 years before he passed, and we're blessed with two beautiful daughters, Kayla and Angela.

**Statement:** My conservative beliefs remind me problems are best solved by applying the principles of limited government, and our solutions must respect our Constitutionally guaranteed rights. That's how I campaign and how I vote as your Representative. I've won awards for my conservative voting record -- fighting for lower prices, improving accountability in educational spending and standards, promoting school choice and parental rights, defending life, fighting against governmental overreach and mandates, and strengthening the Second Amendment and religious freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution. I continue to fight for secure elections, strong borders, and full restoration of our medical and individual liberties. You get TWO votes for State Representative -- please cast them for BOTH me and David Livingston. We're running as your Proven Conservative Team with State Senator Frank Carroll because we share conservative beliefs and are no-nonsense lawmakers who do what is right, no matter how powerful the special interests are on the other side. We need to elect Republicans this fall to replace Hobbs, Mayes, Fontes and the rest, but the three of us will keep fighting to put Arizona First, and make Arizona a great place to live, work, and raise a family once again. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 28



### Heather Rooks

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** rooksforaz.com/

**Biography:** Heather Rooks is a devoted wife, mother of four, and lifelong resident of Peoria, Arizona. A graduate of Sunrise Mountain High School and a product of the Peoria Unified School District, she values strong schools, safe communities, and families. Heather began attending school board meetings in 2020 to better understand decisions impacting students and became a voice for transparency, parental rights, and student success. Known as “The

Peoria Mom,” she is serving her fourth year on the Peoria Unified School District Governing Board, where she champions parental rights, pro-American curriculum, fiscal responsibility, academic excellence, and family-focused decision-making. Heather Rooks is seeking re-election to the Peoria School Board in November 2026.

**Statement:** I’m Heather Rooks, a lifelong resident of Peoria, a devoted wife, and proud mother of four. As a graduate of Sunrise Mountain High School and a product of the Peoria Unified School District, I understand the importance of strong schools, safe neighborhoods, and communities. Over the past several years, I have served on the Peoria Unified School District Governing Board, advocating for parental rights, academic excellence, fiscal responsibility, and transparent leadership. My work has always been about serving families and ensuring their voices are heard. Now, I am running as a conservative for the Arizona State House in Legislative District 28 to continue serving our community at the state level. My priorities include supporting safe neighborhoods, protecting school choice, backing law enforcement, securing our borders, and promoting responsible government spending. I am also committed to supporting families with children who have disabilities, ensuring they have access to the resources they need to thrive. I stand for protecting conservative freedoms in Arizona, defending our Constitution, and preserving the individual liberties that make our state strong and prosperous. I am committed to representing the voices of our neighbors and strengthening our families, schools, and communities for generations to come.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 29



### Janae Shamp

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Although I am not a native, I have called Arizona my home for nearly 40 years. I answered the call to public service in 2022 because I knew we needed change at the state level and we needed elected officials with backbone to safeguard and, in many cases, restore our liberties. My degrees include a B.S. in Molecular Biosciences & Biotechnology cum laude from Arizona State University and a B.S. in Nursing magna cum laude from Grand Canyon University

(where I graduated second in my class!). I work as a perioperative trauma nurse and am also a competitive team roper.

**Statement:** I'm a true constitutional conservative, wife, bonus mom, cowgirl, and Registered Nurse, serving in just my second term in the State Senate. I'm proud to serve alongside Steve Montenegro and James Taylor, who represent you in the State House. We are keeping our word and working hard on the issues that matter to you and our great state. Strong borders, secure elections, good jobs, trying to reverse the damage the Hobbs administration is doing to our economy, fighting inflation and high prices, protecting private property rights, school choice, doing right by our veterans and first responders, restoring your medical freedom, looking after our water supply, ending DEI and social engineering, and more. I wrote the Senate version of the "Arizona Border Invasion Act" and led the Legislature's investigation into pandemic abuses and how to do better in the future. I also wrote legislation to target pedophiles and child traffickers and protect our kids from those seeking to exploit them. We know the battle is long and we will keep working hard for you until the battle is won. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!



### Eric Stafford

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [stafford4az.com/](http://stafford4az.com/)

**Biography:** Eric Stafford is a 28 year-old West-Valley Native who has dedicated the last 6 years to political organizing, and running for the State Legislature. In High School, Eric participated in West-Mecis Aviation Maintenance Program and graduated with his Airframe & Powerplant Certification at 19. He later studied Manual & (SNC) Machining as well as Veterinary Technology. In the last decade of working, Eric has experienced many frustrations with the shrinking middle

class, corporate money being funneled into our politics, and a great divide growing between the interests of those who "lead" and the will of the people. Something has to change.

**Statement:** I decided to quit my day job, and run full speed at this campaign because I know that our state and community needs drastic change, and I am asking for your vote to help us turn this ship around. Running for office is so important to me because I wanted to see more elected officials who are young, have fresh ideas, and are fed up with elected officials being paid to do a bad job. I hate that our local politicians take money from private interests, because it makes me feel like I cannot trust them, and that is why our CLEAN ELECTIONS candidates take ZERO corporate or PAC dollars. I am a Patriotic person; and to me, that means doing whatever it takes to better the lives of the people of Arizona. I do not want our state to continue surviving off of federal welfare, and continuing to fail in funding our children's schools and futures. Our officials continue to cut taxes for megacorps that destroy local businesses and livelihoods, and would rather relocate the homeless, rather than address the issue of housing affordability. Our bills keep rising, and so does the temperatures. To our weak politicians: Enough is enough.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 29



### Steve Montenegro

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Steve serves as Ministry Pastor at Catalyst Church. He has served as Executive Director for Desert Reach, an organization helping inner-city high school students graduate high school and succeed in life. He has also worked with national groups to improve the integrity and accuracy of our elections. Steve was an Arizona delegate for Donald Trump and made numerous appearances on national TV defending the President against liberals like Jorge

Ramos and Chris Cuomo. He and his wife Melissa will celebrate their 15th Anniversary this year. Melissa is a Charter School Administrator and they have two beautiful daughters (Addy and Emmy).

**Statement:** On behalf of our great team (Janae Shamp in the Senate and James Taylor serving with me in the House), I want you to know we've been keeping our campaign promises to you. We have perfect 100% pro-life, pro-2nd amendment, and pro-taxpayer records. I was privileged to be elected Speaker of the House, giving our district a powerful voice on issues that matter. A lot of good bills are vetoed by our radical left-wing Governor Katie Hobbs, but we continue to champion the citizens of Arizona. I wrote the bill designating drug cartels as terrorist organizations, legislation to protect our kids, and a ballot initiative to do away with Affirmative Action and DEI policies. We passed tax cuts, worked to lower gas and utility prices, protected school choice, and fought to keep our kids safe, including legislation to keep men out of girls' sports and locker rooms. I've been awarded Friend of the Family, Hero of the Taxpayer, Legislative Champion, Guardian of Arizona Families, Champion of Term Limits, Conservative Hero Award, Guardian of Small Business, School Choice Champion, and I was named Legislator of the Year by the Arizona Republican Party. Thank you for allowing us to serve you!



### Christine Marie Scianna

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Participating      **Website:** [christineforarizona.com/](http://christineforarizona.com/)  
**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** Christine Marie Scianna, was born and raised Christine Webster in Phoenix, Arizona. She attended ASU for a BA in psychology and later earned a BA in Education and an MS Ed. For years, Christine experienced the struggles of a single parent raising a child with non-verbal autism and dealing with state agencies for her care, while also juggling a professional career as a junior high science teacher. She spoke to both branches of the Legislature regarding the care of vulnerable people and saw bills passed meant to protect them, especially those in residential facilities in 2022. In 2025, Christine attended legislative committee sessions where members of the Republican leadership pulled last-minute political stunts to defeat a bipartisan bill that was meant to fund care for the disabled community. After witnessing how poorly the disabled community was treated, Christine resolved to run for office. We need representatives who care about their constituents. She has seen the Republican-led Legislature neglect funding education appropriately, while opening school vouchers to everyone, so that voters' dollars are going into private schools instead of neighborhood public schools. Christine will fight for ALL individuals, families, education, affordable healthcare, veteran care, safe workplaces, and social and environmental justice.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 29



### James Taylor

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** My wife and I have lived in Arizona for decades and love this great state. I'm a dad, grandpa, and recently a great grandpa, so I've got a lot of reasons to work hard and keep Arizona on the right track. After a successful career in the energy sector I was ready to enjoy retirement – then the call came asking me to step forward and run for office. We are active in our community and continue giving back through public service.

**Statement:** Two years ago, my phone rang and I was asked if I'd consider running for State House. I agreed and began an amazing journey. Today I'm working on issues ranging from economic policy to school choice, long-term water planning, public safety, and more. Hundreds of bills dealing with every imaginable subject, while our liberal Governor vetoes good bills and pushes for policies that belong in California. The battle is intense, it doesn't seem to stop, but I'm honored to be fighting the good fight for the citizens of Arizona. Working as a team with Steve Montenegro in the House and Janae Shamp in the Senate helps a lot as we take on issues that you all tell us matter to you: Lower prices, low taxes and regulations, strong schools and school choice, job growth, long-term water and energy planning, infrastructure (roads etc), strong support for our law enforcement, and continued partnership with our military bases and veteran population. We will keep working for you and THANK YOU for your votes, prayers and support.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 30



### Leo Biasiucci

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.leobiasiucci.com](http://www.leobiasiucci.com)

**Biography:** Leo was born and raised in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, calling it home for 40+ years. Leo earned a BA in Business Administration/Management from UofA(2005) and a Master's in Legal Studies(2024). He's currently the CFO/Owner of Mohave Traffic School. Leo was elected in 2019, serving as Majority Whip(2020–2022) and Majority Leader(2022–2024). He earned Newcomer of the Year(2019) and Legislator of the Year(2021, 2022, 2024). Leo's most notable bills

are HB2111-Second Amendment Firearm Freedom Act. HB2889-Life in prison for child sex crime convictions. HB2164-Banning of Ultraprocessed foods/Toxic dyes from schools. Leo and his wife Taylor welcomed their daughter Gianna in 2022.

**Statement:** Too many politicians run for office making promises they never keep. Over my eight years in office, I've done the opposite. I've followed through and delivered while protecting our conservative values. I made Arizona a Second Amendment sanctuary state. I fought to impose life sentences for child sex crimes. I removed toxic food dyes and chemicals from our schools. I empowered law enforcement to arrest and prosecute human smugglers. I supported a flat income tax and worked to prevent government overreach by banning the shutdown of businesses during a pandemic. And when our communities needed results, I got them. When Lake Havasu and Bullhead City needed Highway 95 repaved, I made it happen. When Wickenburg needed funding for its fire station, I secured it. When the Mohave County Sheriff's Department needed to replace 40+ year-old substations, I delivered. When Kingman needed a bypass at Highway 93/I-11 and Beale Street, I got it done. When Lake Havasu needed a second bridge, I made it happen. I'm proudly Pro-Life, Pro-Second Amendment, Pro-Veterans, Pro-Law Enforcement, Pro-Border Security, and Pro-America First. Visit [Leobiasiucci.com](http://Leobiasiucci.com) to help keep Arizona red.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 30



### Mike Gannuscio

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Lifelong conservative Republican, husband and father with a varied background that includes serving in law enforcement and working as a rancher and farmer. During my time as Deputy Sheriff, I was awarded the Mohave County Lifesaving Award. I spent the last 4 years serving as President and Executive Director of the Arizona Cattle Growers Association. In this volunteer position I worked with people from all over Arizona and helped to draft and pass significant legislation on topics ranging from wolf management to state grazing leases, from water issues to protecting ranch land as well as state trust and BLM land.

**Statement:** When I was asked to run for State House I was told my experience would be a real asset in a Legislature too often dominated by Maricopa County interests. I have strong relationships all over our great state, and I've worked with rural interests as well as urban counties to get things done. I'm proud to have the endorsement of State Representative John Gillette and others who trust me to stand strong on conservative principles. Too many candidates talk conservative to get elected, then wilt under pressure at the Legislature. Not me! My agenda is Arizona First and one I believe strongly in: Public Safety & Border Security. School Choice & Education Excellence. Lower Prices & a Strong Economy. Protecting Property & Water Rights, Restoring our Constitutional Rights. Ending DEI and Restoring Sanity to Public Policy. And of course, Safeguarding our Elections, because without honest elections, our whole country will be lost. When elected, I'll continue these important fights and ensure you don't just have a voice at the Legislature, you have a real Champion! You get TWO votes for State Representative and I'd be honored if you'd cast one for me – Mike Gannuscio. Thank you!



### Grace Hecht

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [graceforarizona.com/](http://graceforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Grace served on the Bullhead City Council from 2020 to 2023. She earned a Bachelor's degree from Grand Canyon University after attending Calvary Chapel Bible College. She served as a teacher, missionary, and humanitarian worker. Grace held leadership roles with River Fund, the Western Arizona Council of Governments, and the Morning Kiwanis Club, and received the 2023 Citizen of the Year award. Grace is married to Lee, together they raise two children, and carry the memory of a beloved son. A lifelong Conservative, local business owner, and dedicated public servant, Grace will bring principled leadership to the State Capitol.

**Statement:** I am running for the Arizona House in Legislative District 30 to fight for the values that keep our communities strong. As a Bullhead City native and former city councilmember, I know our district deserves leadership that is grounded, accountable, and focused on results. During my time on the Bullhead City Council, I worked to strengthen our community and fought to keep taxes low for local families. I saw firsthand how local decisions affect public safety, economic growth, and the daily lives of the people we represent. My life has also given me a broad perspective on why freedom matters. Through work that took me to more than 35 countries, I saw the consequences of failed governments and the loss of basic liberties. Those experiences deepened my appreciation for the principles that make America and Arizona strong. At the Legislature, I will support law enforcement, defend the Constitution, protect the Second Amendment, and stand for the conservative values our communities depend on. I will work every day to keep Arizona strong and safe for the families, workers, and small businesses who call our district home. I respectfully ask for your vote and invite you to visit [graceforarizona.com](http://graceforarizona.com).

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 30



### Catherine Lopez-Rajaniemi

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** At 17, Catherine began working in the financial and mortgage lending industry. 2004 she founded Bullhead City Insurance Center, which developed into a regional agency licensed in Arizona, California, and Nevada. Her guiding philosophy, "Becoming a Lifelong Partner with my Clients", reflects her integrity and dedication. Together with her husband Glen, Catherine built local businesses, including Kitchen, Bath & Beyond and Mountain View Homes,

Helping the economy and supporting housing opportunities. Believing in the trades, they co-founded the Academy of Building Industries. Catherine belongs to Rotary, River Cruizers, Mohave Valley Contractors Association, Elected to the Fort Mohave Fire Board for 10 years, Saint Vincent De Paul Society Board, and Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce Board for nine years. She helped launch community traditions such as Boom Box Parade, Western Auction, Mohave County 4H project leader and CPA White Night in the Park.

**Statement:** Catherine Lopez-Rajaniemi is running for State Representative in LD-30 because she believes Arizona deserves strong, principled leadership that puts people not politics first. As a lifelong conservative, Catherine stands firmly for faith, family, and freedom. She knows that government works best when it is limited, accountable, and focused on protecting individual liberty. Having lived and worked in Mohave County for decades, Catherine understands the challenges facing families, small businesses, and seniors. She has built businesses, created jobs, and served her community. not just talked about it. She is running to defend constitutional rights, support first responders, protect taxpayers, and ensure Arizona remains a place where opportunity thrives. Catherine will fight for secure elections, strong borders, and responsible spending. She is not a career politician she is a proven leader who will stand up for our values and be a strong voice for LD-30 at the Capitol. "A Strong Nation Starts at Home"



### Brian McMahan

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [electbrian.org/](http://electbrian.org/)

**Biography:** Chief Brian McMahan (ret.) is a lifelong public servant dedicated to building stronger, safer communities. Over a 40-year career, he served with distinction, including as Fire Chief for the Parker and Buckskin Fire Districts in La Paz County. His experience responding to emergencies and supporting people in both crisis and celebration shaped his commitment to service, accountability, and compassion. Brian believes in transparent, responsive government

that works for everyone. He has spent his career listening, solving problems, and putting people first. Now, he seeks to bring that same leadership and integrity to serve the residents of Legislative District 30.

**Statement:** Chief Brian McMahan (ret.) is running for State House of Representatives in Legislative District 30 to ensure rural Arizona has a strong, independent voice in Phoenix. After 40 years in public service, including leading fire districts in La Paz County, Brian understands the real challenges facing families, small businesses, veterans, seniors, and underserved communities. Brian is committed to cutting through partisan gridlock to focus on practical, common-sense solutions that improve everyday lives. He believes government should be transparent, accountable, and responsive—stepping in when needed, but not overreaching. His leadership is grounded in listening, building coalitions, and taking action when it matters most. Throughout his career, Brian has worked alongside diverse communities, earning trust through service and results. He knows that effective leadership means putting people before politics and finding ways to move forward together. He will prioritize public safety, economic opportunity, and responsible governance that reflects the needs of rural Arizona. Brian is running a Clean Elections campaign, refusing special interest money to remain accountable only to the people he serves. Vote for Brian McMahan.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 30



### David Rose

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Endorsed by Rep John Gillette, Moms for America, and others! An ordained Pastor with 13 years of ministry experience, including 9 years as Lead Pastor. Currently leads Restoration Hope Church in Lake Havasu City, a thriving church he and his wife Crystal planted in 2020. Serves as President of the Lake Havasu Unified School District Governing Board, where he has led bold reforms—including making the district the first in the nation to ban DEI in policy and the first to eliminate food dyes and harsh chemicals from school lunches. Husband, father, MAGA conservative, community leader, and dedicated public servant!

**Statement:** I'm in the White House next to President Trump thinking "Wow, what an amazing journey, God is truly great!" You see my family life growing up was rough, which I compounded with reckless and bad decisions and early legal trouble. Yet in my darkest moment I had a personal encounter with faith that transformed me, gave him purpose, and set me on a mission to help others. Fast forward and I'm an ordained Pastor, I lead a thriving church with my amazing wife, I'm involved in protecting our conservative values on our local school board, I'm a Turning Point USA Faith Pastor, and I was invited onto the National Faith Advisory Board, which brought me to the White House to meet with our President. My motivation comes from a love of country and service, so when I was asked to run for State House I stepped up. I've fought and won on important issues already, so I can't wait to get to the State Capitol and champion secure borders, election integrity, strong schools and school choice, parental rights, our Constitutional rights, lower taxes, our water, and lower prices for food, gas, housing, utilities, and more. I ask for your vote!



### Caroline Strecker

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

## CANDIDATES FOR APACHE ATTORNEY

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### Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR APACHE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Samceita Begay

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** Ya'ah'teeh, my name is Samceita Begay, I am a Yucca Fruit Strung in a Line and born for Coyote Pass People plan. I am honored to be a candidate for the Clerk of the Superior Court for our Beautiful Apache County.

**Statement:** I am currently part of the Navajo Housing Authority where I have the privilege of serving my Dine families with their homes. Being fluent in Navajo has helped drive my passion for serving others and our mission for helping families. My journey with the organization began 17 years ago when I first joined as a Resident Intake Officer. Over the years, I have been actively involved in community events which have deepened my understanding and commitment to our community. If elected, my primary goals are to educate the role of the Clerk of the Superior Court as well as introducing new services across the county. I believe that by focusing on education, we can achieve significant progress for years to come. My knowledge around policy will help me guide our constituents with any court proceedings and/or services. Thank you for considering my candidacy. I am excited about the opportunity to serve as your Apache County Clerk of the Superior Court and to work together towards a prosperous future, together. I look forward to the possibility of contributing my skills and passion to our shared success. Thank you for your time and consideration. Ahe'hee



### Wendy Shepherd

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

## CANDIDATES FOR COCHISE RECORDER

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### Billy Cloud

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Billy A. Cloud is a seasoned public servant with decades of experience in law enforcement, government administration, and executive leadership. He has served in roles including Chief Deputy Clerk for the Cochise County Superior Court, Sergeant at Arms for the Arizona House of Representatives, and Chief of Police in multiple jurisdictions, a Statewide District Program Manager with the Arizona Department of Economic Security. Currently he is

serving as the Cochise County Recorder. He has led complex investigations and large teams. A U.S. Army veteran and former business owner, Cloud brings strong knowledge of public records, budgeting, and policy, along with a commitment to integrity, transparency, and efficient service to the citizens of Cochise County.

**Statement:** Billy A. Cloud possesses the experience, leadership, and technical knowledge necessary to effectively continue the work of the Cochise County Recorder's Office. His background includes senior management roles in the Cochise County Superior Court, the Arizona House of Representatives, and the Arizona Department of Economic Security, where he has overseen large-scale operations, supervised staff, and ensured compliance with complex legal and regulatory frameworks. Cloud has extensive experience managing records, including leading a multi-year court records archiving project in coordination with the State Library and Archives. His career demonstrates a consistent ability to implement process improvements, maintain accurate documentation, and ensure transparency and accountability—core functions of the Recorder's Office. He is well-versed in Arizona statutes and understands the legal requirements surrounding public records, voter registration, and document recording. In addition, Cloud has managed multimillion-dollar budgets, developed policy, and worked closely with elected officials, stakeholders, and the public. His leadership style emphasizes organization, accuracy, and responsiveness. With a strong commitment to public trust, operational efficiency, and modernizing systems where appropriate, Cloud is prepared to ensure the Recorder's Office continues to serve Cochise County with professionalism and integrity.

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## CANDIDATES FOR COCHISE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Amy Hunley

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** The Clerk of the Superior Court serves as the Court's official record keeper, chief financial officer, and Jury Commissioner. With more than 30 years of experience in the justice system, I bring extensive knowledge and leadership to this role. My career includes work in private law firms, the Attorney General's Office, and 18 years managing the Cochise County Indigent Defense Coordinator's Office. I have served as the elected Clerk of the Superior Court

in Cochise County since 2019. I am a Certified Public Manager and Arizona Court Manager, with a strong commitment to accuracy, accountability, and public service.

**Statement:** During my two terms as Clerk, I have focused on strengthening my office through improved efficiency, accountability, and customer service. I have prioritized staff retention and development by increasing salaries, expanding training opportunities, and implementing clear, consistent procedures. These efforts have created a more stable, knowledgeable workforce that delivers reliable and timely service. I have also advanced the office's use of technology to improve accuracy, streamline operations, and increase access to court services. There is important work still ahead. I remain committed to continuing this progress, strengthening partnerships within the justice system, and serving Cochise County with professionalism, integrity, and proven leadership.

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## CANDIDATES FOR COCONINO CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### **Bradley Crossland**

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR GILA RECORDER



### Wendy Mannigel-Smith

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** The proud daughter of a Veteran with more than 30 years of experience in Real Estate and Mortgages, I have a broad knowledge of the paperwork that the Recorder's Office works with daily. Appointed unanimously by the Board of Supervisors as Recorder in 2025 I have enjoyed bringing my years of management experience as well as a fresh perspective to the Recorder's Office while maintaining the integrity and ethics expected in Gila County. Being

entrusted with the responsibility of maintaining the voter records and participating in the electoral process is a blessing I am grateful to be a part of.

**Statement:** I appreciate the confidence the Gila County Board of Supervisors placed in me when they unanimously appointed me as Gila County Recorder in 2025. I am now running to be elected to the office of Gila County Recorder to continue the work that I have been doing and continue building and educating our team to serve Gila County along with the modernization of the Recorder's Office. Voting is a treasured fundamental right for American citizens. I will do everything in my authority to ensure secure, transparent, legal and fair election processes while maintaining accurate voter registration records. I have called on our communities to assist in communicating accurate information, to help educate with factual verified data to increase Gila County's participation and faith in the electoral process. Increased transparency and public engagement in the electoral process enhances confidence in the integrity of the system. Regardless of political party affiliation I am approachable, available, and welcome opportunities to engage in our communities. I believe that increased accessibility allows me to address voter concerns effectively and build trust to dispel misconceptions of the processes. Please cast your vote for Wendy Mannigel-Smith as Gila County Recorder, serving our community is truly my privilege.

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## CANDIDATES FOR GILA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Anita Escobedo

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Anita Escobedo is a native Arizonan, born in Miami, Arizona, and currently serves as the Clerk of the Superior Court for Gila County. Appointed by Governor Janet Napolitano in 2005 and elected in 2006. With over 30 years in the Clerk's Office, Anita has worked in every area, rising from entry-level to Chief Deputy. A graduate of the National Center for State Courts' Institute for Court Management, served on statewide judicial committees and member of the

Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks. Deeply committed to her community, Anita is active in local fundraising and a member of OLBS Church Financial Committee.

**Statement:** With 24 years of dedicated service as Clerk of the Court, my vision is to continue building an office environment that serves our community with integrity, transparency, and excellence. I have spent my career ensuring that the Gila County Clerk of Court office operates efficiently, accurately, and with the highest level of professionalism. Moving forward, I am committed to strengthening public trust by making court services more accessible, embracing technology that improves efficiency, and maintaining clear, open communication with the public. A key priority is expanding and promoting access to justice, ensuring every member of our community can navigate the court system with clarity, fairness, and confidence. I believe the Clerk's Office should be a place where every individual is treated with respect and every case is handled with care. My experience has prepared me to lead with knowledge, stability, and a deep understanding of the evolving needs of our courts and community. I will continue to support and develop our dedicated team, improve processes, and ensure we meet the highest standards of service. Together, we can build on a strong foundation and move confidently into the future providing reliable, responsive, and trusted service to every person we serve.

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## CANDIDATES FOR GRAHAM CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Heidi Torrio

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** My name is Heidi Torrio, and I am the Clerk of Superior Court and Jury Commissioner in Graham County. I have served in this position for six years. I have over 25 years of experience in the Graham County Judicial System and am certified as an Arizona Court Manager. I have served as the Secretary for the Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks from 2021-2025. I currently serve on several statewide committees and workgroups, including

Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks Treasurer, Arizona Association of Counties - County Representative, Committee on Judicial Education Clerk Representative and Time Standards Accuracy Workgroup.

**Statement:** The Clerk of the Superior Court serves as the Court's official record keeper. The mission of the Graham County Clerk's Office is to provide fair, impartial and efficient customer service to the public without giving improper and/or legal advice. We are the point of contact into the judicial system for the public to access the court process. While serving as the Clerk for Graham County, I have focused on cross training my staff to give them the skills they need to ensure our office runs smoothly while providing excellent customer service. Our staff is committed to efficiency, accuracy and accountability while maintaining court records. New technology has been implemented to improve our operating systems to provide the public with better access to the courts. As I continue serving Graham County in the role of Clerk, I envision an office dedicated to providing access to our justice system. I will continue to build trust and confidence in the courts through the continued guidance and training of court staff to meet the needs of the public. I appreciate your support and vote in the upcoming elections. Thank you!

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## CANDIDATES FOR GREENLEE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### **Madeline Montoya**

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR LA PAZ ASSESSOR



### Kari Ann Noeltner

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Kari Ann Noeltner currently serves as La Paz County Assessor and brings a strong commitment to community service alongside her professional responsibilities. She is actively involved in efforts that support youth, veterans, and public safety across the county. Through her work at the local shooting range, she helps organize and host events and tournaments that raise funds and awareness for programs providing transportation for veterans, developing youth opportunities, and supporting local law enforcement. Kari Ann believes strong communities are built through involvement, service, and showing up where it matters.

**Statement:** Her volunteer efforts reflect a dedication to creating opportunities for youth, honoring those who have served, and strengthening connections within the community. With deep local ties and a practical, hands-on approach, she remains committed to serving both inside and outside of her role in county government. I am running for La Paz County Assessor to continue providing stable, experienced leadership following my appointment to fill the vacancy created by the early retirement of our previous Assessor. I previously served as Chief Deputy Assessor and stepped into this role to ensure continuity while the community prepares to elect its next Assessor in 2026. This election provides voters the opportunity to choose who will lead the office moving forward. The Assessor's Office plays a critical role in ensuring fair and accurate property valuations. I am committed to carrying out that responsibility with consistency, transparency, and accountability. My experience in the office has given me a strong understanding of both the technical work and the importance of public trust. I have been directly involved in maintaining operations, supporting staff, and continuing improvements that strengthen service to our community. I will continue to focus on fairness, clear communication, and responsible stewardship of this office.

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## CANDIDATES FOR LA PAZ COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT



### Lonnie Lewis

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.lonnielewis.com](http://www.lonnielewis.com)

**Biography:** I'm Lonnie Lewis, the current appointed incumbent for the La Paz County School Superintendent's Office, serving with one clear purpose: to work tirelessly and deliver results for the students, educators, and communities of La Paz County. I am a combat Veteran of Foreign Wars with more than twelve years of honorable military service in the United States Navy, where I served as a Combat Medic. I bring proven leadership, accountability, discipline, and a mission-

first mindset to public service. I am father, husband, educator, coach, and mentor, deeply involved in community youth programs and incentives that strengthen our schools and invest in the future of our county for this generation and the next to come.

**Statement:** Every student in our county deserves opportunity, advocacy, and a voice. As part of the La Paz County Superintendent's Office, I am committed to showing up, listening to every district, and working tirelessly to expand educational opportunities for all youth. Together, we will build stronger schools, stronger districts, and a stronger future for our communities. I envision a united La Paz County where every district is connected, supported, and empowered. By bringing together resources, building strong partnerships, and creating a dependable network of support, the La Paz County Superintendent's Office will help every school create the best possible learning environment for its students.

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## CANDIDATES FOR LA PAZ CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### **Hollie Lucas**

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR MARICOPA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Jeff Dial

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [jeffdial.org](http://jeffdial.org)

**Biography:** Jeff Dial is a former Arizona State Senator and State Representative with a background in business, real estate, and public service. He has experience managing operations, budgets, and regulatory compliance in both the public and private sectors. As Executive Vice President of Dial Chemical, Inc., he has overseen contract management, financial reporting, and organizational administration. Dial has also worked in real estate

development and brokerage, handling transactions, record-keeping, and permitting processes. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Arizona State University and has focused his career on improving transparency, accountability, and efficient service in government and business operations.

**Statement:** I am running for Clerk of the Superior Court to ensure the office operates with accuracy, transparency, and efficiency for every resident of Maricopa County. The Clerk's Office plays a critical role in maintaining court records, managing filings, and ensuring the accurate management of court records and filings. This position is not about politics—it is about professionalism, accountability, and delivering reliable public service. My background in the Arizona Legislature, business management, and real estate has given me hands-on experience with record-keeping, compliance, budgeting, and process improvement. I understand how important it is for systems to work correctly, documents to be handled accurately, and the public to receive timely and dependable service. If elected, I will focus on modernizing systems where appropriate, improving public access to records, maintaining strict compliance with legal requirements, and ensuring the office operates efficiently and responsibly. Maricopa County deserves a Clerk's Office that is dependable, transparent, and focused on serving the public with integrity.



### Sebastian Seb Maximiliano Matta

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [seb4office.org/info](http://seb4office.org/info)

**Biography:** The youngest person to secure a partisan nomination in Arizona history, Sebastian "Seb" Maximiliano Matta, is running for Maricopa County Clerk of the Superior Court in the 2026 election cycle as the only Democratic candidate. Seb has a deep passion for the law and the court system, which shapes his vision for the office. As an Argentine-American, he understands the challenges that ordinary people, especially immigrants, can face when navigating the

courts. Seb is running to make the Clerk's Office more accessible and easier to use, with a focus on language access, public understanding, and modernization.

**Statement:** Seb is running for Maricopa County Clerk of the Superior Court with three main priorities. First, he wants to make the Clerk's website available in more languages than just English. Many counties already provide multilingual websites so residents can access court records and services regardless of which language they speak. In Maricopa County, where 26% of residents speak a language other than English at home, there is no reason the Clerk's website should remain English-only. Second, Seb wants to modernize the Clerk's Office by expanding online systems. For example, probate matters involving wills and estates often still require in-person filing. This creates unnecessary costs and delays for families and legal professionals. Seb believes expanding online filing options would save time, reduce expenses, and make the court system more efficient and accessible. Finally, Seb wants to raise public awareness about what the Clerk's Office does and why it matters. He hopes to visit schools and community meetings to explain the office's role in the justice system and encourage greater civic understanding. He especially wants to inspire young people to become engaged in public service, law, and government. Seb is running to make the Clerk's Office more accessible, modern, and understandable.

## CANDIDATES FOR MOHAVE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Christina Spurlock

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Christina Spurlock, Clerk of the Mohave Superior Court, is a dedicated professional with over 18 years of experience with the Clerk's office, including over a decade in a leadership role. An Arizona Supreme Court Supervisor program graduate, she has contributed to a variety of statewide court commissions, workgroups, and committees, in addition to actively participating in several community-based groups and boards. A native of Mohave County, born

in Kingman, a proud mother of six, and grandmother of three, Christina is proud and truly blessed to give back to the community that raised her.

**Statement:** My name is Christina Spurlock. I currently serve as and am running for the Clerk of the Superior Court in Mohave County, where I am responsible for supporting the judicial system and providing essential services to the public. As outlined in the Arizona Constitution and state law, my office maintains court records, manages case filings, coordinates jury services, and processes court-related financial transactions. In addition to these duties, I also serve as the Probate Registrar and Jury Commissioner, and I participate in both local and statewide judicial initiatives. I began my service with the Clerk's Office in 2007, was appointed by Governor Doug Ducey on August 24, 2021, to serve as the Clerk of the Mohave County Superior Court and was elected to my first full term beginning in January 2023. The responsibilities of this office require a detailed understanding of court operations, statutory processes, and the needs of the public. Having extensive experience and professional qualifications helps ensure the accuracy, integrity, and continuity of the services the Clerk's Office provides. I possess that experience and am passionate about serving my community. I appreciate your vote in the upcoming election.

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## CANDIDATES FOR NAVAJO CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### Michael Sample

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR PIMA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIST. 5



### Andrés Cano

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.andresforsupervisor.com/](http://www.andresforsupervisor.com/)

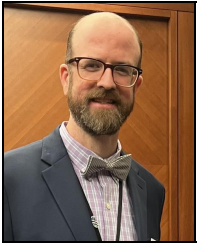
**Biography:** Andrés Cano is the Pima County Supervisor for District 5. A lifelong Tucsonan and first-generation college graduate, Supervisor Cano has built a record of delivering results across local and state government. As Minority Leader in the Arizona House of Representatives, he successfully negotiated a bipartisan \$18 billion state budget—securing historic investments in affordable housing, health care, and water security. Now, Supervisor Cano is focused on tackling

poverty in Pima County, creating high-paying jobs, expanding pre-school access, and protecting our neighborhoods and Sonoran Desert. Supervisor Cano received his Master of Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School in 2024.

**Statement:** I'm Democrat Andrés Cano. I'm running for Pima County Supervisor because I believe county government should improve people's lives in real and lasting ways. As your Supervisor, I have focused on protecting our neighborhoods, expanding opportunity, and delivering results for working families across District 5. I have worked to advance affordable housing, support early childhood education, protect open space, and strengthen our commitment to public safety and public health. I voted no on Project Blue because I believe we must stand up for our desert, protect our water, and reject development that puts our communities at risk. I have also supported investments in workforce pay, neighborhood infrastructure, and environmental protection. My approach to public service is rooted in the values I learned growing up: work hard, stay grounded, and never forget who you are fighting for. As the product of a single mother and a first-generation college graduate, I know how much leadership and compassion matters when families are trying to get ahead. I'm running to keep building a Pima County that is affordable, safe, and more responsive to the people it serves — from Midtown and Downtown to the West Side, the Southside, and the Pascua Yaqui Nation. Learn more: [AndresforSupervisor.com](http://AndresforSupervisor.com)

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## CANDIDATES FOR PIMA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### James Giacomino

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**

**Biography:** Born and raised in Bisbee, Arizona, James is a proud Bisbee High School graduate who began his public service career in 2007 as an entry-level employee with the Cochise County Clerk of Superior Court. After completing paralegal school at the University of Arizona, he moved to Tucson in 2011 to join the Pima County Clerk’s Office. He advanced from Courtroom Clerk to Supervisor, Division Director, and Associate Clerk of Court in 2022, before his gubernatorial appointment in 2025. With nearly 20 years of experience, James now leads over 180 employees across three locations, managing a \$13 million budget.

gubernatorial appointment in 2025. With nearly 20 years of experience, James now leads over 180 employees across three locations, managing a \$13 million budget.

**Statement:** I’m honored to serve as your Clerk of the Superior Court in Pima County and am proud to be running to continue that service. As a lifelong Arizonan and public servant, I have spent over 15 years working within the Clerk’s office, starting in an entry-level position and rising through the ranks to lead this vital institution. Since my appointment, I have focused on strengthening transparency, improving access to court services, and ensuring our office operates efficiently for the public, attorneys, and judiciary. The Clerk’s office plays a critical role in maintaining the integrity of our justice system—managing records, supporting court operations, and serving our community with professionalism and accountability. I am committed to modernizing services, expanding digital access, and supporting the dedicated staff who keep our courts running every day. My leadership emphasizes innovation, fiscal responsibility, and responsiveness to the needs of Pima County residents. I respectfully ask for your support so I can continue working to ensure our courts remain accessible, efficient, and worthy of the public’s trust.

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## CANDIDATES FOR PINAL CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### **Rebecca Padilla**

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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# CANDIDATES FOR SANTA CRUZ COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

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## Maya Donnelly

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [electmayadonnelly.com/](http://electmayadonnelly.com/)

**Biography:** Maya M. Donnelly, resident of Nogales, Arizona, has over 30 years' experience in public education. Maya has served in various roles that reflect her commitment to student achievement. Her career began as a classroom teacher advocating for equitable education for all. Her education journey shifted from the classroom to the County School Superintendent's Office as Grant Programs Director and Chief Deputy. Currently serving as County School

Superintendent, Maya leads with integrity, experience, and passion that ensures teachers and students have access to tools and resources needed to succeed. Maya is endorsed by former Superintendent Alfredo I. Velásquez and Arizona List.

**Statement:** As a candidate for Santa Cruz County School Superintendent, I understand the statutory responsibilities of the office require a qualified leader who prioritizes compliance, transparency, and clear communication. I am committed to upholding these standards while serving as a dependable and collaborative partner to our school communities. My priorities center on being a consistent and knowledgeable support system for educational communities. This means working closely with school leaders to help them achieve their fiscal and instructional goals based on their unique needs. It also means bringing together education stakeholders, community organizations, and business and industry partners to create meaningful, relevant opportunities for learners of all ages. My goals for the office include: Providing quality, reliable services as a fiscal agent for school districts, while maintaining meticulous oversight of budgets, transactions, and reporting; Strengthening support services for schools and teachers that include professional development, grant funding, and county-wide annual events; Expanding post-secondary preparedness and meaningful workforce experience for youth; Supporting student well-being through partnerships that address mental health, prevention, safety, and family engagement. If elected, I aim to foster teamwork, and thoughtful problem-solving. I will build trust through accountability and demonstrate that respect and empathy are at the core of my leadership style.



## Sonia Sanchez

**Party:** Democratic      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [www.electsoniasanchez4superint](http://www.electsoniasanchez4superint)

**Biography:** Sonia Sanchez is a dedicated educator and community leader committed to strengthening schools in Santa Cruz County. With over a decade of experience in education, youth development, and behavioral health, she brings both classroom expertise and community insight. Sonia holds a Master's degree in Psychology and serves as a Psychology teacher at Nogales High School and Adjunct Faculty at Pima Community College. She

previously served as Lead GEAR UP Success Coach, helping students plan for college and careers while supporting families and community partnerships. Bilingual and deeply rooted in the community, Sonia is focused on student success, educator support, and strong, accountable schools.

**Statement:** As an educator, counselor, and community leader, I am running for Santa Cruz County School Superintendent to ensure every student has access to high-quality education and the support they need to succeed. Our schools must be safe, inclusive, and focused on preparing students for college, careers, and life. My priorities include increasing student achievement, strengthening mental health and educational services, supporting and retaining educators, and improving student enrollment. I am committed to fiscal responsibility and transparent budget management that prioritizes classrooms, student support services, and teacher resources. I will work collaboratively with key education stakeholders—including teachers, administrators, families, and community partners—to make informed, student-centered decisions. I will also actively pursue grant opportunities and innovative funding solutions to address the unique needs of our school districts and expand programs that benefit students and families. With over a decade of experience in education and community leadership, I bring a solutions-focused, data-driven approach. If elected, I will lead with integrity, accountability, and collaboration to strengthen our schools and create opportunities for every student. Students. Families. Community.

## CANDIDATES FOR SANTA CRUZ CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### **Juan Pablo Guzman**

**Party:** Democratic

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR YAVAPAI BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIST. 2

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### Wiley Cline

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**  
**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided



### Marie Moore

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:**  
**Biography:** Marie Moore is the Mayor of Camp Verde, a small business operator, and a longtime Yavapai County resident. She has lived, worked, and raised her family in the community for over 30 years, with strong roots in agriculture. Marie serves her community with a practical, common-sense approach shaped by her experience in local government and business. She was appointed to Town Council in 2022, elected later that year, and now serving as Mayor. Marie is committed to responsible growth, protecting rural communities, and ensuring local voices are heard.

**Statement:** I have lived, worked, and raised my family in Yavapai County. I grew up here, went to school here, and never left. My husband and I have built our life here, and like many of you, we care deeply about our children's and grandchildren's future. This isn't something I originally set out to do, but through my time serving our community, I've come to see where I can continue to help. I've been grateful for the opportunity to serve on Town Council and now as Mayor, while also helping operate a local business that provides jobs and supports our community. Through that experience, I've worked through the kinds of challenges our communities face every day. I understand the importance of infrastructure, responsible growth, and the long-term impact land use decisions have on our communities. I'm not a career politician. I'm someone who believes in showing up, listening, and making thoughtful decisions. Yavapai County is growing, and we need to be intentional about how and where that growth happens while protecting the rural character and way of life that make our communities strong.

## CANDIDATES FOR YAVAPAI CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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### Charlie Van Landingham

**Party:** Republican

**Funding:** Traditional

**Website:**

**Biography:** None Provided

**Statement:** None Provided

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## CANDIDATES FOR YUMA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



### Malba Alvarez

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [yumagop.com/candidates/](http://yumagop.com/candidates/)

**Biography:** Malba Alvarez comes from a family dedicated to public service, values instilled by her parents and passed on to her children. She is a candidate for Yuma County Clerk of the Superior Court and holds a Bachelor's degree in Administration of Justice from Northern Arizona University. Malba worked for the Arizona Department of Corrections and is listed on the Arizona Court Interpreter Registry. She also served as a Career and Technical Education, law

enforcement teacher, preparing students for careers in public safety and the next generation of peace officers. Her husband is a retired police chief and current Undersheriff for La Paz County, her son served in the U.S. Army, and her daughter works in our local hospital emergency room.

**Statement:** I am running for Yuma County Clerk of the Superior Court because our community deserves a court system that operates with professionalism, efficiency, and accountability. The Clerk's Office plays a vital role in maintaining court records, supporting the judiciary, and ensuring the public can access important services. As our county continues to grow, it is essential that this office keeps pace by improving processes, strengthening communication, and maintaining the highest standards of integrity. My background in Administration of Justice, public service, and education has prepared me to understand the importance of strong institutions that serve people effectively. Having worked with the Arizona Department of Corrections and as a law enforcement educator, I have seen firsthand how professionalism, organization, and leadership contribute to public trust. If elected, I will focus on strengthening efficiency, improving access to information, and supporting the dedicated staff who serve our courts every day. Government should work for the people—clearly, responsibly, and efficiently. If elected, I would also have the honor of becoming the first Hispanic Clerk of the Superior Court in Yuma County history, reflecting the strength and diversity of our community.



### Bobbie Jo Daily

**Party:** Republican      **Funding:** Traditional      **Website:** [linktr.ee/bdailyclerkofcourt?utm\\_](http://linktr.ee/bdailyclerkofcourt?utm_)

**Biography:** I am a lifelong resident of Yuma, raised in a hardworking agriculture community. A dedicated public servant with over 15 years of experience in the Yuma County Clerk of Superior Courts office. I am committed to serving my community with integrity and compassion. I am a proud wife and mother, a strong advocate for Special Olympics, and a loyal friend. Rooted in faith, family, and service, I am running to be the next Clerk of Superior Court to continue

supporting the people of Yuma County.

**Statement:** I am proud to be a candidate for Clerk of Superior Court in Yuma County, Arizona, bringing 15 years of dedicated service and proven leadership within the Clerk's Office. I began my career in 2011 as a financial clerk, learning the foundation of the office from the ground up. Through hard work, commitment, and a deep respect for public service, I advanced through the ranks to my current role as the Chief Deputy. Today, I am responsible for the day to day operations of the Clerk's Office, overseeing a staff of 49 and preparing and monitoring the office's budget. I have made it a priority to understand every desk, duty, and responsibility, allowing me to support staff, strengthen teamwork, and lead with integrity. I served on the Yuma County Budget Review Team and contributed to projects that modernize and improve efficiency. I am experienced, loyal, and committed to progress. I am ready to take the next step to lead, support the amazing staff, and continue serving Yuma County with transparency, innovation, and dedication. With a career built from the ground up, it would be a seamless transition for me to assume the role of the Clerk of Superior Court.

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