

GENERAL ELECTION

2026 VOTER EDUCATION GUIDE

November 3, 2026

Statewide & Legislative Candidate Statement Pamphlet

Citizens Clean Elections Commission

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DISTRICT INFORMATION

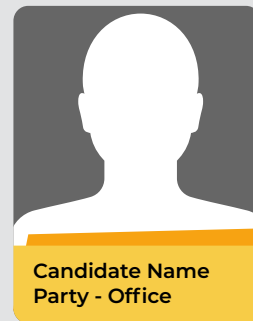
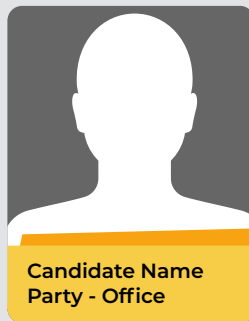
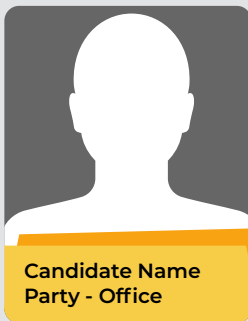
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MY CANDIDATES

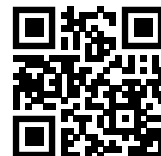


WHERE TO VOTE

Early

On Election Day

SCAN TO OPEN THE VOTER DASHBOARD
or visit azcleanelections.gov/voter-dashboard





LETTER FROM **THE ARIZONA CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**



Dear Arizona Voter,

Your vote is your voice, and on **November 3, 2026**, Arizona's future is in your hands.

As a voter, you are flooded with campaign ads, opinions, and oftentimes, conflicting information. Finding trusted, official facts can be exhausting. That is why the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission, the state's independent, nonpartisan voter education agency, created this guide. Our only mission is to ensure you have clear, unbiased information before you fill out your ballot. **Our goal is to educate, not to influence.**

This general election carries exceptional weight for our state. Arizonans will choose leaders for crucial local and state executive offices that directly impact our schools, roads, public safety, and pockets. Notably, **this election marks a historic first for Arizona:** for the very first time, voters will elect a Lieutenant Governor to serve alongside our Governor on a joint ticket.

While midterm elections historically see lower turnout than presidential years, the leaders chosen this November will make decisions that shape your day-to-day life. True civic power belongs to those who participate.

Please use this guide to review the candidates, understand the offices, and plan your vote. Your community is counting on your perspective. Let's make sure Arizona's voice is heard.

Respectfully yours,

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

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 by the districts assigned to your residence. **It may be possible for your household to receive multiple guides** for different districts if there is a voter registered at a different residential address that uses the same mailing address as you.

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:

- Voter Registration
- Ways to Vote: How to get and return your ballot
- What ID you need at the polls
- Contact information



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 General Election.**

WHAT IS CLEAN ELECTIONS?

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

1

Voter Education

We provide voters with non-partisan election information, tools and resources so they can vote informed.

2

Clean Campaign Funding

We provide campaign funding to candidates who run for state offices in Arizona who agree not to accept special interest money.

3

Enforcement

We conduct audits of candidates' campaign finance reports and investigate complaints to ensure funding is used appropriately.

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.

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 GENERAL ELECTION

WHAT IS THE GENERAL ELECTION?

The November 3 General Election determines which candidates will be elected to public office and the outcome of measures appearing on the ballot.

WHO CAN VOTE IN A GENERAL ELECTION?



All Arizona voters registered by the October 5 deadline can vote in the November 3 General Election.

WHY IS VOTING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION IMPORTANT?

While presidential elections often get the most media spotlight and higher participation, general midterm elections have an immediate and profound impact on our day-to-day lives. Midterms are where we select the local and state leaders, including the Governor, state lawmakers, and local officials, who directly control the policies governing our public schools, neighborhood safety, small business regulations, and state taxes. Furthermore, these elections feature critical ballot measures where citizens vote directly on state laws and constitutional updates. Voting in the November 3 General Election ensures that the leaders shaping your immediate environment truly reflect your values.

IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

November

3

GENERAL
ELECTION DAY

October

5

VOTER REGISTRATION
DEADLINE

October

7

EARLY VOTING
BEGINS

October

23

LAST DAY TO
REQUEST A BALLOT
BY MAIL

at 5 pm.

October

27

MAIL BACK EARLY
BALLOT

October

30

LAST DAY TO VOTE
EARLY IN-PERSON

at 7 pm.

October

30

EMERGENCY EARLY
VOTING

*at 7 p.m. through
Monday, Nov 2 at 5 pm.*

Polls open from 6 am to 7 pm.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Voters must be registered by **Monday, October 5, 2026**, to vote in the General Election. Not sure if you're already registered? Check online at azcleanelections.gov/am-i-registered-to-vote.

WAYS TO REGISTER

Online

Visit azmvdnow.gov/guest/customeranonymous/voterregistration.

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.

Paper Form

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: azcleanelections.gov/register-to-vote.

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?

VOTE EARLY BY MAIL

Ballots will be mailed beginning October 7 to voters who:

- Are on the Active Early Voting List (AEVL)
- Have requested a one-time early ballot

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT:

Voters can mail their voted ballots back (mail by October 27) or drop them off at:

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

NEW:

If you drop off your ballot in person, you have the following options:

- **Option A** (Fastest drop-off): Drop your signed ballot into the secure bin. Your signature and identity will be verified by the county before your ballot is counted.
- **Option B** (Fastest processing): Show a valid ID to a poll worker to verify your identity on the spot. This skips the signature verification step and speeds up how quickly your ballot is processed.



Voted ballots must be received no later than 7:00 p.m. on November 3, 2026 (Election Day).

HOW DO I VOTE?

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 October 7.
- Voters must bring their ID.

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 to find your voting location.
- Voters must bring their ID.

HOW DO I KNOW VOTING BY MAIL IS SECURE?



Voting by mail has been available in Arizona for almost three decades. **Approximately 80% of voters choose this method.** The infrastructure and security measures are well in place to ensure ballots are safe and secure.

The first step begins with voter registration. At the time of registering, voters must prove their identity and citizenship. A mail ballot will only be sent to someone who is a registered voter, who has specifically requested a mail ballot, and to the address on file.

Every ballot that is returned to the county must have the voter's ID verified before the ballot can be tabulated. ID verification occurs either through signature verification, a process in which trained elections workers review the signature on the early ballot and compare it to the signature on file, or through ID presented by the voter when dropping off their ballot at the polls.

Voters can track their ballot status to receive alerts, including when the ballot is mailed and counted, at trackmyballot.azsos.gov/voter.

VOTER ASSISTANCE

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
2. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA): Used to register to vote, request an early ballot or update your voter information fvap.gov/arizona
3. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB): Used as an emergency back-up ballot and to register to vote. <https://fvap.gov/arizona>

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.

ALTERNATIVE FORMATS & LANGUAGE

Voters can contact Clean Elections to request a large-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.

WHAT ID SHOULD I BRING TO THE POLLS?

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

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"

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@azcleelections.gov

County	Recorder (voter registration and early ballots)	Elections (voting locations and election information)
Apache	Phone: 928-337-7516 TTY: 800-361-4402 voterreg@apachecountyz.gov	Phone: 928-337-7604 TTY: 800-361-4402
Cochise	Phone: 520-432-8358 TTY: 711 vreg@cochise.az.gov	Phone: 520-432-8970 TTY: 520-432-8360 elections@cochise.az.gov
Coconino	Phone: 928-679-7860 TTY: 711 voterservices@coconino.az.gov	Phone: 928-679-7896 TTY: 711 elections@coconino.az.gov
Gila	Phone: 928-402-8619 TTY: 711 voterreg@gilacountyz.gov	Phone: 928-402-8709 TTY: 711

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

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

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

WHICH CANDIDATES ARE IN THE GUIDE?

- Every statewide, legislative, and countywide or Board of Supervisor 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/arizona-elections/find-mycandidates

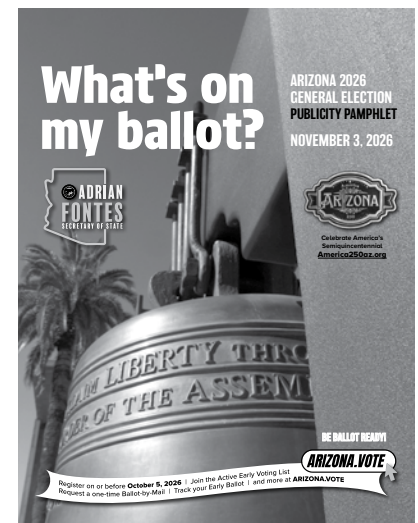
WHAT INFORMATION IS LISTED ABOUT THE CANDIDATES?

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.**

WHERE DO I FIND INFORMATION ON THE BALLOT MEASURES AND JUSTICES AND JUDGES?

In addition to receiving this Voter Education Guide sent by Clean Elections, voters will also receive a publicity pamphlet sent by the Secretary of State's Office. The publicity pamphlet contains information on the statewide ballot measures and justices and judges up for retention.



DEFINITION OF OFFICES TO BE ELECTED

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.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (VOTE JOINTLY WITH GOVERNOR): 4 YEAR TERM

The **first time voters will be choosing an Arizona Lieutenant Governor will be in 2026**. Voters will elect the Governor and Lieutenant Governor on a joint ticket. This new position was created as a result of Proposition 131, which was passed by the people with 55% of Arizona voters supporting the measure in 2022. The Lieutenant Governor will replace the Secretary of State as the successor to the Governor in the case the Governor dies, resigns, is removed from office or is permanently unable to carry out the duties of the Governor and serves until a successor is elected. Historically the Secretary of State has been the second in the chain of command since Arizona statehood in 1912. The Governor can also appoint their lieutenant to lead the Department of Administration, to serve as their official chief of staff, or to another position under the Governor's purview.

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

The Arizona Secretary of State acts as the Chief Election Officer. The Secretary is responsible for the Elections Procedures Manual, maintaining the statewide voter registration system, and equipment certification. The Secretary also oversees business filings and the Address Confidentiality Program.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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

**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..

**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.

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 and local offices, please visit azcleaselections.gov/civics.

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 that everyday Arizonans face. 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 put politics aside and focused on tackling the tough challenges facing Arizona. As Washington, D.C. policies raise costs on everything from healthcare to groceries to gas, Katie is fighting to make life more affordable for Arizona families. She passed middle-class tax cuts that save 88% of Arizonans money, give seniors an additional \$6,000 deduction, and eliminate taxes on tips and overtime pay. She repealed the tax on rent, helped first-time homebuyers afford down payments, and cut red tape to make housing more affordable. While Washington politicians have slashed healthcare, Katie eliminated medical debt for nearly 700,000 Arizonans and lowered prescription drug costs by up to 80%. She stood up to her own party and the federal government to secure Arizona's water and canceled leases allowing a Saudi-owned corporation to pump Arizona's groundwater unchecked. She's worked with law enforcement to seize over 18 million fentanyl pills, fight human trafficking, and combat cartels throughout Arizona. Katie knows there's more work to do, and she'll keep standing up to Washington and her own party to put Arizona first and fight to lower costs, keep communities safe, and create opportunity for every Arizonan.

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR



Teri Ann Hourihan

Party: No Labels

Funding: Traditional

Website: teriann4azgov.org

Biography: Teri Ann earned her Ph.D. in 2018 and is a licensed trauma therapist, Arizona native, mother, and woman of faith dedicated to improving the quality of life for every Arizonan. She entered the governor's race after witnessing firsthand the healthcare challenges affecting providers and patients across Arizona. As she advocated for healthcare reform, she recognized similar struggles in affordability, education, public safety, and government accountability. Teri

Ann is committed to delivering practical solutions, restoring trust in government, and ensuring every Arizona community has a voice in building a stronger future.

Statement: Teri Ann chose to run as an Independent/No Labels candidate because she believes political division has prevented meaningful solutions and left too many Arizonans behind. She is committed to putting people before politics and leading with honesty, integrity, accountability, and common sense—not party agendas, special interests, or wealthy donors. Teri Ann has pledged never to accept PAC or AIPAC donations because she believes elected officials should be accountable to the people they serve. As Governor, she will restore public trust by reforming state government, increasing transparency, and ensuring agencies operate efficiently and responsibly. Her priorities include lowering the cost of living, protecting the rights of all people, expanding affordable childcare, protecting school choice while increasing accountability for education spending, securing Arizona's water future, reducing homelessness through shelter and support services, strengthening the family court system, supporting rural communities, improving legal immigration processes, and eliminating fraud, waste, and abuse in government. Above all, Teri Ann believes leadership begins with listening. She is committed to being accessible, accountable, and responsive to every Arizonan while delivering practical, bipartisan solutions that unite communities, restore trust in government, and improve the quality of life for families across Arizona.



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: Risa Lombardo is running for Governor because she knows families are struggling, and Katie Hobbs and the Republicans are too busy squabbling to fix things. As Governor, Lombardo will transform our broken two-party system into a state government that serves the people, not greed or corporate interests. She will protect our fragile democracy from those who overstep their legal authority and from those who attack it to further their political ambitions. She will stop the Data Centers that Republican and Democrats are allowing to happen without proper consideration of the costs, water and energy demands involved. She will end the use of Flock Cameras to track Arizona residents' every movement across the state as we merely drive through our communities. She will stop discrimination by race, class, gender, sexual orientation, age, nationality, or religion. She will combat Climate Change, protect our environment, and ensure policies that create clean air and clean water for Arizona residents. And she will reduce the costs of utilities for working families. Hobbs and the Republicans are too busy fighting to find common ground. Shatter this two-party system and change Arizona politics forever! Risa Lombardo would be honored to have your vote.

CANDIDATES FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR



Lisa Castillo (Lombardo)

Party: Green

Funding: Traditional

Website: lisa4arizona.com

Biography: Lisa Castillo is a concerned mother, devoted wife, small-business owner, and community-minded Arizonan who believes government should serve with compassion, honesty, and common sense. Born in Redlands, California, she has called Arizona home since 2010. As the Green Party candidate for Lieutenant Governor alongside Risa Lombardo, Lisa supports environmental responsibility, social justice, grassroots democracy, peace, and respect for diversity. Her priorities include affordable housing, accessible healthcare and education, practical solutions to homelessness, and stronger mental-health services. Guided by compassion and responsible public service, Lisa will listen, learn, and work with Arizonans to build a fairer, healthier, and more sustainable future.

Statement: I am running for Lieutenant Governor alongside Risa Lombardo because Arizona families deserve leadership grounded in compassion, honesty, and common sense. Too many people struggle to afford housing, healthcare, education, food, and other necessities while feeling that government no longer listens to them. I will advocate for practical, humane solutions to homelessness that provide immediate assistance while addressing the causes of housing instability. I will support stronger mental-health services, including accessible treatment, crisis intervention, community programs, and stable housing. These investments can save lives, strengthen families, and make our communities safer. As a small-business owner, wife, mother, and Arizona resident since 2010, I understand the pressures families face and the importance of responsible decisions. I support the Green Party values of environmental responsibility, social justice, grassroots democracy, peace, and respect for diversity. Public service begins with listening. I will work with Arizonans from every background, treat people with dignity, and seek solutions that improve everyday life. I will put people, community well-being, and Arizona's long-term future ahead of political games. Together, we can build an Arizona where opportunity is shared, communities are healthy, government is accountable, and every person has a fair chance to create a secure and hopeful future.



John Giles (Hobbs)

Party: Independent

Funding: Traditional

Website: katiehobbs.org

Biography: The son of an elementary school principal and a teacher, John Giles was born and raised in Mesa, Arizona. He and his wife met at Brigham Young University, have been married for 43 years, and have five children and ten grandchildren. A former Republican and now Independent, John served as mayor of Mesa for 10 years, during which he revitalized downtown, strengthened public education, and brought businesses and jobs to the city. John believes in putting people ahead of partisan politics, and as lieutenant governor, he'll work alongside Katie Hobbs to find common ground and deliver real results for Arizonans.

Statement: John Giles, a former Republican and now Independent, is running alongside Katie Hobbs to continue delivering real results by setting partisan politics aside and putting Arizona first. They believe our challenges are not Democrat or Republican issues – they're Arizona issues that deserve Arizona solutions. Together, they will fight to bring down costs that keep rising because of Washington's reckless policies. As governor, Katie has cut taxes each year for middle-class families, small businesses, and veterans. She repealed the tax on rent and cut red tape to make housing more affordable. While Washington politicians have raised healthcare costs and slashed coverage, Katie eliminated medical debt for nearly 700,000 Arizonans and lowered prescription drug costs by up to 80%. She stood up to her own party and the federal government to secure Arizona's water and canceled leases allowing a Saudi-owned corporation to pump Arizona's groundwater unchecked. She's worked with law enforcement to seize over 18 million fentanyl pills, fight human trafficking, and combat cartels throughout Arizona. John and Katie share the same approach to leadership: put Arizona first, find common ground, and deliver results. Together, they'll lower costs, protect our freedoms, keep communities safe, and create opportunity for every Arizonan.

CANDIDATES FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR



Angela Harrolle Mohan (Hourihan)

Party: Independent **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** teriann4azgov.org

Biography: Angela Harrolle Mohan is an Arizona leader and Arizona State University graduate with more than two decades of executive leadership and public service experience. A former federal Special Agent, nonprofit executive, and small business owner, she successfully championed bipartisan legislation enacted into law to strengthen benefits for Arizona's first responders and their families. She has also served as an Honorary Commander at Luke Air

Force Base, reflecting her commitment to Arizona's military community. Known for her integrity, strategic leadership, and ability to unite diverse stakeholders, Angela is committed to strengthening Arizona's future through principled leadership, collaboration, and service.

Statement: Political: Angela is not a career politician but a citizen inspired to serve after witnessing the challenges facing everyday Arizonans. She believes government works best when leaders focus on practical solutions rather than partisan politics. She successfully championed bipartisan legislation signed into law.. A registered Independent, Angela has previously been registered as both a Democrat and Republican to participate in their primary elections, reflecting her belief that leadership should be driven by people, solutions, and results—not party labels. She believes protecting public safety is a commitment owed to every Arizonan. Personal: Angela is happily remarried and enjoys spending time with her family, including her six children and newest grandchild. Through years of international travel and government missions, she worked with diverse communities, including Spanish-speaking populations, strengthening her ability to connect across cultures. In 2008, her late husband was killed during a mountain rescue in Sedona while saving the lives of two others. His sacrifice continues to inspire her lifelong commitment to public service.



Sine Kerr (Biggs)

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

Biography: Sine Kerr moved to Buckeye with her family when she was three years old. She graduated from Buckeye Union High School and has been married to her high school sweetheart, Bill, for 46 years. They have four children and twelve grandchildren. Sine and Bill built their family-owned dairy farm over four decades and now operate a small cow-calf operation and grow forage crops. From 2018-2025, Kerr served as the Arizona State Senator for

LD 13 and 25. Her districts stretched out to Yuma County. Kerr was appointed to serve as state director of the USDA Farm Service Agency in 2025.

Statement: Arizona is a great state, one where my husband Bill and I raised our family and built a business. But under Katie Hobbs, the Arizona we know has come under attack. She's raised costs, made life more difficult; and threatened the livelihood of rural Arizonans. As the Lt. Governor for Andy Biggs, I'll make sure every Arizonan has a voice no matter where they live and how they make a living. The Biggs/Kerr ticket will put more money in your pocket, keep our state safe, and Restore the American Dream in Arizona.

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. 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: Duwayne Collier is the Green Party nominee for Secretary of State. For too long our elections have been regulated by the two party system for their own gain. As the Secretary of State for Arizona, Duwayne Collier will work to end the two party monopoly by pushing for ranked-choice voting, open debates, easier ballot access, public financing, election transparency, and voter access. Democracy should not belong to the highest bidder, or billionaires' ruling influence. Democracy belongs to the voters. As a representative of the people, Collier will fight to ensure that every vote is counted, results are fast and accurate, and that your vote is heard! Collier will work for a system that encourages strong third parties and ends special interests and corporate influence over elections. Duwayne Collier would be honored to have your vote to reform Arizona and represent you, the people!



Adrian Fontes

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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.

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

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 former junior high civics teacher. 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.

CANDIDATES FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL



Kris Mayes

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.krismayes.com

Biography: Kris Mayes is a mom and Arizonan who grew up in Prescott. Raised by a public-school teacher and a neighborhood pharmacist, she began her career as a journalist focused on accountability. She served in the Napolitano administration and was elected to the Arizona Corporation Commission where she created thousands of good-paying jobs and helped save consumers billions. After winning by only 280 votes, Kris Mayes returned the Attorney General's

office to its core mission: protecting Arizona families from the cartels, fraudsters, and scammers; standing up to greedy corporate interests when they break the law; and defending our personal freedoms.

Statement: I have fought like hell for Arizonans protecting seniors from scams and abuse, stopping the flow of deadly fentanyl, lowering prices, blocking mega-mergers, and addressing rising rent. By working with local police, sheriffs, and federal partners, I have seized 27 million pills of fentanyl and protected Arizonans from drug smugglers and scammers. To defend our groundwater, I sued a Saudi-owned mega farm for excessive groundwater pumping harming rural neighbors and ranchers. I blocked the Albertson and Kroger merger preventing job loss, higher grocery prices, and exacerbated food deserts. I have intervened against APS and TEP's unfair 14% rate hike and cracked down on billions in Medicaid fraud, successfully reducing fraudulent billing by 92%. My federal lawsuits have saved Arizonans \$1.5 billion in taxpayer dollars by protecting Headstart, Meals on Wheels, and Americorps. My record at the U.S Supreme Court on behalf of Arizona is 2-0, overturning illegal tariffs costing Arizonans an average \$1,500 a year. As a daughter of rural Arizona, I have held over 50 town halls across all 15 counties. It's critical to reelect me as your Attorney General, so I can keep protecting Arizona families and making life more affordable in Arizona.



Warren Petersen

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.petersenforag.com

Biography: Warren Petersen, a third-generation Gilbert resident and Gilbert High graduate, earned his bachelor's degree and J.D. from ASU. He has been the Senate President for four years, served in the Arizona Legislature since 2012, has held prior key leadership roles including House Majority Leader, Rules Chair, Judiciary Chair, and Ethics Committee member. 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 has led efforts to defend state laws, including keeping men out of women's sports and opposing unconstitutional mandates. Honored with youth service awards and multiple recognitions for protecting freedoms, Petersen is a proven leader with broad-based support from Republicans, Independents, and pro-public safety Democrats.

Statement: I will restore the Attorney General's Office to its mission: fighting crime, combatting fraud and corruption, and defending our Constitution. I am the only candidate endorsed by Arizona's largest law enforcement organizations, making my opponent the first incumbent Attorney General to be rejected by law enforcement because of her explosive temper, soft-on-crime positions, and dangerous rhetoric towards officers. With more than a decade of legal experience, including prosecution, lawmaking, and serving as Judiciary and Rules Chairman, and Senate President, I have stepped in to manage more than 130 cases and amicus briefs when Mayes refused to defend Arizona laws. As the de facto AG, I successfully took Arizona's Save Women's Sports Act to the U.S. Supreme Court to keep men out of women's sports. I have protected Arizonans from sex offenders and open borders when Mayes failed to act. Under Mayes, the office has become partisan and political, and while she blames others for rising prices, her extreme environmental votes as an Arizona Corporation Commissioner have driven up costs. Already leading a major branch of government, I have the legal experience, leadership, and judgment to be Attorney General on day one. I respectfully ask for your vote.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE TREASURER



Nick Mansour

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



Elijah Norton

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

CANDIDATES FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION



Teresa Leyba Ruiz

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.drruizforarizona.com

Biography: Dr. Teresa Leyba Ruiz, a third-generation Arizonan, has spent 35 years helping students succeed. She is a product of Arizona's public schools and earned her doctorate in education from ASU. Terry is the only teacher in the race and taught mathematics for two decades before retiring as president of Glendale Community College. She has also served on several Arizona nonprofit boards, including the Glendale Chamber of Commerce and

WESTMARC. Now, Terry is running for Superintendent of Public Instruction to ensure every Arizona student has access to the same opportunities that she did.

Statement: Dr. Ruiz is proud to be the only educator running for Superintendent and believes a teacher — not a career politician — should oversee Arizona's public schools. Her priorities include increasing transparency and accountability, protecting taxpayer dollars, stabilizing the teacher workforce, upholding high academic standards with strong support systems, and expanding career and post-secondary training opportunities. As a former community college president, Terry has managed operating budgets larger than the Arizona Department of Education with transparency and fiscal responsibility. She will bring that same leadership to the office by strengthening oversight of the ESA program, ending the automatic approval of purchases, implementing automated solutions, and creating a public transparency portal so taxpayers can see how funds are spent. After listening to educators in all 15 Arizona counties, Terry plans on supporting her fellow teachers through professional development, mentorship, and advocacy for competitive pay. As Superintendent, she will expand opportunities for all students in the K-12 system from early literacy and math interventions, to increased access to career and technical education and dual enrollment pathways. Dr. Ruiz believes that when our schools succeed, our state succeeds, and will focus on real results for our students — not political agendas and empty rhetoric.



Kimberly Yee

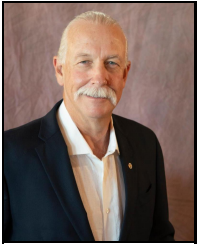
Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** kimberlyyee.com

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE MINE INSPECTOR



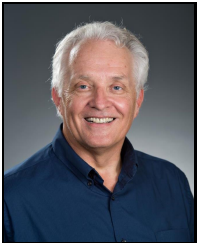
Brian Matlock

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

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

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Mike Cease

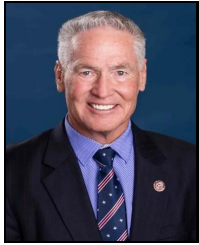
Party: Green

Funding: Traditional

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Biography: None Provided

Statement: None Provided



Ralph Heap

Party: Republican

Funding: Participating

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

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



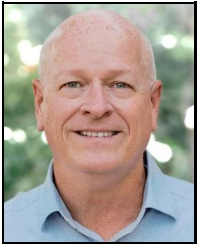
Clara Pratte

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Participating **Website:** 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 fight for affordable utility bills, limit data centers, and protect our water. I hope to have the honor of your vote.



Kevin Thompson

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 1



Christine Ellen Dargon

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

Biography: It has been an honor to have served these past two terms 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. Nationally ranked by the Center for Effective

Lawmaking for demonstrating the ability to efficiently navigate legislative procedures, I am running for re-election to continue my efforts to protect and strengthen Legislative District 1 and Arizona.

Statement: As I wrap up my second term in office, I am happy to report I've kept my promises and built a strong conservative record on issues that matter to Arizona voters. Working with my seatmate, Representative Quang Nguyen, I prioritized efforts to boost the Arizona economy and fight inflation, secure our border and enforce our laws, and restore integrity to our election process. I have demonstrated a 100% pro-2nd Amendment record, led to secure our water future, fought to protect life, and prioritized both veterans and first responders. I also used my background as a nurse and educator to lead on healthcare issues and support medical freedom, while reducing fraud, waste, and abuse, and working to improve our schools and universities. I've lived in this District since 1971 and have been involved with a variety of political, civic, and charitable organizations. I'm committed to public service and am grateful for the trust you have placed in me. You have TWO votes for the 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 prioritize LD1 and keep Arizona great! I appreciate 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



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 elected there are four things that I would work to change. One would be to require every state candidate to run clean elections. It would make it more fair and take some of the dirty money out of politics. Second, water. We haven't had any water legislation since the 1980 Ground Water Act. It needs to be updated to insure abundant water for our future. Third, affordability. We have an affordability crisis in Arizona that our current legislature refuses to acknowledge. Fourth, education. We are 49th in spending on education. We have 100 million dollars in fraud because of ESA vouchers. Our children deserve better from us. They are our future. According to Markers for Democracy "Arizona's state legislature is one of the most reactionary and harmful in the nation." Something needs to change and I would like to be one of the ones that helps make the needed changes.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 2



Shawanna Bolick

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

Biography: A mom, wife, and champion for hardworking families throughout Arizona, Shawanna Bolick has spent her career fighting for educational options, voting to reduce taxes and lower our cost of living, protecting our children, countering fentanyl abuse, and working to end human trafficking. At the Capitol, Shawanna has fought to repeal the rental tax, provide funding for border security and law enforcement, and invest new dollars into our classrooms.

Shawanna will continue fighting to protect our neighborhoods and support great schools and teachers. Shawanna championed a ground-breaking piece of legislation protecting our pets against animal cruelty. Mom of two, Shawanna lives in Phoenix with her husband and their 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 improve affordability. I led the fight to make housing more affordable, lower inflation on our food and housing, and voted to pass one of the largest tax cuts in state history. I am proud of my votes to invest in our schools and teachers, fight drug trafficking and fentanyl, advance consumer protection, and end child sex trafficking. As a mom, tackling public safety issues is personal to me - and critical for our community. I will continue to champion commonsense solutions to the challenges facing our community, from standing up for veterans to protecting our water supply. Please visit my website at www.BolickforArizona.com to learn more or ask questions, and I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you! Shawanna



Amelia Gallitano

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2



Paul Carver

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

Biography: Paul Carver is a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, North Phoenix native, and father of eight with deep roots in Arizona. Raised locally, Carver attended Deer Valley Unified School District schools before serving in the military. He holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix and works professionally as a field support analyst in systems management. A dedicated community leader, Carver serves as President of the Deer Valley

Unified School District Governing Board. Grounded by his military discipline, corporate career, and public service, Carver earned a spot on the general election ballot for the Arizona House of Representatives.

Statement: As President of the Deer Valley Unified School District Governing Board, I have spent my tenure championing transparency, parental rights, and fiscal accountability in public education. Now, I am asking for your vote to bring that same principled, results-oriented leadership to the Arizona House of Representatives for Legislative District 2. Our community faces vital challenges that demand practical, battle-tested solutions. As a Marine Corps veteran, business analyst, and father, I understand the direct impact of state policy on our families, local businesses, and neighborhood schools. My platform centers on four core pillars: protecting taxpayer dollars through strict fiscal discipline, empowering parents to make the best educational choices for their children, strengthening public safety by fully supporting law enforcement, and addressing critical water concerns to secure the future of the Valley. After earning my place on the general election ballot through a successful primary write-in effort, I am deeply honored by the grassroots support of our community. Legislative District 2 deserves a representative who listens, operates with integrity, and delivers accountable governance. I promise to work tirelessly at the State Capitol to safeguard your freedom and build a stronger Arizona. I respectfully ask for your vote.



Stephanie Simacek

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2



Justin Wilmeth

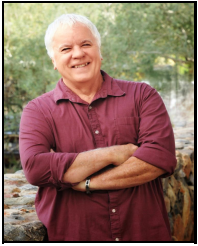
Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.justinwilmethaz.com

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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 3



Jeffrey Fortney

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

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 REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



Julie Gable

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Participating **Website:** www.juliegable.com

Biography: An ASU graduate, Julie Gable started her career at Accenture before owning and leading technology consulting firms and serving as CEO of a healthcare company. 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 also proudly serves on the boards of the Arizona

Humane Society and the Phoenix Zoo. Raised by a librarian and a physicist (WWII Veteran/Bataan Death March Survivor), she learned the importance of resilience, working hard, and leading with humility.

Statement: I raised my family here. I built a career here. And I've watched our state's challenges become personal ones. As an executive, I led teams through hard decisions with high stakes and real, human consequences. Most recently, as the CEO of a healthcare company with more than 250 employees across multiple campuses, I managed a tight budget that required significant cost-cutting efforts. I led our team through a 30% budget reduction without cutting quality of care. Now, I want to put my real-world experience and steady judgment to work for the community I love. I'm running because Arizona deserves leaders who solve problems instead of just talking about them. That starts with making healthcare more affordable by holding insurance companies accountable, reducing unnecessary administrative burden on healthcare providers, and targeting fraud, waste, and abuse. It also means ensuring technology serves people responsibly, strengthening our public schools, and securing our water future for generations to come. I'm not accepting money from big donors or special interests. As a Clean Elections candidate, I am only accountable to the community I serve. I'm not a career politician. I'm a mom, a business owner, and your neighbor. I'm proven, principled, and pragmatic. And I'd be honored to earn your vote.



George Khalaf

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3

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Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

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Biography: None Provided

Statement: None Provided



John Skirbst

Party: No Labels

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: First time candidate. Running under the 'No Labels Party' since our system makes it very difficult to get ballot access as a true independent. Ten year resident of Arizona's 3rd Legislative District. Leadership experience with two global healthcare innovators, Johnson & Johnson and BD. Undergraduate studies at Rutgers University, and a Master's Degree from the University of Illinois. As a proponent of Lean Sustainability in my professional work... my focus is to align continuous improvement and the elimination of waste with the creation of long-term sustainable value.

Statement: A moderate and independent voice. Fiscal conservative and liberal leaning on social issues. A problem solver that can place sound judgement above party politics. Helping to shape and pass bipartisan laws will be a priority. Reinventing the economy for the 21st century and lowering costs for Arizona families. This includes repairing a broken health care system. Ensure a sustainable water supply in Arizona. Solutions include upgrading infrastructure and improving water management and conservation strategies. Securing Arizona's border and fixing a broken immigration process. This includes investments in technology, staffing, and barriers where they make sense. You have a second amendment right to bear arms. With rights though must come responsibilities. Common sense gun laws can help keep our communities safe. I respect your right, if you oppose abortion. So please respect each woman's right to choose what is best for her own body and unique circumstances. Please cast one of your two votes for an independent candidate.



Richard "Rick" Robert Spargo

Party: Democratic

Funding: Participating

Website: 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 SENATOR - DISTRICT 4



Aaron Lieberman

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

Biography: Carine Werner is an immigrant, mom of three, small business owner, and Scottsdale School Board Member committed to protecting the Arizona dream. A proven problem-solver, Carine has dedicated her time to improving public safety, strengthening our schools, lowering costs, and creating a better quality of life for all Arizonans. Inspired by her children and community, Carine is fighting fraud, creating safer schools, and ensuring

government serves Arizona families more effectively. A proven, bipartisan problem solver, Carine has applied her unique experience at the Capitol to make our district better. She and her family proudly call District 4 home.

Statement: As a mom of three Scottsdale public school graduates, I have championed educational excellence and commonsense solutions to the challenges facing our state. In the State Senate, I have fought to keep our children safe, supported small business owners, voted to reduce your taxes, and funded law enforcement. As Senate Health Chair, I have made it a priority to streamline government agencies, improve transparency, and expose waste, fraud, and abuse. The issues facing Arizona are not partisan, which is why I've worked across the aisle to improve care for foster children, protect vulnerable Arizonans, and make government programs more effective. Together, we delivered one of the largest tax cuts in state history. I'm proud to have almost two dozen bipartisan bills signed into law in my first term - but our work isn't done yet. We need proven leadership and elected officials who will tackle critical issues while staying true to the people they represent. I will fight to protect the community we love, secure our water, lower costs, and create new opportunities for the next generation. I am grateful for your support and encouragement. Learn more and get involved at www.wernerforaz.com.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



Tammy Caputi

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 running for the Arizona House of Representatives because Arizona needs leaders who know how to create jobs, balance budgets, and deliver results—not just talk about them. For decades, I've signed the front of paychecks, not the back, and that's the perspective I'll bring to the Legislature. As a small business owner, every payroll represents families who depend on the decisions I make. I've navigated economic uncertainty, rising costs, and tough challenges while keeping people employed and growing a successful business. That experience taught me that leadership means solving problems, making difficult decisions, and being accountable for the results. As a Scottsdale City Councilmember, I worked across the aisle to keep taxes low, invest in infrastructure, strengthen public safety, protect our water future, and deliver practical solutions for our community. If elected, I will fight to keep Arizona affordable, support small businesses, strengthen our education systems, protect taxpayers, and create more opportunity for working families. Too many politicians have spent their careers making promises. I have spent mine making payroll. I will bring that same accountability, common sense, and results-driven leadership to the Arizona House of Representatives. I humbly ask for your vote and trust.



Pamela Carter

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



Karen Gresham

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



Matt Gress

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 5



Jason LaForest

Party: No Labels

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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

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.

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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

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 was a delegate in 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/

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 REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



Mae Peshlakai

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



Ian Teller

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



Brendan Trachsel

Party: Green

Funding: Traditional

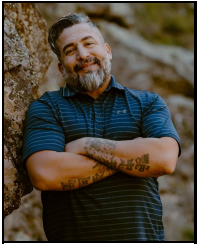
Website: brendantrachsel.com

Biography: Brendan Trachsel is a Flagstaff-based organizer and two-time Northern Arizona University alum, holding a B.S. in Parks and Recreation Management and an M.Ed. in Counseling - Student Affairs. As a student, he fought for and won higher student wages, university fee transparency, and expanded services. After nine months of coalition organizing, he helped push the City of Flagstaff to cancel its Flock Safety surveillance contract in December

2025. Brendan rejects corporate and special interest money and runs as a Green because he believes the only way to truly serve people is to answer to them, not his party.

Statement: Brendan Trachsel believes government is supposed to work for people, not donors or party leaders. That belief is why he's running for State Representative in Legislative District 6 as a Green, free from corporate pressures that shape what both major parties are willing to fight for. Brendan earned a B.S. in Parks and Recreation Management and an M.Ed. in Counseling - Student Affairs from Northern Arizona University, and spent years organizing in Flagstaff. After nine months of coalition advocacy, he pushed the city to cancel its Flock Safety surveillance contract. That's the kind of work he brings to the legislature. Arizona is being sold to the tech industry. AI data centers are draining our water, straining our grid, and being waved through with little public input. Brendan will fight for a statewide moratorium and people-centered regulations that put communities before corporations. His other priorities are straightforward: collective bargaining for all, full funding for public schools, strong privacy protections, and a democracy free from dark money. Brendan answers only to the people of LD6. At 25 years old, he's part of a generation that grew up watching institutions fail and decided to do something about it.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 7



Michiel "Mike" Montiel

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.itsallmike.com

Biography: Mike Montiel is a fourth-generation Arizonan, member of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Army combat veteran, father, small business owner, educator, and community leader running for the Arizona State Senate in Legislative District 7. Raised in Superior by a single mother, Mike's life has been shaped by service, resilience, and a commitment to helping others. He has led veterans' organizations, served on numerous nonprofit and community boards, and worked

to strengthen Arizona's rural communities. Mike is running to improve affordability, expand access to quality healthcare, strengthen public education, and support economic opportunity. His campaign is guided by one principle: be a Man of Action.

Statement: I would be the kind of Senator who leads by listening, works across differences, and never forgets that public office is a responsibility—not a privilege. As an Army combat veteran, father, educator, small business owner, and lifelong community volunteer, I have learned that the best leaders show up, keep their word, and focus on solving problems rather than creating them. I believe every constituent deserves to be heard, treated with respect, and represented with honesty and transparency, regardless of political affiliation. My priorities would be building a stronger Arizona by improving affordability, expanding access to quality healthcare, strengthening public education, supporting veterans, protecting our water resources, and creating economic opportunities that allow families and small businesses to thrive. I would approach every decision with an open mind, guided by facts, fiscal responsibility, and the long-term interests of our communities. Above all, I would measure my success not by headlines or rhetoric, but by the positive impact my work has on the people I serve.



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



Richard Grayson

Party: Green

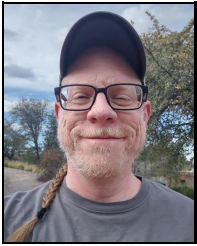
Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: Richard Grayson, 75, lives with his 100-year-old father in Apache Junction and has worked at Central Arizona College since 2016. From 1975 to 2015, he taught English at Long Island University, Fordham University, City University of New York, Florida Atlantic University, and ASU. He earned his law degree from the University of Florida, where he later became a staff attorney at the Center for Governmental Responsibility. He taught constitutional history at Nova

Southeastern University and served as Director of Academic Resources at its law school. A political activist since the late 1960s, he is the author of a dozen books.

Statement: I have been active in Democratic politics since 1964, when at 13 I handed out leaflets on a street corner near my Brooklyn home reading "Get on the Johnson, Humphrey, Kennedy Team" – strategically linking Bobby Kennedy's high-profile, out-of-state Senate bid to the popular Johnson-Humphrey ticket. This year I'm asking LD7 Democratic voters to look past my pro forma Green Party designation, because I am a member of the "Hobbs, Fontes, Mayes, Mike Montiel, Sam Martin, et al. Democratic Team." Between 1994 and 2004, I ran as a write-in candidate against three Republican U.S. House members from Florida when no Democrat was on the ballot, and did the same against unopposed Arizona Rep. Paul Gosar in 2022. In 2014, I was the Democratic nominee for Wyoming's lone Congressional seat and won Teton County when the nominees for governor and senator were losing it. I am anti-Trump, anti-MAGA, and antiwar. I took part in local No Kings and ICE-Out demonstrations, and worked in the campaigns of George McGovern, Bill Clinton, John Kerry, Barack Obama, and other Democrats. In the highly unlikely event a progressive like me is elected to the Arizona legislature, I would, of course, join the Democratic majority caucus.



Samuel "Sam" Martin

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 8



Lauren Kuby

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.kubyforsenate.com

Biography: Lauren holds a bachelor's degree in U.S. history from the University of Chicago and a master's degree in public history from Arizona State University. An ASU Senior Global Futures Scientist, she has worked with communities, nonprofits, and researchers to develop practical climate solutions and directed the Stardust Center for Affordable Homes and the Family.

Lauren served two terms on the Tempe City Council, including two years as vice mayor, where she championed campaign finance reform and government accountability. Lauren and her husband Mike raised two daughters in Tempe and enjoy spending time with their two grandchildren.

Statement: State Senator Lauren Kuby has spent her life standing up for Arizona families and the values that strengthen our communities. Throughout her career, she has championed fully funded public education, affordable housing, voting rights, climate solutions, and protections for LGBTQ+ people and working families. Lauren's advocacy for people over corporate interests earned her Progress Arizona's "Rookie of the Year" award alongside numerous accolades from groups like Sierra Club. Lauren believes public service should put people first. That's why she refuses campaign contributions from registered lobbyists, corporate PACs, utilities, and developers. She answers to the people she represents in Tempe, Scottsdale, Mesa, Phoenix, and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community—not wealthy special interests. Lauren will continue fighting to:

- Grow Arizona's clean energy economy to reduce pollution, create good-paying union jobs, and lower energy costs.
- protect Arizona's water with science-based planning and responsible management.
- fully fund public schools, from Pre-K through higher education.
- expand access to affordable housing so more families can stay in communities they love.
- protect immigrant communities and defend the rights and freedoms of every Arizonan.
- safeguard Arizona's popular vote-by-mail system and every citizen's right to vote.

Re-Elect Lauren Kuby for State Senate.



Bill Loughrige

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** bill4ld8.com

Biography: Bill Loughrige is a native of Tempe. Both his father and mother's family arrived in Tempe in 1934. His parents met in 1938 at a picnic at Canyon Lake. Bill graduated from ASU and both Bill & his parents attended TUHS. Bill spent 8 ½ years as a Phoenix Police Patrolman and 26 ½ years as a Special Agent Fraud Investigator for the United States Customs service. He was widowed in 2017, his wife Millie taught PE at Mohave Middle School in Scottsdale & was at Tempe's Connolly Middle school for 25 years. The website bill4ld8.com has Bills complete resume.

Statement: I believe we must elect leaders who will use common sense when voting to create laws that protect us rather than restrict us. We must protect women's sports from male competitors, men in women's dressing rooms, our sovereignty and the need to have substantive, calm, open, debate on important issues that affect our everyday life. Incumbent Democrat, Lauren Kuby supports the radical national Democrat agenda that would change basic tenets of our government and culture. Democrat politicians present themselves as moderate, but their allegiance to the socialistic national party is anti- capitalist, anti-democratic and anti-American, and one that rejects individualism for the "warmth of collectivism". This includes rank choice primaries resulting in one party rule, they call for the defunding of police, abolishing ICE, implementing cashless bail, open borders, allowing males in female changing areas even where children are present, allowing men to compete in women's sports and attacking our 2 nd Amendment rights. Democrats support immigration policies that negatively impact wages, education, medical benefits and housing, and sanctuary policies that impact safety in our communities. They reject other common-sense initiatives like school choice, voter ID laws and elimination of fraud and abuse in government managed programs. See bill4ld8.com

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 8



Janeen Connolly

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

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

Biography: In addition to the technical bio of the primary pamphlet, here is "political" bio... In my youth, I was a Democrat. Somewhere in my early 40s I slipped through the cracks of the secrecy regarding the nature of pre-born humanity and abortion. Not having previously given much thought to the issue, I eventually discovered the respective positions of the parties and changed to Republican. I am now thoroughly Republican. Our Republican candidacies provide

opportunity for those in legislative district 8 who appreciate the U.S. and Arizona heritage to have a voice and vote in the legislature. Thank you for consideration.

Statement: This is an office of lawmaking. But the Democrat party defines fantasy over our legal processes as the model for human relationships. So, if one thinks they are the sex opposite from their biology, that trumps the rule of law. If a "migrant" comes here illegally, we need to put his (and the Democrat party's) desires over prudent, life and nation securing immigration law. If a conceived baby is unwanted, (s)he may be redefined as a blob of tissue and legally dismembered. While it saddens me to witness widespread embracing of this moral relativity, it's not surprising that its spiritual emptiness manifests in organizing to achieve power. But most disquieting to me are those Catholics who, although Democrat dedication to sins crying out to Heaven for vengeance totally contradicts their professed church's teaching about salvation, comprise over 20% of the Democrat party. It's not just cooperating in the sins by condoning, but enabling the perpetrating party to impose them on society, seriously jeopardizing one's own and everyone's favorable temporal and eternal outcome. Vote "progressive"? We have founding mottos: "in God we trust" and "God provides". Let's not "progress" from responsible faith to a mad mad mad mad Democrat world.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 9



Bridget Fitzgibbons

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

Biography: Dr. Bridget Fitzgibbons is a physician with advanced training in psychology, bringing a real-world perspective to the challenges facing Arizona families. She has served as an addiction counselor and public-school consultant, working with educators, administrators, and families to improve outcomes, enhance safety, and build career pathways. Bridget plays an active role in her community as a small business owner, founder of a community networking

group, past board member of the Arizona Naturopathic Medical Association and serves on the Senate President's Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force. She is a Flinn-Brown Fellow, graduate of the Mesa Police Academy and alumni of Valley Leadership. She is running to represent every Arizonan.

Statement: I'm running for the Arizona Senate to bring common sense, bipartisan solutions to the big issues impacting Arizona families. As your State Senator, I will work to secure Arizona's water future, make homeownership more 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 and ensure every Arizonan can access quality healthcare. 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 also 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

Biography: Senator Kiana Maria Sears is the daughter of a Vietnam Veteran and Municipal Water Worker. Sears served 8 years on the Mesa Public Schools Governing Board and as the Executive Utility Regulatory Consultant for the Arizona Corporation Commission. She is a tireless champion for clean, affordable energy. Senator Sears is a 30+ year resident of Mesa and an active ASU alumna, where she also serves as a Professor of Practice. Senator Sears wants

Arizonans to live well, which means having access to nutritious food, clean air and water, affordable housing, quality healthcare, childcare and 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

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. As a proud graduate of MCC and ASU, Rep. Austin is committed to investing in public education and quality healthcare, securing Arizona's water future, and lowering costs for housing and utilities. Since 2022, Rep.

Austin has secured over \$46M for college tuition and workforce development, passed innovative legislation to improve housing availability, and secured millions in additional funding for childcare and food assistance for families.

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 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 over 40 million dollars in tuition assistance through the Arizona Promise Program and funding for childcare assistance and our local food banks. 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

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

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 and ASU Law, 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.

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.



Nick Fierro

Party: Independent **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** vote4nickfierro.com

Biography: Nick graduated from Mesa Community College with an Associate in Arts. He then pursued a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science from Brigham Young University and a Doctor of Physical Therapy from Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions. He has now been working as a healthcare professional in Mesa for about ten years. In conjunction with his political activism, Nick strives to participate in community organizations and has served with

The Mesa Welcome Center, Books for a Better World, the East Valley Hispanic Institute, and the Health Care Board of Advisors for Skyline High School. He also served with the Boy Scouts of America as an Eagle Scout. Nick was born in Rochester, New York, and moved to Arizona when he was 7 years old. He lives in East Mesa with his wife Suzette and three children.

Statement: I have lived in this area most of my life, been very active in the community, and want to provide a better future for my three young children and all other families in Arizona. As a result, I have plenty of old-fashioned skin in the game. My focus is on working with both sides of the aisle in the legislature to address affordability and sustainability so we can continue to enjoy Arizona for generations to come. As your State Senator in District 10, here are just a few of the ongoing issues that I intend to address if I am elected: 1. We should fund much-needed skilled trades programs. 2. We should create a personal finance class for every high school in Arizona. 3. We should work with our local farmers to bring down food prices. 4. We should realistically address the homeless issue in District 10. 5. We should address affordable housing for the middle-class Arizonan who has lived here for years. 6. We should protect our water supply.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 10



Blair Moses

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



Brian Calaway

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



Helen Hunter

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Participating **Website:** www.voteforhelenhunter2026.com

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, ELIMINATING 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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 10

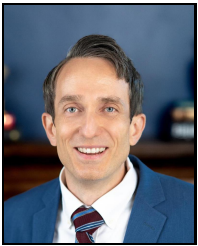


Justin Olson

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



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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 10



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:** ld11.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

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

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/

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

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

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 35 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: Patty was first elected to the Arizona House in 2022 and re-elected in 2024. Issues important to her are fully funding public education, helping seniors and veterans, combating climate change, and protecting Arizona's water supply. Ms. Contreras has two sisters and a niece who are public school educators. She supports public education and will work towards providing adequate funding for public schools including increasing teacher's wages, improving infrastructure, and ensuring schools have adequate and well paid support staff. Patty worked with older adults for much of her career providing resources and information to enhance their lives and protect them from scams, abuse, and exploitation. Because of her experience with seniors, she was appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging and has been serving on the Legislature's Vulnerable Adults Study Committee. Rep. Contreras is concerned about the environment and the effects of climate change. She will continue to work to improve our state's resilience to the effects of climate change and look for sustainable solutions to Arizona's water needs. As your Representative, Patty hosts a monthly constituent meeting in the district to discuss topics of concern. She looks forward to continuing to serve you as your State Senator.



Anthony Jason Ramirez

Party: No Labels **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** ramirezforaz.com

Biography: Anthony Ramirez is an Arizona attorney, licensed private investigator, and founder of Abogado Más Chingón, a Phoenix law firm built on one mission: helping ordinary people stand up to powerful interests. A former police officer, Anthony has spent his career solving problems, defending constitutional rights, representing Arizona businesses, and holding insurance companies accountable. He has called Arizona home since 1991 and was named Best

Attorney in Phoenix 2025 by the Phoenix New Times Readers' Poll. Now running for the Arizona State Senate as an Independent, Anthony believes government should focus less on partisan fights and more on delivering real solutions for the people of Arizona.

Statement: I'm running for the Arizona State Senate because Arizona needs problem-solvers, not more partisan fighting. Families are paying more for groceries, housing, healthcare, and utilities, while politicians spend their time blaming each other. Water security, government accountability, public safety, and preparing young people for good-paying careers cannot wait for the next political argument. I am an attorney, private investigator, and former police officer. I have spent my career examining the facts, standing up to powerful interests, protecting constitutional rights, and solving difficult problems. I did not spend my life learning how to win elections. I spent it learning how to get results. As an Independent, I will not answer to party leadership or allow political pressure to control my decisions. I will work with anyone who brings forward a good idea and oppose anyone who puts party interests ahead of Arizona. I will fight to lower unnecessary costs, protect our long-term water supply, strengthen public safety, improve education and workforce pathways, and hold government accountable. I will also work to give independent and unaffiliated voters fair access and a meaningful voice in our elections. I'm not running a blame campaign. I'm running a results-driven campaign. Good ideas do not belong to political parties. They belong to the people of Arizona.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 12



Armando Montero

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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, bipartisan results for Arizona families.



David Richardson

Party: Republican **Funding:** Participating **Website:** 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. I am committed to ensuring every Arizona child has access to high-quality education that prepares them for the future. As a business owner, I know exactly what it takes to create jobs and how government can make it easier (or harder) for employers to pay people more and grow. As an engineer and scientist, I have the practical experience needed to address complex issues around power reliability and water security 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

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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 13



Kristie O'Brien

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.kristieforaz.com

Biography: Kristie O'Brien, the daughter of a social worker and granddaughter of a police officer and volunteer firefighter, grew up in Chandler with a deep appreciation for community and public service. She is a lawyer, mediator and mom to twins who has spent her career bringing people together and helping opposing sides find common ground. Her undergraduate degree is in international relations from Trinity Washington University and her

graduate degree is from Johns Hopkins SAIS with a focus on counterterrorism and human trafficking. Kristie's legal experience includes civil litigation, intellectual property, international criminal law, and over a decade of protecting elections.

Statement: I want a brighter future for our district. Having worked with Democrats and Republicans in the U.S. Senate on bipartisan clean water and clean air legislation, I know what it takes to get a bill passed. Throughout my career, I have partnered with local and federal law enforcement on public safety issues. But becoming a mom is what I am most proud of. Nearly a decade ago, I delivered my twins at 32 weeks. They spent 43 days in the NICU and I saw firsthand how medical costs can threaten a family's future. The reality is most Arizona families are one medical emergency away from financial ruin and it's one of the reasons why I am running. I am running to tackle Arizona's affordability crisis by taking on the big corporations that are taking advantage of us. I will fight against price gouging to lower the price of groceries, healthcare, utilities, and housing while funding our public schools, protecting our vital water resources, and delivering bipartisan leadership that makes life better for Chandler, Gilbert, and Sun Lakes. It would be an honor to serve you and put people over special interests. I humbly ask for your vote this November!



Julie Willoughby

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 with my husband and children, and what happens in our state matters deeply to me. As Majority Whip in the Arizona House, I've delivered real results: historic tax relief for working families, including more than \$1.4 billion in savings and a stronger Child Tax Credit, strengthening public safety, and making smart investments in education and health care. I've led efforts to protect children and families by passing laws to combat fentanyl trafficking, crack down on online exploitation, expand maternal mental health support, and protect children from harmful content online. I've also worked to lower costs, support veterans, and improve access to quality health care across Arizona, including in rural communities. My record has earned endorsements from the Arizona Nurses 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

Biography: Dr. Racquel "Rockee" Armstrong is an educator who has dedicated her career to serving students, families, and protecting public education. She holds a BA from Wellesley College, an MSED from University of Pennsylvania, an MBA from Ohio State Fisher College of Business, and a PhD from Ohio State. As a cancer survivor, Rockee knows firsthand how critical access to affordable, quality health care can be and is committed to protecting it for every

family. Rockee's career has focused on education, leadership development, and public service. A resident of Chandler, she will now bring that resilience and fight to the legislature.

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. The cost of living has gotten out of control; people can't even think of owning a home anymore, utility companies are getting tax subsidies, while electricity costs are skyrocketing. I will work with Democrats and Republicans to rein in utility companies to stop passing higher costs on to Arizonans, prioritize policies that address the rising cost of living, and crack down on rampant fraud and abuse to fight for better education for Arizona students. 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. As a former public school teacher, school administrator, and current professional 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 need to stop the waste, fraud, and abuse in our educational voucher system.



Kevin Hartke

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



Jacob Weinberg

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.electweinberg.com

Biography: Jacob Weinberg is a successful businessman and veteran. He was commissioned into the US Army after the September 11th terrorist attacks and served in the 82nd Airborne Division as a Ranger-qualified, expert infantryman, and combat veteran of the Iraq War. Jacob built a career as a CPA, bringing accountability and oversight to businesses. He's been serving in the National Guard for 17 years and holds the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Running to bring

accountability to Arizona, he'll work with local law enforcement and first responders to protect communities and safeguard taxpayer dollars so the budget prioritizes Arizonans, not lobbyists.

Statement: Throughout my career, I have focused on service, problem-solving, and helping people succeed. My experiences in the military, the private sector, and in veteran advocacy have shown me the challenges facing Arizona families, from rising costs to ensuring we have water for decades to come, to access to quality healthcare and ensuring veterans receive the support they have earned. I want to dedicate my time at the legislature to serving my community, protecting Arizonans, and cutting out fraud, waste, and abuse from the state budget so taxpayer dollars are used properly. I am not a politician. I'm a U.S. Army combat veteran and a small business owner who has spent more than two decades leading teams and serving others. I was an auditor for 15 years and am now the Chief Financial Officer of an Arizona-based technology solutions company. I understand the importance of strong leadership, fiscal responsibility, and creating opportunities for Arizona families. I will fight relentlessly for what our community needs.



Janet Weninger

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.janetweninger.com

Biography: Janet Weninger has called Arizona home since 1996 and built her life in the East Valley with her husband, Jeff. Together, they raised three children in Chandler while operating local restaurants serving the community for years. She earned a degree in political science from Arizona State University and studied theology. Janet remains active in volunteer community efforts and has spent years working with organizations focused on protecting vulnerable

children and strengthening families. Her work reflects a steady commitment to public service. Janet Weninger is a strong advocate for the families and community of Legislative District 13.

Statement: I am running to represent Legislative District 13 because strong families and safe communities are what make our district special. As a mother, business owner, and longtime advocate for children, I have seen the challenges families face and the importance of leadership focused on real issues. For nearly two decades, I have worked with organizations dedicated to protecting children from abuse, trafficking, and neglect. I have partnered with community leaders and state agencies to support foster children and improve outcomes for children entering the system. My experience has shaped my understanding of where support is needed and how state leaders can better serve families. Running a small business has also given me insight into what it takes to keep our economy strong. I understand the pressures facing local employers and the need for policies supporting growth, stability, and opportunity - and what it takes to lower our cost of living and improve affordability. As a mom, I know the importance of great schools and parental choice in education. At the Capitol, I will protect children, support families, strengthen our community, and keep government focused on the people it serves. Please visit www.janetweninger.com for more information.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 14



Mylie Biggs

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

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.votefernsworth.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, legislators who will do what is right. You get TWO votes for State House, so please remember to vote for both Hendrix AND Farnsworth. Katie Hobbs brags about vetoing the successful policies that made Arizona #1 for jobs and today we're paying the price. Getting Arizona back on track means replacing "the Veto Queen" with a Governor who will put partisan games aside and do what is right for Arizona, and it means electing lawmakers who will do the same. Every vote matters, so please elect your team of Biggs, Hendrix and Farnsworth. THANK YOU! We won't let you down!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 14



Mary Rose

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

Biography: Mary Rose is a third-generation Arizonan who has called the East Valley home since 1984. Public service has shaped her family for generations. Her great-aunt was Arizona's first woman candidate for governor in 1950 and later served 25 years as State Auditor. Inspired by that example, Mary became politically active in high school while working on Governor Raul Castro's campaign and has remained engaged ever since through community service,

volunteering, canvassing, and supporting civic causes. During her career with Motorola, Honeywell, and General Dynamics, she developed extensive experience in budgeting, purchasing, contract negotiations, logistics, and responsible financial management.

Statement: After retiring, I found myself paying closer attention to the challenges facing Arizona families. I realized I could either watch from the sidelines or put a lifetime of experience to work helping solve problems. I chose to run because I believe government should help build stronger communities and not simply react to today's challenges. My priorities are clear: making housing and everyday life more affordable, protecting taxpayer dollars through transparent and accountable government, strengthening public education by supporting our teachers and ensuring ESA funds are transparent, accountable, and used responsibly, and safeguarding Arizona's long-term water future through responsible planning. I will represent the taxpayers, not lobbyists or corporate donors. I also believe our democracy is strongest when everyone has a voice. I want young voters to know their ideas matter and they can shape the policies that impact their lives because they'll inherit the Arizona we build today. I stand for the right to vote in a democratic system, the freedom to marry the person you love, and every individual's right to make their own healthcare decisions. Together, we can build an Arizona that's affordable, accountable, and full of opportunity for the next generation. Let's move forward together.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 15



Jayme Accalia

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.AccaliaforArizona.com

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

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

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

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

Biography: Elaine is a dedicated wife of a veteran, mom, grandmother, businesswoman, instructor, and community activist. In 2012, using her bachelor's degree and MBA along with her accounting experience, Elaine formed the nonprofit, Teaching Life Choices, Inc. (TLC). TLC donates books to elementary and middle schools. In 2019, TLC expanded by creating scholarships for low-income high school seniors to buy their college textbooks. Since 2023,

Elaine has helped lead Boxes of Hope (BOH) as its Treasurer. By taking abandoned shipping containers from the Arizona border wall, BOH converts them into affordable homes for seniors, veterans, teachers, and people of all walks of life. Since 2024, Elaine has served on the Governing Board of the Drexel Heights Fire District.

Statement: I'm Elaine Aldrete. I'm running because we are in an affordability crisis. Everything from groceries and housing to healthcare is out of control. Arizonans are increasingly vulnerable to both economic pressures from rising utility bills and housing costs and health risks from extreme heat, opioid-related illness, and strained healthcare systems. Just like the military, none of these issues chooses a political party. Addressing these challenges will require coordinated action from a bipartisan legislature. I'm ready to work across the aisle with those individuals who have the best ideas to build an Arizona that we can all afford and be proud to call home. My experience in building nonprofit organizations positions me perfectly to fill the responsibilities of this State Senate seat.



Thomas "T.J." Shope

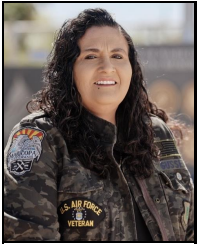
Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** tjshope.com

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

Statement: This election is important for Arizona's future. As your State Senator, I am working to support Arizona businesses, keep our neighborhoods safe, lower costs, and protect our shared priorities. I have sponsored legislation to give law enforcement the tools and funding needed to keep our communities safe, including stronger penalties for drug cartels and human traffickers. We have worked to create an economic environment that attracts new businesses, helps existing businesses expand, and supports entrepreneurs. We have responsibly invested in our schools while protecting educational options and ensuring parents have a strong voice in their children's education. From protecting our water and balancing the state budget, to investing in I-10 widening and State Route 347 improvements, I will keep fighting for commonsense reforms at the State Capitol. For the last two sessions, I have championed legislation to increase transparency and accountability to ensure our tax dollars are spent wisely and elected officials are held accountable. I am proud to earn endorsements from police and firefighters, as well as business organizations across Arizona because of the commonsense legislation I've sponsored. I humbly ask for your continued support. Visit www.TJShope.com.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



Julia Romero Gusse

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.juliaforarizona.com

Biography: Julia Romero Gusse is an Air Force veteran, former City of Maricopa Councilmember, and dedicated public servant. 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. Julia holds a graduate degree from the University of Arizona.

Statement: I am running for the Arizona House of Representatives because I believe public service is about people, not politics. As a U.S. Air Force veteran, former educator, City of Maricopa councilmember, and legislative advocate for Arizona veterans, I have spent my career bringing people together to solve real problems. This campaign is personal. Four generations of my family call Legislative District 16 home, including my children and grandchildren. Like so many families, we care deeply about the future of our schools, water supply, transportation, healthcare, and the cost of living. I am running to ensure Arizona families have a strong voice at the Capitol. I will focus on practical solutions that strengthen public education, protect our water, support veterans and seniors, create good-paying jobs, and improve our quality of life. My military service taught me that leadership means putting the mission—and the people you serve—before yourself. That is the commitment I will bring to the Arizona Legislature.



Chris Lopez

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 because of its strong sense of community. Chris attended the University of Alaska Anchorage before returning home and building a business that has expanded across Arizona and into neighboring states. He also serves on nonprofit boards that support local families and community programs. Chris is completing his first term

in the Arizona House of Representatives and is seeking re-election to grow our economy, protect our neighborhoods, and lower our cost of living.

Statement: Born and raised in Casa Grande, I have dedicated my life to finding commonsense solutions to the challenges facing our community. As a dad, I understand the importance of safe neighborhoods, strong schools, reliable infrastructure, and an affordable cost of living. As a small business owner, I know how much a strong local economy matters to families across District 16. During my first term at the Capitol, I secured new funding for law enforcement, stood up for veterans, supported safer neighborhoods, and worked to lower costs for Arizona families. I sponsored legislation to protect our water, improve our infrastructure, and bring new funding for road improvements, including SR 347. My experience as a small business owner helps me bring a practical, results-driven approach to the Capitol. I raised my family in Arizona because our community offers strong schools, close-knit neighborhoods, and a high quality of life, and I am fighting to protect those values. I am committed to helping families build a stronger, more affordable future in District 16. Learn more at www.LopezForAZ.com. I would be honored to earn your support.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



Teresa Martinez

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

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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 17



Christopher King

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



Edgar Soto

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



Rachel "Jones" Keshel

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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:** www.LyonForArizona.com

Biography: Hollace "Holly" Lyon, Colonel (retired), spent 26 years in the U.S. Air Force, commanding twice. She forged consensus on complex negotiations while assigned at both NATO HQ and the Pentagon—including saving the Air Force \$100M. She taught middle school prior to her service, and afterwards tackled complex business challenges as an IT consultant.

Since moving to Arizona in 2008, she served as a Judicial Nominating Commissioner, chaired campaigns securing over \$14M for school district overrides and a bond, and helped raise over \$1 million for local nonprofits. She is committed to public service that delivers real results.

Statement: Holly is running for the Arizona State House to work across the aisle and actually deliver solutions to lower costs and keep Arizonans safe. Once in the Legislature, she will fight to: - Bring down costs of housing, groceries, utilities, and healthcare - Stop public servants from profiteering off their positions - Secure Arizona's water future and make data centers pay their own way - Strengthen public education and hold ESA vouchers accountable - Support small business development and success - Lower prescription drug prices In short, she wants to put public service over politics and prove government can actually work for the people it serves.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



Kevin Volk

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

Biography: John Winchester is a native Tucsonan, husband to Fernanda, and father of four. He serves as Senior Director of Government and Community Engagement for Arizona State University, advancing workforce development, education access, and partnerships across Southern Arizona. A dedicated community leader, John serves on the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Southern Arizona and multiple public policy councils. He is a Flinn-Brown Fellow

and has received numerous awards for leadership and service, including Tucson's 40 Under 40 and the Signal Lantern Award. John holds master's degrees in Public Administration from the University of Arizona and in Classic Liberal Education and Leadership from Arizona State University.

Statement: I'm John Winchester, a native Tucsonan, husband, father of four, and running for Arizona House District 17. As a problem-solver with decades of community service and public policy experience, I will deliver results-driven leadership focused on lower costs for families, strong schools with real choice, safe neighborhoods, and limited government that unleashes opportunity in Southern Arizona. I'm running because conservative principles work when put to work for the people. I humbly ask for your support.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 18



Douglas Everett

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

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

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

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.

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.

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.



Bob Karp

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.rwkarp.com

Biography: Bob Karp is a UCLA graduate, entrepreneur, and Cochise County resident since 2005. In his 50 plus years in business, he has owned a small aerospace manufacturing company, a software development company and, after moving to Arizona, a real estate brokerage in Sierra Vista. Bob has served as President of the Southeast Arizona Association of Realtors and on the Sierra Vista Planning and Zoning Commission. He previously ran for the Arizona House of

Representatives in 2018 and for the State Senate in 2020 and 2024. Now, Bob is running for the Arizona State Senate to bring new leadership and mainstream problem- solving to Legislative District 19. He believes it is time for a focus on public school education, water security, affordable healthcare, working families, and government reform.

Statement: My mainstream values include defending Arizona's public schools by reforming the ESA voucher program, advocating for a fair and responsible tax system, protecting women's reproductive freedom, safeguarding water rights for small farms and residential well owners, and opposing new mining operations that threaten groundwater supplies and environmentally significant areas such as the Willcox Playa. I support Arizona's long-standing, secure, nonpartisan election system and will continue to defend the integrity of our elections against misinformation and unfounded attacks and protecting the privacy of Arizona voters by preventing the unnecessary sharing of their personal information with the federal government. My reform agenda includes establishing meaningful term limits for members of the Arizona Legislature, advocating for universal healthcare, expanding state childcare tax credits to help working families, ending tax giveaways that disproportionately benefit the wealthiest Arizonans, and opposing the construction of large data centers in Legislative District 19. Gail Griffin is a professional politician that has been in the Arizona State Legislature for over 24 years. We deserve better. It is time for change. I look forward to providing voters in Legislative District 19 a mainstream voice and new leadership.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



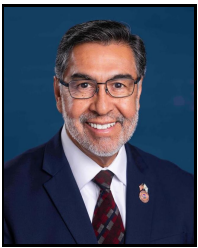
Jackie O'Donnell Anderson

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



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 served as

Administrator for 23 years. Also served as President of the Benson/San Pedro Valley Chamber of Commerce and spent four years as a City Councilman.

Statement: I'm proud to fight shoulder to shoulder with David Gowan and Gail Griffin – battling to restore our economy to the national leader it used to be. Before Katie Hobbs we were a top-5 state, now we are often in the bottom-5, while she brags about vetoing the very policies that made Arizona such an economic powerhouse. I fight for, and will continue to fight for, a strong economy, lower prices and lower inflation, real border security, election integrity, water, medical freedom, our 2nd Amendment rights, our mining and agricultural communities, religious freedom, and the rights of parents to direct the education of their children. Safe neighborhoods, strong schools, reliable infrastructure, and a plan for our long-term water future are critical to our future success. That is what we're working on. Thank you for your continued support and prayers, and please vote for the team of Diaz, Gowan and Griffin!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



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. 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 job-creating, pro-2ndAmendment and pro-school choice state in the country, all while cutting regulations and taxes! 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 ask for your vote so we can restore Arizona's economy to how strong it was before Katie Hobbs!



Aiden Nicholette Swallow

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 20



Alma Hernandez

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 20



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 November 3, 2026.



Betty Villegas

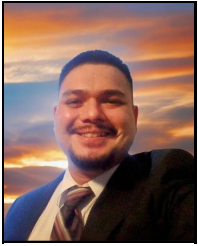
Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.bettyvillegasaz.com

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

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

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

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.



Christopher Kibbey

Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



Miranda Lopez

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 SENATOR - DISTRICT 22



Eva Diaz

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website: www.evadiaz4az.com

Biography: Arizona State Senator Dr. Eva Diaz is an Arizona native, married, and a mother of twins. 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 Ethics, Government, Federalism and Family Law Committees; and serves the democratic caucus as ranking member of the Senate Education Committee.

Statement: Senator Dr. Eva Diaz is a proud mother to twins, public school teacher, and community leader. She has spent years fighting for students, teachers and working families. -Over 30 years in the Field of Education as a teacher, administrator and college instructor. -Fights for responsible investment in our public schools. -Fights for access to high quality early childhood education programs. -Volunteers with church children's ministry, Chicanos Por La Causa Community Center, teachers union, and more. -As state senator, secured state funding for the Tolleson Elementary preschool program and Tolleson Senior Center. -Currently serves as the ranking member of the Arizona State Senate Education Committee. -Member of the Ethics, Federalism and Family Law, and Government Committees. Senator Dr. Eva Diaz will continue to fight for quality public education, provide support to public school teachers, and make sure our tax dollars are used transparently and responsibly. A voice for the community, from the community.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



Elda Luna-Nájera

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



Betsy Munoz

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

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 23



Michelle Altherr

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

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

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.COM

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: Thank you for the Nomination, as a proud Mexican American raised in a conservative military family, which shaped my deep respect for America's founding values. As a small rural business owner with professional experience in economics, sports management, water and agricultural conservation in AZ. My grassroots record serving as a bilingual Precinct Committeeman, State Committeeman, State Delegate, National Delegate, and Member-at-Large for the AZGOP. 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, family safety, Elections, veterans housing, Mental Health, water and agriculture, infrastructure, Tech, Youth Athletics, SNAP, Native Americans, Immigrant and DACA legal pathways, affordable housing, jobs, economic development, fight against BioSolids and Data Centers. 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. I Legislate for my community before a party line influence. 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



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 November 3, 2026, and in the November general election. Together, we can create an affordable and thriving Arizona for everyone.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 24

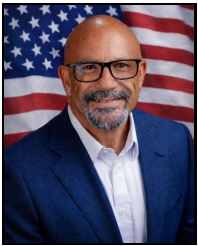


Analise Ortiz

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.ortizforaz.com

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 November 3 General Election.



Frank Steele

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

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.

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.



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.

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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 25



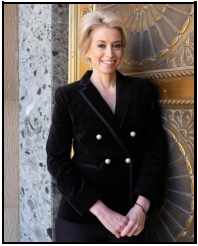
Timothy "Tim" Dunn

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 25 years. 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:** Traditional **Website:** www.laurahuberforazsenate.com/en

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 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:** Traditional **Website:** 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!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 26



Jim Bishop

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

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

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:** Traditional**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:** Participating**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/

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!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 27



Kyle Clayton

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 Washington Elementary 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: As President of Arizona's largest elementary school district governing board, Kyle Clayton has seen firsthand that 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 starts school ready to succeed. Kyle is committed to lowering costs for Arizona families by supporting efforts to reduce prescription drug prices, expand healthcare access for young adults, invest in energy efficiency that lowers utility bills, improve access to affordable childcare, and promote housing policies that increase supply while protecting opportunities for homeownership. Kyle believes responsible government means spending taxpayer dollars wisely. He will support transparent, accountable budgeting and make smart investments that strengthen Arizona's economy and create opportunity for future generations. Kyle Clayton is committed to practical, bipartisan solutions that strengthen public education, support working families, and keep Arizona's economy growing.



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: Doing the right thing and looking after Arizona still motivates me every day. Our schools are improving thanks to increased funding and accountability. I have worked to direct more dollars to the classrooms and teachers, and protected school choice options for our kids and parents. I'm focused on affordability and passed record tax cuts including eliminating taxes on tips and overtime, to keep more money in your pocket. I've tackled high gas, energy and water prices, health care costs, and more. We've funded law enforcement so we can live in safe neighborhoods, passed Term Limits for Congress, protected girls' sports, looked after our veterans, and more. And we did all of this while balancing our state budget! Why do I care so much about working class families? Because that's who I am, in fact I still operate a successful food truck business when I'm not working at the Capitol. I'm running as a team with TONY RIVERO and LISA FINK because they share my commitment to this positive agenda. Most candidates these days are loud and angry and would rather fight than get things done. Not us! Vote for your common-sense solutions team of Payne, Rivero and Fink. Thank you!

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



Lisa Fink

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

Biography: Past Board President of Choice Academies. President, Protect Arizona Children Coalition, which advocates for protecting both kids and parental rights. 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 improving our economy, trying to bring down high inflation rates, prices on gas and food and housing, and fighting illegal immigration. I've worked to protect school choice from 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

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 am running for the state house in Legislative District 27 because I believe public service is about solving real problems, bringing people together, and delivering results for all voters. After graduating from the University of California, Berkeley, I began my career in Washington, D.C., serving at the U.S. Department of Labor after being appointed by President Ronald Reagan. Throughout my career, including leadership roles with AARP, I have helped organizations communicate effectively, build consensus, and achieve meaningful results for people from all backgrounds. After moving to Arizona, a breast cancer diagnosis deepened my commitment to serving my community and protecting the values I believe make Arizona strong. I have helped lead efforts to lower costs, defend voting rights, strengthen public education, and protect individual liberty. Unlike my opponent, Lisa Fink, I am running to be a representative who listens, works across differences, and focuses on practical solutions that get costs under control, create good-paying jobs and affordable housing, and ensure quality health care options for Arizona families.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



Tony Rivero

Party: Republican

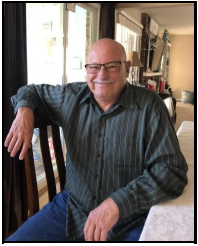
Funding: Traditional

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 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 eliminated taxes on tips and overtime, protected school choice from Democrats who want to shut down charter schools and parental choice, increased K-12 funding for classrooms and teacher pay, and keep 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. Keep our experience working for you as we deal with developing issues like data centers, long-term water needs, energy demand, and more. We are committed to getting our economy back on track no matter what and I hope you'll support our common-sense team.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 28



Michael Braun

Party: Democratic **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** braun4az28.com

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 then 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



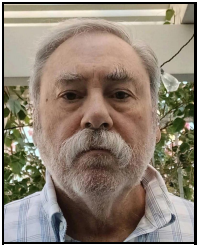
Barbara Fike

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.

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 fights for you. We passed record tax cuts to leave more money in your pocket, including no taxes on tips or overtime. Governor Hobbs vetoed them over and over until we forced her to sign them! I have a 100% voting record on jobs, lower prices, secure elections, a strong border, and an end to illegal immigration. I champion public safety and safe neighborhoods, fight for lower costs on health care and prescription drugs, and I've earned the "Friend of the Family" and the "Hero of the Taxpayer" awards. I vote for medical freedom and am working to secure our water future. Your Team of Carroll, Livingston & Pingerelli are again being challenged by those who disagree with us on these issues, but that's the beauty of elections. YOU get to decide if you want less government, more jobs, lower prices and safer neighborhoods, or not. We won't back down from what is right, we will oppose special interests, vote NO on bad bills, and keep doing what is right. Please cast your TWO State House votes for Livingston & Pingerelli. 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 SENATOR - DISTRICT 29



Janae Shamp

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

Biography: Although I'm not a native, I've called Arizona 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 to do the right thing without engaging in petty and wasteful political games. 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 have worked as a perioperative trauma nurse and am also a competitive team roper.

Statement: I'm a wife, bonus mom, cowgirl, and Registered Nurse, serving in just my second term in the State Senate. We are keeping our word and working hard on the issues that matter to you and our great state: Jobs, lower prices, strong borders, secure elections, safe streets, great schools and more, all are part of our fight to make Arizona the best it can be. We have been trying to reverse the damage the Hobbs administration is doing to our economy, but she continues to veto the very policies that made Arizona so successful before she got elected. We are 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 legislation to protect our kids by targeting pedophiles and child traffickers. I'm proud to serve alongside Steve Montenegro and James Taylor in the State House. 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

Biography: Eric Stafford is your local 28-year-old Goodyear native, fighting for your vote to serve in the Arizona State Senate. In high school, he took on extra work to attend West-MEC, earning his Aviation Maintenance license, and cutting his teeth on steel as a machinist. He is now a studying medical assistant and is dedicated to serving this community at work and on the campaign trail. Like many, Eric is fed up with Americans struggling with homeownership,

overpriced doctor visits, and a shrinking middle-class, all the while politicians get filthy rich on our hard-earned tax dollars. Something has to change.

Statement: I am your only Senate candidate who will never take corporate cash, PAC money, or special-interest dollars. Frankly, I think it should be illegal for politicians to be bought and sold. I am stepping outside of party lines to defend our community with everything I've got. People are struggling just to get by. There is no room left for simple comforts—like yearly family vacations, hiring a babysitter for date night, buying organic groceries, or turning the AC down a couple of degrees. Meanwhile, our current representatives are: Religiously voting to gut public education, pushing us to LAST place nationally. Faithfully stripping our state's ability to tax trillion-dollar corporations the money they owe. Piously opening the door to costly AI-Data centers and mass-surveillance Flock cameras. Refusing to update critical water and climate policies since 1980, during a record drought. Our homes are being bought by the highest corporate bidder and turned into forever-rentals. Healthcare is more expensive than ever. Grocery chains are using digital price-fixing to hike up food costs whenever they feel like it. I am asking for your vote because our community deserves better—and the first step toward real change is electing people who will actually put you first.

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. As Speaker of the House he has been a powerful voice for the West Valley, and he continues to advocate for Arizona's veteran and active duty military population, as well as its military bases, including Luke AFB. He and his wife Melissa will celebrate their 17th 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 passed record tax cuts, balanced budgets, 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. We boosted education funding while insisting more of the money goes to the classroom, not the bureaucracy. 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 and ballot measure designating drug cartels as terrorist organizations, legislation to protect our kids, and a ballot initiative to do away with Affirmative Action and DEI policies. I've been awarded Friend of the Family, Hero of the Taxpayer, Legislative Champion, Guardian of Arizona Families, Champion of Term Limits, Guardian of Small Business, and School Choice Champion. Thank you for allowing us to serve you!



Christine Marie Scianna

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

Biography: Christine Marie Scianna was born and raised Christine Webster in Phoenix, Arizona. She lives with her significant other, Daniel Quigley, and has four children, including a 25-year-old daughter with nonverbal autism. Christine is a former junior high science teacher with 17 years of classroom experience. She holds a BA in Psychology, a Post-Baccalaureate in Education, and an MS in Education with a focus on Special Education Science Curriculum. Christine has worked for Glendale Elementary School District and Dysart District.

Statement: Christine advocates for families affected by autism and other disabilities, and has experience testifying on legislation in both the Arizona House and Senate. Last year, she witnessed the mistreatment of the disabled community when legislative leadership altered a committee at the last minute to defeat a bipartisan bill meant to preserve critical funding. This experience, combined with the passage of the BBB, and the misplaced values of the incumbents in her district, motivated her to run as a Clean Elections candidate. She is committed to bringing transparency, accountability, and affordability to her community, and will fight for education, healthcare, and social 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. We passed the largest tax cut in Arizona history to keep more money in your pocket, directed more funding into classrooms and teacher pay, and more. 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.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 30



Leo Biasiucci

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** 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 to help keep Arizona red.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 30



Mike Gannuscio

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

Biography: 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!



Brian McMahan

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

CANDIDATES FOR APACHE ATTORNEY

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Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: None Provided

Statement: None Provided

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

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.

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.

CANDIDATES FOR COCONINO CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



Bradley Crossland

Party: Democratic

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: Brad Crossland was appointed Coconino County Clerk of the Superior Court on January 9, 2026. He has 14 years of court experience at Coconino County Juvenile Court where he was responsible for victim rights notifications, supervision of data entry staff, bailiffs, court clerks, information technology, and financials including budget, grants, and the collection of fines and fees. He is a Certified Public Manager (Arizona State University) and Certified Court

Manager (Institute of Court Management).

Statement: I care deeply about our justice system and the role the Clerk's Office plays in ensuring it functions effectively. I also want to help educate voters about the importance of local offices and what the Clerk of Superior Court actually does. My current priorities include improving customer service, reducing backlogs, expanding paperless operations, implementing digital evidence systems, and launching a new jury management platform. I also support expanding rural court access through programs like the Justice Bus and using technology to bring services closer to residents.

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.

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.



Yvette Hoffman

Party: Independent **Funding:** Traditional **Website:**

Biography: I was born and raised in Douglas, Arizona, and have proudly called Payson, Gila County, home for more than 25 years. Public service has been a constant throughout my adult life, including more than 22 years of service in Arizona's court system. I earned an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice, hold a Certification in Judicial Studies, and am proud to be bilingual. Outside of work, you'll usually find me enjoying the outdoors, spending time with my animals,

or capturing Arizona's beauty through photography. I believe the person I am outside the office should be the same person I am inside it. I strive to treat everyone with kindness and respect every day.

Statement: Why I'm Running: If someone had told me a few years ago that I'd be running for public office, I probably wouldn't have believed them. But sometimes life has a way of leading us where we're meant to be. I'm running as an Independent because the Clerk's Office is a nonpartisan position, and I believe it should serve everyone fairly. The Clerk's Office isn't about politics—it's about people. It's a role focused on records, processes, and public service, maintaining that balance is essential. I hope to build on a strong foundation by honoring tradition while embracing practical technology that improves service and strengthens the connection between our court locations. To me, that's what public service is all about.

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!

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.

CANDIDATES FOR LA PAZ COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT



Lonnie Lewis

Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

Website: 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.

CANDIDATES FOR LA PAZ CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



Hollie Lucas

Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: I am Hollie Lucas, a lifelong resident of La Paz County and Parker, where I have proudly lived for over 40 years. As a mother of three, I am deeply invested in the future of our community and understand the importance of a fair and accessible judicial system. Appointed as La Paz County Clerk of the Superior Court in 2021 and elected in 2022, I am honored to serve the people of La Paz County with integrity, professionalism, and dedication. I am seeking re-election in 2026 to continue providing trusted leadership and exceptional public service.

Statement: As Clerk of the Superior Court, I am committed to ensuring my office fulfills every responsibility required by Arizona law and the Rules of Court. Our office serves the public by accepting Superior Court filings, maintaining official court records, collecting and distributing court-ordered fines, fees, victim restitution, issuing marriage licenses, and managing jury selections. My priority is providing exceptional public service. I believe every person who enters our office deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, compassion, and professionalism, especially during what is often a difficult time in their lives. Since taking office, I have worked to make the Clerk's Office more efficient, accessible, and customer-focused while maintaining the integrity of our judicial system. I remain actively involved in statewide judicial committees, including the Arizona Commission on Access to Justice, the Judicial Officer Supervisor Training Workgroup, and the Arizona State, Tribal, and Federal Court Forum. These opportunities allow me to collaborate with court professionals across Arizona, stay current on best practices, and bring innovative ideas back to La Paz County. I am proud of what my team and I have accomplished, and I remain committed to serving our community with honesty, transparency, integrity, and dedication.

CANDIDATES FOR MARICOPA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



Jeff Dial

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** jeffdial.org

Biography: Jeff Dial is a former Arizona State Senator and State Representative, an Army Reserve veteran, and a small-business owner. In the Legislature, he served on education, public safety, and technology committees. Since leaving the Legislature nearly ten years ago, Jeff has worked in business, managing operations, budgets, payroll, contracts, and regulatory compliance. A husband, father, and former Red Cross disaster-relief volunteer, he holds a

degree from Arizona State University. The Clerk's Office handles money and paperwork, but Jeff knows it is ultimately about people. That is why he believes integrity matters most: following the law, not a personal agenda.

Statement: Jeff Dial knows most people never hear about the Clerk's Office until they need it. The office keeps the records for every Superior Court case in Maricopa County, records that guard the integrity of our justice system. It processes child-support payments, delivers victim restitution to families, issues marriage licenses, and helps people through the hardest days of their lives: a divorce, a probate case, a custody matter. When you need it, it should be easy to find, easy to understand, and easy to use. Jeff believes in the power of education. People deserve to know how their courts work. His priorities are clear: educate the public about this office, expand online filing so residents can use its services from anywhere, in any language, and cut red tape so no one needs a lawyer for basic paperwork. The Clerk's Office must stay above politics. Judge candidates for this office by one standard: will they uphold the law and follow the Constitution, not a personal agenda? Integrity matters. Jeff Dial will manage this office by that standard and serve everyone equally. Whatever your politics, Jeff asks for your vote. He will deliver a Clerk's Office that simply works.



Sebastian Seb Maximiliano Matta

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

CANDIDATES FOR NAVAJO CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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Submitted

Michael Sample

Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: None Provided

Statement: None Provided

CANDIDATES FOR PIMA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIST. 5



Andrés Cano

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



Jeff Rhodes

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** rhodesfordistrict5.com

Biography: I've spent most of my life in Arizona and have lived in Tucson since 2005. I grew up in Kingman. My wife, Vonda, and I were married in 2009. In 2021 we made District 5 our home. Throughout my career, I've worked in several different fields that have given me a broad perspective on leadership and problem-solving. I served six years with the Mohave County Jail, including two years as a supervisor, where I learned leadership and decision making in

challenging environments. I later worked in business management, mortgage lending and process serving, and earned my MBA from Davenport University.

Statement: I'm running for Pima County Supervisor because I believe government should work for the people it serves. It should listen, solve problems, operate efficiently, and deliver real results for families and communities. Too often, people feel like they are fighting systems instead of being served by them, and I believe we can do better. Today, I work as a Mortgage Loan Originator right here in District 5. Every day I sit across the table from individuals and families making some of the biggest financial decisions of their lives. I see firsthand the challenges many people are facing, from affordability and housing costs to the pressures working families experience every day. One of my biggest pet peeves is inefficiency. I believe government should focus less on bureaucracy and more on practical solutions. Leadership is not about titles or politics. It's about listening, finding solutions, and making things work better for the people who depend on them. I'm running because I believe our community deserves leadership that brings real-world experience, common sense, and a commitment to getting things done. I love this community, I believe in its future, and I would be honored to earn your support.

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.

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.

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



Maya Donnelly

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

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



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 Lanningham

Party: Republican

Funding: Traditional

Website:

Biography: None Provided

Statement: None Provided

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CANDIDATES FOR YUMA CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



Bobbie Jo Daily

Party: Republican **Funding:** Traditional **Website:** linktr.ee/bdailyclerkofcourt

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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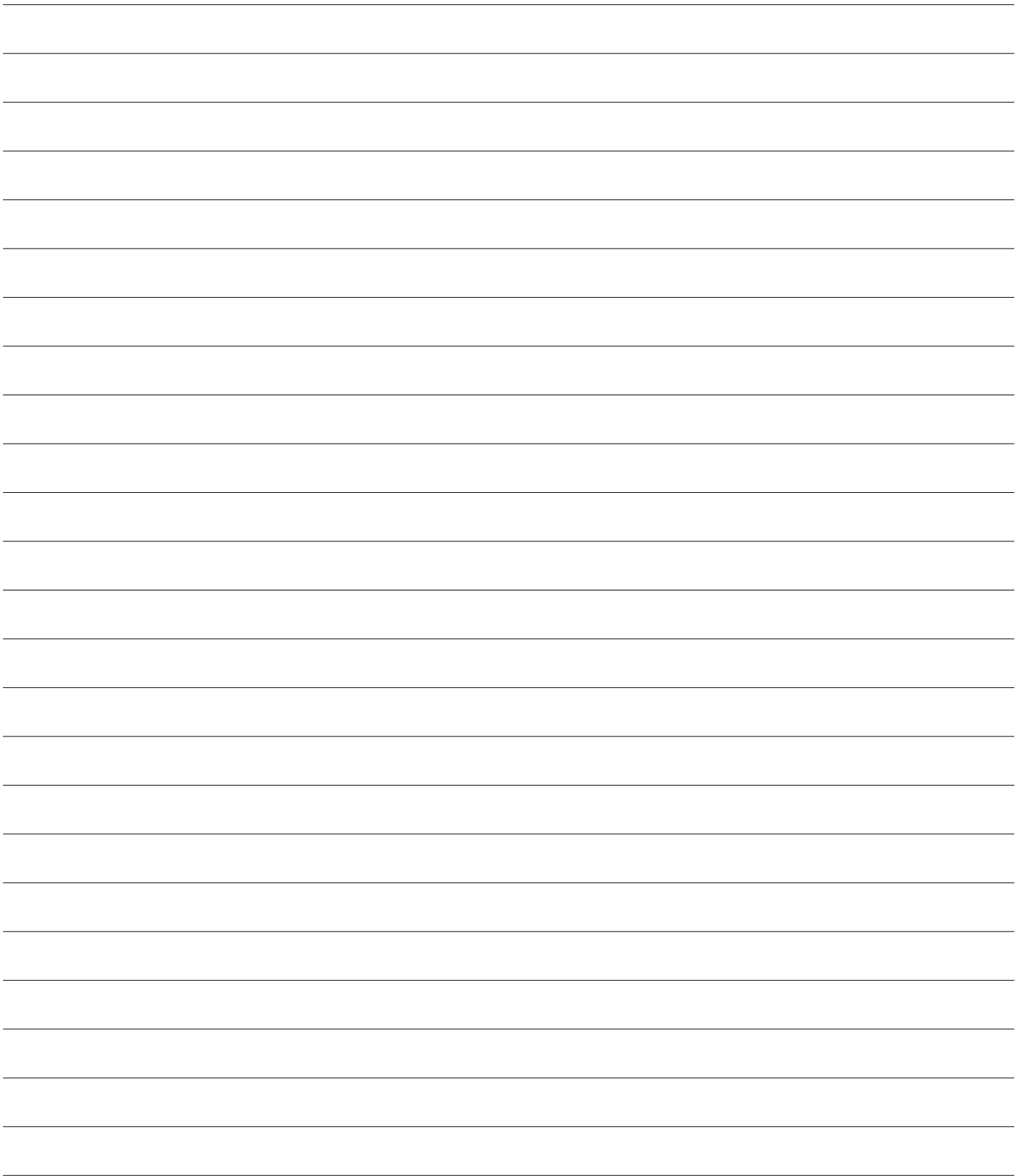
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