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### SPECIAL MEETING

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Monday, March 15, 2021 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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#### Nominating Committee Members – March 2021

### Hon. Alan Wapner Chair, San Bernardino County Representative

# 2. Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto Riverside County Representative

# 3. Hon. Margaret Finlay Los Angeles County Representative

### **4. Hon. Jorge Marquez**Los Angeles County Representative

# 5. Sup. Luis Plancarte Imperial County Representative

## Hon. David PollockVentura County Representative

# 7. Hon. Mike Posey Orange County Representative

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#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Southern California Association of Governments
Remote Participation Only
Monday, March 15, 2021
3:00 PM

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(The Honorable Alan Wapner, Chair)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

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#### **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM**

1. Nominations for 2021-22 SCAG Officer Positions for President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President

(Ruben Duran, Board Counsel; and Michael Houston, Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services)

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Forward to the Regional Council the recommended candidates for 2021-22 SCAG Officers for the positions of President, First Vice President and Second Vice President.

**ANNOUNCEMENT/S** 

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## AGENDA ITEM 1 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments Remote Participation Only March 15, 2021

**To:** Nominating Committee

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

From: Ruben Duran, Board Counsel

Michael Houston, Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services

Subject: Nominations for 2021-22 SCAG Officer Positions for

President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Forward to the Regional Council the recommended candidates for 2021-22 SCAG Officers for the positions of President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1 (Improve Regional Decision Making by Providing Leadership and Consensus Building on Key Plans and Policies); Objective C (Provide practical solutions for moving new ideas forward).

#### **SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:**

Each year, the Nominating Committee meets to review and recommend candidates for the SCAG Officer positions for the upcoming year. Six (6) members of the Regional Council timely submitted applications for the three (3) SCAG Officer positions by the deadline of March 5, 2021.

The six (6) applications are as follows:

1. For the Position of President: The Honorable Clint	Lorimore
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2. <u>For the Positions of President, First Vice</u>

<u>President and Second Vice President</u>: The Honorable Trevor O'Neil

3. For the Position of First Vice President: The Honorable Jan Harnik

4. <u>For the Position of Second Vice President</u>: The Honorable Art Brown

5. For the Position of Second Vice President: The Honorable Curt Hagman

6. <u>For the Position of Second Vice President</u>: The Honorable Carmen Ramirez



It is requested that the Nominating Committee consider the applicants and recommend one (1) candidate for each of the positions of: President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. Thereafter, the Nominating Committee will present the recommended candidates at the next meeting of the Regional Council for review and action.

The slate of officers elected by the Regional Council will then be presented to the General Assembly for ratification as part of its Annual Business Meeting to be held on May 6, 2021. If ratified by the General Assembly, the new Officers will commence their one (1) year terms of office upon the adjournment of the General Assembly meeting.

Listed below are the minimum eligibility requirements for the SCAG Officer candidates in accordance with Article VI, Section C of the SCAG Bylaws:

- (1) At the time of the application, the potential candidate must be a representative of a votingeligible Member of the Association who has served on the Regional Council for at least 24 continuous months from when first appointed to the Regional Council or from when elected to serve on the Regional Council through a District election.
- (2) The potential candidate must be actively involved with SCAG.
- (3) The potential candidate must be a local elected official from a SCAG member county, city or county transportation commission (CTC).
- (4) Term limits will not prevent the potential candidate from serving a full term in the respective officer position.
- (5) A completed nomination application must be submitted to the Association by the appropriate deadline by either the potential candidate or a colleague on the Regional Council.

Based upon staff's review of the applications, all prospective candidates have met the minimum eligibility requirements listed above.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Applications for the six (6) candidates listed herein:

- 1. The Honorable Clint Lorimore
- 2. The Honorable Trevor O'Neil
- 3. The Honorable Jan Harnik
- 4. The Honorable Art Brown
- 5. The Honorable Curt Hagman
- 6. The Honorable Carmen Ramirez

### **CLINT LORIMORE**

I acknowledge that *	I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.
Name *	Clint Lorimore
Name of your SCAG Member County, City or County Transportation Commission *	Eastvale
Phone Number	
Email *	clorimore@eastvaleca.gov
Application for Officer Position *	President
Terms of Service completed on SCAG Regional Council, a minimum of one full-term (i.e. a term equates to two years on the Regional Council at time of application) *	2
Total length of SCAG service (indicate number of years of service) *	6
When does the term of your local elected position expire? *	December 2022
Would term limits prevent you from maintaining your local elected position? *	No
Positions held at SCAG *	1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Executive Administration Committee Chair – Legislative Communications and Membership

Committee Transportation Committee **Audit Committee** GA Host Committee Chair District 4 Representative to the Regional Council Scholarship Committee 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG I have a strong commitment to SCAG and wish to further serve Officer? \* the organization as President. 2. As an Officer, what would you As an Officer of SCAG, I would contribute my time and efforts contribute to SCAG? \* in support of the organization's mandate and policy priorities. (A) In addition to attending regular and Yes special meetings of SCAG's Regional Council, will you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? \* (B) What professional or personal I take my elected responsibilities seriously and will adjust my constraints on your time or service that calendar accordingly. I understand going in that the role of you anticipate? \* President is very time consuming, but I know that I am up for the challenge. 4. What are your values and skills that I bring a commitment of service, dedication to the task at hand and the ability to work collaboratively through you could bring to SCAG as an Officer? contentious issues. My vision for the future of SCAG is that the organization take 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to a larger role in influencing the discussions and outcomes be done to accomplish this vision? \* surrounding its policy priorities and areas of expertise. SCAG should be the indispensable tool that policy makers come to when searching for solutions to problems facing the state and the region. We get to such a place by improving upon our advocacy efforts and leveraging and promoting the expertise of staff already employed at the organization.

6. What would you consider the
strengths of SCAG? *

SCAG has many strengths. The two that I would like to highlight are SCAG's Staff and SCAG's Regional Council. The professionalism and competence of SCAG's staff is second to none. Staff's expertise, combined with the policy and decision making acumen of the Regional Council make for a powerful organization.

#### 7. What could SCAG improve on? \*

One area that the organization can improve is in the area of advocacy. A deeper pursuit of SCAG's policy priorities at the State and Federal level would pay huge dividends for the region we serve. Too often SCAG is forced to play defense as opposed to providing innovative policy solutions for the problems facing our region.

#### Attach a File



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#### Attach a File



<u>clint\_lorimore\_bio.pdf</u> 250.64 KB · PDF

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Clint Lorimore

Date

Friday, March 5, 2021

I acknowledge that \*

by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this application.

### CLINT LORIMORE

#### SUMMARY

Governmental affairs professional, with over 20 years of experience working with local, state and federal officials. Strong interpersonal skills with a solutions driven approach centered on getting the job done.

#### EXPERIENCE

#### **Lead Consultant | Lorimore Strategies**

Providing governmental advocacy and public relations expertise to clients throughout the greater Los Angeles region. Working closely with clients to implement successful engagement and winning strategies.

#### Director of Governmental Affairs | BIA Riverside

Directed all advocacy efforts on behalf of the Building Industry Association and its members in Riverside County; Reviewed and analyzed complex legislation, regulations, nexus studies and fee studies to provide feedback to jurisdictions. Spoke to a variety of audiences on industry specific issues.

#### Deputy District Director | Office of the Governor

Appointee of the Governor, serving as the Governor's liaison to elected officials and interest groups throughout the Inland Empire. Delivered speeches on behalf of the Governor and provided district field operations for the administration.

#### EDUCATION

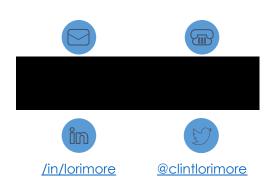
Master of Arts | Claremont Graduate University

Master of Science | Nanyang Technological University

Bachelor of Arts | Cal Poly Pomona

#### EXPERTISE

Public Affairs	Public Policy
Governmental	Public
Affairs	Speaking
Legislation	Grass Roots
Transportation	Analysis
Advocacy	Housing
Local	Regional
Government	Government
Analysis	Strategy
Communication	Outreach
Networking	Campaigns



LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEER ROLES

Eastvale City Councilman

SCAG 1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President

RCTC Commissioner

League of CA Cities Board Member

#### Lead Consultant Lorimore Strategies, Eastvale, CA

Apr 2012 - Present

Providing governmental advocacy and public relations expertise to clients throughout the greater Los Angeles region. Working closely with clients to implement successful engagement and winning strategies. Clients consist of industry associations, elected officials and businesses with interest in local regulations and policy outcomes.

#### Mayor Pro Tem City of Eastvale, Eastvale, CA

Dec 2014 - Present

Elected to office in 2014 I have served the City of Eastvale as a Councilmember, Mayor Pro-Tem and Mayor. In addition to elected duties for the City, I sit on a number of Regional Boards including the League of California Cities - State and County Boards; Riverside County Transportation Commission; and the Southern California Association of Governments.

#### Director of Governmental Affairs Riverside County Building Industry Association,

Apr 2017 - Aug 2020

As the Director of Governmental Affairs, it was my responsibility to: Direct all advocacy efforts on behalf of the California Building Industry in Riverside County, CA; Stay abreast of all legislative and regulatory activities of local, regional, state and federal agencies and provide analysis to CEO, Board of Directors and membership at large; Reviewed and analyzed complex legislation, regulations, nexus studies and fee studies in order to be able to provide an evaluation and/or validation from a stakeholder perspective; Directed and coordinated consultants and legal counsel in order to provide a justified and legitimate opposition to any imposed regulation or fee that would negatively impact the homebuilding industry; Spoke to a variety of audiences on industry specific issues, regulations and legislation.

#### Deputy District Director Office of the Governor of California, Inland Empire Office, CA

June 2006 - June 2007

Appointee of the Governor, serving as the Governor's liaison to elected officials and interest groups throughout the Inland Empire. Delivered speeches on behalf of the Governor and provided district field operations for the administration.

#### Senior Field Representative California State Assembly, 65th Assembly District, CA

Dec 2004 - May 2006

Delivered speeches on the Assemblyman's behalf and served as 'his eyes and ears' in the district while he was in the capitol office. Answered constituent's questions about legislation and other state related issues and was responsible for coordinating press events and community outreach.

#### Associate Research Fellow Centre of Excellence for National Security, Singapore

Jan 2009 - Jan 2011

Wrote policy oriented papers and conducted research on the issues of radicalization and extremism. Organized conferences and workshops relating to national security; the largest of these being the *Global Futures Forum General Meeting 2010*, which brought together 60 speakers and an audience of 284 intelligence professionals and academics from 32 countries. This <u>conference</u> was a collaborative effort between the governments of Singapore, the United States and Canada.

### **CLINT LORIMORE**



#### Background

Clint Lorimore is a proven leader with a strong track record of public service and a dedication to the Southern California region. Having dedicated himself to actively engaging with the community, Clint is a Councilmember in the City of Eastvale and volunteers his time with various local organizations. He is a successful small business owner, who has previously worked for the State Legislature and served as a regional appointee of the Governor.

Clint graduated from Cal Poly Pomona with a degree in Political Science with an emphasis on Public Policy in 2004. He then went on to obtain a Masters of Arts from Claremont Graduate University in 2007. As a recipient of Rotary International's Ambassadorial Scholarship, Clint also studied at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore in 2008 where he graduated with a Masters of Science.

Serving as an elected official, combined with his experience working as a consultant for a trade association in Riverside County, Clint is intimately familiar with the political landscape of the region.



#### **Boards and Committees**

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) - Regional Council District 4

- Vice-Chair: Legislative Communications Membership Committee
- Executive Administration Committee
- Regional Council District 4 (Eastvale, Norco, Jurupa Valley)
- Transportation Committee
- FirstNet Committee

#### League of California Cities

- Executive Board Riverside Division
- Legislative Committee Riverside Division
- Fundraising Committee Riverside Division
- Transportation Committee State Board
- Resolutions Committee State Board

Riverside County Republican Party – Central Committee Board Member

Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority - Board Member

### **TREVOR O'NEIL**

I acknowledge I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsection 1-5 as described above;

**that \*** and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Trevor O'Neil

Name of your Anaheim

SCAG Member

County, City

or County

Transportation

Commission \*

Phone Number

Email \* toneil@anaheim.net

**Application for** President

Officer 1 st Vice President

Position \* 2nd Vice President

**Terms of** one full term (2018–2020)

Service

completed on

**SCAG Regional** 

Council, a

minimum of

one full-term

(i.e. a term

equates to two

years on the

Regional

Council at

time of

application) \*

Total length of three years

**SCAG** service

(indicate

number of

years of

service) \*

When does the November, 2022

term of your

local elected

position

expire? \*

Would term

no

limits prevent

you from

maintaining

your local

elected

position? \*

Positions held Member, CEHD

at SCAG \*

Member, RC

wish to serve as a SCAG

Officer? \*

1. Why do you It is important to have geographic diversity in SCAG leadership. I believe that it is essential to the future of SCAG to ensure that each County has the opportunity to lead on a rotating basis. Each SCAG county has unique perspectives and Orange County has not had representation on the Regional Council leadership team for several years, since Michele Martinez of Santa Ana served as President in 2016. It is time for Orange County to once again be a part of the SCAG leadership setting the policy direction for the organization.

2. As an Officer, what would you

As Chair of OCCOG I am positioned to provide a voice for my county delegation to ensure that SCAG considers a variety of perspectives when setting priorities for the year and in developing policies for the Regional Council to consider.

contribute to

SCAG? \*

(A) In addition Yes, and my city manager has indicated I will have staff support for my active

to attending

participation as an officer of SCAG.

regular and

special

meetings of

SCAG's

Regional

Council, will

you be able to

attend other

meetings and

functions of

SCAG, if

requested? \*

(B) What

I do have professional obligations, but I am able to accommodate the time

professional

or personal

constraints on

your time or

service that

you

anticipate? \*

commitment to this role.

4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG

as an Officer?

I value equity, fairness, and inclusion; including geographic and ideological diversity. Orange County often sees policy issues from a different vantage point than some of our other regional partners and ensuring that our perspective is included in decisionmaking is an important contribution I can bring to the SCAG leadership team.

# 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

I believe that each County should have the opportunity to serve on the Regional Council leadership team in rotation. More than one member from a County's delegation should not serve as an officer simultaneously, and SCAG should actively recruit members to leadership from counties who have not served in recent years. Desire to serve is one thing, but running SCAG like a country club is another. In my research, it has come to my attention that only Regional Council members that have served on the legislative committee have ascended to the officer roles for quite some time. Since that committee is attained by presidential appointment only, this limits the opportunity for any Regional Council member that meets the criteria and wishes to serve. The nominations committee is likewise populated by presidential appointment, giving the SCAG president an outsized role in selecting his or her successors.

While officer nominations appear to allow for anyone to step into a leadership role, in practice officers typically move through the path to president sequentially moving from second VP to President over the course of 3 years. From a succession planning standpoint, this means that there is really only 1 spot available each year, the second VP position. To achieve a more equitable path to leadership, SCAG should change its officer selection process so that a County has the chance to have an officer at least every 4 years. Further, County delegations should select who represents them on the nominating committee and the legislative committee as they do with policy committees. SCAG should broaden its recruitment and succession planning for officer positions to beyond those asked to serve on the legislative committee. Policy committee leadership as well should be geographically diverse and we should encourage policy committee leaders to rotate between counties and prevent a chair/vice chair from the same county from serving together.

6. What would SCAG staff is the strength of our organization. We have technically excellent staff who you consider are dedicated and diligent in completing the work of the organization, particularly in completing our mandated planning documents.
of SCAG? \*

#### 7. What could SCAG improve on? \*

SCAG sometimes loses sight of its core mission and tries to be all things to all people. We should focus on our state and federal mandated work first and try to avoid mission creep. SCAG policies should be Regional Council-driven not staff driven or even President-driven. Using the three policy committees and the staff level Technical Working Group to help the organization meet its mission. Less talking at the members of these committees and more collaborating with them so that when a policy reaches the Regional Council it has been fully vetted at both the technical and the policy level, and therefore make the overall process stronger.

**Print Your** 

Trevor O'Neil

Name

Date

Friday, March 5, 2021

lacknowledge by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this

that \*

application.

#### **JAN HARNIK**

I acknowledge I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above;

**that \*** and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Jan Harnik

Name of your Palm Desert

SCAG Member County, City

Transportation

or County

Commission \*

**Phone Number** (760) 346-0611

**Email \*** <u>jharnik@cityofpalmdesert.org</u>

**Application for** 1st Vice President

Officer

Position \*

Terms of 3 terms

Service

completed on

**SCAG Regional** 

Council, a

minimum of

one full-term

(i.e. a term

equates to two

years on the

Regional

Council at

time of

application) \*

Total length of 7 years **SCAG** service

(indicate

number of

years of

service) \*

When does the December 2022

term of your

local elected

position

expire? \*

Would term No

limits prevent

you from

maintaining

your local

elected

position? \*

Positions held Regional Council, Transportation Committee General Assembly Host Committee,

at SCAG \* Executive Administration Committee, Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee (Chair), Scholarship Committee, President's Strategic Plan Committee, Audit Committee (Chair), Emerging Technologies Committee, Special Committee on Equity and Social Justice, 2nd Vice President

#### 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

During my years of service on the Southern California Association of Governments it is abundantly evident that, while the communities throughout our region are incredibly diverse in all aspects, the relationship between them is symbiotic. In order to truly develop a strong, equitable, healthy, and robust region we must work together focusing on the differences that bring strength and the similarities which enable discussion and common perspectives.

COVID has laid bare, and in fact magnified, many issues that exist, and accelerated many processes

that were already in motion. It is our opportunity, while we are raw, to rebuild in a way that we all benefit.

Our willingness to have the sometimes uncomfortable discussions with respect and honesty, produces growth towards the solutions that will address many of the issues facing us. We have done a lot of work to that end and we must continue. I am up for the task.

#### 2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? \*

It has been a daunting – and exciting – year as 2nd Vice President. Much work has been done towards the equitable use of resources and development of the region. I have the foundation to continue the work and address the discrepancies the entire SCAG team has identified; We know the RHNA process is flawed; CEQA is as much an asset as a hindrance; the inequity of broadband is a problem for us all and in all aspects of our lives; Sacramento has declared a housing crisis and at the same time, presents obstacles to the building process; homelessness; health, transportation, and education inequities; etc. We have elevated our SCAG voices in Sacramento and Washington D.C. I have been part of that effort and am motivated and energized to continue the job.

I am a Southern Californian native – from Pacoima to Palm Desert with many stops along the way. I appreciate our region and bring the perspective of living here and watching the changes through my own eyes and through my children's eyes. From urban areas to rural areas, from our coasts, mountains and the Salton Sea, we all have needs that are best met by leveraging on the philosophy that the best results come from collaboration and a foundation of understanding. Creating an environment where everyone is listened to, we can identify those experiences and situations that we can build on. President Richardson's Listening Tour was a great step in that direction. I will continue to work on an inclusive environment.

(A) In addition Yes

to attending

regular and

special

meetings of

SCAG's

Regional

Council, will

you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? \*

(B) What I am a member of the Palm Desert City Council and occasionally there will be

**professional** scheduling conflicts.

or personal

constraints on

your time or

service that

you

anticipate? \*

#### 4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG as an Officer? \*

I touched upon this in #2, above. Additionally, I have raised five children and have been challenged with many life lessons that the experience provides. Listening, maintaining an open mind, patience and an openness to change, are skills that I have developed through parenting. They are also skills important to public service and progress.

The value of relevant and accessible education cannot be overstated. America chose to have, and invest in, public education. We must check our systems to make sure we are providing ALL our students, our very future, with high quality meaningful education. I have been involved with this process for years in the Coachella Valley and am well–acquainted with the lack of education accessibility and many of its shortfalls. Through highlighting the needs, broadband, transportation and housing, we can make a significant change to benefit everyone. Honest, relevant and accessible education – and its results, provides the opportunity to develop solutions.

# 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

SCAG has the opportunity to become a strong voice in Sacramento and Washington DC., and we are moving in that direction. When the region comes together and our voices are heard, we can move our

representatives. SCAG represents 19 million people and must continue our visits, by Zoom or in person, to our legislators, and let them know our thoughts and solutions.

We need to work on our "winning as a region" attitude, i.e., in order to win, no one has to lose. Working to understand, and capitalize on our differences, will help create a region with great and exciting offerings. We can do this. The SCAG region possesses so much diversity of resources, people, geography, and economy, there is something for everyone and that can be our focus. Coming out of the RHNA process, we have experienced some disintegration of purpose, vision and unity. A strategic planning session can provide a setting to work through the matters and differences and develop solutions that work towards a shared vision.

you consider the strengths of SCAG? \*

6. What would The strength of SCAG is, at times, also it's weakness - great diversity! The diversity of all resources provides opportunities when we work together. When representatives from across the region have open and respectful conversations, understanding, then answers, are advanced. Also, SCAG's staff with whom I have worked, are well-versed in their area and take evident pride in their work. They are always willing to help.

7. What could on? \*

We must continue our work on "the squeaky wheel". SCAG's power is not felt strongly SCAG improve enough by our representatives in Sacramento and Washington DC. The lobbying work that has been initiated in the last year has made a difference. We need to keep it up! Also, as I mentioned above, each county, transportation agency, etc., within the SCAG region would benefit by knowing more about each other and would result in working together better.

**Print Your** 

Ian C Harnik

Name

Date

that \*

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

I acknowledge by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this application.

### **ART BROWN**

I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsect  1-5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.  Name * Arthur Brown	
Name * Arthur Brown	
Name of your SCAG Member County, Buena Park City or County Transportation Commission *	
Phone Number	
Email *	
Application for Officer Position * 2nd Vice President	
Terms of Service completed on SCAG CA  Regional Council, a minimum of one full-term (i.e. a term equates to two years on the  Regional Council at time of application) *	
Total length of SCAG service (indicate 26 number of years of service) *	
When does the term of your local 12/24 elected position expire? *	
Would term limits prevent you from No maintaining your local elected position? *	
Positions held at SCAG *  Chair Energy and Environment Committee. Chair of NAFTA Sub Committee, Chair of several Goods Movement Committees.  Vice Chair Transportation Committee. Former Chair and	٩

	member of Orange County Transportation Authority, Metrolink, and the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency.
1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? *	I feel that my experience in various areas of SCAG and other regional boards give me the perspective to see the needs of the region in a positive way in a number of areas.
2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? *	My experience over the past 33 years holding elective office and serving as an advocate in Sacramento would allow me to balance information received and come to a decision that would benefit the region.
(A) In addition to attending regular and special meetings of SCAG's Regional Council, will you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? *	Yes
(B) What professional or personal constraints on your time or service that you anticipate? *	None
4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG as an Officer?	The ability to visualize items that are discussed and leadership skills that I have learned in the Marine Corps and in leadership roles in the public sector
•	A SCAG that includes everyone that it represents and bring them together to better the area we live, work, and play in.
6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? *	The ability to bring together representatives from all areas of the region to reach consensus on the needs of all.
7. What could SCAG improve on? *	Although we try to provide information to all our members we still have to try harder to make them understand the what of SCAG. To often I have had to remind member agency

	members that they are SCAG and in is not some shadow government that they have no control or input.
Print Your Name	Arthur C Brown
Date	Wednesday, March 3, 2021
I acknowledge that *	by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this application.

#### **CURT HAGMAN**

I acknowledge I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above;that \* and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Curt Hagman

Name of your San Bernardino County

SCAG Member County, City or County

Transportation

Commission \*

**Phone Number** (909) 387–4866

Email \* Curt.Hagman@bos.sbcounty.gov

Application for 2nd Vice President

Officer

Position \*

Terms of 3

Service

completed on

**SCAG Regional** 

Council, a

minimum of

one full-term

(i.e. a term

equates to two

years on the

Regional

Council at

time of

application) \*

Total length of 6 years

**SCAG** service

(indicate

number of

years of

service) \*

When does the December, 2022

term of your

local elected

position

expire? \*

Would term

No

limits prevent

you from

maintaining

your local

elected

position? \*

Positions held Chairman of the Transportation Committee Chairman of the Emerging Technologies

at SCAG \*

Committee

Member of the Legislative / Communications & Membership Committee

Member of the Regional Council

Member of the Executive Administration Committee Member of the Open Data / Big

Data Committee

#### 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

I wish to serve as a SCAG Officer because I believe that SCAG has an important mission in connecting the lives of residents in Southern California. This includes transportation, technology, housing, and many other issues where a regional approach is valuable. SCAG's slogan of "Innovating for a Better Tomorrow" holds a key goal that I also have in ensuring that our residents are well served both now and into the future. As County Supervisor, a former legislator and mayor, I am keenly aware of the

needs and challenges of our region and am up to the large task of doing what I can to lead others in finding innovative solutions. I have served at all levels of government, and I have served members of San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Orange Counties, so I have developed a regional perspective. As an Officer, I would have the opportunity to continue to work with staff and other elected officials in moving our region forward.

2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? \*

I understand that this role comes with additional responsibilities and am ready and able to play an active role upon becoming an officer. The only challenges that I foresee would be possible scheduling conflicts; though, I would prioritize this role in the event of competing priorities. I presently serve as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in San Bernardino County, and I look forward to bringing that experience to SCAG.

(A) In addition to attending regular and

Being engaged is an important part of being a leader, I look forward to playing an active role in moving forward SCAG goals and initiatives.

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SCAG's

special

Regional

Council, will

you be able to

attend other

meetings and

functions of

SCAG, if

requested? \*

(B) What professional or personal your time or service that you

anticipate? \*

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4. What are your values and skills that you could as an Officer?

My reputation as someone who works well with others and gets the job done will be valuable assets in supporting the President and ensuring that SCAG as an organization achieves and exceeds its goals for our region. Regarding values and skill set, I look forward to continuing to bring creative problem solving, leading by example and **bring to SCAG** innovative ideas to the table.

### 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

There are a number of issues that need to be approached from a regional perspective rather than being in silos in a particular city or county because the issues cross political boundaries. Homelessness, transportation, and the use of technology are three issues that don't recognize city or county lines, and many others exist. Technology has been a personal interest area, one that I have continued to bring to the forefront of our organization's list of priorities and considerations. As a result of creating this dialogue, I asked for a subcommittee to be formed that explored some of the facets of implementing technology to meet our residents' needs. We have scratched the surface of what technology can do to help us solve problems, I believe that this needs to be an ongoing conversation, and will be actively engaged in further exploring as an Officer.

#### 6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? \*

SCAG is the largest MPO in our nation, with six counties, 191 cities and more than 19 million residents. We serve almost 50% of the total population of California. If our region was a state, we would be 5th largest on the list from the top with almost as many residents as the entire State of New York. The diverse size and scope of the region makes SCAG well-respected in all areas of planning in which it is engaged. SCAG does a phenomenal job of anticipating the infrastructure our region will need to keep up with the demands by residents to stay mobile.

SCAG also does a great job pursuing grant opportunities to improve the lives of residents, and works with our local partners in ensuring that we are heard.

7. What could on? \*

Because we serve so many communities, communication with the public is not always a **SCAG improve** simple task especially when it comes to reaching all of our stakeholders. SCAG is doing well in this area, and this is an area that I think that we can continue to improve as our technological capabilities increase. We should focus on non-traditional solutions to some of our regional challenges such as looking to improve goods movement and upgrades to government technological improvements.

**Print Your** 

Curt Hagman

Name

Date

Thursday, March 4, 2021

I acknowledge by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this

that \* application.

### **CARMEN RAMIREZ**

I acknowledge that *	I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article V, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.
Name *	Carmen Ramirez
Name of your SCAG Member County, City or County Transportation Commission *	Ventura County
Phone Number	
Email *	<u>carmen.ramirez@ventura.org</u>
Application for Officer Position *	2nd Vice President
Terms of Service completed on SCAG Regional Council, a minimum of one full-term (i.e. a term equates to two years on the Regional Council at time of	3

application) \*

Total length of 7 years

**SCAG** service

(indicate

number of

years of

service) \*

When does the December, 2024

term of your

local elected

position

expire? \*

Would term

NO

limits prevent

you from

maintaining

your local

elected

position? \*

Positions held Chair and Vice Chair Energy and Environment Committee

at SCAG \*

Audit Committee, Member

By-Laws Committee, Member

Legislative, Communications & Memberships Committee

Executive/Administration Committee

RHNA Committee and Appeals Board, 6th Cycle 2018-to 2021

#### 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

I have been a representative to SCAG regional council for the past 8 years. I know that SCAG, a planning organization of 191 cities and six counties has an unlimited potential to do good for the people and businesses of the region. Good and fair process and planning can make life better for those of us lucky enough to be living here.

I feel fortunate to have grown up in the San Gabriel Valley. I received a great education in public and private schools and universities in Southern California.

I am grateful for the opportunities that I have had to serve the community in my public service as a legal aid attorney for more than two decades and as a member of the Superior Court of Ventura's Self Help programs for unrepresented residents.

My experience led me to run for public office, so that I could offer my services to the city to help make the decisions to improve Oxnard. I volunteered for every committee that impacted my city, whether County, regional or local, wanting my city and my constituents to have a strong voice at every level. Decades as an attorney and civically engaged resident, later as an elected Council member for the City of Oxnard and now as a new County Supervisor for Ventura County, have given me experience that can help me be a good leader for SCAG.

I want to do what I can and make the decisions that will support the kind of opportunities for a quality of life that I have had. As an organization of elected officials, we have to strive for better solutions, for collaboration, but always move our regions and our respective communities forward. I want to be part of that.

#### 2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? \*

I have a long history of respectful communication, diligence (I have never missed a council meeting in 10 years) and building relationships with other elected officials, business entities, community groups and individual members of the community. I respect other peoples' opinions, even if different from mine and I know that I don't have all the answers. I believe that mutual respect, as we further collegiality and civic discourse, is a key to progress. It requires us to listen to other opinions and to find common ground. Many challenges of the future are not really surprises. To be good leaders, we have to face those challenges today and not put off the work for another day. As a council person for ten years in the City of Oxnard, I and my colleagues had to make very difficult decisions. I worked to achieve consensus with my fellow councilmembers in order to take bold steps to modernize our city as well as to protect public safety and health. These are experiences that I bring to SCAG. While attending to current and emergency needs, like the pandemic and the consequent economic crisis, I try to keep my eye on the next crisis, whether a natural disaster, or the slow-moving train wreck of the housing

crisis made worse by the pandemic. We can all learn from the experience of other jurisdictions in order to do better, I look for those lessons.

(A) In addition yes!

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(B) What

only my service on the Ventura County Board of Supervisors.

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your time or

service that

you

anticipate? \*

#### 4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG as an Officer? \*

I have been a lawyer, representing individuals with difficult, in even life-threatening situations. It has allowed me to know that not everything important is done easily or quickly. I have been a board member of many non-profits, several of which have gone through tough times, I have never abandoned ship but but stayed to see the organization through the crisis. I have been collegial in any organization that I have been a part of either as a member, employee, leader or colleague. I value evidence, and process and the democratic majority and the rule of law. I know that there are in most cases at least

two sides to every issue, and it is essential to listen and learn.

During my eight electoral campaigns in the past 12 years, I honored my pledge to wage a "clean" campaign, based on my record and resume, and the facts rather than any personal attacks on my opponents. While others did not, I am proud that I was able to do that and still win six times, including my last campaign for County Supervisor.

Additionally, I respect and enjoy the history of the counties and cities of the SCAG region, their unique cultures and historical features which make for a richer community. I don't believe in a zero-sum game but if other cities thrive in their unique ways, that is best for all of us. And, I wouldn't live anywhere else.

# 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

I believe that we have to be responsible leaders for the future health and welfare of the people of our region. While we are a planning region tasked with considering transportation matters and housing, implicit is the obvious concern about what is happening to the young people of our region. Will they have education, housing, jobs and health? Without a path to a better life, they will suffer, our region will lose their contributions and productivity that our economy depends on. Everyone will suffer the consequences.

#### https://www.latimes.com/business/story/2021-03-02/la-fi-future-of-work-newsom-inequality

"Too many Californians have not fully participated in or enjoyed the benefits of the state's broader economic success and the extraordinary wealth generated here, especially workers of color who are disproportionately represented in low-wage industries," the report says. California has the highest poverty rate in the country when accounting for the cost of living, 17.2%, according to the report."

The SCAG region has a high poverty rate for children and our organization needs to keep that in mind.

These are essential elements for the quality of life, decent housing, education, work that is properly compensated, and enough time to enjoy the fruits of living in our region. My vision is that we inform our organization, our members and their jurisdictions and the public about what it will take to get to a better future for the people of our region. What are the investments we must make to bring this about? What are the resources that we must have to have equity in housing, education, and opportunities? Why

are some communities neglected? We should be working on answers to these questions in order to develop policies that will alleviate poor conditions and inequities. We cannot be blind to how decisions of the past have led to current problems and inequities. We must encourage each other to work to undo the harms that have happened but first we must understand how they happened. This has been the work of the Special Committee on Equity and Social Justice which is a critical part of the work SCAG has to continue in order to put our region on the path to a better future for all.

#### 6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? \*

SCAG staff members are brilliant and provide the support and information jurisdictions need in a professional and neutral way. I am very pleased that our meetings are collegial even though there are strong disagreements as we witnessed during the RHNA process. It is vital to keep that communication and dialogue going. We vote as we like and then we move on. Members don't pick up their marbles and go home.

We have just gone through a very difficult time with the latest RHNA cycle. For example, many jurisdictions are not happy with their allocations but our staff did an exemplary job dealing with the situation they were given. And our disagreements have not been personally antagonistic such as seen at the highest levels of government; I am very grateful for that.

on? \*

7. What could I do think that SCAG does a remarkable job of communication. But as in life, not **SCAG improve** everyone who could use the information is listening. I would stress working on this more and pulling in more elected officials who are not regional council members. It is also a big task to have the public understand what SCAG does and how it can be of benefit and use to their cities and their families. That is up to the members of the regional council and committees as well.

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**Print Your** 

Carmen Ramirez

Name

Date	Thursday, March 4, 2021
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that *	application.

# R E S U M E MARIA CARMEN RAMIREZ

Home Address:

**Business Address:** Law Office of M. Carmen Ramirez

Education: Loyola University School of Law

Los Angeles, California

Juris Doctor Degree May 1974

California State University, Los Angeles 1969 to 1971 (no degree, senior status)

University of San Francisco, San Francisco, California

1966 to 1969 (no degree)

Admitted to the

California State Bar: December 1974, licensed California attorney to the

present time

Admitted to: United States District Court, Central District

United States Court of Appeal, Ninth Circuit

**United States Supreme Court** 

Languages: Fluent in written and spoken Spanish

November 2020 Elected to Four Year Term as Ventura County

## Supervisor for District 5

November, 2018

Re-Elected to Oxnard City Council for third 4-year term, served as Mayor Pro –Tem

#### **Government Committees:**

City Committees: Transportation Policy Committee, Animal Services Commission, Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center Board, and Las Cortes Housing Corporation.

County Committees Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, Ventura County Local Area Formation Commission, BEACON, (Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment,)

Ventura County Local Area Agency Formation Commission,

Economic Development Collaborative of Ventura And Santa Barbara Counties

Regional Council Member, Southern California Association of Governments and past Chair of the Energy and Environment Committee.

April, 2013

Appointed by Governor Brown to California State Commission on Mandates Re-appointed and Served until December 2020

September 2005 to September 2008:

Elected member to the Board of Governors of the State Bar of California, representing attorneys in Five Counties, including Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, San Bernardino and Riverside Counties

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

July 2009 to present: Private Legal Practice, Oxnard, California

Specializing in Consumer Protection, Social

**Security Benefits and Immigration** 

January 2008 to June 2009: Community Planning Director,

Central Coast Alliance United for

A Sustainable Economy (CAUSE) manage

Sustainable Development Programs

of CAUSE, with an emphasis on environmental justice issues, including toxic waste sites, green

economy development, public transit and

immigration matters.

November 1998 to Nov 2007: Senior Attorney,

Coordinator, Self-Help Legal Access Center Ventura Superior Court, Oxnard outreach site. Assist public and litigants without attorneys in understanding the legal process and

in understanding the legal process and

procedures as well as the US judicial system. Target population is the Spanish-speaking Community of Ventura County. Staffed the Superior Court's Mobile Self-Help Legal Access Center, which visited six communities within

Ventura County bringing court self-help

services to the under-served.

August 1982 to October, 1998:

Legal Association (CCLSA.) Chief executive officer and legal counsel for non-profit grantee of both federal Legal Services Corporation and State Bar of California's Trust Fund Program. Duties included oversight of legal work of staff attorneys and numerous volunteer lawyers and law students, as well as support and financial staff. Responsible to the Board of Directors on

matters of management, budget and policy for CCLSA, including negotiation and compliance of Collective Bargaining Agreement. CCLSA's mission is the provision of civil legal services to low-income residents, including seniors, the disabled and farm workers for all of Ventura County as well as Southern Santa Barbara County.

October 1981 to August 1982 Managing Attorney, CCLSA Oxnard Main Office

August 1978 to October 1981 Managing Attorney, CCLSA Santa Barbara Branch Office

February 1978 to August 1978 Senior Attorney, Colonia Office, CCLSA, Oxnard, CA

January 1975 to January 1978 Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Foundation of Long Beach Long Beach, California

Other Professional Experience:

Adjunct Professor, Ventura College of Law

Consumer Law

Summer Session, 2011 Landlord Tenant Law Summer Session, 1997 Collaborative Advocacy Summer session, 2001

Consultant: State Justice Institute
Denver Colorado, 2000

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Texas Equal Access to Justice Fund, 2003

Berkeley Policy Associates, 2003

Legal Services Corporation, Washington D.C.

2000 to 2002

Trainer: "Assisting Self-Represented Litigants"

Regional Trainings, Visalia, San Francisco

Anaheim and Chico, California, 2001

Judicial Council of California

Panelist: "Collaborative Law"

State Bar Annual Meeting, October, 2002

Monterey, California

"How to Prevent and Recover From

Identity Theft" State Bar Annual Meetings, Fall

2002 and 2004, Monterey, California

"Language and Cultural Issues in the Practice of

Law" State Bar of California Spring 2000

"Language and Cultural Issues in the Practice of

Law" American Bar Association Equal Justice

Conference, San Diego, Spring 2001

"Effective Representation of Limited and Non-

English Speaking Clients"

State Bar of California, Annual Meeting, Fall

2001, Anaheim, California

Professional Organizations: Ventura County Bar Association (VCBA)

President, 1998

Member, Board of Directors, 1992 through

1999. Member, 1990 to present

Member, Volunteer Lawyers Services Committee, VCBA, 1994 to present

Member, Lawyers' Referral and Information

Service Committee, VCBA,

1999 to present

Member, Conference of Delegates/Resolutions Committee, VCBA 1992 to 2004.

Mentor, American Inns of Court Ventura County Chapter, 1999 to 2007

Member, Board of Directors, Ventura County Trial Lawyers Association, 2001 to 2005

Mexican American Bar Association Of Ventura County Member, 1982 to present President, 1984, Secretary, 2002 to 2003

Women Lawyers of Ventura County Member, 1982 to present; President, 1984

Chair, Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services, State Bar of California 2001

Chair, Executive Committee of the Legal Services Section State Bar of California, 1999-2000

Member, Executive Committee Legal Services Section, State Bar 1994 to 2001

Legal Services Section Pro Bono Subcommittee, 1991 to 1995; Chair 1994-1995

Member, California-Nevada Legal Services Project Directors' Association

### 1982 to 1998; Vice-President, 1994

## **Community Organizations and Service:**

Member, Board of Trustees, Colleges of Law, Santa Barbara and Ventura January 2012 to May, 2020

Board Member, **Ventura County Community Foundation** Camarillo, California 2003 to 2018

Community Member, Ethics Committee St. John's Regional Medical Center, Oxnard, California 1999 to 2012

Teatro de Las Américas Oxnard, California President, Board of Directors, 2005 to 2010

Center for Civic Education, Woodland Hills, California Board Member, 2007 to present

Member, Board of Directors St. John's Regional Medical Center 2003 to 2011

**Public Interest Clearinghouse** San Francisco, California Board Member 1998 to 2011

**Environmental Defense Center** Santa Barbara, California Board Member, 2008 to 2010

Ventura County Civic Alliance General member from 2004 to present

Oxnard Police Chief's Community Council Oxnard Police Department Member, 2000 to 2010

Central Coast Alliance United for A Sustainable Economy (CAUSE) **Ventura County** President, 2001 to 2003, Vice-President 2003 to 2007

Council Against Domestic Abuse Interface Children and Family Services Camarillo, California, Member, 1997 to 2004

Volunteer Judge, Teen Court Ventura County Superior Court, 1998 to 2006

Community Advisory Board California State University Channel Islands Camarillo, California Member, 1998 to 2006

Community Advisory Board Cal State University of Northridge at Ventura Member, 1990 to 2001

Editorial Board, Community Member Ventura County Star November 1998 to July 1999

El Concilio del Condado de Ventura President, 1989-1990 Member, Board of Directors 1986 to 1992

Women's Legacy Fund, VCCF (member of Founders group) 1997

Ventura County Community Foundation, 1996

Studio Channel Islands Art Center Camarillo, California President, 2004 Board Member 2002 to 2005

Tri Counties Regional Center (Serving Persons with Developmental Disabilities in San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara And Ventura Counties) Board Member 1999 to 2005

United Way of Ventura County Member Board of Directors 1986 to 1990

#### Awards and Honors:

Alice McGrath "Warrior for Justice" Award, Mexican American Bar Association of Ventura County, October 2012

Paul Harris Award, Rotary International, Oxnard Chapter, July, 2012 Women's Leadership Award, community member, Multicultural Programs California State University Channel Islands March 2012

Celebrate Literacy Award for Exemplary Service in the Promotion of Literacy Ventura County Council of the International Reading Association, May 22, 2010

Legacy Award, Women Lawyers of Ventura County October 2008

"Woman of the Year in the 23rd Senatorial District" May, 2009, Presented by California State Senator Fran Pavley

Maximus Award, 2004 Presented by Associated Students California State University, Channel Islands

"Woman of the Year in the 35th Assembly District" California Assembly, 2003 Presented by Assemblywoman Hannah-Beth Jackson

Community Service Award, 2003 El Concilio del Condado de Ventura

Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International Ventura Chapter, August 1998

Ben E. Nordman Public Service Award Ventura County Bar Association, 1997 **Human Rights Award** 

Baha'i of Ventura County, 1989

Ventura County Women's Commission Outstanding Women Award, 1997

Alumni Hall of Fame

El Rancho High School, Pico Rivera, CA

California State Scholarship, 1966

Travel Experience: Extensive Travel in Mexico, Central America

> and Latin America, as well as travel in Western and Eastern Europe, India, China, Vietnam and

Southern Africa

Fluent in Spanish, written and spoken

References: Available upon Request

#### CARMEN RAMIREZ, VENTURA COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5

Ventura County Supervisor Carmen Ramírez is dedicated to improving Oxnard and the region now and for future generations. She has worked in Oxnard since 1978 and has been an Oxnard homeowner since 1992. In November 2020, she was elected to serve a four year term as Ventura County Supervisor for District 5, which includes greater Oxnard, including much of the city, and unincorporated areas of the coast, including Hollywood Beach, SilverStrand well as El Rio, Nyeland and Strickland. Previously, she was elected to the Oxnard City Council in 2010 and was elected for three terms. Ms. Ramírez was named Mayor Pro Tem December 2012. During the ten years of her service, she never missed a council meeting.

Graduating from Loyola School of Law in Los Angeles in 1974, she was admitted to the California State Bar that same year. For 16 years she was the Executive Director of Channel Counties Legal Services Association, which served the legal needs of the poor in Ventura and Santa Barbara County. For 9 years thereafter, she was the coordinator of the Ventura Superior Court's Self Help Legal Center in the Colonia neighborhood of Oxnard, serving the Spanish Speaking community. From 2009 she maintained a private legal practice focusing Social Security Disability and consumer law matters, as well as Pro Bono assistance.

In her service for the County of Ventura she serves on numerous committees, including the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, is Chair in 2021 for the Ventura County Animal Services Commission, and Ventura County's Local Agency Formation Commission, a member of the Beach Erosion and Nourishment Commission (BEACON), Ventura County Transportation Commission, the Gold Coast Health Plan, and the Fox Canyon Ground Water Management Agency.

In 1998, she was president of the Ventura County Bar Association and remains active in bar activities. From 2005 to 2008, she was an elected member of the State Bar Board of Governors, overseeing the practice of the legal profession in California.

Additionally she has been active in many community organizations in Ventura County, including Ventura County Community Foundation, El Concilio Del Condado de Ventura, Teatro de Las Americas and is long standing Board Member for the Center for Civic Education, a national non-profit organization promoting the study and practice of Democracy in the United States and throughout the world.

She was raised in the San Gabriel Valley of LA County, one of seven siblings. She is married, with two stepsons. She is a fluent Spanish-speaker. Because of its opportunities and challenges, she believes that Oxnard is the best place to live in Ventura County.