



## Biography

I am a proud immigrant who came to the United States when I was three years old. I was raised in Diamond Bar and Torrance by parents who worked hard as small business owners to provide the best life they could for my younger brother and me. Like many immigrant families, my parents instilled in me the values of honesty, hard work, cultural pride, and service to community. These core values have guided me through school, career, family life, and now my run for City Council.

I graduated from Claremont McKenna College with a bachelor's degree in Biotechnology and Business Management and then headed to the East Coast to launch my career in business strategy consulting. After earning my MBA at George Washington University, I have spent the bulk of my career at Blackbaud, Inc., helping nonprofit organizations such as children's hospitals achieve their goals through fundraising, marketing, and advocacy.



While I love that my day job allows me to work with terrific clients and causes, my real passion is my volunteer work in the Long Beach community, advocating for traffic safety and environmental health.

Nearly three years ago, I co-founded **Walk Bike Long Beach**, a local pedestrian and bicycle safety advocacy group that fights to bring safer streets, greater walkability, and cleaner air to our communities, especially the underserved communities of Central, North, and West Long Beach. Through spearheading Walk Bike Long Beach, I have partnered with many other community-based organizations and have led or actively participated in various advocacy initiatives in the 7th District. Specifically, I:

- Started a coalition to highlight overlooked neighborhoods and promote community-centered redevelopment along Willow Street and Santa Fe Avenue
- Advocated for housing and infrastructure improvements along the I-710 corridor as part of the I-710 Livability Study
- Pushed for safe routes to school across the LA River as part of the Lower LA River Revitalization Plan
- Participated in Clean Air Action Plan working groups to promote environmental health for all Long Beach residents



When I'm not working either my day job or volunteer job, my wife Elsa and I enjoy training our rescue dog Winter (we've taught her 26 commands and counting). You may also see me riding around town on my bicycle or motorcycle, exploring the city's amazing restaurants and ethnic foods.

### **Kevin's Statement of Principle**

I am dedicated to representing and serving the residents of the 7th District. I am not here to serve special interests and have turned down all Political Action Committee (PAC) funding. I am not here to create a legacy or use this as a stepping stone to higher office.

I am here to be a voice for the community. The residents of the 7th District deserve someone who will fight for them, who will hear their concerns and champion their needs. I've already been championing the 7th District as a community advocate, and I will continue to do so as a councilmember.