

**NASW Political Action for Candidate Election (PACE)  
Presents  
SOCIAL WORKERS IN CALIFORNIA ELECTED OFFICES**

**CONGRESS**



Barbara Lee, MSW  
13th Congressional District, East Bay  
Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland,  
Piedmont, San Leandro  
Chair, Congressional Social Work Caucus



Susan Davis, MSW  
53rd Congressional District, San Diego  
Balboa Park, Mission Valley, East County, Chula Vista  
Congressional Navy-Marine Corps Caucus - Co-Founder &  
Co-Chair



Karen Bass, MSW  
37th Congressional District, Los Angeles  
Congressional Black Caucus, Chair  
Congressional Caucus on Foster Youth, Founder and Co-  
Chair

**STATEWIDE OFFICE**



Tony Thurmond, MSW, MLSP  
California Superintendent of Public Instruction  
First Afro Latino and second African American to Hold Position.  
Former State Assemblymember, West Contra Costa County School  
Board, Richmond City Council

**STATE ASSEMBLY**



Susan Talamantes Eggman, MSW, LCSW, PhD  
13th Assembly District, Stockton, Tracy  
Chair, Assembly Agriculture Committee, Chair, Select  
Committee on End of Life Health Care, Assembly Business  
and Professions Committee

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT



### Grace Espindola, MSW

Councilmember, Yuba City Council

First Mexican-American immigrant to be elected to the Yuba City City Council. Board member for the California Department of Education's School Attendance Review Board and Homeless Matters Committee.



### Martha Guerrero, MSW, LCSW

Councilmember, City of West Sacramento

Los Angeles County's Legislative Representative, Region XIII Board Member, National Association of Social Workers, Regional Water Authority, Water Resources Association, Yolo Habitat Conservancy



### Cheryl Heitmann, MSW, LCSW

Councilmember, City of Ventura

President, Economic Development Collaborative, Board Member of Women's Economic Ventures (WEV), National League of Cities Community and Economic Development Committee, Chair of Gold Coast Transit District



### Graciela Ortiz, MSW

Councilmember, City of Huntington Park

A member of the League of California Cities, the Southern California Association of Governments and serves on the HUB Cities Consortium Board. Founded Chapter of Hermanas Unidas at UCLA.



### Mary Salas, BSW

Mayor, City of Chula Vista

First elected Latina mayor in Chula Vista and the County of San Diego. Chula Vista has received national and international recognition for our efforts to reduce greenhouse gases and prevent climate change. Former State Assemblymember.



### Rich Tran, MSW

Mayor, City of Milpitas

Veterans Commission, Liaison

Finance Subcommittee, Liaison

Land Use & Transportation Subcommittee, Liaison

## EDUCATIONAL BOARDS



**Robert Bennett, MSW, LCSW, ACSW**

Upland Unified School District Board

Active member in PTA, Assistance League-PALS and as a church deacon.



**Monica García, MSW**

President, Los Angeles Unified School District Board

Led the campaign to pass a \$7 billion school bond for the largest new school construction program in U.S. history. Third Latina to serve on the Board in its 155-year history. She served an unprecedented six years as Board President



**Rose Muñoz, MSW**

Santa Barbara Unified School District Board

First social worker, in known history, to serve on the school Board. Muñoz, active in the school community, has volunteered for a Parent Teacher Association and was involved in the formation of the Equity and Excellence Committee at Dos Pueblos High School.



**Jackie Wong, MSW**

Washington Unified School District Board, City of West Sacramento

Jackie Thu-Huong Wong is the Statewide Director for the Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program at the California Department of Education (CDE). California Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye has appointed Ms. Wong to her Keeping Kids in School (KKIS) Steering Committee which is focused on keeping kids in school and out of the justice system.

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