



CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE

Senator Anna Caballero

SENATOR, SENATE DISTRICT 14

Role Profile



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Legislator Background:

- *Senator Name: Anna Caballero*
- *District: California State Senate District 14*
- *Party Background: Democrat (Moderate)*
- *Age: 71 years old*
- *Gender: Female*
- *Race/Ethnicity: Latina/Hispanic*
- *Marital Status: married to Juan Uranga (retired attorney & advocate for farmworker rights)*
- *Education: Anna completed her undergraduate studies at UC San Diego (B.A. in Sociology) and then pursued a law degree from UCLA.*

Career Breakdown:

- *Pre-Politics: Anna was born into a family of copper miners in Arizona. She then moved to California where we went to UC San Diego to earn a degree in Sociology, then completed her law degree in UCLA. After which, she returned back to rural Salinas to begin her legal career representing farmworkers with California Rural Legal Assistance. Later, she co-founded a law firm dedicated to providing affordable legal service to working families. Lastly, she founded Partners for Peace, a nonprofit that aimed to help reduce youth violence in the central valley.*

- *Post-Politics: Anna Caballero served on the Salinas City Council from 1991-1998. After which, she ran to be Mayor of Salinas, becoming the first female mayor in the city's history, serving multiple terms (1998-2006). In 2006, Anna ran for Assembly District 28, she ran and served from (2006-2010). When running again in 2010, she lost to Former Mayor Anthony Cannella. In spite of the loss, Anna was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to be Secretary of State and Consumer Service Agency (2011-2015) (Secretary of the California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency). After all this experience, Anna returned to the California Assembly where she represented the 30th Assembly District (2016-2018). Finally, Anna got elected to represent District 12, which later became District 14 after redistricting, which now includes Merced, Madera, and Fresno counties (2018-2026).*

- *List of committees Anna Caballero has been involved in:*

1. *Agriculture Committee (Chair)*
2. *Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee*
3. *Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee*
4. *Health Committee*
5. *Housing Committee*
6. *Judiciary Committee*
7. *Public Safety Committee*
8. *Legislative Ethics Committee*
9. *Joint Committee on Fairs Allocation and Classification*
10. *Select Committee on the Nonprofit Sector*

How long has Anna Caballero been a CA Senator? 8 Years

How much of the vote did Anna receive in the last election for her district?

- *In the 2022 general election, Anna Caballero earned 56.3% of the vote (90,016). The highest concentrations of her constituents have been in urban hubs, however the voter base has been spread out all over the district.*

Prominent Issues:

- *Anna Caballero is best known for her advocacy on behalf of working-class families in her district, where she focuses on Housing and Community Infrastructure, Agriculture and Water Rights, Healthcare Access, Climate Change and Clean Energy, and lastly Public Safety and Consumer Protection.*
- *Housing: Middle Class Housing Act (SB 6), Rural Infrastructure Development, Housing Preservation*
- *Agriculture: Farmworker Advocacy, Local Produce Access (SB 490), Water Scarcity and Quality*
- *Healthcare: Distressed Hospital Loan Program (SB/AB 112), Reproductive Healthcare Support (SB 1142)*
- *Climate Change: Carbon Removal (SB 306), Alternative Energy Transition*
- *Public Safety: Victim and Youth Support, Detention Center Accountability*

Prominent Donors:

- *Primary donors that stand out are labor Unions, Real Estate Associations, Public Safety Groups, and Beverage Distributors.*
- *Labor & Trade Unions: Laborers International Union of North America, Western State Regional Council of Carpenters, National Education Association*
- *Real Estate & Public Safety: National Association of Realtors, Los Angeles Police Protective League, CA Association of Highway Patrolmen*
- *Corporate & Beverage Industries: Niagara Bottling LLC, Reyes Coca-Cola Bottling LLC, Lance-Kashian & Company*

Ideology:

Aligned:

- *American Civil Liberties Union: 71%*
- *California Chamber of Commerce: 58%*
- *California Labor Federation: 67%*
- *California Teachers Association: 84%*
- *Equality California: 100%*
- *Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California: 100%*

- *Sierra Club: 100%*

Not Aligned:

- *California Environmental Voters: 27%*
- *Civil Justice Association of California: 50%*
- *Courage California: 18%*
- *Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association: 0%*
- *National Federation of Independent Businesses: 25%*

Part 2: Constituent Profile

- *Economics of Senate District 14*
 1. *The core of the industry is agriculture which drives the region, featuring major crop production, packing operations, and major farmworker communities.*
 2. *Key Issues: Economics stability - water availability, water quality, and scarcity, climate regulation as well as sustainable resources.*
 3. *Per Capita Income: sits around \$25,639*
 4. *Poverty and Support: Majority-Latino district which includes working-class families and farmworkers who face higher economic pressures.*
 5. *District Unemployment rate: 8-10%*
 6. *Income Level: \$65,500 to \$74,200*

Demographics:

- *Population: 1,010,439*
- *Population breakdown by race:*
 1. *White 18%*
 2. *Hispanic 66%*
 3. *Black 4%*
 4. *American Indian/Alaskan Native 1% or less*
 5. *Asian 8%*
 6. *Hawaiian and Pacific Islander 0.5% or less*

Age:

- *Median Age: 31.7 years old*
- *Majority of population: Hispanic (75.2%) or 713,539 citizens*
- *Individuals 18 or older: over 70% of population*

Urban/rural breakdown: Mainly rural district (some Urban Hubs & Primary Cities)

Politics:

- *Partisan Voter Registration:*
 1. *Democratic: 44.5% (145,500)*
 2. *Republican: 25.2% (82,500)*
 3. *No Party Preference: 30.3% (99,000)*
- *2020 breakdown:*
 1. *57.8% Democratic/40.0% Republican*
- *2016 breakdown:*
 1. *58.7% Democratic/40.3% Republican*
- *2012 breakdown:*
 1. *58.3% Democratic/39.8% Republican*

Top 3 issues important to constituents:

1. *Water Reliability & Management: Agriculture is the economic backbone of the district*
2. *Affordable Housing and Cost of Living: High inflation, utility cost, and lack of regional affordable housing has strained the district*
3. *Healthcare Access & Distressed Hospitals: District has faced critical infrastructure threats and closures.*

Constituents' general positions on economic, social, and environmental issues:

It seems like the citizens of CA Senate District 14 take a socially democratic, fiscally conservative approach to their politics. In terms of economic issues, constituents favor fiscal conservatism & affordability relating to cost of living, infrastructure, and agriculture. For social issues, there is a general consensus of moderate progressivism & public safety relating to immigration & farmworker rights, healthcare access and public safety. Lastly, the population feels very strongly on water infrastructure since agriculture is big out here, while also balancing clean energy!

Sincerely,

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State Senator, District 14