

Candidate Statement

Why should we trust the people who got Sacramento into this mess to get us out of it? I'm tired of politicians serving their corporate donors and abandoning the public, which is why my people-powered campaign rejects corporate PAC money. As a public health expert and four-term chair of the Measure U committee, I'll provide the leadership needed to solve our homelessness and housing crisis, make our streets safer, and create quality jobs while protecting our climate.

At the Department of Public Health, I built coalitions to expand women's health coverage and decreased infant mortality statewide. I'm an epidemiologist with a PhD in Public Health. For years I've advocated for bold action on housing and workers rights. I'm endorsed by labor unions, small business owners, progressive leaders, and community groups.

My parents were public school teachers and union members. They taught me to fight for our community. I lost my dad at age eleven. He started smoking when Big Tobacco lobbyists lied about the dangers. Since then I've dedicated my life to passing policies that help us live longer and healthier lives.

Sacramento needs new leadership. Let's build a city where everyone can thrive. Join our movement at <u>www.floformayor.com</u>.

Homelessness and Housing

"Housing is a human right. Sacramento's homelessness numbers quadrupled in the last decade because our political leaders failed to address the problem head-un, resulting in higher housing costs and more of our neighbors in the streets. As mayor, I will approach this challenge on day one, using my expertise in public health."

"As mayor, I will reduce homelessness and reduce encampments by expanding temporary shelter space and 'safeground' options that provide basic services to our unhoused neighbors, which will provide security and set them on a path to more permanent housing."

"Keeping residents housed in the first place creates a stronger community, provides greater family stability, and is a much more effective use of tax dollars. Once someone loses their home, every step towards re-establishing housing is more difficult. In order to keep our neighbors under a roof and stem the flow of families forced onto our streets, we must enact renters' protections and increase the production of affordable housing."



Public Safety

"The Chief of the Sacramento Police Department is correct when she says that police cannot do their job alone. The city is overdue in providing a well funded non-police emergency response for nonviolent situations involving homelessness or mental health crises."

'We need to reinvest in public safety programs that are proven to work. For two years, Sacramento saw its youth gun violence drop to zero, thanks to the incredible work of youth violence prevention programs. When the city cut funding for these programs, youth violence predictably skyrocketed. As a public health professional, I believe in propagating public safety programs that keep our community protected and thriving."

Credentials as Sacramento's Next Mayor

"As an epidemiologist, Senior Policy Director for Public Health Advocates, and four-term chair of the city's Measure U committee I have built coalitions, advocated for change, and passed policies that benefited working families. As mayor, I'll work with you to build a city where all of us can thrive."

Green Jobs

"Every one of us deserves access to living wage jobs. I will bring these to Sacramento through intentional investment and creative partnerships, and turn our city into the green job capital of California."

"Sacramentans know in their hearts that more is possible, and that we are equipped to address the effects of climate change through dedication and steadfast leadership. With our green jobs hub, Sacramento will be an example for the rest of the nation on how to mitigate climate change using innovation and a public health approach."

Transparency and Fairness

"City Hall is suffering from a crisis of public trust. Our next mayor must be responsible for proactive outreach and engagement with residents and organizations. Not everyone has the time to go to City Council meetings, or will feel comfortable sharing opinions in such a public venue. As mayor, I will create ample opportunities for residents to ask questions and provide feedback."

