



Melinda Avey is a small business owner and community leader running to represent the people of the 8th Assembly District in the California State Legislature.

The 8th District includes Sacramento County's eastern and southern suburban communities.

A 40-year resident of Fair Oaks, Melinda and her husband moved to the Sacramento suburbs in 1978 to raise their children in a tight knit community.

Melinda quickly became a mainstay of the local neighborhood guiding her four children through public school, youth sports, and community activities, while also working part-time at the local elementary school.

Seeking a level of financial security her family long desired – Melinda took the bold step of founding her own small business in 1986. With nothing more than a home computer and medical dictionary, Melinda Avey Medical Transcription launched from a folding table in her living room.

Over the next 25 years, her one-woman operation grew to become one of the largest private medical transcription companies in the Sacramento region, employing up to 20 people and serving more than 30 medical offices in a dozen specialty practices.

Her community leadership and civic engagement flourished as well. Since 2002, Melinda has been appointed by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors as their representative to a variety of boards and councils including the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board and the Human Services Coordinated Council.

Most recently, she was appointed to serve on a Mental Health Services Act Steering Committee workgroup tasked with addressing the rising tide of homelessness in local neighborhoods. She also serves on the Methamphetamine Task Force.

At the state level, she has served on the California Council on Alcohol Policy and was elected to the Credentialing Board for the California Consortium of Addiction Program Professionals.

Locally, Melinda is on the Board of Directors for the Assistance League of Sacramento, where she serves as Secretary. She previously served on the Board of Directors for the League of Women Voters.

Melinda lives in her longtime Fair Oaks home and spends her free time at soccer fields, swim meets, and school events with her grandchildren. She is a member of Our Lady of Assumption Parish in Carmichael.

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