

Rep. Mike Levin (CA49 D)

US Representative from CA49



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Legal Name: Michael Ted Levin (LEH-vin)

Nickname: Mike

Ethnicity: White/Caucasian

Gender: Male

Political Party: Democratic Party - Minority

Elected: First elected in 2018 - 53% of vote last election

Seniority: 254 of 441

Terms Served: Currently serving 3rd consecutive term

Next Election: 2024

Reelection Status: This legislator may run for reelection

Born: 10/20/1978 in Inglewood, CA

Residence: San Juan Capistrano, CA

Family: Married; 2 children

Spouse: Chrissy

Religion: Catholic

Education: Stanford University (CA), Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, 2001; Duke Law School (NC), Doctor of Jurisprudence, 2005

Occupations: Legal - Attorney

Political Experience: Executive Director, Democratic Party of Orange County, 2006 - 2007; Chairman, U.S. House Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, 2020; Vice Chair, U.S. House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 2022; Chairman, U.S. House Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, 2022

Capitol Staff: Mr. Jonathan Gilbert, Chief of Staff

- Issues: Foreign

Ms. Faith Williams, Deputy Chief of Staff; Legislative Director

- Issues: Aerospace; Budget; Housing; Intelligence; Military; Privacy; Science; Tax; Technology; Telecommunications; Veterans

Ms. Alison Feinswog, Senior Legislative Assistant

- Issues: Animal Rights; Campaign; Commerce; Consumers; Education; Family; Finance; Govt Ops; Health; Judiciary; Labor; Land Use; Rules; Seniors; Social Security; Trade; Veterans; Welfare; Women



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Capitol Staff: Ms. Amanda Shafer, Legislative Assistant
- Issues: Agriculture; Disaster; Energy; Environment; Native Americans; Public Works; Transportation
Mr. Raymond Rodriguez, Communications Director
Mr. Scott Batchelder, Press Secretary; Digital Manager
Ms. Kerri Buschbacher, Brookings Legislative Fellow
- Issues: Foreign; Health; Military
Ms. Eileen Lee, Legislative Aide
- Issues: Arts; Homeland Security; Immigration; Small Business; US Postal Service
Ms. Alana Peisner, Scheduler
Mr. Gabe Feiner, Staff Assistant

District Offices: OCEANSIDE
Suite 314; 2204 El Camino Real; Oceanside, CA 92054
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- Issues: Commerce; Crime; Energy; Environment; Intergovernmental; Labor; Land Use; Technology; Telecommunications; Transportation
Mr. Kyle Krahel-Frolander; Deputy Chief of Staff; District Director
Ms. Ashley Emann, Green and Gold Congressional Fellow
- Issues: Military; Veterans
Mr. Jackson Cripe, District Representative
- Issues: Gun Issues; Housing
Ms. Jessica Ramirez, District Representative
- Issues: Agriculture; Census; Commerce; Family; Minorities; Small Business; Women
Ms. Salome Tash, District Representative; District Scheduling Coordinator
- Issues: Animal Rights; Human Rights; Minorities; Religion
Ms. Shannon Bradley, Constituent Liaison
- Issues: Arts; Census; Education; Foreign; Health; Homeland Security; Immigration; Judiciary; Science; Trade

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Suite 102; 33282 Golden Lantern; Dana Point, CA 92629
Phone: (949) 281-2449
- Issues: Gender Identity; Intergovernmental; Military; Veterans
Mr. Kasey Condon; District Representative
Mr. Colton Roughen, District Representative
- Issues: Education; Intergovernmental; Native Americans; Seniors; Transportation

Committees: House Natural Resources
- Federal Lands
- Water, Wildlife & Fisheries
House Veterans' Affairs
- Economic Opportunity - Ranking Minority Member
- Health

Caucuses: House Anti-Corruption League
House Bipartisan Congressional Pro-Choice Caucus
House California Aerospace Caucus



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Caucuses: House Congressional Arts Caucus
House Congressional Caucus on Armenian Issues
House Congressional Cut Flower Caucus
House Congressional Dad's Caucus
House Congressional Diabetes Caucus
House Congressional Family Business Caucus
House Congressional Gun Violence Prevention Task Force
House Congressional Labor Caucus
House Congressional LGBTQ+ Equality Caucus
House Congressional Safe Climate Caucus
House Congressional Solar Caucus
House Congressional Travel & Tourism Caucus
House Congressional Ukraine Caucus
House Congressional Work for Warriors Caucus
House Oceans Caucus
House Small Brewers Caucus
House Military Transition Assistance Pathway
House Public Broadcasting Caucus
House Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition
House Veterans Education Caucus
Joint Congressional Caucus to End the Youth Vaping Epidemic
Joint Congressional Hispanic Caucus
Joint Congressional Personalized Medicine Caucus
Joint Congressional Progressive Caucus
Joint Congressional Rare Disease Caucus

Biography: Congressman Mike Levin is proud to represent California's 49th Congressional District, which includes North County San Diego and South Orange County.

Currently serving his third term in the House of Representatives, Levin sits on the House Committee on Natural Resources and the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, where he serves as Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Levin was raised in South Orange County and attended local elementary and junior high schools. He spent his high school years at Loyola High in Los Angeles, and went on to study at Stanford University, where he served as the student body president. Upon graduation from Stanford, Levin served as a Coro Fellow and then attended Duke University School of Law.

Prior to being elected to Congress in 2018, Levin fought for climate action while working as an environmental attorney. He also served on the board of the Center for Sustainable Energy, and co-founded Sustain OC, helping accelerate the transition toward more sustainable power generation and transportation alternatives.

As a member of Congress, some of Levin's top priorities are combating climate change, protecting our natural resources, and capitalizing on the economic benefits of a sustainable energy future. He has led legislation to transition America to zero emission vehicles, ban new offshore drilling leases along the coast of Southern California, responsibly develop renewable



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Another priority for Rep. Levin is increasing oversight and accountability at the decommissioning San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), and moving the spent nuclear fuel out of the region as quickly and safely as possible. Levin stood up a local task force upon arriving to Congress to formulate policy recommendations to address the hazardous waste. He is the founder and Co-Chair of the Spent Nuclear Fuel Solutions Caucus, a bipartisan group to drive progress on the safe storage, transportation, and disposal of nuclear fuel across the country. He has also led legislation to prioritize the removal of spent nuclear fuel from environmentally sensitive sites like San Onofre, mandate resident inspectors at decommissioning nuclear power plants during sensitive activities, and fund a research and development program at the Department of Energy to find innovative solutions to spent nuclear fuel management.

Rep. Levin is also a leader on legislation to support veterans. As the grandson of a World War II veteran and the representative of Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Levin is an advocate for the servicemembers and veterans who have sacrificed for our freedom. He has spoken out about the importance of protecting the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) from privatization efforts, improving veterans' health care and services, and expanding job opportunities for those who have served.

Levin is proud to lead the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Since he became Chair, his subcommittee has become one of the most productive in Congress, with more than 50 bills to serve veterans passing into law. Levin sponsored one of the most consequential pieces of legislation signed into law for veterans in recent years, the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020, which strengthened and expanded a wide range of veterans' benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond.

Levin has also championed efforts to expand access to affordable health care, lower the cost of higher education, preserve Social Security and Medicare, prevent gun violence, enact comprehensive immigration reform, and protect a woman's right to choose. He is a member of the Congressional Progressive Caucus and, as the grandson of immigrants from Mexico, a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

Levin holds town halls regularly to keep his constituents informed and answer their questions, and he has also made those town halls available as part of his podcast, Listening with Levin.

Levin lives in San Juan Capistrano with his wife, Chrissy, and their two children, ages 10 and 8.