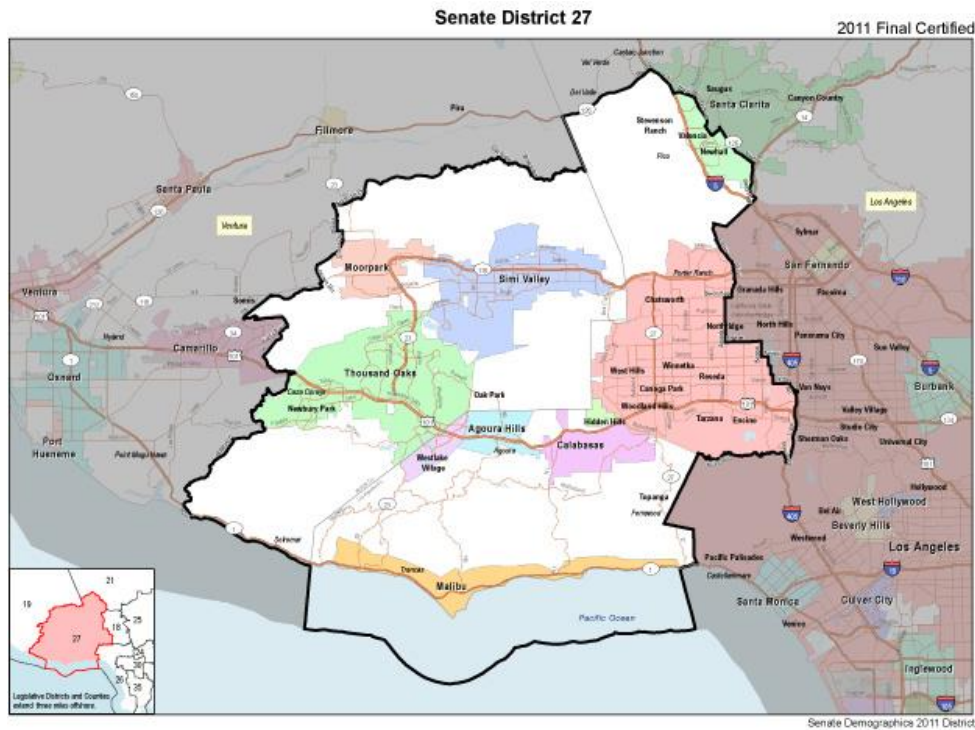


Election at California 27th State Senate District



About California 27th State Senate District

California's 27th State Senate district is one of 40 California State Senate districts. The district includes the Conejo Valley, parts of the San Fernando Valley, and a slice of the Santa Clarita Valley. It includes Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Oak Park, Moorpark, Bell Canyon, Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Malibu, Westlake Village, Hidden Hills and other cities and areas. It has a population of about one million, 12% of which are Asian Americans. Out of over 500 thousand registered voters, 40% are democrats, 30% are republicans, and the remainder without a party preference. It is currently represented by Democrat Fran Pavley of Agoura Hills, whose term will end at the end of 2016 and will not seek for re-election. Republican candidate Steve Fazio and Democratic candidate Henry Stern are currently competing for the seat.

About Steve Fazio

Steve Fazio is the Republican candidate for California 27th district senator. Fazio earned an MBA and a doctorate from Pepperdine University. He has business experience as the owner of Fazio Cleaners. He also served as a reserve police officer with the Los Angeles Police Department for 20 years (from 1981 to 2011). Fazio is a member of the Los Angeles City Fire Commission. He founded the Las Virgenes Chapter of the Young Presidents Organization and served as the founding president for the Sierra Canyon School Board of Trustees. Fazio has been a member of various organizations in the region, including the Cedars Sinai Board of Governors, the Woodland Hills Chamber of Commerce, the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce, AIPAC, WPO, AJC, and the Lincoln Club. He was the only Republican candidate against five Democratic candidate in June 2016 primary election (in California the candidates receiving the most and second-most votes become the contestants in the general election, regardless their party association), and won with the most votes. His top three policy priorities are job, education and public safety.

About Henry Stern

Steve Fazio is the Democratic candidate for California 27th district senator. Stern earned his B.A. from Harvard University and J.D. from University of California Berkeley School of Law. He is an environmental attorney and served as senior policy advisor to current 27th district state senator Fran Pavley. He teaches law at UCLA, volunteers at Boys and Girls Club and serves as Board Member of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee. He won the primary election in June 2016 with the second most votes and became the Democratic candidate for the seat of 27th district state senator. His top three policy priorities are education, environment and transportation.

Why Should We Care About the Election of 27th State Senate District?

27th district includes cities where most of our community members and families live in. The district is our home. The senator of this district is our representative at the state legislature, he is our voice. As we know, in US each state has relatively greater autonomy than some other countries. In other words, the state legislature is very relevant and important to us. Just look at some of the propositions that will be put on the ballot in general election on Nov. 8th: legalization of marijuana, background checks for ammunition purchases, repeal the death penalty, prescription drug price regulations, etc. If passed by the state, these bills will all have direct or indirect impact on our day-to-day lives. Therefore, to participate in the elections, to know who we will vote for, is the responsibility we all should take seriously, not only for ourselves, but for our future generations.