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2025 Look
Back and
Policy
Highlights



YEAR IN REVIEW

OUR 2025 JOURNEY



As we enter this year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the progress we made together in 2025 and to thank you for the trust, partnership, and resilience that define the Second District.

This past year reminded us of the strength of our community. Even in the face of uncertainty and unprecedented civil rights abuse, neighbors stepped up for one another, community organizations worked tirelessly to meet emerging needs, and our office collaborated to protect our residents. Time and again, I was inspired by the compassion, determination, and unity I saw throughout our cities and neighborhoods.

I am incredibly proud of the work our office accomplished in 2025, advancing affordable housing projects and funding for homelessness prevention, expanding access to health care and food

assistance, defending civil and immigrant rights, strengthening government accountability, and delivering responsive constituent services.

None of this work happens in isolation. Every success reflects the deep partnerships we have built with nonprofits, faith leaders, service providers, local businesses, community leaders, and residents who care deeply about the future of Orange County.

The accomplishments highlighted in this report represent meaningful progress our office brought to central Orange County, after many years of neglect, but they are also a foundation for the work ahead. As we settle into 2026, I remain committed to listening, leading thoughtfully to meet the challenges that lie ahead, and continuing to work towards solutions that allow everyone in the Second District has the opportunity to thrive.

Your voice matters, and your engagement helps to guide our work. If you have questions, ideas, or concerns, I encourage you to reach out to my office.

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

The lack of affordable housing remains one of the most urgent challenges facing our residents. Limited availability and rising costs continue to place a tremendous financial burden on families, seniors on fixed incomes, and many individuals at risk of homelessness. In 2025, our office intensified its focus on homelessness prevention so that we can keep people housed where they are while working to increase affordable housing options.



We did the following:

- Hosted a groundbreaking Small Scale Housing Summit to introduce a more cost effective and efficient housing solution to OC, drawing over 150 attendees, including developers, faith-based leaders, housing advocates, school districts, and landowners
- Dedicated \$200,000 to create the WARM Program to keep families safe and dry from the elements during severe weather
- Rolled out the District 2 Emergency Rental Program to prevent families from losing their homes
- Continued to sustain housing efforts through the Homeless Prevention and Stabilization Program that financially assists 300 families along with wraparound services, with the goal of preventing them from falling into homelessness
- Awarded \$22 million to fund over 860 units across 10 projects.
- Broke ground on the Lincoln Ave. project in Anaheim and celebrated the openings of affordable housing projects Archways and Miraflores in Santa Ana
- Explored new housing options for seniors

HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND FOOD SECURITY

In 2025, rapid and harmful policy changes significantly impacted the County's ability to deliver essential services. Healthcare, social services, and food assistance programs all faced uncertainty, including threats of substantial cuts to safety-net programs. Our office supported healthcare outreach to ensure as many people as possible maintain their coverage and access to care. Meeting these challenges required strong collaboration between our office and our nonprofit partners, from ensuring food access during a federal government shutdown that disrupted benefits for thousands of residents, to preparing for changes in health care eligibility that could affect many more families.



To Help Address the Gaps We:

- Partnered with the Friendly Center to provide meals to over 500 families by expanding a food market specifically for Second District residents
- Collaborated with school districts to supply essential food boxes to more than 2,000 families experiencing food insecurity
- Championed \$8M in food aid for CalOptima Medi-Cal recipients
- Expanded Street Medicine services to provide mobile medical care to unhoused residents
- Hosted multiple food distribution and resource events with United Across Borders to assist families with groceries and essential items.
- Convened industry leaders to address major issues plaguing the healthcare system at a hospital and silicosis roundtables
- Introduced policy changes at CalOptima on topics such as ethics, human resources, procurement and provider contracts
- Allocated \$10,000 to address a lack of availability of proper respirators needed to protect workers from silicosis

COMMUNITY SAFETY



Ensuring community safety remains a fundamental County priority. In 2025, our office supported collaborative safety efforts with our cities, including expanding gun buy-back events countywide so residents could safely surrender unwanted firearms. We also took concrete steps to improve safety along flood control channels, including hiring security patrols, upgrading fencing, enhancing lighting, and conducting more frequent cleanups.



We worked on the following:

- Helped fund the crossing guards in the City of Orange to ensure students can get to and from school safely
- Partnered with the Garden Grove Police Department for a gun buy back event to remove over 300 guns off the streets
- Facilitated distribution of naloxone to behavioral health deputies to overdose
- Doubled the number of flood control channel cleanups within the Second District
- Introduced surveillance and security patrols along high risk flood channels
- Installed 4-D safety fencing along Santa Ana flood control channels
- Spearheaded and advocated to include environmental justice in the County's Climate Action Plan



IMMIGRATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Throughout 2025, media headlines were dominated by immigration enforcement actions, the militarization of our streets, and widespread protests against unjust federal policies. Many families in our communities were directly affected by ICE raids, while businesses and neighborhoods experienced significant economic and social impacts. Our Office focused on protecting the rights of working people while trying to understand the impact to the economy and business community.



We accomplished the following:

- Launched the Liberty Fund with \$500K in Second District funds and secured an additional \$1M for this public-private partnership from philanthropic organizations to assist families with legal assistance and due process protections
- Created a County Resolution to protect immigrant children and mixed status families
- Introduced the Safe Access to Food & Essentials Program, offering crucial resources to families facing immigration challenges, including rental assistance, legal support, food access, and social services
- Hosted a Citizenship Fair with OCCORD to assist with petitions needed to assist individuals on their path to citizenship
- Became known as a trusted source for accurate information and for navigating the complex immigration and assistance referral systems
- Shared information on due process rights and materials for residents, and through an ad campaign in the district
- Launched an Economic Impact Survey with UCI, School of Social Ecology, to better understand and quantify the impacts of federal policy including tariffs and increased immigration enforcement on local businesses and support our business community



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Community partnerships are at the heart of what makes the Second District vibrant, diverse, and resilient. In 2025, it was our collective effort that allowed us to not only to endure challenges but to thrive. We funded and supported community and cultural events and provided assistance to community organizations, helping launch new initiatives while sustaining long-standing programs that serve residents every day.



We introduced the following:

- Assisted nearly 1,000 constituents with resource connections and government navigation
- Participated in over 300 community events and supported cultural celebrations across the district
- Led multiple resource fairs to support housing, jobs, health & veterans assistance
- Hosted local, cultural art exhibits at the Old Orange County Courthouse for families and students in the Second District
- Introduced the first District 2 County Spring Into Summer Concert for families with local artist performances
- Worked alongside community animal rights groups to support reforms and access changes at OC Animal Care, funded pet spay and neuter events, and funded a pet pantry event to assist pet owners in the district
- Made improvements to bike trails in Orange as well as funded the construction of parklets with picnic benches
- Worked with local chambers of commerce including special events with the Orange and Garden Grove chambers to keep business owners informed
- Continued partnership on our series of faith-based roundtables

About District 2

Orange County's Dynamic Heart

Nestled in central Orange County, the Second District is home to over 600,000 residents, and it stands as the most urbanized and culturally rich area in the county — proof that true impact isn't measured in square miles.

Though the smallest district by land, every corner of the Second District bursts with character and community traditions. It encompasses five distinctive cities, including all of Santa Ana and portions of Garden Grove, Tustin, Orange, and Anaheim — each contributing unique heritage, energy, and innovation.

From bustling city centers like 4th Street Market in Santa Ana to cherished local neighborhoods, the Second District is a hub of economic opportunity, civic engagement, and cultural celebration.

It's where diversity isn't just present — it thrives.

District 2 at a Glance:

- 360,453 Total Employees in District 2
- 33,600 Businesses
- Top 3 Industries by Employment being Manufacturing (12%), Healthcare and Social Assistance (11%), and Retail Trade (10%)
- 5% Unemployment Rate
- Median Household Income is \$91,317
- 41.7% of the population are homeowners
- Average Monthly Apartment Rent Per Unit \$2,372
- 5,800+ Affordable Housing Units

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