



Employee Continuous Service Recognition
January 28, 2025

COUNTY OF VENTURA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mary Barnes

25 Years

Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office

Senior Accounting Technician

Mary Barnes has dedicated her entire 25-year County service career to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office, starting in the Treasury Department and then promoting to the Accounting Unit in Tax Collection.

Mary assists taxpayers and team members to navigate through complex and challenging bankruptcy situations. She played a pivotal role in enhancing tax collection processes as well as developing and implementing the Tax Collector's bankruptcy collection system. She serves the community and her colleagues with compassion and respect.

Congratulations on 25 years of service to the County of Ventura.



Marilyn Carriger

25 Years

Health Care Agency

Public Health Nutritionist III

Since joining the Ventura County Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program in 1999, Marilyn Carriger has provided nutrition expertise as a Registered Dietitian to WIC program staff and participants.

Appreciated for her intelligence, calm demeanor, and engaging communication style, she is extremely adept in her ability to support behavior change as a nutrition counselor and she creates an environment of warmth and kindness for the families served by WIC.

Congratulations on 25 years of dedication to the families of Ventura County.



Joanna Flores

25 Years

Health Care Agency

Office Assistant III

Joanna Flores started in 1999 as a Housekeeper for the Health Care Agency. Her dedication and hard work earned her a promotion to Office Assistant with the Public Health Department's Safety and Facilities Program. Over the years, Joanna continued to excel and was promoted to Office Assistant III, contributing her expertise to several key programs, including Administration, Fiscal, and currently Community Health Nursing.

Joanna's unwavering passion for helping others and her exceptional organizational skills have been invaluable assets to the County of Ventura.

Congratulations on 25 years of outstanding dedication and public service.



Thomas Frye

25 Years

District Attorney's Office

Senior Attorney

Thomas Frye joined the District Attorney's Office in 1999 as a Deputy District Attorney. He has worked as a trial attorney in various units in the office including Domestic Violence, Fraud, and Public Integrity. Currently, he is assigned to the Writs & Appeals unit where he has written appellate briefs that have helped change the law in California.

Tom is passionate about his work and serving his community. He has authored articles for the California District Attorneys Association, trained attorneys through continuing education, taught classes for Sheriff's Academy law enforcement recruits, and assisted the next generation of young aspiring lawyers by coaching high school mock trial.

Thank you for 25 years of service to people of Ventura County.



Gregory Gibson

25 Years

Sheriff's Office

Sheriff's Captain

Captain Greg Gibson has dedicated his Sheriff's Office career to investigating and apprehending criminals who have victimized our communities. His commitment to holding these individuals accountable for their criminal activities has helped keep Ventura County a safe community for all.

Greg has worked investigation assignments in Camarillo and Thousand Oaks, and in Narcotics. He currently manages the Headquarters Patrol Station and is participating in the 12th Cohort of the County's Leadership Development Program (LEAP). Greg will soon attend the FBI National Academy.

Thank you for your service and leadership to the County and our community.



Marc Leventhal

25 Years

District Attorney's Office

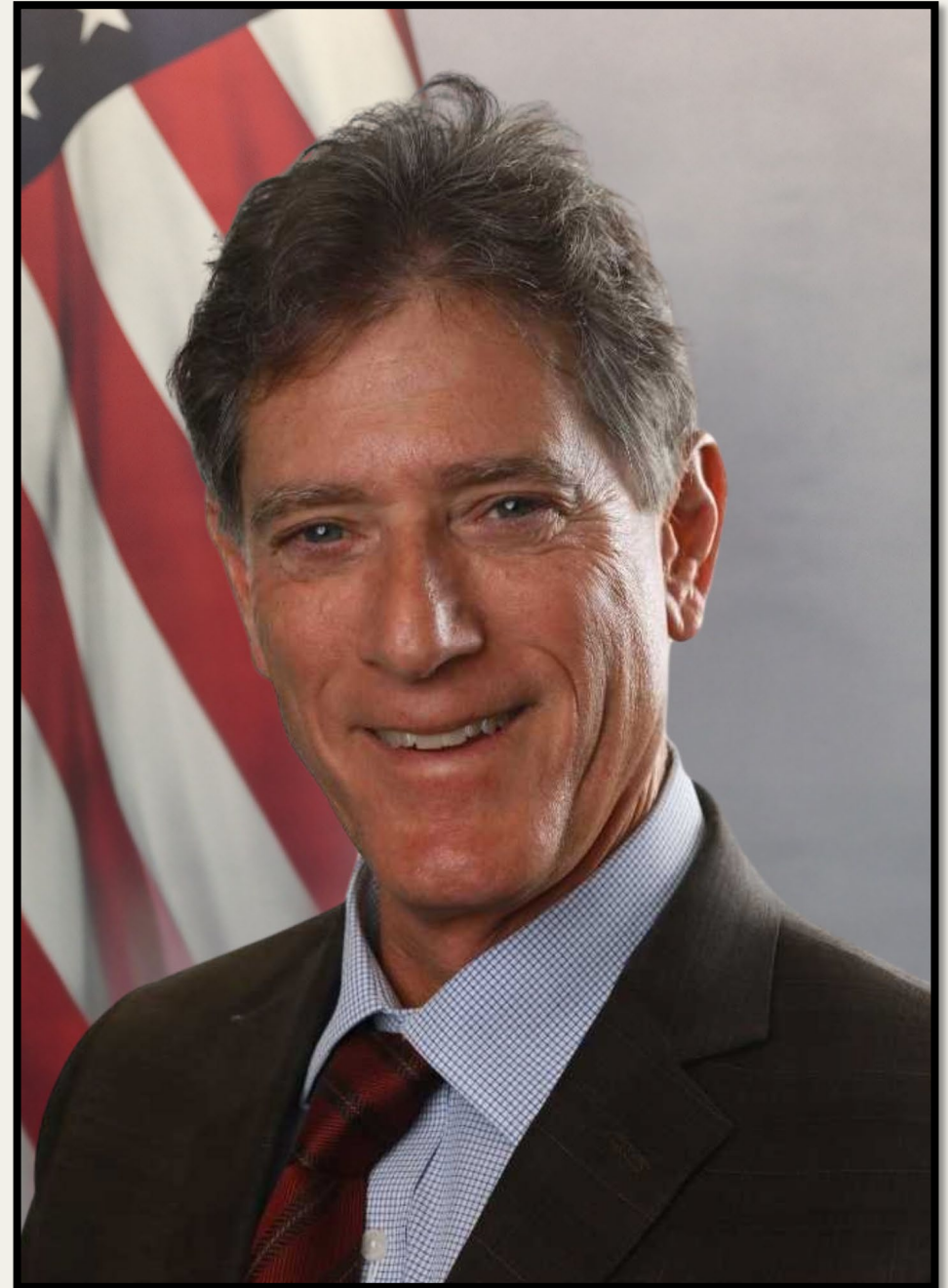
Senior Attorney

After graduating from UC Berkeley, UCLA School of Law, and spending 10 years in private practice, Marc Leventhal joined the District Attorney's Office in 1999.

After two years of prosecuting lower-level crimes, Marc was promoted to the Major Fraud and Technology Unit. Marc has spent the last 23 years in this specialized assignment investigating and prosecuting sophisticated fraudsters, embezzlers, and those who possess child sexual abuse material. Marc is a subject matter expert in white-collar crime prosecutions.

We are fortunate to have Marc fighting crime on behalf of the residents of Ventura County.

Thank you for 25 years of dedicated service.



Maria Macias

25 Years

Health Care Agency

Program Administrator III

Maria Macias started as a Medical Office Assistant II with the Ambulatory Care Clinics and worked in all the specialty Clinics, including Oncology, Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Family Planning, and the Women's Clinic.

Maria has been promoted to positions of Office Assistant III with the Public Health Clinics and Tuberculosis Program, Office Assistant IV, Administrative Assistant, Program Administrator II to oversee operations for the Office of Vital Records, and Program Administrator III. In her current position as the Chief Deputy Registrar, Maria oversees the Office of Vital Records and manages the Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity grants of approximately \$40 million.

Thank you for your service and dedication to the Health Care Agency.



Zulema Pasmant

25 Years

Health Care Agency

WIC Nutrition Assistant II

Since starting with the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program in 1999, Zulie Pasmant has provided nutrition education and WIC benefits to Ventura County families with empathy, compassion, and care.

Her co-workers describe her as a ray of sunshine, kind, funny and joyful, with a big, beautiful heart.

Outside of work, she enjoys cares for her 94-year-old mother, enjoys precious moments with her family, including her 94-year-old mother, son, and grandson. She recently earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies at California State University, Northridge.

Thank you for 25 years of dedication to public service.



Teresa Ponce

25 Years

Health Care Agency

Public Health Social Worker II

Teresa Ponce is the longest-serving employee in the HIV department. Her experience has been invaluable in training new social workers and staff and serving the HIV population. Teresa exemplifies what it means to be a team player, and she is often the "go-to" person for addressing challenging case management issues.

Teresa empowers her clients to advocate for themselves by providing them with the knowledge they need to seek information from their doctors to help them maintain their health. She often goes above and beyond for her clients, adjusting her schedule to meet with them after work hours if needed. Teresa is consistently mindful, thoughtful, and patient with her clients.

Thank you for your 25 years of service and dedication.



Jose Rodriguez

25 Years

Information Technology Services Department

Manager – Information Technology Services Department Project

Jose Rodriguez joined the County in 1994, left briefly but returned in 1999 to work in direct client benefit service delivery in office and hospital settings. In 2000, Jose moved to the Human Services Agency Business Technology Division.

Jose helped implement and support technical milestones such as WICAR, WDTIP, and Footprints. As a lead on the CalWIN team, Jose helped consolidate legacy systems into a single source system, automating core services into one application.

Jose represented the Human Services Agency on consortium workgroups and subcommittees, state level steering committees, and implementation of HUD HMIS. Jose is currently HSA's Technical Support and Facilities Manager.

Thank you for your dedication in support of public service.



Anthony Romero

25 Years

Fire Department

Fire Battalion Chief

Anthony Romero joined the Ventura County Fire Department in 1998, fulfilling his lifelong dream of becoming a firefighter.

Anthony holds certifications in Urban Search and Rescue (USAR), Hazardous Materials (HAZ-MAT), and Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM).

As Battalion Chief of the Human Resources Division, he finds deep fulfillment in helping others and protecting the community. The Ventura County Fire Department has provided Anthony with both a rewarding career and the ideal place to raise his family. He is thankful for the support and being able to live and work in such a great and welcoming place.

Thank you for your service to those who live and work in Ventura County.



Joann Roth

25 Years

District Attorney's Office

Senior Attorney

After graduation from California State University, Los Angeles, in 1995 and obtaining her law degree from Southwestern Law School, Joann Roth joined the District Attorney's Office in 1998. After a short stint trying misdemeanor cases, she quickly promoted to the Domestic Violence Unit in 1999.

In the last 25 years, Joann has had numerous assignments, including complaint review, Felony Unit, Misdemeanor Supervisor, Oxnard Police Department Community Prosecutor, Gang Unit, Narcotics Unit, Juvenile Unit, and Crimes Against Police Officers where, for eight years, she prosecuted violent offenders who victimized police officers.

Thank you for 25 years of outstanding service to Ventura County.



Laura Suarez

25 Years

Human Services Agency

HS Child Welfare Social Worker III

Laura Suarez started as an Eligibility Officer processing Medi-Cal and Food Stamp Applications for clients. She then began working as an Employment Specialist, providing training, education, and resources to clients on CalWORKS to help them obtain employment. Later, she promoted to a Child Welfare Social Worker helping children and families through adoption and legal guardianship.

Laura received a Master's Degree in Social Work from California State University, Long Beach, through the CalSWEC Program and is currently working on obtaining her hours to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

Thank you for your 25 years of service to our community.



Charles Swaim

25 Years

District Attorney's Office

Office Systems Coordinator IV

Throughout his career, Chuck Swaim has exemplified professionalism, kindness, and dedication in public service.

As a cornerstone of the District Attorney's Office Information Technology Unit, Chuck is a team player who consistently puts others first and excels in every challenge. His contributions, from leading the transition to a paperless system, to advancing Race Blind Charging, are as vital to justice as any role in the District Attorney's Office. Chuck's mastery of technology, combined with his strategic insight, ensures success in every project. We are honored to celebrate his invaluable service and the lasting impact he has made.

Congratulations on reaching this milestone in your career.



Robert Talaugon

25 Years

General Services Agency

Certified Building Maintenance Engineer

Bob Talaugon is a Certified Maintenance Engineer currently assigned to the Hall of Justice and Service Building at the Government Center. Over his career, he has had the opportunity to work at most facilities that GSA maintains.

He and his wife of 28 years, Jill, are the parents of two sons, Blake and Chad. Bob enjoys spending most of his spare time outdoors, camping, fishing, boating, and motorcycling. He is the Crew Chief for a two-car Dirt Track Racing Team in the IMCA Modified Division that has had multiple championships at Ventura Raceway.

Thank you and congratulations.



Marlen Torres

25 Years

Probation Agency

Clerical Supervisor III

Marlen Torres has consistently demonstrated excellence in leadership, innovation, and service, earning numerous Employee and Team Awards. Marlen's career exemplifies her commitment to public service and is a testament to her versatility and passion for growth.

Her impact extends beyond accolades; she has been a cornerstone of support operations, inspiring those around her with her professionalism, expertise, and dedication. Marlen has played a key role in streamlining operations and mentoring her colleagues, creating a lasting influence on the Probation Agency's culture.

Congratulations and thank you for your service.



John Velasquez

25 Years

Health Care Agency

Office Systems Coordinator III

John Velasquez started as an Office Assistant at VCMC Financial Administration and soon promoted to Supervisor of Billing Records and Custodian of Records. He then joined HCA IT on the Help Desk before moving to field support for Ambulatory Care, Public Health, Behavioral Health, and Health Care Plan sites.

During the COVID-19 lockdown, John secured, configured, and delivered 40 of the 60 required laptops within four days for contact tracers, enabling Phase II reopening on time.

Congratulations and thank you for your dedication to public service.



Norma Aguilar

30 Years

Health Care Agency

VCBH Patient Navigator – Program Administrator

Norma Aguilar started her County of Ventura career at Ventura County Behavioral Health, providing direct patient care. Norma later transitioned to Public Health Clinics and then HCA-Children Medical Services program.

After having experienced a loved one suffer from a challenging mental health condition, Norma found her way back to Behavioral Health as a Community Services Coordinator. Most recently, Norma promoted into the role of Patient Navigator – developing this new position to support in the navigation and care of individuals/families dealing with complex needs.

Thank you for 30 years of service to our community.



Martha Carrillo

30 Years

Human Services Agency

Division Manager – Human Services Agency

Martha Carrillo has helped vulnerable populations via systems improvement efforts for the specialized youth services pilot, transitional housing for emancipated youth, and adoptions for commercially sexually exploited children, with Children and Families Services, Adults and Families Services, Public Administrator/Public Guardian, and Community Services.

She has led team efforts to address staffing, retention, and vacancy rates challenges, including helping to establish the Strategic Training & Staff Development Team.

Martha received the Outstanding Services to Ventura County's Youth Award by the Juvenile and Delinquency Commission and helped facilitate the IHSS team's recognition as a top California county for service delivery.

Thank you for your commitment to serving our vulnerable populations.



Jaimé Duncan

30 Years

Human Services Agency

Deputy Director Human Services Agency

Jaimé Duncan joined the County of Ventura as an Eligibility Officer and today is Deputy Director of the Human Services Agency's Community Services Department. Jaimé's experience spans multiple Public Assistance and Workforce Development programs.

Jaimé is accomplished in building trusting and mutually beneficial partnerships. Jaimé consistently demonstrates leadership characterized by integrity, accountability, courage, and compassion.

Jaimé cares about the Ventura County community and has dedicated her career to serving our most vulnerable residents.

Thank you for your dedication to changing and transforming lives.



Carolyn Hanohano

30 Years

Health Care Agency

Senior Registered Nurse – Mental Health Acute Care

Carolyn Hanohano started as a Medical Office Assistant and worked at the Hillmont Psychiatric Unit for more than 20 years.

She now serves with the Enhanced Case Management/Whole Person Care Program, where she helps individuals achieve medical and mental wellness to live fulfilling lives. Carolyn empowers her patients to take charge of their mental health, treating each person with dignity and compassion.

With Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, and a Doctorate in Nursing degrees, Carolyn recently completed a post-master's certification as a Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

Thank you for your work in support of mental health.



Kevin Lynch

30 Years

Sheriff's Office

Sheriff's Captain

In assignments with Detention, Patrol, and Investigations with the Sheriff's Office, Kevin Lynch has worked to protect the lives and property of Ventura County residents.

As part of the SWAT team, Kevin participated in some of the most high-risk operations performed in law enforcement.

He has been promoted many times and currently holds the rank of Captain. At present, he oversees 27 detectives in the East Valley Detective Bureau. Many large cases have been undertaken by the Bureau, including shutting down a large-scale auto theft crew, and the arrest of the mastermind behind an international residential burglary crew.

Congratulations on your 30 years of dedicated service.



Traci Printup-Khan

30 Years

Health Care Agency

Behavioral Health Clinic Administrator III

Traci Printup-Khan started in the Youth and Family Department working in Juvenile Justice and the Child Welfare Subsystem. She transitioned to adult services in Conejo as a Behavioral Health Clinician and then the Clinic Administrator.

With her leadership and mentorship, Traci has built a thriving clinical team with a supportive, inclusive, productive culture that always puts clients first.

Traci is the President of her Zeta Phi Beta Social Service Organization and recently earned a 5-Star Leadership Award. For 40 years she has collaborated with community groups, providing her unique mentorship to help fill service gaps for underserved people.

Thank you for all you do for our community.



Richard Simon

40 Years

District Attorney's Office

Senior Attorney

Richard Simon joined the District Attorney's Office in 1984, after a distinguished moot court career at California State University, Northridge, and Loyola Law School.

Richard quickly advanced and has been a felony trial attorney since 1986. To date, he has tried 25 murder cases including *People v. Schultz*, a home invasion murder, and *People v. Braswell*, where Braswell and three others plotted and executed Braswell's husband. He is a dedicated advocate and his commitment to Ventura County residents' safety has never wavered.

Richard is an excellent ping pong player, evinced by his five gold medals at the annual Ventura County Corporate Games.

Thank you for 40 years of service to Ventura County.





To date, the careers of these 24 dedicated individuals represent a total of 645 years of County service.

Thank you and congratulations to all.
