



City of Irvine Councilmember

Christina Shea

Christina Shea was elected to the Irvine City Council in a landslide victory in 1992. After her four-year term in the City Council, she was elected as Irvine Mayor in 1996, and re-elected in 1998. In 2002, Christina returned to the Irvine City Council and served as a Councilmember until 2010.

She has dedicated her life to public service despite her busy schedule between family and work. Currently, Christina is a member of the Irvine City Council, the Chairwoman of the Orange County Great Park Board of Directors, a member of the Irvine/IUSD Liaison Committee, a Board member of the Director of the Transportation Corridor Agencies, and the Chairwoman of the Irvine Community Land Trust. She also serves on the ad hoc Great Park Forensic Audit Committee, and is Chair of the Task Force to Review Housing Needs of the Developmentally Disabled.

She has been named one of Orange County's "Leaders of the Year" by the California Women's Leadership Association and featured as one of the "Most Influential Women in Orange County" by Orange County Metro Magazine. Councilwoman Shea was recognized by Assemblyman Chuck DeVore to be the 2008 Woman of the year for the Seventieth Assembly District.

Councilwoman Shea has been a strong supporter of local law enforcement, and has seen the City of Irvine reap the rewards, being named, for 9 consecutive years, America's Safest City, among cities with a population of more than 100,000 people.

Dedicated to sound fiscal responsibility for both the present and the future, Christina supports privatization and opposes municipal tax increases. During her years as Mayor, she helped streamline Irvine's municipal services saving taxpayer dollars, and creating greater efficiencies. Councilwoman Shea has served on the El Toro Reuse Planning Authority, and the Orange County Sanitation District.

Additionally, Councilwoman Shea has served with numerous volunteer organizations, including the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society, the Board of Directors for the Irvine Child Care Project, the Advisory Board and past Capital Campaign Director for Human Options.

Ms. Shea has been a resident of Irvine since 1977 and currently lives in Quail Hill.

Apart from her many civic duties, she is an independent business consultant and works with Prism Link Properties.

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