



### *Joe Gardner*

Joe Gardner was nominated to be appointed to the Probation Commission by Los Angeles County Supervisor Michael Antonovich. He was appointed by the Board of Supervisors on May 14, 2013. Joe was elected by his fellow commissioners to serve as Probation Commission President. He starts his fourth term in 2019.

Joe also served over 27 years as a peace officer for the Santa Monica Police Department. Joe attained the rank of sergeant and served in that capacity for over five years. He retired in December of 2011.

Joe is an expert in gang and youth intervention efforts, solving the issues of homelessness to improve community livability, an instructor of community-oriented policing practices and neighborhood nuisance abatement tactics. Joe has worked as a narcotics detective and member of a Los Angeles County drug interdiction task force named LAIMPACT. He was also a supervisor of a team of six officers dedicated to the task of resolving problems associated with homelessness. Joe also supervised a gang and youth intervention investigative unit and implemented and lead a regional gang suppression task force for the western side of Los Angeles County. Joe was awarded life-time membership in the California Narcotics Officers Association. Joe earned an Advanced Training Certificate from the California State Peace Officer Standards and Training.

Joe Gardner was also nominated by Primary Election voters in 2012 and 2014 as a candidate for the 48th Assembly District in the East San Gabriel Valley.

Joe is an active volunteer and has been a member of several non-profits. He has worked with others to help homeless families, feeding and helping the poor. Joe and his family attend and support Calvary Chapel Chino Hills. Joe is President of Meals on Wheels in the City of Industry, a program of sixty volunteers that deliver meals to those who cannot prepare meals for themselves.

Joe Gardner has been a long-time advocate for improving public safety. He believes in law and order and has worked to develop neighborhood watch programs. Joe also advocates for California criminal justice reform that includes court-mandated treatment for substance abuse and mental illness. Joe also promotes development of programs to improve literacy and vocational skills for those incarcerated to deter recidivism.