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KIRKPATRICK

★ ARIZONA'S 2ND DISTRICT ★

Legislative Update

Western Coalition of Arid States Conference

Outreach Director

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Outreach Director

What we do:

Represent the Member in meetings, events, and help shape the Members' district schedule. Assists in obtaining federal and private funding for constituents through grants, as well as addresses needs of local governments, private and civic organizations and other services to our constituents.

Oversee Issue Areas in:

- Environment
- Water
- Infrastructure
- Chambers/Trade Groups
- FAA
- LGBTQ
- Local Gov
- Science & Technology
- Seniors
- Grants
- Small Business
- Trade
- Transportation
- Tribal Relations



Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick AZ-02

Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick was born and raised in rural Arizona, moved to Tucson to attend the University of Arizona, and has performed a lifetime of service for Arizona families. She worked as a prosecutor, starting her career in the Pima County Attorney's office, before going on to serve in Congress. She represents a diverse district that stretches from the suburbs of Tucson to the more rural border towns in Cochise County.



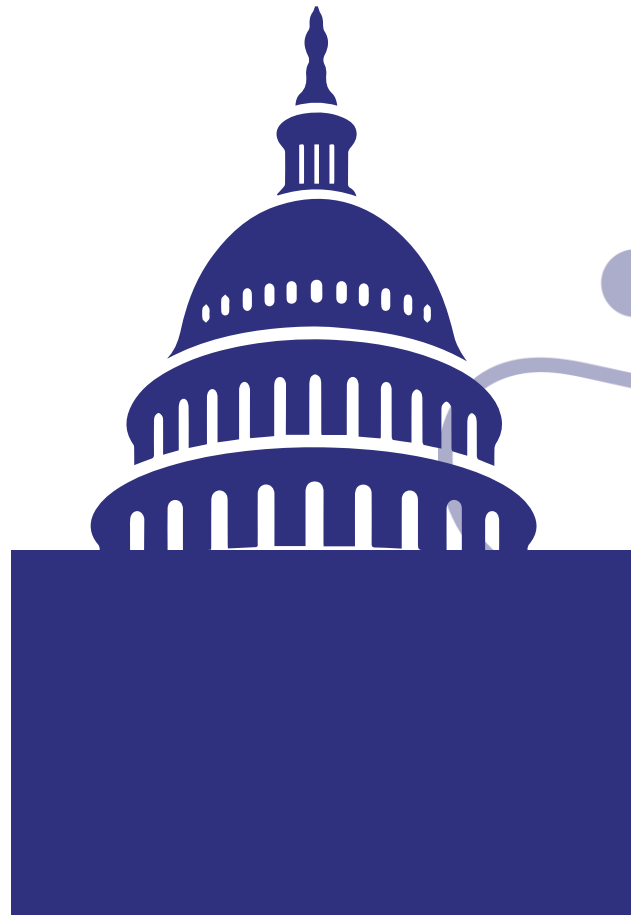
*I have spent my entire life in Arizona
Where honesty, respect and hardwork
Are at our core. From borderlands to
ranching towns to Wildcat Country,
It's a diverse district with stories of
Resilience and remarkable sunsets.
I will represent and deliver for all
Families in Southern Arizona.*

- Rep. Kirkpatrick



Healthcare

“My overarching goal is to ensure that every American has access to affordable, quality health care and lower prescription drug prices.”



The House majority has made lowering health care costs a top legislative priority. We passed H.R. 987, **Strengthening Health Care and Lowering Prescription Drug Costs Act** and H.R. 1184, **The Protecting Pre-Existing Conditions & Making Health Care More Affordable Act**. These legislative victories in the House were designed to protect and improve upon the ACA by expanding access to generic prescription drug options, strengthening protections for people with pre-existing conditions, and lowering health insurance premiums with expanded affordability assistance.

I have entered the health care debate by supporting bold proposals like H.R. 1384, **the Medicare for All Act**, H.R. 3748, **the Buy-In and Health Care and Stabilization Act**, and H.R. 1277, **The State Public Option Act**. While these bills have different approaches, they all offer substantive solutions to fixing sky high costs and are steps forward to achieving universal coverage.

Environment & Energy

"climate change is no longer a looming threat for debate, it's here. Arizona will suffer more than most of the country and we are already experiencing the dramatic rises in heat and humidity, more wildfires, and less water."



Expanding clean energy initiatives is vital in the fight against climate change. Cosponsored H.R. 9, the Climate Change Now Act, which will cut greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 25% by 2025.



Cosponsored legislation that calls for a climate emergency declaration. The resolution highlights the need for our economy to accommodate new green jobs and infrastructure, as well as prioritize public health and safety.



Education

"As a mother and former teacher, I understand the importance of hiring and retaining qualified teachers for our Arizona public schools. For our children to succeed, we must invest in a world-class public education."





JOBS ECONOMY INFRASTRUCTURE

one of my the Congresswoman's top legislative priorities is to secure full funding for a modernized Port of Entry in Douglas. This infrastructure project would have a dramatic impact on the congestion of semi-trucks transporting goods to and from Mexico. It is estimated that the economic activity moving through our port reaches \$4 billion annually. The new port project would increase that amount, resulting in economic gains regionally and throughout the state.

*I am working with my colleagues in Congress to offer families “**A Better Deal**” — one that raises wages, lowers expenses, and gives everyone a fair opportunity to succeed.*



Immigration

As a representative of a border district, I see first-hand the real conditions on the border and the problems we face due to our broken immigration system. There must be federal action in two parts: building a pathway towards citizenship that is humane and securing our border against drug smugglers and other serious criminals with modern technology.





Our commitment to our veterans must always be fulfilled. These are Americans who risked their lives in service to our nation and they deserve nothing less than the care and benefits we promised them. Our district has one of the highest percentages of veterans nationwide, with 77,516 veterans — over 10% of our district's population.

Veterans

Defense

Ann's top priority is to serve and deliver for all constituents, 60,000 of whom are employed by our Southern Arizona defense industry. Our congressional district includes two major military installations: Fort Huachuca and Davis Monthan which contribute \$5.46 billion into our economy.



As a member of the defense subcommittee Ann is well-placed to ensure Fort Huachuca and Davis Monthan Air Force Base are supported and well-funded



One of the most critical funding needs, is to protect the A-10 Warthog's global mission. This aircraft, stationed at Davis Monthan AFB, is essential to our troops in battle.



Priorities

Water, Lands, Natural Resources



PFAS

The Congresswoman has signed onto numerous bills aimed at PFAS classification as a toxic substance and cleanup. This will continue to be a priority for her.



CLEAN ECONOMY

- The Congresswoman believes that climate change is an existential threat. She has signed onto numerous pieces of legislation that aim to transform the entire economy to be sustainable and green.
- She believes Arizona can play an important role in renewable energy, specifically solar.



NATURAL RESOURCES

- Water conservation is especially important in the southwest. She will continue to look for ways she can strengthen and modernize water infrastructure and storage throughout the southwest.
- Through her role on the agriculture committee, she is committed to making sure farmers in the southwest are set up for success and have the water resources they need.

UPDATE:

Energy and Water Subcommittee

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Rep. Kirkpatrick will be in a unique position to advocate and deliver, not just for Southern Arizona, but for the entire state. This committee holds the 'Power of the Purse' and determines how our government allocates our resources. These subcommittee designations are key wins for the district's priorities.





Water Project Funding

\$40m

Drought
Contingency
Plan

\$14.8M

Colorado River Basin
Salinity Control
Project – Title 1

\$10M

Colorado River Basin
Salinity Control
Project – Title 2

13.33M

Title XVI
Water Reclamation
And Reuse Program

White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights

The Congresswoman secured a Manager's amendment during markup, **extending the enforceability date of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act by two years.** The White Mountain Apache Tribe and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation have been working together for several years on implementing the Act, but an extension is sought due to unexpected design and engineering issues associated with the Rural Water System, a cornerstone of the legislation.

This extension will ensure that the required environmental compliance review is completed and that the settlement becomes enforceable.

Clean Energy

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A nighttime photograph of a city street, likely in Tucson, Arizona. The street is illuminated by streetlights, and the light trails of cars are visible. Tall buildings line the street, and the sky is dark blue. The overall scene is a mix of urban architecture and natural elements like trees.

Clean Cities Program

\$42.3M

Vital to the Tucson Regional Clean Cities Coalition. The Tucson Clean Cities works with vehicle fleets, fuel providers, community leaders, and other stakeholders to save energy and promote the use of domestic fuels and advanced vehicle technologies in transportation.

\$425M ARPA-E Funding

Advanced Research Projects Agency



With active projects, Arizona can further position itself for next generation clean technologies ranging from the power sector, to fuels, and more

Local Projects:

- University of Arizona - Partially Transmitting Mirror
- University of Arizona - A High Efficiency Flat Plate PV with Integrated Micro-CPV Atop a 1-Sun Panel
- Sion Power Company - Lithium-Sulfur Batteries
- Materials & Electrochemical Research (MER) Corporation
- Advanced Electrowinning of Titanium

Clean Energy



Hydrogen Fuel Cell technologies
& **\$7M** For relevant safety, codes,
and standards.



Title 17 Innovation
Technology Loan Guarantee
Program

Carbon Capture

\$4M

Research, development, and demonstration projects That benefit direct air Capture technologies for use at industrial facilities

\$10M

For research, Development, and demonstration Projects that benefit Direct air capture technologies

\$30M

For Carbon Use & Reuse research and Development activities To support valuable and innovative uses of captured carbon.



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