



# NATHAN FLETCHER

SUPERVISOR, FOURTH DISTRICT

San Diego County Board of Supervisors

## Biography

Nathan Fletcher is the County Supervisor for San Diego's 4th Supervisorial District. He was elected with 68% of the vote in November of 2018 and sworn into office in January of 2019 as the only Democrat on the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Fletcher is leading the way with his values and working to tackle some of our region's biggest challenges with a focus on behavioral health, child welfare and the environment.

Prior to his election to the Board of Supervisors, Nathan Fletcher showed a commitment to public service and leadership in tackling some of our toughest challenges. His life experiences range from leading classified human intelligence missions in combat zones and being decorated for valor under fire, to passing landmark legislation as a member of the California State Legislature, to training Nobel Prize winning human rights activists in the developing world.

As a County Supervisor, Nathan Fletcher is working with mental health experts to develop and implement comprehensive strategies to address the deficits and dysfunction in our behavioral health services system. He is raising the level of awareness about the effects of San Diego's poor air quality and implementing policy to combat climate change. Supervisor Fletcher is also actively pursuing changes to the child welfare system to ensure every child has a loving and stable life.

As Supervisor, Nathan Fletcher has taken meaningful legislative action to help immigrants by introducing bipartisan solutions to address the migrant crisis in San Diego and take on the Trump Administration. His votes helped generate hundreds-of-millions of dollars for affordable housing, health care and community-based programs for seniors, low income families and children.

He is also working to prepare our region for its continued growth and prosperity by championing the expansion of our regional transit system, as well as new initiatives that help to attract and retain talent.

Supervisor Fletcher's responsibilities to San Diego, the region and state go beyond his role as Supervisor. He was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom to serve as a member of the California Air Resources Board. He is also a member of the Governor's Council of Regional Homeless Advisors and Vice Chair of the Regional Task Force on the Homeless. Supervisor Fletcher is Co-Chair of the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board. He is also Chair of the Metropolitan Transit System Board and the San Diego Association of Governments' Transportation Committee.

Supervisor Fletcher is a former California State Assemblymember who was recognized as one of California's most effective legislators, passing more than 30 laws to expand healthcare coverage, protect homeowners during the foreclosure crisis, strengthen public safety and increase support services for veterans and the homeless. Assemblymember Fletcher authored Chelsea's Law, landmark public safety legislation that strengthened penalties for violent crimes against children.

He served as a Counterintelligence/Human Intelligence Specialist in the Marine Corps and served two combat tours in Iraq, the Near East and the Horn of Africa. For his service, he earned the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal with Combat "V" for valor along with other awards. A proud Veteran's advocate, Supervisor Fletcher founded the Three Wise Men Veterans Foundation to help eliminate stigma surrounding Post-Traumatic Stress and launched the 'Honorably Discharged, Dishonorably Deported' campaign to spotlight the unjust deportation of veterans. He successfully brought home previously deported veterans. Additionally, Supervisor Fletcher has worked with international non-governmental organizations to build and improve democracies and protect human rights in countries including East Timor, Cambodia, Serbia and Myanmar. He also previously served as the Senior Director of Global Strategic Initiatives for Qualcomm Incorporated working around the world on the intersection of jobs, technology and education striving to promote innovation, economic growth and corporate responsibility.

Supervisor Fletcher has been a Professor of Practice in Political Science at the University of California, San Diego since 2013. He teaches courses on public service, political science, Californian government and civil rights. He continues to teach part-time while serving San Diego County's Fourth District.

Supervisor Fletcher is an Ironman Triathlete and avid outdoorsman who enjoys surfing and alpine mountaineering/glacier climbing. He lives with his wife, Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher and their five children in the City Heights community of San Diego, California.