

ROBERT G. COX

I was born, raised and attended schools in central California. I attended Fresno State University, majoring in Business Administration. I have attended other Colleges to further my education since that time. I entered military service, and following a tour during Viet Nam, was honorably discharged from the U. S. Army. I met and married my wife Judith and moved to the Coachella Valley in 1971 where we raised our family and owned and operated our own businesses. Shortly after moving to the desert, I became involved in community service through the Jaycees and as a volunteer firefighter, ultimately making the fire service my career. After over 20 years in the fire service, ultimately rising to the rank of Fire Chief, I retired and again changed careers becoming a mortgage loan consultant and State Licensed Real Estate Broker.

Active in business and community affairs, I was on the Operation SafeHouse Board of Directors, a temporary safe place for runaway and throw away kids, as well as the advisory committee for Operation SafeHouse of the Desert, a facility being built in Thousand Palms to help with the many at-risk children in the Coachella Valley. I am also an Adjunct Instructor with Riverside Community College.

I have been involved with the Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival since moving to the desert and was appointed to the Fair Board by Supervisor Roy Wilson to help represent the 4th District. Not only does the Fair provide great entertainment each year but it shows off what the Valley together with the County, helps to produce, especially in all areas of agriculture. We are also able to give back to the community in the form of scholarships and assistance to our students. The Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival continue to grow and get better each year and I am proud to be a part of the team that produces it.