

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, 5TH DISTRICT**

DEBBIE ARNOLD

Occupation: Rancher, Farmer, Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: We need new leaders at the County to stop gang violence, fix the budget without raising taxes, protect homeowners and create local jobs.

Four years ago we had a budget surplus. Today, the County has an \$18 million shortfall. That's just wrong. I'll push to fight fraud, eliminate waste and better manage tax dollars so we can meet the challenges facing San Luis Obispo County.

I'll make law enforcement and fire protection a top priority, push to keep the Anti-Gang Unit, and fight to get "group homes" for sex offenders and marijuana shops out of our neighborhoods.

I'll stand up for homeowners to stop government from taking homes and businesses through eminent domain and over-reaching regulation.

My family has farmed and ranched in San Luis Obispo County for 5 generations, so I'm committed to preserving agriculture and protecting the land from over-development.

I have a degree in Early Child Education and owned a pre-school in Atascadero for nearly two decades. I want the children I taught to have the chance to own a home, get a good job, and raise their own families in San Luis Obispo County.

If you agree, I'd appreciate your support – and your vote for County Supervisor. Please visit my website: www.DebbieForSLO.com

s/ Debbie Arnold

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JAMES R. PATTERSON

Age: 58

Occupation: County Supervisor, 5th District

Education and Qualifications: As a Cal Poly graduate and 33 year Atascadero resident, I appreciate the diverse needs of District 5. My background in business, ranching, and water conservation enables me to understand and address the major challenges facing our County.

I am proud of improving government accountability and fiscal responsibility. I am committed to advancing the interests of public safety, affordable housing, and quality healthcare.

I have implemented a budget priority-setting process so Board members can make better financial decisions. As Chair of the Board, I streamlined meetings to increase public participation. I voted against the Supervisors' pay raise.

There is much more to do. We must work cooperatively to grow our economy and assist local businesses, encourage new jobs in clean technologies and renewable energy, and intelligently plan growth to reduce sprawl, preserve agricultural land, and protect property rights.

I actively listen and respect everyone's opinions. Together, we can make decisions that protect our quality of life, today and in the future.

I am honored to be your County Supervisor.

With your vote, I will continue to ensure that SLO County remains a great place to live, work, and raise our families.

Questions? Visit www.WinWithJim.org

Thank you.

s/ James R. Patterson