



Katie Hobbs has led a life of service. Beginning as a volunteer at her church and continuing with her job as a social worker and chief compliance officer at one of the largest domestic violence centers in the U.S., the focus of her life has been to help others to gain safety and security, to be heard, and to create a better life for themselves.

That fundamental motivation to change lives is what inspired Katie to run for and win a seat in the Arizona House of Representatives and, later, the Arizona Senate where she served as minority leader. Through each term, Katie has established a proven track record of bipartisan leadership and accomplishments.

During graduate school, Katie interned at a domestic violence shelter in Phoenix. Her leadership and drive led her to being hired as the organization's chief compliance officer. In that role, she worked directly on public policy and managed all regulatory and compliance issues. Through her detailed administrative work – involving every aspect of government contracts, funding mechanisms and licensing qualifications – she ensured the organization would be able to offer services vital to protecting families when they were at their most vulnerable. Katie found herself inspired by the people she believed were not being heard by their government.

That's why, when it comes to fighting for Arizonans, Katie works with members of both parties to get the job done, a capability she demonstrated frequently during her time in the state legislature. She was key to the historic expansion of Medicaid, providing healthcare to 400,000 Arizonans. When she became aware that our state had accumulated a massive backlog of untested rape kits, she collaborated with Republican governor Doug Ducey to create a taskforce that directly solved this growing problem. Not only was the backlog cleared; her work also led to the indictment of offenders and put processes in place that will ensure that all rape kits will be tested. She also worked across the aisle to tackle the opioid crisis by expanding Arizona's approach to this growing epidemic of addiction.

Witnessing Arizonans' growing concern over the effectiveness of the Office of Secretary of State and its ability to protect them, particularly their right to vote, drove Katie Hobbs to run for and win that office. Now, Katie brings her years of experience to ensuring Arizona elections are secure, fair and efficient.

Katie has been honored with dozens of awards for her service. Most recently, she was named the League of Cities and Towns Legislative Champion for two consecutive years (2017 and 2018).

Katie met her husband Pat Goodman at church 26 years ago. Together, they live in Phoenix with their two kids Hannah and Sam, their dog Harley, and cats Winky and Zazzles.