

Supervisor Craig Brown



Craig was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1948. His father served as Captain in the Army Air Corp during WWII and Craig was raised in the rural San Fernando Valley of California from 1952 until his enlistment in the U.S. Army in 1967. During his enlistment, he served in Vietnam with the elite Green Berets on the Cambodian Border and was cited several times for his actions.

After his Military Service, he began a career in law enforcement with the Santa Monica Police Department. For seven of his 15 years, he was a Detective in Robbery/Homicide and rose to the rank of Sergeant before injuries forced him to retire in 1985.

During his police career, although raising a family, he attended night school and achieved a degree in the Administration of Justice and eventually an additional degree in Public Administration from Redlands University.

While with the Santa Monica Police Department, Craig was a Board Member and then Chairman of the Santa Monica Police Officers Association as well as a Board Member and later President of the Santa Monica Employees Federal Credit Union. With his law enforcement career cut short, he was immediately hired by the Superior Courts of Los Angeles as a Senior Investigator and then by the Los Angeles County Probation Department as a Director. As a Director / Administrator with the County Probation Department, Craig's skills at organization in funding and budgeting were utilized to bring many new and innovative programs to fruition, despite budget shortfalls and staffing issues. LA County Probation had a \$300 million annual budget and more than 6500 employees at that time.

Craig and his wife Sandi left California in 2005 to purchase a home that reflected the rural lifestyle they grew up with and longed to return to. Having visited Prescott in 1992, they returned here and settled into retirement in Williamson Valley's Inscription Canyon Ranch. They have two sons, one daughter and three grandchildren who reside in Oklahoma and California.

Craig is the former President of the Williamson Valley Community Organization and was the Vice President of the Fraternal Order of Police, Prescott Lodge 19. He is a current Member of; American Legion Post 40 in Chino Valley, Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce, Prescott Chamber of Commerce and the Citizens Water Advisory Group. He is an Associate Member of; Juniperwoods Landowners Association, Republican Women of Prescott and a proud Endowment Member of the NRA. He has also participated in the Chairman for the Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Board and a member of Prescott Area Wildland Urban Interface Commission, also known as Yavapai Firewise.

Since taking office in 2013 he has served as the Chairman of Yavapai County Board of Supervisors in 2015, 2020, 2021 and now in 2024. As of January 2023, he has been serving as the Chairman for Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization (CYMPO). His other accomplishments have included:

- Keeping taxes low for 9 years with a balanced budget
- Development Services procedure revisions including a new on-line permit system
- Establishment of Scarlet and Almosta Ranch Equestrian Trail heads
- Initiation of the large animal shelter for emergency evacuations
- Established County ordinance for hands free driving/lobbied for State Law
- Initiated and completed the new detention center
- Oversaw the response for the COVID outbreak and projects taking place in the county by proclamation and Executive Order from the Governor
- Establishing Del Rio Springs Historical Area as a State Park

His Promise:

"I will always be available and responsive to the citizens of Yavapai County. Your continued input into the democratic process is vital to me and the community."

~ Craig L. Brown, Sr.
