



District 4 Candidates



Rebecca Raven Lewis DISTRICT 4- SANTAN

I am Rebecca Raven Lewis, a proud member of District 4, Upper Santan Village. Born to Kevin Lewis of District 4 and Christina Ochoa of District 3, I was raised by my great-grandparents, the late Carlton and Nadine Terry. I am descendant of the late Harry Allison of District 4. My roots run deep, and I was raised to hold our O'odham Himdag in the highest regard.

My journey has been one of resilience and growth. After graduating high school in 2012, I faced personal challenges but found the strength to change my path in 2015. Through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program, I overcame obstacles I never thought possible. In 2016, I earned my EMT certification from Chandler-Gilbert Community College, leading to a career with Gila River EMS in 2018. Seeking to expand my knowledge,

I enrolled in the Paramedic Program at Mesa Community College in 2021, earning my Paramedic Certification and going on to obtain my degree in Paramedicine in 2023. Currently, I am an undergraduate at Arizona State University, pursuing a degree in Healthcare Administration and Policy while continuing my service to our community.

Giving back has always been a priority. As a youth mentor, I support individuals enrolled in WIOA, the same program that shaped my future, by providing training, mentorship, and career guidance. I also teach CPR and first aid to community members, departments, and youth, equipping them with life-saving skills.

As a millennial, I recognize the unique challenges shaping our generation and empathize with its struggles, needs, and aspirations. At the same time, I deeply value the wisdom of our elders, whose knowledge should be acknowledged, respected, and thoughtfully considered in legislative decisions. By remaining approachable and engaged, I aim to foster meaningful opportunities that contribute to a stronger, more prosperous future. Through active community involvement, I ensure transparency by translating complex legislative language into clear, accessible terms, empowering members to make informed decisions.

Our community faces pressing issues such as youth violence, traffic, substance abuse, homelessness, mental health, and housing. While prevention is a priority, I believe in a holistic approach—protecting our resources, securing our land, fostering economic growth, and preserving our culture. Tribal governance is complex and requires collaboration at all levels. As a representative, I will work alongside the council to ensure transparency, accountability, and progress, developing programs that promote succession and self-sufficiency.

While I may not have prior council experience, my dedication to our community speaks for itself. For years, I have served with compassion, commitment, and an unwavering drive to make a difference. If elected, I will bring that same passion, integrity, and transparency to leadership, ensuring that every voice is heard and valued. I am not a politician—I am a committed community member who believes in advocacy, active listening, and meaningful progress. With a fresh perspective and deep-rooted dedication to our district, I am ready to serve, represent, and uplift our community with integrity and purpose.

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