

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 51ST DISTRICT**

JUAN VARGAS

Occupation: United States Representative

Education and Qualifications: Juan Vargas. Fighting for Our Future.

Juan Vargas grew up on a chicken farm, one of ten children. Juan earned a college scholarship, taught school and studied to be a Catholic priest. He graduated from Harvard Law School and returned home to make a difference. He was elected to the City Council, the State Legislature and the United States Congress. Protecting Children. Juan wrote "Hazel's Law" to keep sex traffickers from preying on our children. He wrote laws forbidding sales of tobacco and drug paraphernalia near schools. Juan led the fight to reverse education budget cuts and restore school funding. Fixing Our Land Ports of Entry. Juan secured millions of dollars to rebuild the Calexico Border Crossing, reducing wait times and reducing pollution throughout the Imperial Valley. Protecting Seniors. Juan opposed Social Security and Medicare cuts and fought to end tax breaks for large corporations and multi-millionaires. Jobs/Rebuilding Our Economy. Juan understands the Valley's high unemployment rate. He wrote the Neighborhood Business Protection Act to help small businesses create jobs and training programs in our communities. Juan knows the importance of renewable energy and will ensure that this resource brings permanent jobs to the Imperial Valley. Veterans. Juan believes our Veterans deserve excellent health care, housing, counseling, respect and job training. Juan fights to honor those that fought for us. Juan and Adrienne Vargas have two children, Rosa, 24 and Helena, 16. Juan Vargas. Fighting for Our Future.