



# ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## Nomination for Boards, Commissions & Committees (Rev. 8/29/23)

Agenda Date: September 23, 2025

Item # \_\_\_\_\_

To: **Members of the Orange County Board of Supervisors**

cc: **Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

From: Douglas Becht, Director of Care Coordination

*It is my intent to appoint:*

Name: Susan Parks

Address: [REDACTED]

City & Zip: [REDACTED]

Day Phone: [REDACTED] Fax Number: ( ) E-mail address: [REDACTED]

To the: Commission to Address Homelessness  
(Name of Board, Commission or Committee)

Position Slot: Business Representative

Name of incumbent being replaced or last known member: Monique Davis

**Term (Choose One):**

- 2 Years Beginning Term Date: 9/23/2025 to Expiration Term Date: 9/22/2027
- Term Concurrent with Supervisor's Term of Office
- Term Concurrent with position

**Vacancy occurred due to:**

- Resignation (attach letter of resignation)
- Termination (provide reason for termination in remarks)  Death
- Expiration of Term  Other (provide reason in remarks)

Nomination to:  **Appoint**  **Reappointment**  **Newly Formed Committee**

Qualifications:  **Attached (must be attached for appointments and reappointments)**

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Clerk of the Board Use Only**

Clerk's Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ File I.D. \_\_\_\_\_ Needs a COI  Send Departure Letter

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Supporting Agency \_\_\_\_\_  Mail or  Pony

Appoint/Complete:  Term Years \_\_\_\_  Term Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 CWS  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  Scheduled Vacancy  Unscheduled Vacancy

Posted on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Certification of posting attached.



APPLICATION FOR COUNTY OF ORANGE  
BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE

Attachment C  
(FOR COUNTY USE ONLY)

Return to:  
County Executive Office  
Office of Care Coordination  
400 West Civic Center, 3rd Floor  
Santa Ana, California 92701

**Instructions:** Please complete each section below. Be sure to enter the title of the Board, Commission or Committee for which you desire consideration. For information or assistance, please contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisor's Office at (714) 834-2206. Please print in ink or type.

**NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP (SEE LIST AT [HTTP://WWW.OCGOV.COM/GOV/COB/BCC/CONTACT](http://www.ocgov.com/gov/cob/bcc/contact)):**

Commission to Address Homelessness

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE:  First  Second  Third  Fourth  Fifth

APPLICANT NAME AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS:

SUSAN		BONAVIA		PARKS	
First Name		Middle Name		Last Name	
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Street Address		City		State	
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Home Phone Number		Cell Phone Number			
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]			
Email Address					
[REDACTED]					

CURRENT EMPLOYER: ORANGE COUNTY UNITED WAY

OCCUPATION/JOB TITLE: PRESIDENT & CEO

BUSINESS ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER: [REDACTED]

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:** Please attach a current resume to this application that includes your work history and any additional information that would be helpful in evaluating your application. Applications received without a resume attached will not be considered.

ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES:  YES  NO

IF NO, NAME OF COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER?  YES  NO

IF YES, NAME COUNTY YOU ARE REGISTERED IN: ORANGE

**LIST ALL CURRENT PROFESSIONAL OR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER.**

<u>ORGANIZATION/SOCIETY</u>	<u>FROM (MO./YR.)</u>	<u>TO (MO./YR.)</u>
<u>UCI CEO ROUNDTABLE</u>	<u>7/2017</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>
<u>THE TRUSTEESHIP</u>	<u>9/2022</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>
<u>DANA POINT WOMENS CLUB</u>	<u>10/2006</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>

WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS, HAVE YOU BEEN AFFILIATED WITH ANY BUSINESS OR NONPROFIT AGENCY(IES)?  YES  NO

DO YOU OWN REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY OR HAVE FINANCIAL HOLDING WHICH MIGHT PRESENT A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST?  YES  NO

HAVE YOU BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR CRIME SINCE YOUR 18TH BIRTHDAY? YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: ARRESTS OR DETENTIONS THAT DID NOT RESULT IN A CONVICTION; CONVICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN JUDICIALLY DISMISSED, EXPUNGED OR ORDERED SEALED; INFORMATION CONCERNING REFERRAL TO AND PARTICIPATION IN ANY PRETRIAL OR POSTTRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM; AND CERTAIN DRUG RELATED CONVICTIONS THAT ARE OLDER THAN TWO YEARS, AS LISTED IN CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE § 432.8 (INCLUDING VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 11357(B) AND (C), 11360(C) 11364, 11365 AND 11550 – AS THEY RELATE TO MARIJUANA)?

YES  NO

IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN AND ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY.

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1. WHAT UNIQUE SKILLS, EXPERIENCE, OR PERSPECTIVES DO YOU BRING THAT MAKE YOU ESPECIALLY WELL-SUITED TO WORK ON SOLUTIONS TO HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY? ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY.

ATTACHED

2. AS A REGIONAL LEADER, HOW WOULD YOU USE YOUR ROLE TO BRING TOGETHER DIVERSE PARTNERSHIPS TO SUPPORT COUNTYWIDE INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS? ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY.

ATTACHED

DATE: 7/25/25

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: ABR

**CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS USE ONLY – DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Received by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Date referred: \_\_\_\_\_

To:  BOS District 1     BOS District 2     BOS District 3     BOS District 4     BOS District 5

All BOS     BCC Contact Person Name \_\_\_\_\_

Question 1

As the CEO of Orange County United Way, I work closely with the donor community. Through our United to End Homelessness initiative, we bring together business leaders and philanthropists to learn more about the state of homelessness and how they can help. We bring speakers from the County into these meetings to share their progress and needs. We work closely with the County and support, through our donors, events such as the Point in Time Count and the Same Day Solutions fair with donations such as gift cards, water, and hygiene kits. We've trained over 1000 housing champions to speak positively about adding more housing at City Councils and planning commissions. Overall, we are a strategic community leader helping change minds, hearts, and opening wallets to help assist in ending homelessness in Orange County.

Question 2

Through our United to End Homelessness initiative, we bring together quarterly business, government, health care, non-profit and philanthropic leaders to educate and take action in three ways: 1) through our Homelessness 101 class, we've educated over 6000 people in Orange County on the causes of homelessness as well as solutions changing hearts and minds along the way 2) our advocacy efforts have led to the training of over 1000 housing champions 3) bringing creative strategic solutions to activation; for example, we worked with CalOptima on developing a Whatever it Takes Fund which has brought new funding of close to \$4M into helping more landlords sign leases. At this moment, we've aided close to 4000 people in ending their homelessness through this program. In addition, we are facilitating the payments of the County's youth group as well as the lived experience group.

By bringing 211OC into our organization, we've also invested heavily to ensure people in need are given the support they require. With 52% of these calls being housing related, we act as the virtual front door to homeless services. With this data, we are also able to ensure the cities and potential funders know the magnitude of the number of neighbors needing help in every city and through-out the County.

We are uniquely positioned as we help people in every city in Orange County. If we need insights from other markets, we can also call upon other local United Ways to help.

**SUSAN B. PARKS**  
**EXPERIENCE****Orange County United Way, President & CEO**

June 2017 – Present

As President and CEO of Orange County United Way, Susan B. Parks leads the nonprofit organization's mission to improve lives and strengthen the Orange County community. Parks has a long history with the organization as a former board member and one of the founding members of Orange County United Way's Women's Philanthropy Fund. She was also an active player in the development of the nonprofit's 10-year strategic plan to achieve substantial and sustainable social change in our county. Under Parks' leadership, the organization launched three key initiatives (United to End Homelessness<sup>SM</sup>, United for Financial Security<sup>SM</sup> and United for Student Success<sup>SM</sup>), which tackle the Orange County community's most critical issues and seek to provide long-term solutions that break the cycle. She also spearheaded the organization's acquisition of 2-1-1 Orange County (211OC), a key service that connects thousands of the community's most vulnerable residents with health and human service resources via a free, 24-hour emergency contact center.

**Kinkos, EVP (Dallas, TX – commuted from Orange County)**

August 2002 – October 2003

Recruited by Kinkos to run their domestic operations. Led 1100 retail locations, marketing, real estate and supporting functions.

**Gateway, Inc., SVP (Lake Forest & San Diego, CA)**

2000 – 2002

After Qwest merger with USWest, left to lead Gateway's business division. \$2B P&L.

**USWest, VP (Denver, CO – commuted from Orange County)**

1994 – 2000

Recruited to run both Consumer and Small Business marketing and product groups. Spent less than two years as VP of the large business and government division (BGS). Responsibilities included sales, marketing, support functions and network operations for customers. Over \$2B in P&L.

**EDUCATION**

Attended freshman year of college at SMU, Dallas, TX. Graduated from Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Administration, Marketing emphasis. Completed post graduate classes at San Francisco State University; attended countless executive leadership and board leadership programs.

**AWARDS**

2023 LA Times Inspirational Women in Leadership Award; 2021 Excellence in Executive Leadership Honoree Award by the CSUF Fullerton's Center for Leadership; 2020 Woman of the Year Award from Congressman Lou Correa; the Impact 2020 CEO of the Year Award; NAWBO Remarkable Women award winner; WomanSage award; WISE award; Iowa State Business Leader award; Orange County United Way Women in Business award; Orange County Top 50; and many others.

**ADDITIONAL**

Accomplished strategic thinker and engaging public speaker.