

A Clear Choice for the Future

Christine Gregoire is a government lawyer



Gregoire is part of the problem in Olympia. While the national unemployment rate is falling, our rate is going up.

Washington is the fifth-most regulated state in the nation, and it's these regulations and the anti-business climate that are forcing jobs to move out of state, and keeping new businesses from coming here. Christine Gregoire is the chief regulation enforcer in Washington state – with responsibility over every regulation that's written.

Gregoire has spent her entire career working for state government, entrenched in the failed bureaucratic mindset that has stalled our state's economic engine.

Recently, Gregoire was embroiled in scandal and her mismanagement of a legal case cost taxpayers over \$20 million. Like the typical career politician she is, Gregoire responded first by cover-up and then found a scapegoat - firing an employee and blaming her.

It's time for change.

Dino Rossi is a businessman



It's time for a principled leader for our state that will create jobs, allow our economy to thrive and protect a very special way of life we love in Washington.

In their recent endorsement The Columbian said this about Dino Rossi:

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"Rossi, a Republican who left the State Senate to run for Governor, performed pure magic in balancing the 2003 budget. Despite facing the largest deficit in state history, he did it without raising taxes, and he reorganized programs to protect many vulnerable citizens.

Rossi is hospitable and puts people at ease. In the Legislature he makes a point to find common ground with others. Compared to Gregoire, who is an abrasive, even harsh, go-get-'em lawyer, Rossi shines.

Rossi's solutions to health care problems facing individuals and employers are preferable to Gregoire's and his commitment to keep taxes at a standstill while the economy continues to recuperate is wise."

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A NEW AMERICAN SUCCESS STORY



Strong Family Values

As a third-generation Washingtonian, Dino Rossi's paternal grandfather came to America in the early 1900's. Silvino Rossi went to work in the coal mines of Black Diamond instilling the value of education in his children. His son John Rossi, Dino's father, went to Seattle University, and became a Seattle public school teacher after college.

For a time, Dino's mother, Eve, lived in public housing in Holly Park while waiting tables during the day and attending beauty school at night.

The Rossi kids were raised on a school-teacher's salary. They didn't have a lot of money, but their house was full of love.

Dino was an avid baseball player growing up and after graduating from Woodway High School in Edmonds, Dino chose to attend Seattle University, his dad's alma mater.

A Strong Work Ethic

Paying for college was his responsibility so Dino worked at the Daybreak Star Indian Cultural Center with Bernie Whitebear, worked construction projects and even as a janitor polishing the floors at the Space Needle.

After graduation in 1982, Dino answered a newspaper ad and began a career in commercial real estate. By the time he was twenty-five Dino had saved up enough to buy his first property, a small apartment building. Dino built a successful career in commercial real estate and co-founded the Eastside Commercial Bank.

Lifetime Commitments

During this time Dino Rossi's life began to change. Dino met and married his wife, Terry and after their first child, Juliauna (now 13), was born, they moved to the Sammamish Plateau near Issaquah. Today the Rossi's have three other children: Jake, 10; Joseph, 8; and little Jillian, 3.

As his young family grew, Dino Rossi began to take an active interest in the community around him and he began a life of service with senior centers, the Boys & Girls Club and the Nature Conservancy.

Public service beckoned and Dino won a State Senate seat in 1996 and was re-elected in 2000 with nearly 70 percent of the vote. Completing a unique circle in life, Dino Rossi was elected to represent Black Diamond, the same place his grandpa Silvino had worked as a coal miner almost a century before.

A Proven Leader

In the Senate, Dino quickly became a leader serving as Chairman of the Senate Ways & Means Committee – which writes the state budget – in 2003, when the State faced a \$2.8 billion dollar shortfall, the largest dollar deficit in history.

In a process of negotiation and priority-setting, Dino was able to work across party lines, bringing Republicans and Democrats together, and balance the budget without raising taxes, all the while protecting the most vulnerable.

Dino also spearheaded legislation to punish drunk drivers and child abusers; worked to fund the Issaquah salmon hatchery; secured funding for Hispanic/Latino health clinics, and championed funding for the developmentally disabled community.



DINO ROSSI'S FORWARD WASHINGTON PLAN

As Governor, Dino will make reform of a lagging economy his top priority.

REFORM ONE:

Make it easier for businesses to grow and hire workers in Washington state by creating an administration that seeks to serve, that eliminates duplicative regulations, that reduces its costs and frees monies to invest in areas of need without making matters worse by raising taxes.

REFORM TWO:

Help create jobs and make health care more available for families and communities by inviting health care providers to come back to Washington state with health care plans that are flexible, affordable and tailored to the desires of consumers.

REFORM THREE:

Stop driving health care providers out of the state by protecting them from bad lawsuits.

REFORM FOUR:

Reform education by sticking to standards, rewarding our best teachers, and fostering an environment for learning by giving teachers the ability to control their classrooms.

REFORM FIVE:

End the game-playing with programs that reach and protect our most vulnerable citizens.

REFORM SIX:

Restore our parks system and bring back one of the most special parts of living in Washington state.

DINO ROSSI *forward:* WASHINGTON