



Los Angeles Area  
Chamber of Commerce

ERIC GARCETTI  
COUNCILMEMBER  
DISTRICT 13

Eric Garcetti was elected to the Los Angeles City Council in 2001, becoming one of the youngest city councilmembers elected in the city's history. He was re-elected in 2005 and later that year was chosen by his peers to lead the City Council as its President. In his first two terms in office, he has emerged as an effective local problem-solver and a progressive voice on citywide and national issues. Since his election, Council President Garcetti led the creation of the nation's largest Affordable Housing Trust Fund, oversaw the economic and cultural revitalization of Hollywood, initiated programs to build more parks and clean up our drinking water, and helped fight to reduce the city's business tax and bring more than five thousand new high wage jobs to Los Angeles and his district.

Prior to his election, Eric Garcetti taught public policy, diplomacy and world affairs at Occidental College and the University of Southern California and was active with numerous community and non-profit groups including Human Rights Watch, the Pobladores Fund, and the Roth Family Foundation. He has worked on human rights issues on four continents. Eric Garcetti studied urban planning and political science at Columbia University, where he received his B.A. and M.A. in International Relations. He studied as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and the London School of Economics. He is an avid photographer, jazz pianist and composer. He lives in Echo Park and recently married his partner of fourteen years, Amy Elaine Wakeland.