

ROBYN VINING

WISCONSIN STATE ASSEMBLY | DISTRICT 14



Raised by a dedicated public school teacher and a financial planner, Robyn learned early the value of a compassionate and pragmatic approach to life. Robyn is a highly successful entrepreneur and small business owner who runs one of the most in-demand photography businesses in Milwaukee. She recently launched Folio MKE – a collaborative workspace/ community centered on supporting young female entrepreneurs and coaching them to use their businesses to profit both themselves and the community.

Robyn has deep roots in her community. She is a founding board member of [Exploit No More](#), which works to end child sex trafficking. She is also a founding member of [Help Portrait Milwaukee](#) and The Milwaukee Portrait Project, initiatives that serve some of the city's most vulnerable citizens. She was awarded the United Way's Philanthropic 5 award in 2013 and was named American Mothers' Wisconsin Mother of the Year in 2017 in recognition of her commitment to the community.

Robyn had long planned to take the next step in her commitment to public service by running for office, and in 2018, she decided the time was right. Her race was extremely close -- and her victory was by less than 150 votes. The [only seat](#) that flipped from red to blue in the entire Assembly that year was hers -- and this now makes her the most vulnerable sitting Democrat in the Wisconsin Assembly. The Koch Brothers and their network have already made clear they will be [targeting Robyn's seat](#) this year.

Robyn lives in Wauwatosa with her husband (a professor) and their two middle school-aged children (who are awesome). The Vining home is warmed and guarded by their rescue Boxer.

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ON THE ISSUES

HEALTHCARE

Fear of losing healthcare coverage and surprise medical bills is holding Wisconsin back.

- Robyn has fought and will continue to fight to protect patients with pre-existing conditions.
- Robyn supports expanding Medicaid in Wisconsin, as this would improve quality and accessibility of care, and free up nearly \$400M in the general state budget.
- Robyn will continue to fight to ensure that insured patients don't have to choose between life-saving medication and feeding and housing and caring for their families.

EDUCATION

Robyn will continue to fight to adequately fund Wisconsin's public schools and work to restore the Wisconsin idea of providing high quality education to all of our citizens.

COMMON SENSE GUN REFORM

Robyn will work to increase safety to our schools and neighborhoods while honoring Wisconsin's tradition of outdoor sportsmanship. As a mother of two, she understands the importance of keeping schools and households safe. As a state rep, Robyn is committed to common-sense gun reform.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The Greater Milwaukee region has become known nationally as a hub for sex trafficking, and it's a problem that occurs in every county in Wisconsin. Madison needs a champion to both rescue and protect our kids from this multibillion dollar criminal industry. Robyn is already a known and vocal advocate at the state and national level on this issue, and she will continue to use her bullhorn to fight for the cause.

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PARKS FOR THE PEOPLE

Generations of Wisconsinites have set aside land for the enjoyment of its citizens. People love hiking, biking, camping, and hosting family cookouts in Wisconsin parks. Robyn will continue fighting to preserve these resources and traditions.

CLEAN AIR & WATER

Clean air and water are fundamental to all life. Robyn will fight to protect Wisconsin's natural resources. In addition, she will work to invest in clean technologies that protect both the planet and human prosperity.

ADVOCATE FOR ECONOMIC FAIRNESS

Robyn will work for economic policies that provide for the citizens of the 14th district. She will prioritize the prosperity of Wisconsin families ahead of pressure from special interest groups. As a state rep, she represents the voice of the small business owners, working parents, young adults climbing the ladder, and empty nesters who want to live in a thriving community. Robyn believes that Wisconsin thrives when all of its residents thrive.

REBUILD OUR NEGLECTED INFRASTRUCTURE

A robust and modern infrastructure is vital for a vibrant and growing economy. Unfortunately, neglect has damaged Wisconsin's infrastructure and is hindering economic growth. Robyn will work to invest in infrastructure, finish the Zoo Interchange, and expand broadband access across the state.

ELIMINATE TAXPAYER WASTE AND RESTORE RESPONSIBLE BUDGETING

Too often, "waste" and "spending" get confused. Spending on schools helps everyone: kids, parents, and

property owners. Spending on unnecessary projects, special interests, and political favors is a waste. Robyn believes that spending money the right way is more important than spending more. She will work to eliminate wasteful spending and repurpose those resources to uplift Wisconsin communities.

ABOUT THE DISTRICT

Nested Congressional Districts

CD4: D+25, CD5: R+13

Wisconsin's fourteenth state assembly district is located in the Milwaukee area and includes pieces of Brookfield, Milwaukee, and Wauwatosa. It is located in Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties.

ABOUT THE OPPONENT

[Bonnie Lee](#) is the Republican candidate running against Robyn for WI HD14. She is running on a staunchly anti-abortion and pro-gun platform, along with touting strong support for charter schools and corporate tax breaks.

DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	Households	Over 65	White	Black	Latinx	Asian	Other	Median Income	% Poverty	% College Grads	% HS Grads
57,905	22,961	16.5%	85.5%	3.8%	3.3%	4.7%	2.7%	88,955	3.8%	67.4%	29.3%



SISTER DISTRICT PROJECT

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PAST RESULTS IN THE DISTRICT

2018 STATE LEG

Democrat: 16,597, 48.58%
Republican: 16,459, 48.18%
Total: 34,162

2018 U.S. SENATE

Baldwin (D): 18,351 52.92%
Vukmir (R): 16,324 47.08%
Total: 34,675

2018 GOVERNOR

Democrat: 16,655 47.87%
Republican: 17,660 50.76%
Total: 34,791

2016 PRESIDENTIAL

Clinton: 17,646, 49.36%
Trump: 16,107, 45.05%
Total: 35,753

2012 PRESIDENTIAL

Obama: 16,280, 42.53%
Romney: 21,705, 56.71%
Total: 35,753

WHY THIS RACE IS IMPORTANT

In 2018, Democratic candidates received 200,000 more votes than Republicans and won all statewide offices, but are teetering on the brink of superminority in the Assembly. Just 2 years ago, Democrats received 54% of the vote for State Assembly, but won only 36% of the seats, all due to Republican gerrymandering.

The GOP already has a supermajority in the WI Senate, which makes the House super important: the GOP is just 3 seats away from gaining a supermajority in the House too. Fending off a Republican supermajority in the House will allow Democrats to retain a seat at the

redistricting table. If we can keep the GOP from gaining a supermajority, we can retain Democratic Governor Evers' veto power over the next set of maps.

These are 'last chance' races: whoever is elected to the WI state legislature in 2020 will draw the next round of district lines.

WHY WISCONSIN IS IMPORTANT

WISCONSIN FAST FACTS

- **Current Control:** Divided. Governor - D; Senate - R; House - R
- **Gubernatorial Election:** Not up in 2020
- **Length of State Assembly Terms:** 2 years
- **Candidate Filing Deadline:** June 1, 2020
- **State Legislative Primary Date:** August 11, 2020
- **Redistricting:** State legislature controls Congressional and state legislative redistricting; Governor has veto over maps
- **Electoral College Votes:** 10

BROADER 2020 OPPORTUNITIES

Wisconsin is a critical, perennial battleground presidential state. Before Trump won by 22,000 votes in 2016, Wisconsites had voted for the Democratic presidential nominee in each election since 1992. Wisconsin is one of the "Big Four" states that are likely to control the outcome of the 2020 presidential election, and many pundits believe WI may be the single state upon which the election will turn. Democrats have a tremendous opportunity to claim WI's 10 Electoral College votes this year, with smart organizing, expanding the electorate through voter registration, and turnout efforts.

There are also two competitive Congressional races in WI this year (WI-03 and WI-07).

Working to support WI state legislative candidates will be instrumental in helping drive turnout up and down the ticket in this historic election year.