

# Robert V. Tobin, MPA

## PROFESSIONAL TESTIMONIALS

*"It is easier to talk about creating a national model than to do it ...In a field where there is often more motion than movement, Robert Tobin generated the leadership, entrepreneurship, passion, media interest, political and financial support needed to do the hardest of things: create change."*

[Mike Howe](#)

Former Chairperson - National Task Force on Community Leadership

*"... a force of nature that can build alliances and get things done. That Serna Village is changing hundreds of people's lives attests to Robert's ability to make impossible things happen."*

[Eric Stanion](#)

Senior Vice President, Bank of America

*"His enthusiasm is infectious and inspires both professional and lay leaders to dedicate their own talents and resources toward achieving the mission."*

[Elliot Levin](#)

Principal - Partnership Resources Group (CHI Fundraising Consultant)

*"I was impressed enough to invest nearly \$200,000 over the last three years."*

[Michael Brubeck](#)

Social Entrepreneur

*"His passion and leadership were essential to the success of Cottage Housing and the growth of its programs"*

[Larry Kelly](#)

President, McClellan Business Park

*"... tireless, organized and an excellent fundraiser. He knows no limit in his work ethic and is always responsive..."*

[Tina Thomas](#)

Partner, Thomas Law Group

*"... best of the many non-profit executive directors with whom I have worked. Robert not only took a struggling agency to incredible heights ... but also promoted creative, realistic, cost-effective solutions when needed most."*

[Supervisor Phil Serna](#)

Sacramento County Board of Supervisors/1st District

*"He has well-developed leadership attributes. He is a high-energy role model for his staff. His interpersonal skills put all at ease and he motivates others. He is committed to developing his staff and is a born collaborator. Most important he is a future oriented leader and will bring stability and sustainability practices to any organization."*

[Ira Okun](#)

CEO (retired)/Family Services Agency of S.F.

*"... able to successfully manage and expand a highly respected service agency, yet also engage in policy forums to address the larger issues ... Robert was unique among his peers in that regard."*

[Bob Prentice, PhD.](#)

Former S.F. Mayor's Homeless Coordinator & Deputy Director - S. F. Dept. of Public Health

*"Robert would roll-up his sleeves and help with the smallest job ... whenever that was needed ... This ability to work the whole spectrum of management makes him truly effective as a human being and as a professional."*

[Howard Maull](#)

Former Director of Operations and later CEO/ Central city Hospitality House

*"... He built our program into one of the most successful homeless service organizations in the Sacramento region."*

[Jeff Raimundo](#)

Past Board President - Cottage Housing Inc.