

# Michael Allawos

Michael Allawos was born in Norwalk California and lived in Downey, California watching the Apollo program being built literally in his back yard. In the late seventies Michael's family moved to West Covina and graduated from West Covina High in 1980. Michael married his wife Cynthia in 1985 where they lived in West Covina until moving to Glendora in 1999 with their two children Melina and Zachary.

The Allawos family is deeply involved in community service with Cynthia Allawos being the past PTA President for La Fetra Elementary School, PTA Board Member at Sandburg Middle School and now currently the PTA President at Glendora High School as well as a sworn Glendora Police Auxiliary volunteer. Melina has over eight hundred hours of volunteer service hours at Foothill Presbyterian Hospital and Queen of the Valley Hospital. Zachary Allawos has over three hundred hours of community service in conjunction with being an eagle scout from Troop 491.

Michael has been active and on several committees with LeRoy Haynes Boy's Home, a former Board Member Claremont of the School of Religion, Saint Dorothy Adoration, and Saint Dorothy Oak Tree Festival Chairman. Michael is and has been a member of the Knights of Columbus, advisor to the Oak Tree Festival Committee and a Saint Dorothy Eucharistic Minister. Michael through his current company Allawos & Company provide pro-bono service to start-up companies to help foster a prosperous economy.

Michael Allawos has had a diverse career including being a manufacturing company founding president, founder of an ERP software company, a founding member bank principal and a leading political advocate in representing Los Angeles to the international business community.

In a manufacturing career that spanned over 34 years, Allawos was the founder and President of Mikana Mfg. Co., Inc. a specialty precision manufacturing company that produced hardware for the aerospace, communications, IT, medical and terrestrial industries and partnered with NASA on the Mars Exploration Rover. In addition to working with NASA and other U.S. prime contractors such as Lockheed Martin and The Boeing Company, Mikana also worked with top brands including Baush & Lomb, Beckman Coulter and Zimmer.

In addition to manufacturing Michael started Allasoft that was on the forefront of barcode shipping labels and ERP software with installations worldwide. The computer software company serviced the manufacturing industry, providing automated job tracking and costing software, including software that printed highly configured bar code shipping labels.

In 2000, Allawos and twelve other individuals founded Southland Business Bank in Irwindale, CA. While at the bank, Allawos served as chairman of the CRA committee, the Chairman of Policies and Procedures and served on the Loan Committee. After

Vineyard Bank acquired Southland Business Bank, Allawos was named Chairman of Vineyard Bank's Irwindale Advisory Board.

Michael holds a Fluid Turbine System patent for the renewable energy industry when he was the COO for California Energy & Power and was selected by the Department of Defense as one of the winners from CTSI Defense Energy Challenge.

Currently Michael is the President and CEO of Allawos & Company, a global business consulting firm that enables organizations around the world, to identify and enhance their opportunities through creative engagement. They service start-ups to Fortune 50 companies worldwide from providing business plans, executive coaching to co-ownership of international companies here in the U.S. The company was established in 2011.

His experience in international relations is extensive, serving as a member of the Los Angeles International Visitors and Protocol Foundation and the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. He has hosted dignitaries from Jordan, Austria, Chile, The Peoples Republic of China, Russia, Switzerland, countless African Countries and France to name a few. Mr. Allawos was also bestowed the "Golden Eagle" metal of service from the President of Austria, one of only five in the U.S. His lobbying efforts have taken him to the California State Capitol and the U.S. Congress.

He was nominated three years in a row and was a semi-finalist for the Ernst & Young "Entrepreneur of the Year" award, NASA recognition and appreciation in support of the Mars Exploration Rover program, Recognition Award from the Los Angeles Consular Corps., Small Business of the Year Award, Inland Valley Economic Development Corporation, and garnered the small business award from the California Senate in 2005 along with various other awards and recognitions. Allawos has been featured in Business Week, Business 96 magazine and countless articles and news features.