

Peter Weber

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Mr. Weber has had a 36-year career in business, serving as vice president of FMC Corporation, a diversified Fortune 500 company; CEO of Teknowledge, Inc., a publicly traded artificial intelligence software and services company; and CEO of Riverbend International, a publicly traded agribusiness company.

In 2001, he retired early to devote himself to public service. Since then, he has served as an advisor to every mayor of Fresno, his place of residence. He is co-chair emeritus of California Forward, having served on its board for ten years, the last five as co-chair. He also serves on the board of California Competes. He currently co-chairs the working group of the *California Inland Port*, an initiative to transform the North-South goods movement paradigm in California. He is a senior advisor to the Center for Deliberative Democracy at Stanford, where he serves as co-chair of the Deliberative Poll working group on *America In One Room: Climate and Change*.

He has formerly served as a principal on the California Water Fix Group and on the boards of the Fresno Business Council, the Fresno Citizen Corp, Fresno Citizens for Good Government, the Center for Advanced Research and Technology, the Lyles Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, the Stanford Institute for Manufacturing and Automation, the Council for the Americas, and the San Jose Museum of Art.

He was a founding member of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley, where he chaired the board's executive committee and the Air Quality Work Group. He was also a founding member of the Fresno Regional Jobs Initiative, aimed at lifting economic mobility in Fresno. In 2004, he chaired a task force that produced a turn-around plan for the Fresno Unified School District, the fourth largest school district in California. In 2010, he founded and chaired the Fresno Bridge Academy, a program designed to bring residents in Fresno's poorest neighborhoods into the economic mainstream (having expanded into other California counties, the program is now called the California Bridge Academies).

Mr. Weber has been a guest lecturer at Stanford University and U.C. Berkeley on strategies for lifting people out of poverty and renewal of California's middle class. In 2016, he was selected as a leadership award winner by the James Irvine Foundation. In 2019, he was recognized as California Steward Leader of the year at the State Economic Summit.

He is best known for his "triple-bottom-line" approach to policy: concurrent advancement of economic prosperity, environmental sustainability and social equity.

Raised in Lima, Peru, Mr. Weber first entered the U.S. at age 17, attending Oakland High School as a foreign exchange student. He received a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering from U.C. Berkeley, and graduated from the Executive Program of the Stanford University Business School. Mr. Weber, his wife Laurie, their two children and their families all reside in Fresno.