



## Cindy Stokes

Board Member

Cindy has a 30+ year career focused on streamlining decision-making in financial management. She combines interpersonal communication skills with her accounting knowledge and a clear understanding of payroll, bookkeeping, and HR policies. Following a swift climb from accounting positions in both the public and private sectors, Cindy took on more advanced responsibilities.

Recognizing a growing need among small businesses to understand their financial viability, Cindy transitioned from being an employee to an employer. She and a colleague formed Comprehensive Business Services based on a novel concept in financial management. It was the first nationwide franchise of independent CPAs, offering monthly computerized financial statements to small businesses.

To facilitate the company's growth, Cindy opened a second business under the name Payroll Department Plus. While working to improve the financial goals of large and small businesses, Cindy also took an active role in connecting with professional organizations both nationally and in her community that emphasize the importance of patriotism, free speech, and civil liberties.

### **Educational Background**

B.S. Accounting – Golden Gate University

### **Board Memberships**

South Bay Neighborhood Leader – Foundation Against Racism and Intolerance (FAIR)  
Former Member – Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce  
Board Member – Harbor Interfaith Auxiliary  
Board Member – South Bay Wellness Community Auxiliary