Scott Murphy was elected to represent the 20th District of New York in the US House of Representatives by a Special Election on March 31, 2009, following Senator Kirsten Gillibrand's appointment to the United States Senate.

Born January 27th, 1970 in Columbia, Missouri, Scott's father, Alan, was a postal worker and his mother, Marcia, was a teacher. They worked hard, providing Scott with the opportunity to succeed. His parents instilled in him the importance of a strong work ethic that has allowed him to live the American dream. After graduating from Harvard University, Scott moved to New York State and started his first high tech company while working out of his living room. Scott spent the next decade dedicating his life to building small businesses and creating jobs, founding and running several more companies. Scott also briefly worked as an aide to Governor Mel Carnahan and as Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Roger Wilson of Missouri.

Recognizing that small businesses are the backbone of our economy, Scott decided to use his small business experience to help others realize their entrepreneurial dreams by joining venture capital firm Advantage Capital Partners in 2001. This move allowed Scott to grow promising small businesses, and develop good-paying, high tech jobs across upstate New York. Throughout his career, Scott has helped to create over 1,000 jobs.

Scott is married to Jen Hogan, who grew up in Washington County next to her family's dairy farm. Family is an enormous force in Scott and Jen's life. Nearly every Sunday evening, they join the 57 members of their immediate family for dinner. The first time Jen brought Scott to visit her family in Hudson Falls, he was required to learn how to milk a cow before ever even setting foot in the house. Scott and Jen currently live in Glens Falls with their three children, Simone, Lux, and Duke.