

Official Biography
Congressman Dave Reichert
Washington's Eighth Congressional District
115th Congress

Congressman Dave Reichert brings 50 years of public service experience to Washington. Reichert is serving his sixth term as the Representative from the Eighth Congressional District of Washington.

Congressman Reichert serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, with appointments to three subcommittees: Tax Policy, Human Resources, and Trade, of which he is Chairman.

Reichert has a remarkable record of service. Decisive leadership, integrity and tireless dedication are his hallmarks. From 1971 through 1976, Reichert was a member of the U.S. Air Force Reserve. In 1972 Reichert joined the King County Sheriff's Office and in 1997 he became the first elected sheriff in 30 years. Under his leadership, the county saw a significant drop in violent crime. Reichert brought national recognition to the Sheriff's Office as head of the Green River Task Force solving the largest serial murder case in U.S. history. As Sheriff, Reichert also brought an unprecedented \$28 million in federal funding to King County law enforcement efforts.



Dave Reichert was born in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, in 1950, the oldest of seven children and grandson of the town marshal. His family moved to Washington State in 1951, living first in Renton and later in Kent, where Reichert attended Kent Meridian High School. He graduated with an A.A. degree from Concordia Lutheran College in Portland, Oregon, where he played football and met his wife of 47 years, Julie. The Reicherts currently live in Auburn and have three grown children, Angela, Tabitha and Daniel, and six grandchildren.