

America faces three immense crises—a health pandemic, an economic recession and racial injustice. These crises have demonstrated the need for a compassionate, competent leader who will not only bring us out of the depths of economic ruin but also rewrite the rules so working families can thrive and our nation can heal. Joe Biden is that leader.

As president, Joe Biden will:

COVID-19

- Harness the resources of the federal government for combating the pandemic in a coordinated way.
- Provide the necessary help to workers, families and small businesses that are hit hard by this crisis.
- Ensure all frontline workers have high-quality and appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Secure paid family and medical sick leave.
- Expand assistance to federal child care centers and to schools—particularly Title I schools.

PREK-12 EDUCATION

- Triple Title I funding to reach disadvantaged students and ensure that districts can offer educators competitive salaries.
- Eliminate high-stakes standardized testing.
- Prioritize and create more community schools, and expand these services for 300,000 students and their families.
- Provide universal pre-K for 3- and 4-year-olds, and ensure that the early childhood education workforce is supported.
- Ban for-profit charters, increase accountability and transparency for current charters, and oppose private school vouchers.
- Fully fund the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
- Fund professional development for teachers, paraprofessionals and school employees, and fund teacher preparation programs that address teacher diversity.
- Invest in improving and modernizing school infrastructure.

HIGHER EDUCATION

- Double the maximum value of Pell Grants.
- Support a Title I-type program for postsecondary education, to enable colleges and universities to better serve the needs of low-income and/or underprepared students.
- Improve the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program to offer student debt relief for national or community service.
- Make community colleges tuition-free, and make public colleges and universities tuition-free for families making less than \$125,000 annually.

HEALTHCARE

- Protect and build on the Affordable Care Act, to give every American access to affordable health insurance, including providing a public option.
- Allow Medicare to negotiate with pharmaceutical corporations to lower prescription drug prices.
- Allow consumers to buy prescription drugs from other countries.
- Broaden and improve the access to high-quality prescription generic drugs.
- Lower costs and improve health outcomes by partnering with the healthcare workforce.

JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

- Repeal the Trump/Republican tax cuts benefiting corporations and the wealthiest Americans.
- Support the American economy by investing \$400 billion in products made by American workers.
- Support a \$15-an-hour minimum wage.
- Support legislation banning states from enacting right-to-work laws.
- Invest in rural broadband infrastructure.

HUMAN AND CIVIL RIGHTS

- Restore and strengthen the Voting Rights Act, and strengthen voting protections.
- Strengthen Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and expand protections for Dreamers and undocumented immigrants.
- Build on the Violence Against Women Act and the Equality Act to help reduce violence and hate crimes against LGBTQ people.
- Make it a priority of the Justice Department to prosecute hate crimes.

RETIREMENT SECURITY AND MEDICARE

- Preserve and strengthen Social Security by ensuring the wealthy pay their fair share.
- Protect and strengthen Medicare and ensure high-quality, affordable healthcare for all older Americans.
- Ensure that states fulfill their commitment to protect public and private pensions.

CLIMATE CHANGE

- Launch a national effort aimed at creating jobs to build a modern, sustainable infrastructure (including schools and hospitals) and deliver an equitable clean energy future. He will ensure these investments create good union jobs that expand the middle class.
- Recommit the United States to the Paris Agreement on climate change.
- Put the United States on track to achieve a 100 percent clean energy economy and reach net-zero emissions no later than 2050.
- Rally the rest of the world to meet the threat of climate change.
- Stand up to the abuse of power by polluters who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities.

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