Vice President Kamala Harris has been a vital partner with President Joe Biden in the most pro-labor, pro-worker, pro-public education administration in history.

Her record as district attorney, state attorney general, U.S. senator and vice president shows she knows how to deliver real solutions on the issues.

SUPPORTING PUBLIC EDUCATION

- Harris cast the tiebreaking vote for the American Rescue Plan, providing a record $135 billion for public education to reopen schools safely and address issues including staffing shortages, low pay and mental wellness.
- Biden-Harris increased investment in career and technical education.
- Biden-Harris provided billions of dollars investment for historically Black colleges and universities.
- Biden-Harris provided over $167 billion in student loan relief for nearly 5 million borrowers.
- Harris opposes private school vouchers and, as California attorney general, won a $168 million settlement against an online for-profit charter school provider.

ENSURING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY HEALTHCARE

- Biden-Harris lowered health insurance costs for 13 million people by an average of $800 per year and increased the number of people with health insurance to record levels.
- Biden-Harris capped the price of insulin for seniors at $35 and fought Big Pharma, enabling Medicare to negotiate lower prescription drug prices.
- Harris cast the tiebreaking vote, as vice president, to provide the largest one-time investment in the healthcare workforce.
- Harris is a leader on maternal health, including advocating for setting new maternal health standards, expanding postpartum Medicaid, and reducing racial disparities in maternal mortality.
- Harris has led the fight to restore Roe v. Wade.

PROMOTING ECONOMIC SECURITY and WORKERS’ VOICE

- Biden-Harris created over 15 million jobs, growing the economy at nearly 6 percent—the fastest rate since 1984.
- Biden-Harris provided record investment to rebuild our nation’s infrastructure, including public transit, repairing bridges and high-speed internet.
- Biden-Harris invested $825 billion in manufacturing and clean energy through the CHIPS and Science Act.
- Biden-Harris protected and strengthened Social Security and Medicare.
- Harris fights for strong unions. She chairs the White House Task Force on Worker Organizing and Empowerment to advance workers’ rights, including the right to join a union.
ENSURING SAFE COMMUNITIES

✓ Harris heads the first-ever Office of Gun Violence Prevention, fighting to close the “gun show loophole” and prevent domestic abusers from purchasing guns.

✓ Harris was a leader in the fight for the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, the most significant gun safety law in nearly 30 years.

✓ Harris, as district attorney, supported domestic violence victims, including providing resources for immigrant and non-English speaking victims.

PROTECTING RIGHTS and FREEDOMS

✓ Harris, as California attorney general, U.S. senator and vice president, has been a forceful advocate for abortion and reproductive rights.

✓ Harris has fiercely advocated for voting rights legislation and has called on Congress to pass the Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.

✓ Harris is a leader on marriage equality. As California’s attorney general, she refused to defend Proposition 8, which would have barred same-sex marriages.

FIGHTING FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE

✓ As senator, Harris introduced legislation on clean water, lead pipes and electric vehicles— proposals eventually included in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

✓ Harris, as California attorney general, defended laws protecting clean air and water while holding polluters accountable.

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