

List of Resolutions, Federal Priorities

Agriculture

1. Pursue policies that result in more traditional farmers on the land raising both crops and livestock, and policies that support and encourage farmers to build soil, protect clean water, and prevent erosion.
2. Oppose cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and support promoting local farmers and their efforts within the confines of that program.

Business

3. Support a full continuum of housing across the state to address homelessness, affordable rental opportunities, and home ownership within reach for all.

Civil

4. Support an immigration policy based on respect for humanity and recognition of our immigrant heritage and our increasingly interconnected world.
5. Support removal of the ratification deadline of the Federal Equal Rights Amendment and support the addition of an Equal Rights Amendment to the Minnesota State Constitution.
6. Support federal legislation allowing Dreamers, and others who qualify under the DACA program, to remain permanently in the United States with a track to citizenship for themselves and their families.
7. Support gender equality and racial justice, and put the needs and values of people ahead of the interests of powerful corporations.
8. Support the legalization, regulation, and taxation of marijuana in a manner similar to that of tobacco or alcohol.
9. Support pardoning those currently incarcerated for cannabis-related offenses and expunging the records of those convicted of cannabis-related offenses.
10. Support comprehensive immigration reform offering a clear path to citizenship for the almost 12 million undocumented immigrants.
11. Support legislation that makes it illegal to exclude transgender people in any way, including but not limited to health care, housing, employment, and use of restrooms.

Education

12. Support state and federal financial aid and grants, loans, tax credits, and other debt-relief options to make public higher education affordable and accessible for all.
13. Support significantly increased state and federal funding for special education and ELL services in order to provide a high-quality public education for every child.

Energy

14. Support ensuring a racially and economically-just clean energy transition that creates high-paying jobs, encourages rural economic development, and provides everyone with access to the benefits of clean energy through programs and priorities to end energy poverty and allow community solar for all.

Gov't Accountability to the Public

15. Support and advocate for any efforts to overturn the Citizens United decision.
16. Support informed participation in the democratic process through public financing for political campaigns and/or through small donor campaign contributions such as matching funds, tax credits and small donor vouchers.

Health & Human Services

17. Support empowering Medicare to negotiate lower prescription drug prices.
18. Support legislation that enacts the Minnesota Health Plan at the state level while also supporting enactment of “Medicare for All” at the national level.
19. Support full implementation and enforcement of mental-health parity laws to ensure individuals with mental illnesses and substance use disorders receive needed treatment.

Labor

20. Oppose all “Right to Work” legislation, and any amendments to the Minnesota Constitution, which attempt to support “Right to Work”.

Media

21. Support strong Net Neutrality protections at the federal and state level that ensure all citizens have equal access to and use of the internet, with fees and connectivity guaranteed the same for all, regardless of their size or scale of usage.

Natural Resources

22. Support, recognize, protect and conserve clean water as a shared resource held in public trust for the health, safety and benefit of the public.
23. Support the United States rejoining the Paris Climate Accord, and that Minnesota cooperate with other states towards the goals of the Paris Accord.
24. Oppose circumvention, weakening, or repeal of environmental laws, or administrative procedures, when this jeopardizes environmental regulations, due process, or public participation, and support strict enforcement of all such regulation and treaty rights.

Public Safety

25. Commit to gun violence protection by supporting common sense prevention measures, including but not limited to: passing Universal Criminal Background Check and Gun Violence Protection Order bills; making state funds available for gun violence programs; and removing prohibitions in current state law against the collection of gun- related data for the purpose of public health research.
26. Support banning the sale of military style, semi-automatic weapons designed to use high-powered ammunition and high-capacity magazines.
27. Support the prohibition of for-profit incarceration facilities from operating or leasing facilities in the State of Minnesota.

Retirement

28. Support legislation to scrap the social security payroll and tax cap to make it fair and progressive and to assure full benefits for all future social security recipients. The annual benefit adjustment should be based on the Consumer Price Index for the Elderly (CPI-E) to more accurately reflect expenses faced by the elderly.

Veterans Affairs

29. Support funding to meet veterans’ needs, including health care, mental health care, housing, education, and employment services.