

# A Better Way:

## *Our Commitment to Kansas*

America has always been the land of opportunity, but over the last few years, American optimism has turned to profound pessimism as jobs shrink, paychecks stay the same, and the cost of living for food and fuel go through the roof.

**The good news is we are Kansans**, and we value hard work, faith, freedom, and family—all of which will guide us through the current challenges and toward a brighter, more prosperous future.

We won't sit idly by and hope Washington fixes our problems. Here in Kansas, we want A Better Way forward. That is why we are committed to a policy agenda that puts Kansas families first by protecting our communities, honoring the value of work, and making Kansas the greatest state in the nation to live, work, raise a family, and retire. This agenda puts individuals, their freedom, and their way of life before government.

***This is our commitment to you:***

### **IT'S YOUR MONEY: Our Commitment to Taxpayers**

***We believe Kansans should keep more of what they earn and send less to Topeka.***

- Pass a balanced budget that eliminates wasteful spending, pays down debt, and saves for a rainy day.
- Make the state tax code flatter and simpler to help families and businesses.
  - Reduce the tax burden on both retirees and families.

### **IT'S YOUR HEALTH: Our Commitment to Free Market Health Care**

***We're committed to expanding consumer choices and Kansans' ability to access health care.***

- Protect Kansas consumers and stop new costly mandates that drive up rates.
- Promote Health Savings Accounts so Kansans have control over their health care funds.
- Continue to implement reforms that promote health care freedom while preserving quality.

### **IT'S THEIR FUTURE: Our Commitment to Focus on Students**

***We're committed to giving students and parents education focused on achievement and outcomes, not ideology.***

- Expand educational opportunities so our kids' future is not limited by economic status or ZIP Code.
- Work to implement fairness in women's sports until it gets enacted.
- Place the state back on the side of parents by adopting the Parents' Bill of Rights.
  - Focus on academic achievement and not radical ideology.

## **IT'S OUR ECONOMY: Our Commitment to Free Enterprise**

*We're committed to an economy that works for you, not the woke corporate elites.*

- Prohibit ESG investing in the state retirement system and postsecondary institutions.
  - Authorize the attorney general to investigate companies that conspire to constrain the fossil fuel industry.
- Prohibit state investment in entities owned or operated by hostile foreign governments.
  - Enact reforms to lower energy rates for all Kansans.

## **HELP WANTED: Our Commitment to Grow the Kansas Workforce**

*We believe in removing barriers and opening the path to prosperity for all Kansans.*

- Make college a more affordable pathway to career success, including promoting technical education.
  - Support apprenticeship-to-licensure training and lower the cost of licensing fees.
- Require real work searches to obtain unemployment benefits so Kansans can regain full employment.
  - Make it as easy as possible for Kansans to create their own jobs by starting a business.

## **PROTECTING THE VULNERABLE: Our Commitment to the Kansas Safety Net**

*We believe our safety net should be preserved for those in need by limiting fraud and encouraging a return to work.*

- Stop fraud and abuse by regularly checking eligibility of those receiving government assistance.
  - Reject any expansion of welfare to able-bodied adults until waiver waiting lists are eliminated.
- Support additional opportunities for persons with disabilities to earn a living through meaningful work.
- Fix our foster care system by investing in alternatives and protecting children who do enter the system.

## **LAW & ORDER: Our Commitment to a Safe and Secure Kansas**

*We're committed to keeping Kansas safe through law and order, combating fentanyl, and backing the blue.*

- Protect Kansas families and businesses from cyber attacks and intellectual property theft by China.
  - Strengthen Kansas statutes that protect Kansans from violent and repeat offenders.
- Support Kansas Highway Patrol troopers and ensure the KHP is fully staffed and competently managed.

## **FREEDOM STARTS HERE: Our Commitment to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness**

*We're committed to protecting Kansans' fundamental freedoms and putting government on the side of the people.*

- Encourage individual freedom, personal responsibility, and commonsense strategies and reject mandates, passports, and other restrictions that impose upon the liberty of Kansans.
  - Complete the safeguarding of our elections and resist Biden's efforts to hijack our elections.
- Respect the constitutional rights of all Kansans by fighting any attempts to undermine those rights.
- Support a culture of life in Kansas and reduce abortions through support for crisis pregnancy centers and preserving protections currently in law supported by the vast majority of Kansans.