

The Moral Issues We Face



Protect People

Health Care

- Create a public option by opening access to MinnesotaCare to all Minnesota residents, and/or Medicare to all U. S. residents.
- Resist any legislation that bails out insurance companies.
- Oppose changing Medicaid into block grants and any privatization of Medicare.

Inclusion of All People, Fight Racist Policies

- Don't slam the door on potential future action for immigrants to obtain driver's licenses in Real ID legislation.
- Expand health care to immigrant families regardless of documentation status.
- Do not expand prisons, and especially do not open a for-profit incarceration facility in Minnesota.
- Divest from the prison industry, advance sentencing reform, stop private prisons, end the school to prison pipeline. Invest in community schools that work for all kids and early learning for all Minnesota's children.

Caregiving and a Caring Economy

- Pass a statewide Paid Family and Medical Leave insurance program for all Minnesotans.
- Increase the childcare provider reimbursement rate to 50%.
- Fully fund the Child Care Assistance Program to eliminate the waiting list and serve all Minnesota families.

Working Families

- Raise the minimum wage in Minnesota Cities to \$15/hour.
- End predatory lending to stop the debt trap.
- Continue to support the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and their work.

Protect the Planet

- Veto a bill brought forward by the monopoly Xcel Energy that would allow the company to bypass regulatory processes that protect consumers so that they can establish a natural gas plant on the site of retiring coal plants.
- On the path to 100% renewable energy in Minnesota by 2050, pass a new Renewable Energy Standard that moves the state's goal from 30% renewables to 50% renewables.
- Require utilities to set aside more money for energy efficiency programs in low income communities.
- Expand access to energy efficiency and clean energy to low income communities who lack the credit score or income to make investments in a clean energy future.

Protect Democracy

- Protect local control and stop corporate interference or "pre-emption" legislation that would keep cities from setting their own standards on human rights, worker's rights, and environmental issues.
- Block legislation that would prevent local police departments from making their own decisions about their relationship with Immigration Customs Enforcement officials when it comes to enforcing federal law.
- Restore voting rights to those who have served time for a felony, even if they remain on parole.