

# 2024 PARTY PLATFORM COMPARISON

## GOD IN GOVERNMENT

Government was instituted by God, its officials acting in a ministerial role over their constituents. [Rom. 13; 1 Pet. 2]; 1 Timothy 2]

Not only does the presence of law matters in society, but government cannot properly do its job without the help of the church instilling morality within the culture and showing benevolence to the community [Prov 29:2; Heb. 13:17]

It is therefore important to be a good steward of the government [Matt. 25:14-30]

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SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE	<p>“...We assert the sanctity of human life and affirm that the unborn child has a fundamental right to life which cannot be infringed.”</p> <p>“We oppose the use of public funds to perform or promote abortion or to fund organizations, like Planned Parenthood...”</p> <p>“We call on Congress to enact a ban on any sale of fetal body parts.”</p> <p>“We support the appointment of judges who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of innocent human life.”</p> <p>“We oppose the non-consensual withholding or withdrawal of care or treatment, including food and water, from individuals with disabilities, newborns, the elderly, or the infirm, just as we oppose euthanasia and assisted suicide.”</p> <p>“We thank and encourage providers of counseling, medical services, and adoption assistance for empowering women experiencing an unintended pregnancy to choose life. We support funding for ultrasounds and adoption assistance.”</p> <p>“We applaud the U.S. House of Representatives for leading the effort to add enforcement to the Born-Alive Infant Protection Act by passing the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act...”</p> <p>“We call on Congress to ban sex-selection abortions and abortions based on disabilities — discrimination in its most lethal form.”</p>	<p>God is the author of life. Humanity has inherent value as beings made in His image. This value extends from conception to natural death.</p> <p>[Isa. 42:5; Job 12:10, 33:4; Psalm 139:13-16; Jer. 1:5; Gen. 1:26-28; Gen. 2:7; Gen. 4:9-10]</p>	<p>“Democrats are committed to protecting and advancing reproductive health, rights, and justice. We believe unequivocally, like the majority of Americans, that every woman should be able to access high-quality reproductive health care services, including safe and legal abortion.”</p> <p>“We will repeal the Title X domestic gag rule and restore federal funding for Planned Parenthood...”</p> <p>“Democrats oppose and will fight to overturn federal and state laws that create barriers to reproductive health and rights.”</p> <p>“We will repeal the Hyde Amendment, and protect and codify the right to reproductive freedom.”</p> <p>“Democrats oppose restrictions on medication abortion care...”</p>

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### MARRIAGE, FAMILY, & HUMAN SEXUALITY

“Traditional marriage and family, based on marriage between one man and one woman, is the foundation for a free society and has for millennia been entrusted with rearing children and instilling cultural values.”

“Conversely, as we have learned over the last five decades, the loss of faith and family life leads to greater dependence upon government. That is why Republicans formulate public policy [...] with attention to the needs and strengths of the family. It is also why everyone should be concerned about the state of the American family today, not because of ideology or doctrine, but because of the overwhelming evidence of experience, social science, and common sense.”

“Moreover, marriage remains the greatest antidote to child poverty.”

“We invite all who care about children to join us in this proposal to ensure that all federal programs, in the words of President Kennedy, “stress the integrity and preservation of the family unit.”

“We renew our call for replacing “family planning” programs for teens with sexual risk avoidance education that sets abstinence until marriage as the responsible and respected standard of behavior.  
“We oppose school-based clinics that provide referral or counseling for abortion and contraception ...”

Family is the first institution created by God and consequently of great importance and value. The nuclear family unit is the single most stabilizing factor of society. God’s design is the joining of one man and one woman in marriage as the perfect complementary pair to make and raise the next generation.

[Gen. 1:27-28, 2:24; Mark 10:6-9; 1 Cor. 7.2; Lev. 20:13; Rom. 1:25-28; Gen. 2:21-24]]

“We condemn the Trump Administration’s discriminatory actions against the LGBTQ+ community, including the dangerous and unethical regulations allowing doctors, hospitals, and insurance companies to discriminate against patients based on their sexual orientation or gender identity.”

“We will also take action to guarantee that LGBTQ+ people and those living with HIV/AIDS have full access to needed health care and resources, including [...] gender confirmation surgery, and hormone therapy.”

“We will work to ensure LGBTQ+ people are not discriminated against when seeking to adopt or foster children [...] and guarantee transgender students’ access to facilities based on their gender identity.”

“Democrats will [...] ban harmful “conversion therapy.”

“We will ensure that all transgender and non-binary people can procure official government identification documents that accurately reflect their gender identity. “

“We recognize that quality, affordable comprehensive health care; medically accurate, LGBTQ+ inclusive, age-appropriate sex education and the full range of family planning services are all essential to ensuring that people can decide if, when, and how to start a family.”

### SEX EDUCATION

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### CONSCIENCE RIGHTS IN HEALTHCARE

“America’s healthcare professionals should not be forced to choose between following their faith and practicing their profession.”

“We respect the rights of conscience of healthcare professionals, doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and organizations, especially the faith-based groups which provide a major portion of care for the nation and the needy.”

“We support the ability of all organizations to provide, purchase, or enroll in healthcare coverage consistent with their religious, moral, or ethical convictions without discrimination or penalty.”

### EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT

“Education is much more than schooling. It is the whole range of activities by which families and communities transmit to a younger generation, not just knowledge and skills, but ethical and behavioral norms and traditions. It is the handing over of a cultural identity. That is why American education has, for the last several decades, been the focus of constant controversy, as centralizing forces from outside the family and community have sought to remake education in order to remake America. They have done immense damage.”

“[E]ducation reform movement calls for choice-based, parent-driven accountability at every stage of schooling. It affirms higher expectations for all students and rejects the crippling bigotry of low expectations.”

“A good understanding of the Bible being indispensable for the development of an educated citizenry, we encourage state legislatures to offer the Bible in a literature curriculum as an elective in America’s high schools.”

Men ought to strive to keep their conscience clear before God, holding fast to their sincere faith and beliefs.

[Heb. 10:22, 13:18; 1 Pet. 3:16; Rom. 9:1]

The education and protection of children should not be taken for granted, but stewarded well and utilized to train them to be well adjusted and successful adults.

[Education: Deut. 6:1,7; Psalm 78:4,6-7; Prov. 22:6; Isa. 54:13-14]

[Government: Psalm 22:28; Prov. 8:15-16; Acts 17:26; Rom. 13:1]

“Democrats will protect the rights of all people to make personal health care decisions, and will reject the Trump Administration’s use of broad exemptions to allow medical providers, employers, and others to discriminate.”

“Democrats believe that education is a public good and should not be saddled with a private profit motive, which is why we will  
“Democrats oppose private school vouchers and other policies that divert taxpayer-funded resources away from the public school system,...”  
“We will protect the rights of transgender students.”

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### RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

“The Bill of Rights lists religious liberty, with its rights of conscience, as the first freedom to be protected. Religious freedom in the Bill of Rights protects the right of the people to practice their faith in their everyday lives.”

“Republicans believe the federal government, specifically the IRS, is constitutionally prohibited from policing or censoring speech based on religious convictions or beliefs...”

“We pledge to defend the religious beliefs and rights of conscience of all Americans and to safeguard religious institutions against government control.”

“...we strongly support the freedom of Americans to act in accordance with their religious beliefs, not only in their houses of worship, but also in their everyday lives.”

“We support the public display of the Ten Commandments as a reflection of our history and our country’s Judeo-Christian heritage and further affirm the rights of religious students to engage in voluntary prayer at public school events and to have equal access to school facilities.”

All responses were taken from the [2020](#) (which re-adopted the [2016 platform](#)) and [2024 Republican Party Platform](#).

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Supports the HHS contraception mandate against faith-based groups (Little Sisters of the Poor).

Supports redefinition of “sex discrimination” to include abortion and sex-change operations.

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