

# WHAT IS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY?

The Republican Party believes in the unalienable rights and freedoms guaranteed every American in the United States Constitution. We value every human being and their right to work hard and prosper in this great country. Founded in 1854 by anti-slavery expansion activists, the Republican Party rose to prominence with the election of Abraham Lincoln, the first Republican president. Amidst the Democrat controlled White House and Congress, it was Republican support of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 that overcame the negative Democrat votes, and President Johnson signed it into law.

Americans across the United States are guided by the following principles and we invite you to join us and learn what it means to be a Republican.

- **BUILDING THE ECONOMY AND CREATING JOBS**

We believe in growing the economy through the proven free-enterprise system that fosters jobs and income growth especially for low and middle-income workers and small businesses. Everyone has an opportunity to learn and develop the skills needed to achieve success and prosperity while big government and bureaucracies hold back economic growth.

- **CHARACTER**

Republicans value the diversity of our nation's population and denounce all forms of hatred, racism, bigotry, and discrimination based on skin color, ethnicity, religious beliefs, sex, LGBTQ affiliation, disability, or political beliefs. We promote tolerance of people's differences and believe the individual's integrity and character are what count.

- **ELECTION INTEGRITY**

The trust citizens have in election integrity at all levels of government is crucial, and we believe in taking measures to ensure all legal votes are counted and all illegal votes are rejected. These include continual updating and maintenance of voter rolls; positive verification of citizenship to register to vote; elimination of voter registration through the DMV; identification verification to vote; absentee ballots only when requested; no mail-in ballots; and elimination of ballot harvesting.

- **EDUCATION**

Republicans support parent/guardian rights to access, review, and oversee all K-12 school courses, curriculums, and programs and to remove their child from any course or program they find objectionable or undermines their parental responsibilities or relationships. We support school voucher programs that would empower parents/guardians to choose the school best suited to their child and their family values.

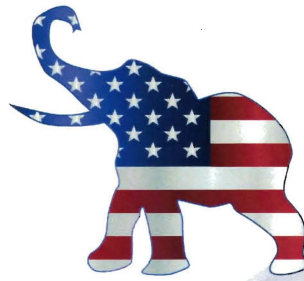
- **FAIR AND SIMPLE TAXES FOR GROWTH**

We believe competitive tax rates promote financial stability, business investments at home, and job growth. Lower taxes increase worker take-home pay and increase consumer demand that in turn create more jobs. When people are working they are paying taxes and welfare and unemployment costs decrease. We also aggressively oppose all efforts to compromise Proposition 13 property tax protections and the two-thirds approval requirement for property tax increases.

- **FAITH AND FREEDOM**

We believe the U.S. Constitution is our government's framework and that our unalienable rights, derived by our Creator, cannot be taken away, reduced, or altered by government. These include the freedom to practice religion; to speak freely without censorship; to have a free press; to peacefully assemble; to petition the government with our grievances; and the right of the people to keep and bear arms.





- **FAMILY**

Families, not governments, are the building blocks of civilizations and are responsible for the educational, moral, and religious upbringing of their children. We believe all lives matter yet also support a woman's right to decide if or when to have a child. That right, however, must be balanced with the unborn baby's right-to-life.

- **US CONSTITUTION**

The U.S. Constitution is our form of government. It puts citizens in control, not the government; protects equal representation of the states; and stops frivolous changes based on popular fads, advantaging a political party, or to compromise the separation of powers. Republicans reject any form of fascism, socialism or communism within our government.

- **HEALTHCARE**

Republicans support freedom of choice in healthcare that is affordable, preserves the doctor/patient relationship, and covers pre-existing conditions. We oppose single-payer programs such as Medicare-for-All. They are expensive, eliminate patient choice, and cause long diagnostic and treatment delays by rationing care and denying doctor treatment plans.

- **IMMIGRATION**

Republicans--many of whom are first or second generation citizens--welcome legal immigration, visa and guest worker programs. We recognize and value the hard work and commitments legal immigrants contribute to our society. To protect our citizenry, and those pursuing legal immigration, we must protect our borders and enforce immigration laws that work.

- **LIMITED GOVERNMENT CONTROL AND REGULATION**

The primary responsibility of government is public safety. We reject calls to defund the police and support all first responders and a strong military readiness. We believe in small, transparent, government that is prudent with taxpayer dollars, accountable to their citizens, and act on behalf of their constituents and the Republic—never for their personal gain. We are a nation of laws that must be applied equally without any form of discrimination or political bias.

- **WINNING TRADE POLICY**

International trade is crucial for all sectors of America's economy and we support negotiating more trade agreements that are fair to all concerned including America. We endorse cancelling agreements that are unfair, such as the Trans Pacific Pact (TPP) and the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) that was replaced with the multilateral agreement between Mexico, Canada, and the U.S.A. that is fair for all three nations.