

Our Progressive Platform

Our Progressive Platform is governed by the principle that *we all do better when we all do better.*

When we build an equitable, just, democratic, and sustainable commonwealth, we not only improve the quality of life here at home but also set the bar for other states and the country as a whole.

Our Shared Prosperity Agenda

When our economic systems work fairly for everyone, we all do better.

Massachusetts is one of the most affluent states in the country, but we are also one of the most unequal. Let's make sure that everyone can share in our common wealth by guaranteeing high-quality public education, universal health care, affordable housing, and good-paying jobs, and by ensuring that the wealthy and large corporations pay their fair share.

- **High-quality, free public education**, from Pre-K through post-secondary
- **High-quality, universal health care**, which provides treatment to all as a right
- **Affordable, decent housing**, in safe and vibrant neighborhoods
- **Jobs that pay a living wage**, and provide reasonable hours and robust benefits
- **An equitable tax system**, which raises sufficient revenue to invest in our future

Our All Means All Agenda for Racial and Social Justice

When we structure our laws and legal systems for equity and inclusion, rather than control and exclusion, we're all safer.

We must deliver on the promise of liberty and justice for all and dismantle legacies of structural racism. That means advancing an approach to public safety that prioritizes public health and strong communities and a criminal legal system focused on rehabilitation rather than retribution; strengthening civil rights so that women, communities of color, immigrants, and the LGBTQ community can fully participate in public life; and celebrating the diversity that is the source of our strength.

- **A community-centered approach to public safety**, which treats everyone, especially those from marginalized communities, with dignity and respect and addresses root causes
- **A fair and rehabilitative justice system**, which ensures that justice is applied equally and with an objective of lifelong rehabilitation

- **A sensible and human-focused immigration system**, wherein everyone, regardless of citizenship status, is protected under the law and treated with dignity and respect
- **A diverse and welcoming society**, for all, including historically marginalized communities and persons

Our Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment Agenda

When we accelerate our transition to a clean and green economy, we all benefit from healthier lives and a healthier planet.

Massachusetts can lead the way by advancing a Green New Deal in the Commonwealth by reducing pollution and greenhouse gases, creating hundreds of thousands of clean energy jobs, promoting climate-smart development, investing in our public transit infrastructure, and protecting our natural environment.

- **A clean energy infrastructure** that reduces pollution and greenhouse gases, and protects our natural environment
- **A comprehensive public transit system** that is reliable, well-maintained, and free for all
- **A healthy natural and built environment** that provides ample open space, reduces pollution, improves our communities, and nurtures residents of the Commonwealth

Our Good Government, Strong Democracy Agenda

When we have a democracy in which everyone can participate, we all benefit from the better policies that result.

Massachusetts has played a major role in the history of democracy in our country, and our policies should reflect and build upon that legacy. We should be a national leader in voting rights and in cultivating a strong civic culture and infrastructure, and we should empower everyday people to make change by reducing the outsized influence of money in campaigns and policymaking. At a time when democracy is under attack, we must build trust in our democratic systems by reducing the over-centralization of power and increasing more transparency and accountability to the residents of the Commonwealth.

- **A transparent, accountable government** that fulfills its responsibility to represent the interests of the Commonwealth and our residents and removes barriers to participation
- **A robust electoral system** that strengthens voting rights, expands the electorate, and builds trust in candidates and electeds
- **A fair campaign finance system** that reduces the influence of money and returns elections to issues and the electorate