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Platform

The platform of the Libertarian Party of New York was adopted by the Interim State Committee on August 25, 2019 and amended on September 12, 2021.

WE THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK

Recognize that all people, being created equal, are endowed with unalienable rights, among these are the right to life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness. We recognize that if governments must exist at all, their only just purpose is to secure these rights for individuals.

While we defer to the national party on issues of national interest, and we defer to our candidates to offer specific policy proposals, we do so only so far as they do not conflict with the following principles:

The Right to Free Association – Individuals have the right to associate or not associate with one another on the terms of their own choosing, and without interference from third parties. Nor should one lose their individual rights should they choose to band together

collectively.

The Right of Free Expression – Individuals have the right to express themselves peacefully in whatever form they choose, even if that expression is seen by some as profane or offensive.

The Right of Conscience – Individuals have the right to live their lives in accordance with their own values and sense of right and wrong, and, except for rare cases of abuse or neglect, the right to raise and educate their children as they see fit.

The Right to Self-Ownership and Personal Autonomy – Individuals have the right to do with their own bodies whatever they please.

The Right to Personal Property – Individuals have the right to their own property, and to keep, to use, and to dispose of that property however they see fit.

The Right to Personal Privacy – Individuals have the right to live free of government intrusion or surveillance into their movements, communications, health, or personal affairs.

The Right to Freedom of Personal Action – Individuals have the right be free to live and do as they please, so long as they respect the rights of others to do the same.

The Right to Decide – Individuals and families have a right to decide for themselves all issues regarding their health, wealth, and safety.

The Purpose of the State is to secure these above rights to all persons, all the time recognizing that it is a servant of the people and never its master.



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The Libertarian Party is committed to America's heritage of freedom: individual liberty and personal responsibility, a free-market economy of abundance and prosperity, a foreign policy of non-intervention, peace and free trade.

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