

Libertarian Party of California 2021 Program



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**Program Committee Representatives
Elected by the LPCA Executive Committee
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The Party Program shall consist of up to five planks which state interim measures and practical policies, designed to implement the Party position on issues of interest to California. The Program shall not conflict with the Statement of Principles or the Platform.

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CHANGE IS LOCAL

The Covid pandemic, and response by the Local, State, and Federal governments, have illuminated the importance of local politics and the powerful roles and influence that small offices hold over the daily lives of Californians.

California's cultural diversity and independence has historically led to a unique spirit of innovation, questioning authority, protest, and petition which has grown stronger in opposition due to government overreach and intervention. The Libertarian Party of California has a unique opportunity to be the voice of this opposition at both Local and State levels through principled candidates, ballot measures, and other measures of attaining Liberty for all communities in California.

The issues facing Californians require varied solutions due to their dissimilitude; therefore a decentralized approach is not only prudent, but also necessary.

The Libertarian Party of California:

- Supports Local Candidates Seeking Liberty In Their Communities
- Supports Local Action Promoting or Seeking Liberty In Their Communities
- Supports Local and State Ballot Initiatives Seeking Liberty For Their Communities
- Supports Local Viral Social Media Campaigns Promoting Liberty For All California

MANDATES

The Governor and State of California, along with Local and Federal government agencies, have gone far beyond merely overstepping their bounds in their intervention into the lives, prosperity, and civil liberties of the people of California.

Privacy and choice, along with self ownership and bodily autonomy, are fundamental and indisputable rights with universal inheritance. Dismantling the War on Covid and returning humanity to the residents of California is one of the greatest tasks facing every neighborhood and every single resident.

Both Elected Libertarians and members of Local Affiliates have and will continue to fight to stop the discrimination, segregation, coercion, and complete mismanagement of the pandemic by State and County Officials.

The Libertarian Party of California:

- Supports Ending The Children's Covid Vaccine Mandate
- Supports Ending Local and State School Indoor/Outdoor Masking Mandates
- Supports Ending Local and State Vaccine/Testing Mandates
- Supports Initiatives Like Medical Freedom LA To Overturn Mandates

SCHOOL CHOICE

The education of a child is the responsibility of the parents, yet the government monopoly of the education system has attempted to standardize education for all children. Handing the power of forming the thinking patterns of children to an organization whose pattern to abuse its power does not bode well for the state or local communities to flourish. Its funding through tax dollars stolen from those communities reduces resources that might be used to create choices for parents, and parallel systems to the current public/government education system.

The responses of school districts to the Covid situation have merely highlighted for parents the fact that not all children learn the same way. Distance learning co-opted the education system during the pandemic, showing parents the often low quality of the education their children are receiving, that it wastes time, and is filled with incorrect, inappropriate, and politically charged information that they don't want being forced onto their child.

Parents express concerns over where their tax dollars have been going, to produce what they deem inadequate preparation for college or other post-secondary school pursuits. This has led to a surge in parents pulling their children from government schools and filing Private School Affidavits.

The Libertarian Party of California:

- Supports Families forming individual or group homeschool co-ops
- Supports Families and individuals forming private and charter schools
- Supports Non-conventional options in a growing and diverse education market.
- Supports School Choice movements, such as The Educational Freedom Act Initiative

COVID FALLOUT

Response to the pandemic by Governments at all levels have created instability throughout all markets causing inflation, distortion in the housing market, a supply chain crisis, and closure of Small Businesses at a large scale, in favor of connected corporations. The strictest policies and worst discrimination and segregation have come from City, County, and State Officials, sowing division and destroying livelihoods.

Lockdowns, mandates, and distance learning have been more damaging to the people of California than the pandemic itself, and Elected Libertarians and members of Local Affiliates have and will continue to fight and win against the War on Covid.

The Libertarian Party of California:

- Supports Ending Current, and Preventing Future, Mandates and Lockdowns
- Supports Ending Reckless Emergency Spending and Other Inflationary Policies
- Supports Ending or Relaxing Zoning, Licensing, and Other Harmful Regulations
- Supports Entrepreneurship and the Development of Independent and Competitive Systems

COUNTIES, REGIONS, AND MUNICIPALITIES

Just as individual communities drive the culture and body politics of California, County Affiliates are the backbone of the Libertarian Party. Libertarians in smaller local offices and local ballot initiatives have the most direct impact into the lives and freedoms of California residents.

As the State flexes its stolen powers under the guise of emergency, brave Libertarian County Supervisors, City Council Members, School Board Trustees, and Local Party Members have and will stand strong in defense of their respective constituents and their families, children, and businesses.

The Libertarian Party of California:

- Supports and Promotes County Affiliates and Their Work Towards Liberty
- Supports and Promotes Local and Statewide Candidates Seeking Liberty
- Supports and Promotes Elected Libertarians and Their Fight For Liberty
- Supports and Promotes Local and Statewide Ballot Initiatives Seeking Liberty