



FIGHT FOR AMERICA'S FUTURE

2022 - 2025

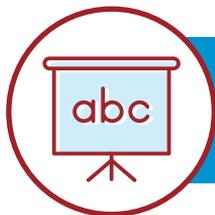
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The Heritage Foundation and Heritage Action are fighting to save America. Conservatives must set the agenda, earn a mandate for that agenda, and govern accordingly.

Over the next three years, we will engage, along with our allies, in Washington and in the states. We are committed to restoring human flourishing through self-governance for all Americans and championing the policies that get us there.

Today, we're casting a vision for seven of the most important challenges facing America—some familiar and others new. Policymakers must address these challenges to make America solvent, stronger, and safer today and for generations to come.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #1



EMPOWER PARENTS TO

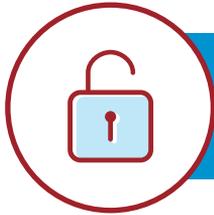
MAKE EDUCATION CHOICES

The education system is failing our children—from the scourge of critical race theory and gender ideology to the lack of accountability and transparency. Parents, not bureaucrats, should be making teaching and learning decisions that align with their values. Taxpayer dollars should help students succeed, not prop up school systems. The Heritage enterprise will spearhead reforms at the state level to ensure parental rights and expand school choice and work to narrow the federal government’s role, ultimately eliminating the U.S. Department of Education.

Quick Facts:

- ➔ Half of all Americans (50%) say “parents of school-aged children should have a role in deciding what is taught in public schools,” while only 33% say that teachers and education experts should decide.
- ➔ Half (50%) also believe “we should have school choice programs which allow parents to use some of the money that government would spend to educate their child in traditional public school to send them to the public, private, or charter school of their choosing,” while only 36% say we should focus on public schools.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #2



SECURE AMERICA'S BORDERS AND REDUCE CRIME

Upholding the rule of law is paramount for a healthy society. The American people should be able to live peacefully without constant fear of crime or incursions across our borders. A strong justice system enforces existing U.S. law, prosecutes criminals, secures our borders, and preserves our national identity. America's current crime and border crisis is out of control and the human costs are staggering. The Heritage enterprise will expose the threats posed by criminals and illegal immigrants and take steps at the federal and state level to restore the rule of law.

Quick Fact:

- ➔ A majority of Americans (64%) disapprove of the job President Biden and Congress have done addressing illegal immigration and the crisis at the southern border and believe they should reinstate some previous Trump administration laws (61%).

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #3



The right to vote in a free and fair election is the most basic civil right. Americans can have confidence in election outcomes only if they trust that the process is fair. Heritage will restore faith in elections and protect the right to vote for all Americans by advocating for commonsense reforms in the states like requiring an ID to vote and ending the practice of vote trafficking. We will always oppose a federal takeover of our elections by Washington elites.

Quick Fact:

- ➔ Most Americans support photo IDs to vote (79%) and oppose vote trafficking practices like ballot harvesting (66%).

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #4



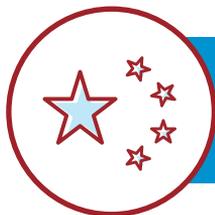
REVERSE THE GROWTH OF SPENDING AND INFLATION

Government spending and inflation are a tax on all Americans, especially working families who struggle to make ends meet. Prudent fiscal decisions can enable American families to flourish without politicians and bureaucrats controlling our lives. The Heritage enterprise will advance a blueprint to reduce the size and scope of the federal budget, spend less of our money, and save us from falling off the fiscal cliff.

Quick Fact:

- ➔ Americans can see through the myth that inflation is COVID's fault; more Republicans (80%) and Independent's (43%) blame reckless government spending.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #5



COUNTER THE THREAT OF COMMUNIST CHINA

The Chinese Communist Party is the most persistent and consequential threat facing the American people today, even as Vladimir Putin deserves the world's unmitigated scorn in the wake of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. China is expanding its military and stealing American jobs and technology, posing a direct threat to our security and prosperity. We will expose China's aggressive military buildup, growing cyber capabilities, gross violations of human rights, and rising use of global economic coercion. We will push for concrete steps—like resurrecting the China Initiative in the U.S. Department of Justice and barring members of the Chinese Communist Party from national security-related research funded by federal contracts and grants. To preserve our freedom, the Heritage enterprise will advance policy to confront China's attack on American interests and values, develop a China-resistant economy, and ensure our capabilities during this great power competition.

Quick Fact:

- ➔ Most Americans believe “China's military expansion and aggressiveness is a direct threat to the national security of America” (74%) and that “China has been stealing American jobs and technology for decades and it's time we stop depending on China” (87%).

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #6



HOLD BIG TECH ACCOUNTABLE

Big Tech is an enemy of the people, actively undermining everything great about America. Tech giants and social media companies are silencing facts later deemed to be true, colluding with authoritarian governments, and disproportionately silencing conservatives. The Heritage enterprise will put power back in the hands of the American people by holding Big Tech accountable using antitrust and other laws and proposing new measures to end their abuses.

Quick Facts:

- ➔ Most Americans (82%) believe “Big Tech companies have too much power over their platforms and have used it to expand their control of the public debate and shape our politics.”
- ➔ Even more (86%) believe “Big Tech companies should be held liable under the same laws as newspapers for false information published on their platforms.”

STRATEGIC PRIORITY #7



Everyone has a right to life. Americans must protect unborn babies and their mothers from the gruesome realities of abortion. *Roe v. Wade* has poisoned our courts, our culture, and our laws. From the moment of conception, every human being has inherent dignity and worth. Women and their children deserve better options than abortion. In a post-*Roe* America, the Heritage enterprise will mobilize with definitive action to advance life-saving policies at the state and federal level, and ultimately make abortion unthinkable.

Quick Fact:

- ➔ A majority of Americans support limits on abortion (56%) and banning taxpayer funding for abortions (65%).

SOURCE: MIXED METHODOLOGY SURVEY CONDUCTED BY HERITAGE ACTION FOR AMERICA USING A NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE OF 1,200 LIKELY U.S. VOTERS CONDUCTED FEBRUARY 21-24, 2022 WITH A MARGIN OF ERROR OF $\pm 2.82\%$.

BUILDING
AN AMERICA
WHERE FREEDOM,
OPPORTUNITY,
PROSPERITY,
AND CIVIL SOCIETY
FLOURISH.



214 Massachusetts Ave., NE | Washington, DC 20002
(202) 546-4400 | heritage.org