

The 2020 Platform for the Mitchell County, Iowa Democratic Party

AGRICULTURE

AG 1. We support changes and reform in our food system that reduce and work to eliminate food waste

AG 2. We support removing restrictions on the use of hemp and further research on ways to use it, especially as a replacement for plastic

AG 3. We support clear, transparent labeling on food which includes the country or countries of origin

AG 4. We support fair and humane treatment of animals

AG 5. We back the expansion and support of sustainable agriculture and less chemically-dependent food systems

AG 6. We support offering financial assistance and support to farmers implementing conservation and best management practices on their land

AG 7. We support family farm operations

AG 8. We support the expansion and funding of avenues to market food locally

ENVIRONMENT

EN 1. We recognize the realities of climate change and resolve to work across the aisle in a spirit of bipartisanship in order to meet the urgent demands of the climate crisis

EN 2. We support using presidential powers to restore climate and clean energy policies that the Trump administration has rolled back

EN 3. We support the Clean Power Plan as a way to reduce power plant emissions

EN 4. We support reviving fuel economy standards for vehicles

EN 5. We support strengthening the enforcement of the Clean Air and Water Acts

EN 6. We support recommitting the U.S. to the Paris Climate Agreement

EN 7. We support an end to all fossil fuel subsidies

EN 8. We support water quality improvements through programs that limit pollution, and clean up already polluted waters

EN 9. We support considering the implications for climate change for all legislation

EN 10. We support enacting revenue-neutral carbon taxes

EN 11. We support the enforcement and continuation of existing re-cycling laws, including the "Bottle Bill"

EN 12. We support expanding the reliance on and infrastructure for renewable energy

EN 13. We support the US stepping up to take a global leadership role to address, mitigate, and create resilience for climate change

EDUCATION

ED 1. We support a strong public education system

ED 2. We support the establishment and enforcement of consistent regulation for charter and home schools

ED 3. We support free community college with curriculum tailored to prepare students to join the work force

ED 4. We support discussing and exploring the possible reduction and/or cancellation of existing student debt

ED 5. We support fair compensation and rights for teachers

GOVERNMENT

GO 1. We resolve to offer united support for the Democratic nominee for the 2020 Presidential elections

GO 2. We support term limits for elected officials

GO 3. We support the elimination of gerrymandering

GO 4. We support campaign finance reform and regulation

GO 5. We support requiring federally elected officials to publicly disclose tax returns

GO 6. We support the protection of social security benefits

GO 7. We support the use of a primary voting system in Iowa

GO 8. We support comprehensive gun control which includes universal background checks, red flag laws, and closing gun show loopholes

GO 9. We support banning the sale of assault weapons and large clip sizes/magazines

GO 10. We support buyback programs for assault weapons and large clip sizes/magazines

GO 11. We support increased research on and funding for high speed rails and other possible options to expand public transportation

GO 12. We support the decriminalization of marijuana and expunging criminal records that were founded on the criminality of marijuana

GO 13. We oppose allowing any private contractors to run immigrant detention camps

GO 14. We support accessible paths to immigrants wishing to become US citizens

GO 15. We support the renewal of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (DACA)

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

HC 1. We support universal and comprehensive health care that includes home health care and facility care for both physical and mental health

HC 2. We support the legalization of medical marijuana

HC. 3. We support safe and legal access to abortion and the funding of Planned Parenthood

LABOR AND ECONOMY

LB 1. We support increasing the minimum wage to a livable wage

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

IA 1. We support the US repairing and creating positive, working international relations