



Socialist Aotearoa Manifesto

For the People

Putting more income in workers' pockets

To reduce the tax burden on workers, we will implement a tax-free bracket on income up to \$30,000. Tax brackets on higher earners will be restructured, alongside increases to tax on big corporations, to pay for this.

Protecting unions and the right to strike

There is a link between higher union participation rates and higher wages and safety standards. We will fight against growing restrictions on unions by National and ACT and protect the right to strike and protest. Labour have failed workers on this as union participation rates have fallen dramatically over the last few decades. We will work towards initiatives that increase this rate of union participation.

Transitioning to net zero and creating jobs in the process

Socialist Aotearoa will work to ensure that our nation's transition to net zero emissions and renewable energies creates good paying local jobs in the process. We will fight to accelerate our transition including a priority to electrify rail and other public transport assets.

Free university for all

Education is a basic human right and receiving a university education increases lifetime income earnings. We will provide free university to all and provide scholarships to disadvantaged people to ensure they can take full advantage of this.

Free healthcare for all

We consider healthcare a human right and we will do our best to protect this human right. We believe it is of high importance to make sure everyone has access to healthcare no matter their income, therefore we believe the healthcare system should be nationalised and it should be accessible for free.

Protecting renters rights' and implementing a land value tax

Whether they rent or own, everyone deserves to live in a home where they have freedom and security. We will fight to protect renters rights' and to expand them. We will also implement a land value tax to further close the gap between rich and poor in this nation.

Staying neutral and non-violent

We support Aotearoa staying as neutral as possible on foreign affairs and being non-violent by working towards diplomacy as a solution to global conflicts. We will not send working people in this nation to die in overseas wars that do not affect us.

Reforming our justice system to prioritise rehabilitation

Our current justice system is mainly focused on the punishment of criminals. Studies have shown this is not an effective way of preventing future crimes. We believe our justice system should be focused on the rehabilitation of criminals instead. Our immediate priorities for improving the justice system are banning solitary confinement, abolishing private prisons, and raising the youth court age.

Establishing AotearoaRail

Originally proposed by Maaaaaaaadison as MāoriRail during her campaign for Rohe, the proposal will be expanded to form AotearoaRail. AotearoaRail will be a new state-owned enterprise that will acquire all rail assets in Aotearoa and receive large amounts of funding to build high speed passenger and high load freight rail all across our nation. This will be our nation's chance to reduce our reliance on personal vehicles for transport thus reducing our emissions and our impact on the environment. Rail is the future and AotearoaRail will deliver it, creating jobs for workers in remote communities and connecting Aotearoa.