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1. What is your position on Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activity in Colorado and local cooperation with ICE? Please describe how you would use the authority as Governor to protect immigrant communities in Colorado, including your approach to information sharing, law enforcement cooperation, public facilities, and community trust.

Colorado should not act as an extension of federal immigration enforcement. When families are afraid to go to the hospital or send their kids to school, that makes all of us less safe.

As Governor, I will enforce and strengthen Colorado's limits on local cooperation with ICE. I will make sure state agencies are not sharing personal information for civil immigration enforcement without a warrant. Schools, hospitals, and courthouses should be places of safety and not fear. I also believe in educating communities about their rights. If federal actions violate disability protections under ADA or Section 504, people should know they have legal recourse. Civil rights only matter if people can actually enforce them. Money talks. Why not make their pockets hurt while empowering our state and communities?

We can uphold the law and protect human dignity at the same time. Those values are not in conflict.

2. What are the most pressing healthcare access challenges facing residents of Colorado today? Are you in support of SB25-045 and the proposed single-payer, nonprofit, publicly financed, and privately delivered universal health-care payment system under study? How would you use the authority of the Governor to expand access, lower cost, and improve local health outcomes?

The biggest healthcare issues in Colorado are rural hospital closures, mental health access, high costs, and provider shortages. When a rural hospital closes, a town starts to collapse. Healthcare is infrastructure. The lack of opposition to the stripping of Veteran rights at VA clinics is also a concern.

I support seriously exploring SB25-045 and a publicly financed, nonprofit system but responsibly. Any transition has to protect rural providers and ensure we don't destabilize care during implementation.

As Governor, I would focus on:

- Stabilizing rural hospitals through cooperative and regional partnerships
- Expanding Medicaid waivers to cover supportive housing and mental health
- Strengthening cost controls under the Colorado Option
- Treating mental health and recovery as essential public infrastructure
- Developing further upon my healthcare for all, starting with rural, then expanding to urban.

Healthcare shouldn't depend on your ZIP code or your job.

3. Colorado is two years behind its emissions reductions targets (a trend that began before recent federal measures restricting climate policy). How would you prioritize policies intended to reduce emissions if you're elected?

Colorado is behind on emissions targets because implementation hasn't matched ambition. We need to move from goals to enforcement and infrastructure.

My priorities include:

- Modernizing the grid and expanding energy storage
- Supporting community-owned renewable energy, especially in rural areas
- Strengthening methane enforcement
- Investing in regenerative agriculture
- Protecting water resources as part of climate resilience

I also believe we need to talk about data centers and industrial water use. Large facilities consume enormous amounts of water and energy. As Governor, I would require full transparency on water and energy usage and ensure proper cooling systems, filtration, and recycling methods are in place before new facilities are approved.

Environmental policy is also disability policy. Poor air and water quality disproportionately harm people with chronic illnesses and disabilities. We need environmental reviews that reflect that reality.

Waste, Landfills & Water Protection

Colorado throws away an enormous amount of recyclable material. That's wasted resources, wasted water, and unnecessary pollution.

I support expanding recycling infrastructure, incentivizing plastic recovery, improving landfill methane capture, and monitoring water contamination more aggressively.

We should not allow major facilities to degrade water quality while communities bear the cost. Environmental responsibility is public health responsibility.

4. What do you see as the primary drivers of affordable housing challenges and homelessness in Colorado? What specific policies or actions would you advance in the office you are seeking to expand affordable housing, prevent displacement, and provide services at the local level?

Housing instability is driven by zoning barriers, speculative real estate consolidation, stagnant wages, and a lack of supportive services. When corporations own the majority of homes then get to dictate what happens with zoning, they end up creating a system only businesses thrive in, despite even the best intentions. ADU and RV restrictions have caused real concerns where we can ensure that our environment is protected with our people.

As Governor, I would:

- Implement a statewide Housing First framework
- Use state land to accelerate permanent housing development
- Remove unnecessary state-level barriers to ADUs, cooperative housing, and tiny home communities
- Work with state officials to understand the impact of their zoning laws
- Ensure no one exits foster care, hospitals, or incarceration directly into homelessness
- Tie funding to long-term housing stability outcomes, not shelter bed counts
- Support STR caps and corporate ownership caps

Housing is infrastructure. Stable housing reduces healthcare costs, incarceration rates, and crisis spending.

5. Colorado is far below the national average in per-pupil spending and Colorado teachers have the highest wage penalty in the country, earning 38.55% less than their non-teaching college-educated peers. How will you support accessible and equitable education in Colorado? How will you address the decades of underfunded public schools in our state?

Colorado has underfunded public education for decades. Teachers are underpaid, especially in rural districts. If we boost the budget via our medical tourism, we would be able to assist in areas like this. Also, TABOR reform could help.

I will advocate to permanently support revenue reforms that allow us to meet constitutional education obligations, and expand Career & Technical Education and paid apprenticeships starting in high school.

We need to support neurodivergent students more effectively and fund early childhood education and childcare models that actually work for families.

Education funding is workforce development funding.

6. Would you support repealing HB16-1284 which prevents PERA from cooperating with the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement?

I believe in protecting free speech. I am open to reviewing HB16-1284 to ensure Colorado is not limiting constitutionally protected political expression.

7. What is your position on campaign finance reform at the state level? How would you use the authority of the office you're seeking to promote transparency, limit the influence of wealthy donors or special interests, and ensure fair access to the political process in Colorado? Please describe specific actions or policies you support.

Democracy should not be auctioned to the highest bidder. Transparency is required and part of my campaign.

I support lowering contribution caps, strengthening disclosure laws, reforming dark money loopholes, expanding small-donor public financing options, and increasing transparency in real time. In my personal opinion, having no PAC or Dark Money would be ideal.

If elected, I would use my appointment authority and legislative agenda to strengthen enforcement and public reporting systems.

8. How has TABOR affected Colorado's ability to plan, budget, and invest in long-term community needs? As an officeholder, would you support or oppose ballot measures,

revenue adjustments, or policy changes to reduce TABOR's constraints on local services? Please explain your approach.

TABOR was designed to protect taxpayers, but it has also made it difficult for Colorado to meet its constitutional obligations in education, healthcare, and infrastructure. Their site confirms it impacts those that are low-income the most.

I do not support eliminating taxpayer protections. I support reform.

We need honest conversations with voters about the tradeoffs between small refunds and functioning schools, hospitals, and roads. Fiscal responsibility should not mean permanent dysfunction.

9. Would you consider the actions of the current federal administration to be a cause for concern with regards to the health of the United States' democracy? If so, how would you use the authority of your office to respond—whether through implementation, advocacy, or opposition—on behalf of Coloradans?

Yes, I believe recent federal instability raises concerns about democratic norms and civil rights protections.

As Governor, I would defend Colorado's sovereignty when federal actions overreach, join multistate litigation when civil rights are threatened, and protect reproductive rights, LGBTQIA+ protections, and due process at the state level. We also need to protect those that are disabled, unhoused, at risk minorities, and become a refuge. As a central point in the US, we have a responsibility and opportunity

States must be stable even when national politics are not.

10. Do you consider yourself a progressive? Please give a few examples of progressive action you've taken.

Yes.

To me, being progressive means building systems that reduce inequality, protect civil liberties, strengthen worker power, and make government accountable.

In my work, I have built cooperative land-use and housing models, advocated for Housing First approaches, supported rural hospital stabilization efforts, and prioritized disability access and due process protections across policy sectors.

Progressivism isn't branding. It's whether systems actually work for people.

FINANCES AND TRANSPARENCY

As part of our evaluation, we will review your funding sources through public filings and publish them to our members and the public. Funding is a very important issue to APA, and we will likely be contacting you in the future regarding your campaign finances. We reserve the right to disqualify you from endorsement, revoke your endorsement, or take down your survey responses if the information you share here is inaccurate with public filings. We will contact you before using this right.

Please disclose if you accept, or are seeking funding from the following sources, who those entities are and why you accept campaign funds from these sources.

Answers in this portion are required for survey publication and endorsement.

1. Are you aware of any Super PACs or 527 organizations that are not directly coordinating with your campaign, but you consider helpful to your campaign or issues your campaign advocates? If so, please name those organizations.

I am not coordinating with any Super PAC or 527 organization. Any independent expenditures are not coordinated with my campaign.

2. How much money have you self-financed for your campaign at this point?

I have not self-financed beyond minor in-kind expenses such as gas and food in travels but I mixed personal with, so it wouldn't be applicable.

3. Do you accept money from Corporations, PACS, Party Committees, Real Estate Companies (not agents), Real Estate Developers, or Unions?

- If yes, please explain why you accept funding from any of the above sources.

I do not accept corporate or developer funding. I support labor unions and would accept contributions consistent with a pro-worker platform. I would accept small business funding.

4. Are there any other comments you have regarding your funding strategy?

Our campaign is currently grassroots and volunteer-driven. Transparency and public trust are central to how I'm running. My campaign committee can give you exacts on that.