

# keep in mind

Unlike the DNC, the RNC opted to not publish a platform for 2020, instead re-adopting Trump's 2016 platform. The platform isn't binding, and it is also dated, meaning that it does not necessarily indicate the

actual goals of the GOP policy-wise for 2020.

The DNC's proposed platform reconciles progressive policy goals with Biden's more moderate ideas. This led to some frustration because of the absence of important progressive goals like Medicare-for-all or defunding the police. Nevertheless, this platform is the most progressive collection of policy proposals from a major US national party, which may present a barrier to passing the legislation if in office.

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### 2020

## PLATFORMS

The Republican and Democratic Platform and goals for the presidency



# DEMOCRATIC

## Healthcare

- available and free Covid-19 testing, treatment and eventual vaccines
- A widely-available, public option for health insurance that covers all primary care with no co-payments or premiums for the lowest-income Americans

## Economy

- \$15/hour minimum wage
- Increasing the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit that provides a credit to families based on qualifying dependents and children
- Making tuition-free public universities and colleges for students whose families earn less than \$125,000 and year
- Making community college tuition-free for all

## Criminal Justice

- Overhauling every aspect of the criminal justice system
- Decriminalizing marijuana use and leaving the question of its legalization for recreational use up to individual states



- Passing a "domestic terrorism law" to combat violence from "bigots, anti-Semites, Islamophobes, and White Supremacists"

## Climate Change

- Working to eliminate carbon pollution from power plants by 2035
- Investing in infrastructure and clean energy

## Immigration and Foreign Policy

- Creating a path to citizenship for unauthorized immigrants
- Prioritizing alternatives to detention for migrants
- Ending US support for the Saudi-led war in Yemen
- "Bring[ing] our forever wars to a responsible end" but keeping a small military presence in Iraq to "ensure the lasting defeat of ISIS"
- Stopping the "race to war with Iran" and attempting to restore the deal negotiated under the Obama administration
- Continuing a commitment to Israel's security, while supporting a negotiated two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

## Voting Rights

- Making Washington, DC, the 51st state and creating a process to allow Puerto Ricans to determine the status of their statehood
- Restoring protections under the Voting Rights Act

## Immigration

- Constructing a border wall and ensuring the swift removal of unlawful entrants
- Ending chain migration and the Visa Lottery, and having a merit-based entry system

## Education

- Better preparing students to compete in a global economy
- Modernizing an antiquated federal student aid system
- Holding higher education institutions more accountable to students and taxpayers
- Offering Bible study as a part of public school curriculum

## National security and defense

- Rebuilding U.S. deterrence and reversing the slow depletion of our military
- Budgeting and spending
- Prioritizing funding to rebuild national defense and strengthen the borders

## Land and agriculture

- Helping famers feed themselves and millions more through trade and regulatory reform

## Healthcare

- Replacing Obamacare to force insurance companies to compete for their customers
- Reducing barriers to more affordable options for Americans and U.S. businesses
- Reopening of states in response to the Covid-19 pandemic

## Economy and Jobs

- Helping workers through apprenticeship programs
- Reforming job training programs
- Bringing businesses and educators together to ensure high-quality classroom instruction and on-the-job training
- Tax cuts and reforms to bring jobs back to the country

## Law and Justice

- Working to support law enforcement to reduce violent crimes through partnerships
- Encouraging respect for officers nationwide
- Adopting aggressive strategies for tackling gang and drug related violence

## Energy and environment

- Balancing environmental protection with economic growth so it does not limit growth

# REPUBLICAN