



Governor

Steve Bullock



Political Experience: Attorney General of Montana, 2009-2013; Governor of Montana, 2013-present

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Workers' Voice & Labor

Increasing Minimum Wage: [Supports](#) raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour.

Strengthening Unions & Workers: Supports [strengthening](#) unions and collective bargaining, empowering the National Labor Relations Board to investigate high-violation industries, and passing legislation to provide a lifeline to multiemployer pensions.

Labor Law Reform: [Proposes](#) updating labor laws to reflect our current economy and will fight for updating the Employee Free Choice Act to allow for card check, faster elections and first contract arbitration.

Education

Public Education: [Proposes](#) doubling the federal investment in K-12 education, including fully funding the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, investing in rural schools, increasing funding for school-based mental health and investing in community schools.

Early Education: [Proposes](#) working with Congress to ensure every family who wants to participate has access to a high-quality pre-K program.

College Affordability: [Advocated](#) for making in-state universities, apprenticeship programs and dual enrollment programs more affordable, [proposes](#) increasing Pell Grant eligibility, and advocated for student loan forgiveness for teachers.

Freedom to Teach & Student Testing: [Stated](#) that the passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act frees teachers “to better incorporate their creative and innovative talents into the classroom” and “recognizes [their] ability to determine the best way to support and educate the students.”

Teachers Strikes: Stood in solidarity with employees in Montana’s Three Forks School District who picketed for 90 days; when the strike ended, Bullock [stated](#) “Montanans all across the state can be proud of these workers for their unwavering commitment and for showing that the rights of workers are always worth fighting for.”

Vouchers & Privatization: [Opposes](#) vouchers, for-profit charter schools and privatization of our public schools, and [repeatedly](#) defended Montana public schools, vetoing a school choice bill.

Healthcare & Workplace Safety

Affordable Care Act: [Supports protecting and building on the ACA](#), increasing subsidies to decrease the cost for families, encouraging all states to expand Medicaid, and strengthening Medicare.

Public Option: [Proposes](#) providing a public option to improve access and ensure competition in the marketplace and for those who live in states without Medicaid expansion.

Prescription Drug Costs: [Supports](#) bringing down the cost of prescription medicines by negotiating drug prices and taking on the pharmaceutical industry.

Opioid Epidemic: [Supports](#) holding corporations accountable for negligent sales of opioids, increasing funding for state substance abuse grants, and increasing “return to work” programs to help those who have struggles with addiction to return to the workforce.

Gun Violence Reform: [Supports](#) universal background checks and a voluntary assault weapons buyback program.

Jobs & the Economy

Trump’s Tax Cuts for the Wealthy: [Proposes](#) creating a “Working Families Tax Credit” to reward those who work hard.

Rural America: [Proposes](#) supporting farmers and ranchers by ending the trade war, driving economic development and entrepreneurship, providing access to broadband internet within three years, investing in clean water, and incentivizing housing investment in rural communities.

Social Security: [Proposes](#) strengthening Social Security and improving opportunities, such as portable workforce benefits, for Americans to save for retirement.

Infrastructure: [Proposes](#) investing \$16 billion to support national parks and \$350 billion in highway and transit needs, and supports increasing funding for new and existing climate change infrastructure.

Democracy

Voting Rights: [Stated](#) that voting rights are one of our “fundamental rights as Americans [that] are at stake.”

Citizens United: [Proposes](#) building a movement by taking on the influence of money in politics, banning super PACs, passing the federal DISCLOSE Act and ultimately overturning *Citizens United*.

Immigration & DACA: [Supports](#) keeping families together, providing legal status to Dreamers, increasing the number of immigration judges, restoring aid to organizations working to shelter at-risk people and those with temporary protected status, and ending mass detention.

Civil Rights: Backed LGBTQ rights, including [signing an executive order](#) to prohibit discrimination against state employees, contractors and subcontractors based on sexual orientation or gender identity.