

# AMERICA FIRST **AGENDA**

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The America First Policy Institute is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonpartisan research institute.

AFPI exists to advance policies that put the American people first. Our guiding principles are liberty, free enterprise, national greatness, American military superiority, foreign policy engagement in the American interest, and the primacy of American workers, families, and communities in all we do.

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1. **Make the Greatest Economy in the World Work for All Americans**
2. **Put Patients and Doctors Back in Charge of Healthcare**
3. **Restore America's Historic Commitment to Freedom, Equality, and Self-Governance**
4. **Give Parents More Control over Their Children's Education**
5. **Finish the Wall, End Human Trafficking, and Defeat the Drug Cartels**
6. **Deliver Peace through Strength and American Leadership**
7. **Make America Energy Independent**
8. **Make It Easy to Vote and Hard to Cheat**
9. **Provide Safe and Secure Communities so All Americans Can Live Their Lives in Peace**
10. **Fight Government Corruption by Draining the Swamp**



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## *The America First Agenda*

America deserves a better and brighter future. American citizens need policies that put them first instead of policies that stand in their way. The good news is that the America First Policy Institute is pushing back and building a path for a brighter American tomorrow. We exist to restore America's promise because we have full confidence in the potential of the American people to create a future for themselves and their country with peace, prosperity, and opportunity never before seen in our Nation's history. We exist because we believe that our Nation's best days are ahead, that the battle to save it is the noblest fight there is, and that we will win.

After two and a half centuries, the greatness and genius of the American people are that they still retain their power to astonish, amaze, and inspire. All that our Nation's incredible citizens require are policies worthy of them.

### **AFPI NOW PRESENTS THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

On these pages, you will find what policies will make the greatest economy in the world work for all Americans; put patients and doctors back in charge of healthcare; restore America's historic commitment to freedom, equality, and self-governance; give parents more control over their children's education; finish the wall, end human trafficking, and defeat the drug cartels; deliver peace through strength and American leadership; make America energy independent; make it easy to vote and hard to cheat; provide safe and secure communities so all Americans can live their lives in peace; fight government corruption by draining the swamp; and most importantly, ***put the American people first!***

# 1

## *Make the Greatest Economy in the World Work for All Americans*

The economic success of the Nation is fueled by the drive of free men and women aspiring to achieve their dreams, provide for their families, and further prosperity for their communities. Our Nation declared its independence to fight back against an overbearing government that subordinated the freedom and prosperity of individual citizens to the interests of entrenched elites.



In establishing a new Nation, our Founding Fathers sought to unleash the power of entrepreneurship and free enterprise.

The America First Agenda advances policies that will rebuild our Great American Economy and restore hope and prosperity for all Americans. By focusing on economic policies that always put Americans first, we can restore the greatest economy in the world and lift up families and communities across the country.

### THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ End Historic Out-of-Control Inflation
- ★ Fight for the American Worker and Their Wages
- ★ Negotiate Trade Deals that Protect American Workers and Consumers, and Protect our National Security
- ★ Make the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Permanent
- ★ Build Supply Chains that Rely Only on American Workers and our Allies
- ★ Build the World's Greatest Infrastructure System
- ★ Enhance Opportunity Zones to Strengthen America's Forgotten Communities

# 2

## *Put Patients and Doctors Back in Charge of Healthcare*



Our country's healthcare system exposes serial and chronic policy failures like almost no other area of governance. This is largely because its incentives are all wrong. Rather than improving healthcare and health outcomes for Americans, the healthcare system mainly benefits well-connected firms, special interests, and big government.

The American healthcare system should return to its primary mission of improving the health and health outcomes of Americans. Our Nation has the potential to provide quality care for all Americans. To do so, we must put healthcare back into the hands of the American people and prevent politicians and bureaucrats from deciding how, when, and where care occurs.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Protect the Most Vulnerable, Including Seniors and People with Preexisting Conditions
- ★ Enhance Access to Trusted Doctors and Appropriate Care
- ★ Increase Affordable Health Plans and Alternative Forms of Coverage
- ★ Promote Individual Control of Healthcare
- ★ Lower Prescription Drug Prices
- ★ Promote Transparent, Upfront Pricing



# 3

## *Restore America's Historic Commitment to Freedom, Equality, and Self-Governance*

The basic purpose of American government is, as the Declaration of Independence states, to secure our unalienable, God-given rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. America was founded on the timeless and universal truth of humanity: that “all men are created equal.” Yet, today these rights are under threat from a dizzying array of sources, and we must urgently restore America’s historic commitment to freedom, equality, and self-governance.

Through the America First Agenda, we will protect the American values that have made our Nation great. In doing so, we will commit to protecting our constitutional rights and honoring the sanctity of life.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Defend our Constitutional Right of Religious Liberty
- ★ Defend our Constitutional Right to Keep and Bear Arms
- ★ Stop Big Tech from Encroaching on our Free Speech
- ★ Honor the Sanctity of Every Innocent Human Life
- ★ Defend Female Athletes and Preserve Fairness in Women’s Sports

# 4

## *Give Parents More Control over Their Children's Education*

Public education should help prepare Americans for the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Today, we have a responsibility to empower families with quality education options that nurture our communities and strengthen our Nation.

We also have a responsibility to educate our next generation about the ideals and values that make our country great. Sadly, liberal academics and demagogues are embracing identity politics, division, and submission and are dividing our country by teaching an alternative version of our country's story. Instead, our Nation's schools should affirm and celebrate America.

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- ★ Give Parents More Control by Allowing Them to Select the School Their Child Attends
- ★ Give Every Parent the Right to See All Curriculum Materials in Every Class Their Child Attends
- ★ Encourage Schools to Teach Basic Skills that Prepare Students for Life as an Adult
- ★ Advocate for Teaching the Truth about America's History

To accomplish these goals, we must fight for the advancement of educational opportunity for all American families. This means putting parents and students — not bureaucracies, unions, or politicians — in charge of educating our Nation's next generation.



# 5

## *Finish the Wall, End Human Trafficking, and Defeat the Drug Cartels*

As our world becomes more complex, so do the threats we face at home. Terrorism remains a global reality, and America's ability to prevent attacks in the United States is only as strong as its weakest link at any given moment. Today, our ability to protect our homeland depends on having strong border security, an orderly immigration system, and robust counterterrorism measures.

The America First Agenda will require the vigorous enforcement of the law and the delivery of necessary tools and resources to frontline operators protecting our country. This overall effort includes enacting and enforcing strong border security measures, ending human trafficking, preventing dangerous drugs from killing Americans and having strong digital security that can keep pace with the rapid technological advancements and the ever-evolving threats worldwide.

Focusing on these efforts will enable the United States to secure our border and protect the American people as we move forward in the 21st century.



### THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ Finish the Wall
- ★ Stop Human Trafficking by Instituting Effective Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Programs
- ★ Defeat the Drug Cartels
- ★ Modernize and Restore Integrity to the Immigration System
- ★ Boost Counterterrorism Capacity and Defend Critical Infrastructure

# 6

## *Deliver Peace through Strength and American Leadership*



Freedom's cause in every part of the world depends upon a strong America. When our country is secure, we can advance American security abroad with greater confidence. And when we are providing strong leadership for allies, we make the world a safer place.

An America First approach to national security ensures that power is used in the interest of the American people. Instead of falling in line with Washington's increasingly obsolete foreign and defense policy orthodoxy, our foreign policy should reflect an authentically American approach to new problems, new threats, and established alliances.

The United States has a unique role in the world, and our Nation has an unmatched ability to do its best for others when its people are strong, safe, and prosperous.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Establish an America First Foreign Policy
- ★ Maintain the World's Most Powerful Military Force
- ★ Pursue a Bold New Path to Peace and Prosperity in the Middle East
- ★ Hold China Fully Accountable for Chronic Unfair Trade Practices, Stealing American Technologies, and Polluting our Planet's Air and Oceans

# 7

## ***Make America Energy Independent***

American ingenuity and entrepreneurialism have transformed American energy and will provide the foundation to power a cleaner, more prosperous future.

In five years, our country moved from a position of chronic energy dependency to true energy independence. Unfortunately, this newfound independence was short-lived due to failed policies, which caused America to swing back to energy dependency drastically. Before this time, the American energy sector had achieved a generational strategic goal: making the oil-producing tyrannies and autocracies, from Russia to Saudi Arabia, Venezuela to Iran, and beyond, effectively irrelevant.

The America First Agenda is focused on providing abundant and affordable energy once again to American homes and communities and opening up new vistas of American dreams and opportunities.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Become Energy Independent to End America's Reliance on Foreign Sources of Oil and Gas
- ★ Lower the Price of Gas and Energy by Increasing Production of America's Energy Supplies
- ★ Create a Predictable, Transparent, and Efficient Permitting Process and Regulatory Environment
- ★ Provide Clean Air, Clean Water, and a Clean Environment for All Americans



# 8

## ***Make It Easy to Vote and Hard to Cheat***

The foundation of the American system of self-governance is liberty, and the core expression of the people's liberty is the ability to cast their ballots in free and fair elections. Our Nation needs policies that protect just, legal, transparent, and fair elections while recognizing that states — not the federal government — are best situated to determine voter eligibility, voter registration, Election Day processes, and voter roll management.

Every eligible voter should have the opportunity to cast one ballot at one time that is counted once. Anything that fails this simple test is a failure of the system, and the people responsible for that system should be held accountable.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Require Voters to Have Photo Identification
- ★ Clean Up Voter Rolls before Every Election
- ★ Require All Ballots to be Returned by Election Day
- ★ Eliminate Ballot Harvesting
- ★ Ban the Practice of Billionaires Giving Money to Election Officials to Influence Elections

One fraudulent vote, or one administrative mistake, is one too many when it comes to protecting each sacred vote. The best election integrity policies make it easy to vote and hard to cheat.



# 9

## *Provide Safe and Secure Communities so All Americans Can Live Their Lives in Peace*

The rule of law is indispensable to our Nation. However, it is impossible for our Nation's citizens to be safe and secure if crime plagues our streets and lawlessness dominates our communities. At a time when some state and local governments fail to meet their basic duty of providing public safety, the America First Agenda is dedicated to ensuring that every American enjoys a safe and secure community.

Through the America First Agenda, we can achieve important goals that help our Nation once again see the return of peace to our communities.



### THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ Restore the Rule of Law
- ★ Promote Respect for Law Enforcement
- ★ Stop Chinese Communist Malign Influence and Theft of American Intellectual Property
- ★ Address Homelessness and Mental Health Issues that are Plaguing our Streets
- ★ Unravel Organized Crime, Human Trafficking Rings, and Drug Trade within our Cities
- ★ Strengthen Fatherhood and the Nuclear Family
- ★ Create a Pathway to a Second Chance



# 10

## *Fight Government Corruption by Draining the Swamp*

The American Republic was founded as a government by, for, and of the people, but sadly, that aspiration too often seems like a distant dream. Today, the nature of Washington, D.C., and many state capitals is increasingly that of a swamp that needs to be drained.

Fortunately, it is not too late to reverse course. To drain the swamp and restore government by the people, we must hold self-dealing politicians accountable and ensure that unelected bureaucracies do not rule huge swaths of American life.

### **THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA**

- ★ Fight Government Corruption
- ★ Move Federal Agencies and Decision-Making Closer to the People
- ★ Cut the Red Tape
- ★ Reform the Civil Service to Create Accountability in the Bureaucracy
- ★ Dismantle the Administrative State
- ★ Balance the Budget

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## IN ACTION



**APRIL 13, 2021**

*America First Policy  
Institute Founded*

The Institute was founded to advance the dramatically successful America First policies that brought prosperity to all Americans.

**NOVEMBER-APRIL**

*Policy Development*

Policy development, framing, and polling accelerated as the America First Policy Institute prepared for an America First policy agenda.

**APRIL-JULY**

*Listen & Learn*

Listened to the American people to learn what was important to them and began briefing lawmakers at the federal, state, and local levels on the America First Agenda.

**JULY-NOVEMBER**

*America First Agenda  
Town Halls*

Show the American people how the America First Agenda will help them and their families prosper and achieve their dreams.

**JANUARY 3, 2023**

*New Congress and State Houses  
Adopt the America First Agenda*

Educate the new Congress and state officials on model legislation and executive actions to advance the America First Agenda in a new Congress and in State Houses.

**NOVEMBER 5, 2021**

*AFPI Experience and Gala  
Mar-a-Lago, FL*



Original policy meetings were conducted, and a mandate was given to prepare an America First policy agenda.

**APRIL 21-22, 2022**

*America First Policy Summit  
Atlanta, GA*



Former Speaker Newt Gingrich unveiled the first draft of the America First Agenda as AFPI, and national leaders assembled to provide recommendations for the Agenda for our Nation's capital and state houses.

**JULY 25-26, 2022**

*America First Agenda Summit  
Washington, D.C.*



Unveiled the America First Agenda with a keynote address from the 45th President of the United States, Donald J. Trump. This gathering included leaders from the America First Movement and elected officials from all levels of government who will bring the Agenda back to their states and communities.

**NOVEMBER 17-18, 2022**

*AFPI Experience and Gala*



Ensure policies are prepared and finalized before new sessions of Congress and state legislatures begin.

# AMERICA FIRST AGENDA *Town Hall Schedule*

The America First Policy Institute is conducting a series of town halls across the country to listen and learn from the American people. By doing so, we will ensure that the America First Agenda is made for and by the people.



York, PA  
Fayetteville, NC  
Cedar Rapids, IA  
Miami, FL  
Newport Beach, CA  
Albuquerque, NM  
Cincinnati, OH  
Dallas, TX

Tampa, FL  
Las Vegas, NV  
Atlanta, GA  
Phoenix, AZ  
Milwaukee, WI  
East Lansing, MI  
Little Rock, AR  
McAllen, TX



**Want to join us to share your input?**

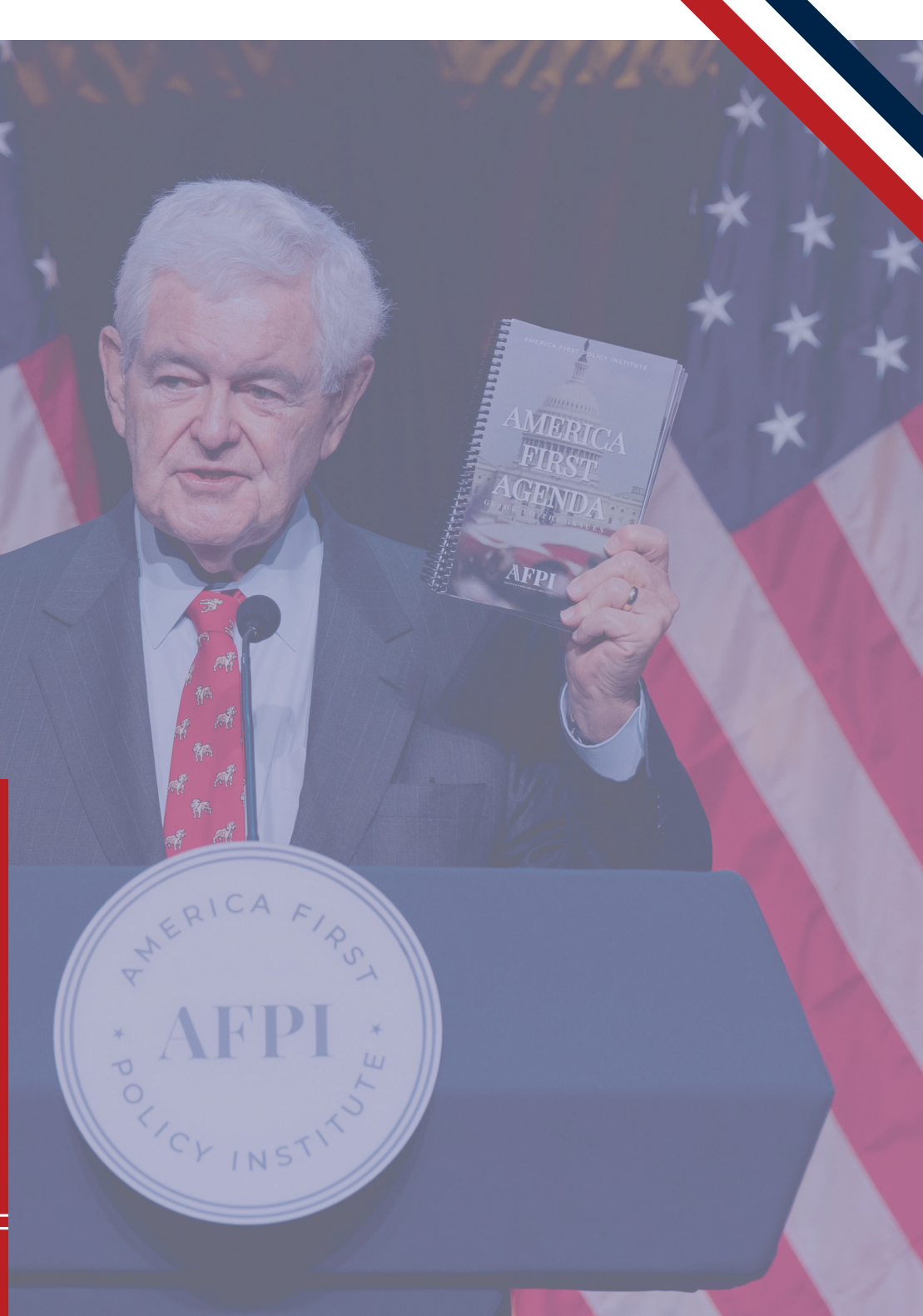
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