



## OUR POLICY PRIORITIES

### Family Economic Security

- Improve wages and economic supports for low-income families
- Enact a paid family and medical leave program
- Address child hunger and strengthen food security

### Cradle-to-Career Education

- Increase funding for early childhood care and education services and implement a wage and career ladder for early childhood providers
- Protect the Early Childhood Trust Fund from being used for programs that do not serve young children
- Increase targeted K-12 funding to support students named in the *Yazzie/Martinez* lawsuit
- Create a Tribal Education Trust Fund
- Fully fund the Opportunity Scholarship

### Healthy and Safe Communities

- Enact new measures to reduce child gun deaths and improve gun safety
- Create a Public Health and Climate Resiliency program and fund
- Leverage federal funding opportunities for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and protecting our climate through matched state funds

### Tax Fairness and Budget Adequacy

- Increase the Child Tax Credit for young children and increase other targeted tax credits and rebates for families earning low and moderate incomes
- Diversify and stabilize revenue and make our tax code more equitable by raising income taxes for those at the very top and for corporations, and limiting the capital gains deduction

## COALITION POLICY PRIORITIES

### Family Economic Security

- Increase TANF cash benefits
- Provide assistance for families in transition from fossil fuels jobs
- Address housing stability and affordability

### Cradle-to-Career Education

- Fully fund child care assistance to maintain \$0 co-pays for parents and pay increases for teachers
- More state accountability in responding to the *Yazzie/Martinez* lawsuit
- Ensure smaller class sizes
- Strengthen the educator pipeline and improve teacher training programs
- Increase investments in workforce development and training and ensure these opportunities are available and accessible to all New Mexicans

### Healthy and Safe Communities

- Ensure full funding of Medicaid and the Developmental Disabilities Waiver
- Improve access to affordable health care coverage through the Medicaid Forward plan
- Fully fund New Mexico Health Councils
- Reform and modernize the Oil and Gas Act

### Human Rights and Civic Participation

- Pass the Dignity Not Detention Act to cancel for-profit prison contracts with ICE
- Modernize the Legislature



# WHAT PASSED



## Family Economic Security

- \$1 million in cash stipends passed for TANF families attending certain technical programs (HB 303)
- Housing Fund & Changes enacted (HB 195)
- NM Finance Authority Act amended (SB 216)
- Universal Healthy School Meals fully funded (HB 2)
- SNAP eligibility increased up to 200% of the Federal Poverty Level and benefits expanded for seniors and those with disabilities (HB 2)



## Cradle-to-Career Education

- Funding increased for early childhood care and education, K-12, and higher education (HB 2), including:
  - \$5 million for an early child care provider wage and career ladder
  - K-12 educator clinical practice and stipends for hard-to-staff special education teachers
  - K-12 educators and school staff salaries increased by 3%, with funds to ensure all staff make at least \$15 an hour
  - New tuition scholarships created for workforce training programs that are non-credit bearing and not eligible for other financial aid
  - Opportunity Scholarship fully funded
- Early Childhood Trust Fund protected and expanded (SB 153)
- Memorial passed to study class size reductions (HM 20)
- Higher Education Trust Fund established to support future funding of Opportunity and Lottery Scholarships (SB 159)
- Affirmative consent policies passed for post-secondary institutions (HB 151)
- Lottery Scholarship made flexible to cover summer semesters (SB 239)



## Healthy and Safe Communities

- Funding increased for Medicaid (HB 2)
- New Health Care Authority codified (SB 14)
- Health Care Affordability Fund stabilized (HB 7)
- Prescription Drug Price Transparency Act passed (HB 33)
- New rural hospital fund enacted to provide solvency (SB 161)
- County and Tribal Health Councils funded by \$3 million (HB 2)
- Gun safety improved:
  - 7-day waiting period for purchasing firearms enacted (HB 129)
  - Firearms banned at or near polling places (SB 5)
- NM Match Fund created to leverage federal funding for reducing greenhouse gas emissions (HB 177)
- Tax credits enacted for EVs, charging units, solar panels, etc. (HB 252)
- Clean Transportation Fuel Standards passed (HB 41)



## Tax Fairness and Budget Advocacy

- Revenue made more equitable, diverse, and stable (HB 252):
  - Personal income tax rates lowered for those earning low and moderate incomes
  - Corporate income taxes increased
  - Capital gains deduction greatly reduced



# WHAT DIDN'T PASS OR WAS VETOED

## Family economic security

- Paid Family Medical Leave Act (SB 3; passed the Senate but failed on the House floor, 34-36)
- Kinship Care SNAP Pilot Program to support grandparents raising grandchildren (HB 2)
- Increased funding for housing stability (SB 31, SB 7)
- Removing the prohibition of rent control (SB 186)
- Creating State Housing Agency (SB 71)

## Cradle-to-career education

- Creating a Tribal Education Trust Fund (HB 134)
- More targeted funding to support students named in the *Yazzie/Martinez* lawsuit (HB 2, HB 39)
- Student Loan Bill of Rights (HB 71)

## Healthy and safe communities

- Creating Statewide Public Health and Climate Program (HB 104)
- Reforming and modernizing the Oil and Gas Act (HB 133)

## Tax fairness and budget adequacy

- Increasing the Child Tax Credit for young children (HB 268)
- Increasing taxes on alcohol and tobacco

## Human rights and civic participation

- Dignity Not Detention Act to cancel for-profit prison contracts with ICE (SB 145)



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