

POLICY AGENDA

OUR VALUES:

We strive to center our work on the individuals and communities in Oregon who are the most marginalized and impacted by the systemic inequities of racism, xenophobia, misogyny, ableism, transphobia, homophobia, socioeconomic injustice, and other types of oppression.



HB 4002: FARMWORKER OVERTIME

In 2020 Oregon farmworkers made, on average, less than \$20,000 a year. Their hard work supports our entire economy and puts food on our tables. They deserve to be paid for every hour of their essential, difficult, and often dangerous work.



HB 4099: RACIAL & JUSTICE YOUTH COLLABORATIVE

HB 4099 would create a state-level Racial Equity and Justice Youth Collaborative that would meaningfully involve youth — particularly youth who have been historically and currently underrepresented or underserved — in the creation and implementation of the policies and practices that impact their lives.



HB 4147: RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS

The right to vote is only taken away from Oregonians while they are incarcerated in a state prison. The removal of voting rights should not be connected to punishment. It is civic death and an affront to civil liberties. By restoring the right to vote for incarcerated Oregonians, HB 4147 advances our democratic values and recognizes incarcerated Oregonians as fellow citizens with inherent value and dignity.



HB 4146: DIGNITY FOR INCARCERATED WOMEN

The lack of gender-responsive and trauma-informed practices in Oregon prisons perpetuate cycles of trauma, victimization, and harm among incarcerated women, transgender, and non-binary people. HB 4146 is necessary to change this dynamic and create opportunities for healing and rehabilitative solutions through an assessment of Coffee Creek, Oregon’s prison for women.



SB 1510: TRANSFORMING JUSTICE OMNIBUS

SB 1510 creates greater justice for all Oregonians by lessening the ticket-level police interactions that have resulted in disproportionate rates of police violence towards Black and other people of color. It will also improve success for people on probation and parole by removing barriers to succeed after incarceration, and it will invest resources in community-centered efforts to address racial disparities in the criminal legal system.



SB 1569: TAX ETHNICITY/RACE QUESTION

SB 1569 will allow people to share race and ethnicity data on their tax forms, on a voluntary basis. The collection of this information will help Oregon make better-informed policies to address tax policy related inequities faced by communities of color.



SB 1579: EQUITY INVESTMENT

The Oregon Equity Investment Fund restores community resiliency by investing ongoing funds in communities disproportionately impacted by over policing and cannabis criminalization.



SB 1584: EXONEREES ACT

After incarceration, wrongfully-convicted Oregonians face immense challenges that impact their ability to survive, including the financial resources needed for housing, transportation, healthcare, mental health support, and other basic needs. SB 1584 is an opportunity for Oregon to join 37 other states in creating a universal framework that provides much-needed financial redress — and some justice in a situation of great injustice — to eligible exonerees.



SB 1511: NON-UNANIMOUS JURIES

In 1934, during a rising tide of racism and xenophobia, Oregon became one of the two states in U.S. history that allowed a person to be criminally convicted and sent to prison by a non-unanimous jury conviction. SB 1511 is an opportunity for our state to acknowledge, reverse, and address the harms of this racist law.



SB 1543: UNIVERSAL LEGAL REPRESENTATION

All Oregonians should be treated with dignity and respect regardless of where they were born. SB 1543 safeguards due process by providing immigrant Oregonians with access to their rights under the law.

VALUE ALIGNMENT CATEGORIES



Economic Justice



Immigrants' Rights



Public & Community Safety



Criminal & Restorative Justice



Health & Wellness



Privacy & Cybersecurity



Strengthening Democracy