

POLICY POSITIONS AT-A-GLANCE

Animal Protection

Marianne advocates for animal welfare and stands against animal cruelty. She will support bills that help animals and wildlife and veto measures that exploit them. She wants to end the practice of factory farming and transition to a far more humane and sustainable form of agriculture due to the harmful impact on the health of animals, humans, the atmosphere, our land, and water.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/animal-protection-policy>

Children

Marianne supports creating a Department of Children and Youth to ensure we end child poverty and child hunger. Her goal is for every American child to access world-class education in traditional subjects and in arts, music, and mindfulness. She will advocate for prenatal care and Baby Bonds, Universal pre-K, mental health services, nutritional excellence in school lunches, and lowering the voting age to 16 to ensure participation in our electoral process.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/us-dept-of-children-youth>

Climate Action

As President, Marianne will cancel the Willow Project. She will launch a full-scale climate emergency mobilization effort to tackle climate change, transitioning away from fossil fuels and de-carbonizing — taking us from a dirty economy to a clean economy. Her chief goal is to stave off national security risks and catastrophes like social collapse, climate refugees, and mass starvation while protecting the planet. She stands for re-establishing international alliances and making public investments in renewable energy, environmental justice, sustainable infrastructure, and transportation. She also advocates for a national green jobs program to revitalize our economy and capitalize on our innovative American workforce.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/climate-action>

Crime Prevention

Marianne wants to prevent the increasing violence by addressing the underlying causes to reduce mass incarceration. She supports alleviating the unnecessary suffering that causes people and at-risk youth to commit crimes in the first place. Marianne advocates for life skills education, rehabilitative, wrap-around, trauma-informed mental health services, and emergency housing for domestic violence victims. She believes in community policing, and that law enforcement needs to be held accountable for excessive force. In her view, addiction is a public health issue, not a criminal one, and she wants to provide more resources for treatment centers and needle exchange programs. Her proposed U.S. Department of Peace would also coordinate domestic violence prevention efforts.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/crime-prevention-policy>

Criminal Justice

Marianne wants to demilitarize the police. She wants to end the revolving door at our jails and prisons by reforming laws that disproportionately affect minorities and low-income communities, including laws that ban racial profiling. Non-violent crimes have cost the United States trillions of dollars, and white-collar crime goes largely unchallenged. The trend of incarcerating people rather than addressing the systemic problems that plague their communities, like hunger and poverty, is a fundamental wrong in America. Marianne's approach is to engage with at-risk youth with early intervention, provide rehabilitative services for the formerly incarcerated, and work toward restorative justice. She would legalize cannabis and psychedelics for recreational and medical purposes, expunge past convictions, and create a trauma-informed environment inside the juvenile justice system.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/criminal-justice-policy>

Disability Justice

Those with disabilities are often denied vital healthcare services, home-based care, and living assistance. Marianne would pass the bipartisan Disability Integration Act that would remedy this injustice by preventing discrimination by the health insurance industry and requiring all healthcare insurers to cover home healthcare. She would update the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), increase funding to prevent abuse, expand funding for the aging, and bolster funding for Disability Resource Centers and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). She would also let disabled people work and earn wealth by expanding SSI. She wants to pay family caregivers, and federalize Workers' Compensation. Everyone deserves full human and civil rights protections and all the accessibility and support they need to live and thrive.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/disability-justice>

Economy

Marianne wants to take back our Democracy from corporate influence and believes we can eradicate hunger and poverty in the wealthiest country in the world. The American middle class has been decimated. Financial desperation contributes to a rise in stress, bad health, opioid addiction, and suicide. 40% of all Americans struggle with paying for rent, food, healthcare, and transportation.

Marianne wants to increase the federal minimum wage to \$15/hr. She will champion policies that reduce taxes on working people and enact and enforce fair taxes on the wealthy, corporations, and Wall Street – including repealing the 2017 Trump tax cuts. Marianne will enhance support for unions and workers' rights and work to eliminate pay inequalities for women and disabled workers. She will support paid vacation and sick leave for all employees and champion portable retirement plans. In addition, she wants to eliminate predatory lending practices to homeowners and bank bailouts.

Not only does she want a massive investment in America's children, but she also wants an increase in social security payments and services to seniors. She supports Universal Healthcare and ending prescription drug price gouging. She wants to make education affordable with free tuition to public colleges and trade schools. Plus, she wants to forgive all student debt.

Marianne wants to create a green economy with jobs that rebuild roads, bridges, and rails, increase renewable energy power, update clean water systems, improve our rail system, and to massively invest in public transit. She would declare a national climate emergency and end all fossil fuel subsidies to eliminate the use of carbon from the economy and to slow global warming. This will create millions of good-paying green jobs. She would ban all fracking and revoke drilling licenses on public lands. By rolling back tax cuts to the wealthy and tax breaks to big business, plus adding a fee to stock trades and financial transactions, we could generate trillions of dollars to pay for all of Marianne's programs.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/the-working-economy>

Economic Bill of Rights

Marianne believes we need a complete economic U-turn. To that end, she's proposed an Economic Bill of Rights, which would include the policies below (also see "Poverty" policy). More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/economic-bill-of-rights>

The graphic is a dark blue rectangle with a white border. In the top right corner, it says "MARIANNE 2024 FOR PRESIDENT" in white. On the left, it says "A 21ST CENTURY" in red and "ECONOMIC BILL OF RIGHTS" in large, bold, light blue letters. Below this is a numbered list of 10 rights. At the bottom, it says "JOIN THE MOVEMENT" in white and "MARIANNE2024.COM" in red.

A 21ST CENTURY
ECONOMIC BILL OF RIGHTS

1. The right to a job that pays a living wage
2. The right to a voice in the workplace through a union
3. The right to quality universal healthcare
4. The right to a cost-free higher education
5. The right to good affordable housing
6. The right to clean environment and healthy planet
7. The right to a meaningful endowment of resources at birth
8. The right to sound banking and financial services
9. The right to an equitable and fair justice system
10. The right to cultural and civic involvement and democratic life

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Education

Marianne believes education is a form of empowerment, while under-education is a form of lock-out. In the wealthiest country in the world, it must become our highest priority for every American child to receive a world-class education, expanding not only a student's intellectual horizons but also her cultural, emotional, psychological, and spiritual ones. Marianne does not believe a child's access to education should depend on geography or local property taxes. She supports free tuition to public colleges and trade schools, eliminating all interest on student loans and forgiving all federal and privately held student debt. She also supports funding to address the underlying causes of school shootings and to make schools safer for students and teachers.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/education-policy>

Food Safety

Marianne will deal aggressively with the safety hazard posed by contaminants in America's drinking water. She supports regenerative and sustainable agricultural practices and seeks to limit subsidies to those who may compromise our food supply with GMOs, excessive pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, and over-processing. She will increase rural and urban farming programs for the public and increase funding and resources for the Food and Drug Administration to be on the lookout for threats to our health. Marianne wants to update food pyramid guidelines and increase nutritional education and funding for school food programs and food banks. She wants to stop the cruel practice of factory farming and protect food stamp programs to support families in purchasing fresh, nutritious foods. Also on her agenda is descheduling marijuana and supporting research in non-traditional medicines such as psilocybin.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/food-safety-and-security>

Gun Safety

Marianne believes our right to bear arms does not come without rules and that the argument over gun rights is less about the Second Amendment and more about profit maximization for gun manufacturers. She would declare a national emergency around the gun violence epidemic and designate funding for community intervention programs and violence prevention programs in schools – especially since gun violence is the largest cause of death among America’s children. She would expand background checks, strengthen “Red Flag Laws,” raise the age minimum to 21 to buy firearms, eliminate the sale of assault rifles and semi-automatic weapons, and ban bump stocks, high-capacity magazines, and 3-D printing of firearms. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/gun-safety>

Health

Our current healthcare system puts an unbalanced focus on treating the symptoms of illness at the expense of treating its cause. Healthy food, healthy water, and healthy air are regularly sacrificed at the altar of corporate greed, making the average American work harder and longer for less money, with too little time and energy for health-enhancing activities. Marianne’s *Whole Health Plan* includes Universal Healthcare coverage – including dental, vision, and hearing coverage, which will save Americans billions annually.

Millions of people should not live with chronic fear and anxiety over medical debt or access to treatment. Marianne wants to lower prescription costs and price gouging. She wants to fund more technology, medical research, and nutritional educational programs. Marianne also calls for more healthcare providers to offer scientifically-backed holistic treatment options to address prevention, addiction, and stress-related illnesses. She wants to shape food policies using cutting-edge public health science and expand the role of the EPA and the FDA to keep toxins out of our environment and food and water supplies. Marianne would increase funding for research to deal with the toll of long-Covid and find curative treatments, work to pass the Disability Integration Act to cover home healthcare, and expand the ADA and fully fund the IDEA acts. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/whole-health-plan>

Immigration Justice

Seeking asylum in America is not a scam but a statutory right. At its best, America is a welcoming community, and we need to live up to our image instead of tarnishing it with dehumanization. Immigrants pay over \$11 billion a year in taxes, and their contributions to science, engineering, and the arts built America as we know it. Marianne believes a border wall is impractical and wants to invest in smart border security while also looking at the underlying causes of the displacement caused by U.S. foreign policy. She supports comprehensive immigration reform and would offer a full path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants without serious criminal backgrounds. Marianne would also expand the number of visas available and support DACA. She would immediately end family separation and abolish ICE. Plus, she would expand LGBTQ protections and repeal the “Patriot Act” to end any surveillance that may result in discrimination. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/immigration-justice>

Labor

Marianne is pro-union. Her administration will pass the PRO Act and strengthen workers’ ability to organize. She wants to hold corporate executives accountable for labor law violations and to expand the definition of “employee” to include many workers currently treated as independent contractors. She would work to pass the Worker Safety in Climate Disasters Act to protect workers from being fired or endangered by increasingly frequent and dangerous climate-related events. Marianne would establish a Civilian Climate Corps. The program would create jobs in environmental justice, public lands restoration, and renewable energy installation. She wants to ensure workers receive universal paid time off by passing and expanding legislation that would guarantee paid sick leave, vacation, personal days, and family leave. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/empowered-labor>

LGBTQIA+ Rights

Marianne supports the right to free speech and will champion the original Equal Rights Amendment and the Amendment for Constitutional Equality. She would ensure special protections for the LGBTQIA+ population, particularly for transgender women of color and those seeking asylum from other countries. Marianne would fight for The Equality Act, The Every Child Deserves a Family Act, the PRIDE Act, and other bills to prohibit discrimination in general and by businesses. She would appoint cabinet members from the LGBTQIA+ community to ensure continued representation. Marianne would fight for The PrEP Access and Coverage Act to require all public and private insurance to cover HIV prevention medication and related services and restore cuts to HIV/AIDS programs. Marianne would declare trans murder and suicide rates a national emergency, providing much-needed healthcare and educational resources. In addition, she would take meaningful steps to end the opioid epidemic that impacts the LGBTQIA+ community disproportionately. In addition, she would include LGBTQIA+ people in the census and provide funding to abolish police abuse, combat school bullying, and offer LGBTQIA+-specific school counseling.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/lgbtqia-plus-rights>

Mass Incarceration

Marianne would abolish for-profit prisons, call out the clear racial discrimination in prosecution and sentencing, and provide more resources for prisoner rehabilitation. She would end the War on Drugs by legalizing cannabis and psychedelics used for recreational and medical purposes while expunging past convictions and thereby reuniting families separated by our criminal justice system. In addition, Marianne would release all incarcerated individuals with non-violent drug convictions and those who are incarcerated awaiting trial, and she would ensure that children who interact with our justice system are treated as children and not as grown adults. She would enforce the "Prisoners Bill of Rights," which would restore ex-felon's voting rights and end mandatory sentencing. Marianne would encourage Congress to pass the No Money Bail Act and empower the Civil Rights Division to bring appropriate civil rights class-action suits on behalf of the imprisoned and to investigate the conditions under which prisoners are held. In addition, she supports abolishing underpaid prison labor, and abolishing the Death Penalty.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/mass-incarceration-policy>

Native American Justice

Marianne would support tribal sovereignty and create a task force of leaders of Tribal Nations to discuss their needs for infrastructure, education, and economic development. Marianne wants to pay reparations for the history of genocide, theft, and impoverishment leveraged against our indigenous people and strengthen tribal self-governance. She will fight to protect Native religious freedoms and would provide funding to elders to educate Native youth in their Tribal identity, history, and cultural resiliency, She would also declare the second Monday in October as "Indigenous Peoples Day."

Marianne would expand funding for voting access and protecting sacred sites and land rights. She would expand education and healthcare, and programs that combat substance abuse, homelessness, suicide prevention, and food insecurity. She would also mandate that all property tax revenues from tribal reservation lands be shared with the tribes. Marianne would fully fund the Violence Against Women Act and form a commission to study the distorted representation of Native women in the mainstream media. She wants to prevent discriminatory and biased community policing and to improve state-federal-tribal relations through law enforcement training and cross-cultural education with Tribal Nations.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/native-american-justice>

Pandemic & Long Covid Response

Our country's inadequate response to COVID-19 has resulted in over 1.1 million deaths. Between inflation, unemployment, and eviction, the pandemic should return to a national emergency status. Many in the US have been skeptical about the efficacy of vaccines, despite the solid scientific evidence that vaccines work, even if their efficacy is not 100 percent. Aside from rampant disinformation, one of the main reasons people are skeptical is the distrust of the for-profit pharmaceutical industry, which has made massive profits from the sale of Covid-19 vaccines. Marianne wants to ensure that our pandemic preparedness is fully funded, including personal protective equipment. She wants to restore public trust in vaccine science, and end the financialization of vaccines. She also wants to fund the biomedical research needed to find curative treatments for Long Covid, which has caused both cognitive and physical impairments. She will ensure those affected are protected in their workplace and in their housing and healthcare needs. As a country, she believes we cannot compromise on relieving the trauma inflicted upon working people, the disabled, and the marginalized. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/pandemic-policy>

Peace

Marianne wants to form a United States Department of Peace, which will expand human rights, provide conflict resolution, reduce gun violence and white supremacy, enact restorative justice practices, demilitarize national police, bolster social work programs and mental health services, and other peace-building, mediation and diplomatic efforts. Initial funding for the U.S. Department of Peace will come from consolidating existing peace-building and violence-reducing efforts within the Federal government. The U.S. Department of Peace will focus on factors that are known to increase peace and decrease conflict: expanded economic opportunities for women, expanded educational opportunities for children, reduction of violence against women, and the amelioration of unnecessary human despair. Marianne would take a holistic approach with humanitarian aid to countries for things like food security, healthcare, refugee assistance, and regenerative agriculture to create a more sustainable, peaceful culture. This will help to prevent future conflicts.

She would also redesign the partnership between the Defense and State Department and address redundancies and waste within the military budget. She believes America should embark on a 10 to 20-year plan for turning a wartime economy into a peace-time economy, repurposing the tremendous talents and infrastructure of our military-industrial complex in such a way as to leave us strong enough to deal with America's legitimate needs for military preparedness.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/us-dept-of-peace>

Anti-Poverty

In Marianne's Anti-Poverty Plan, she wants to permanentize the enhancement of the Child Tax Credit and raise the federal minimum wage to \$15/hour by 2025. She wants to ensure Universal rent control and fund social housing as part of the Green New Deal to build at least 15 million green, union-built, publicly-owned homes over ten years. She would encourage Congress to pass the American Housing and Economic Mobility Act, making it easier to buy a home. In addition, she would urge Congress to pass a meaningful Reparations bill. She will fight to end homelessness and housing insecurity with the Home Guarantee and expand the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program to aid Americans with their burden of heating and cooling bills.

Marianne wants to restore funding for SNAP and provide paid family and medical leave. She also wants to make education affordable with tuition-free college and technical school. Marianne would forgive all federal and privately held student debt, provide universal, affordable child care, and urge Congress to re-introduce the Free-Lunch-for-All Program. She would increase access to capital, cap interest rates at 10 percent, re-introduce the Glass-Steagall Act to separate commercial banking from (Continued...)

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investment banking and prosecute executives who break those rules. She wants to pass the PRO Act to make unionizing easier and to ensure that labor laws protect undocumented workers. She wants to enact fair taxes on the wealthy, corporations, and Wall Street and reduce taxes on working people. Marianne would lift the social security cap, establish a universal single-payer healthcare system and reduce the cost of prescription drugs by negotiating lower prices. She would invest in clean energy and water to create green jobs, and address climate change which disproportionately affects the poor and people of color.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/the-anti-poverty-plan>

Reparations, Racial Reconciliation

Marianne believes reparations are not “financial assistance;” but rather a payment of a debt that has never been paid. Mass incarceration, racial disparity in criminal sentencing, lost voting rights, outright voter suppression, and police brutality often focused on black populations, display legacies of the emotional dehumanization of black people that were at the core of slavery. Employment and housing discrimination, unequal access to quality education in underserved communities, environmental injustice within black neighborhoods, and higher poverty rates still plague communities of color and represent prejudice with severe economic consequences. According to her plan, reparations for slavery will be paid at a minimum of \$1 trillion over twenty years to a Reparations Council made up of black leaders from across the spectrum of American academic, cultural, and political leaders. This Council, not the American government, would determine how the money is to be disbursed but only that it be applied for economic and educational renewal purposes. The Reparations Plan will not erase the history of slavery in America nor its ugly aftermath. It is only one part of a multi-dimensional healing process. But it will go far toward ending a painful, horrific chapter in American history. It will give future generations of Americans a chance to begin again on the higher ground of true reconciliation. More details here:

<https://marianne2024.com/issues/reparations>

Reproductive Justice

Regarding abortion rights, Marianne is one hundred percent pro-choice. The devastating decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to abandon its duty to protect a woman’s fundamental rights and overturn Roe v. Wade has devastated millions of women across the U.S. The Supreme Court ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization abandons nearly five decades of precedence. It marks the very first time the Supreme Court has taken away a fundamental right. Marianne would appoint federal judges and Supreme Court judges who acknowledge Roe v. Wade as the law of the land and support the Constitutional right to privacy. She would work to codify Roe v. Wade into federal law and expand and restore funding for Planned Parenthood and other local healthcare clinics that provide abortion, contraception, and other services. Marianne wants to expand the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and protect access to reproductive health clinics with a Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) law. She wants to provide a mechanism in civil law that allows abortion providers to hold individuals accountable for hate crimes. Marianne supports expanding funding for sexual education. She would encourage Congress to pass the Pink Tax Repeal Act and vigorously oppose federal and state legislation designed to shame, harass, punish, or restrict women from exercising their constitutional right to choose.

More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/reproductive-justice>

Social Security

Marianne wants to protect this successful and compassionate program that retiring Americans, seniors, and the disabled have relied on for nearly eighty-five years. She wants to eliminate the cap on income taxation and veto any attempts to privatize Social Security. The move from guaranteed pensions to 401k plans for workers started in the 1980s under Ronald Reagan has been disastrous. It has left the retirement money of working people at the mercy of the stock market's fluctuations. This makes the money people put away for retirement security a plaything for the trading class. Marianne believes we cannot continue to allow this level of risk with essential retirement funds and she would commence a national discussion on how best to go beyond Social Security and find new ways to provide holistic care for our growing elderly population. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/social-security>

Student Plan

Marianne's Whole Student Plan is focused on a student's intellectual performance and growth and on developing a student's cultural, emotional, and psychological well-being. She supports community-based schools catering to the diverse needs of students. She calls for strong unions and fair pay for teachers, and she would fight for full funding for modern facilities, educational equipment, and updated textbooks in all schools regardless of zip code. Working with her Department of Education (DOE) and Department of Childhood and Youth (DOCY), she wants to identify direct ways the federal government can assist districts in raising student performance and achievement. In a time of rampant bullying and school shootings, millions of American children live with chronic emotional trauma and even PTSD. Marianne wants to implement holistic programs, counseling, and support services focused on: nutrition, communication skills, and social and emotional learning as a wrap-around approach. She would cancel school lunch debt and ensure that every child has access to food and transportation to school, special interests, and athletic programs. Marianne supports Pre-K and preschool programs that provide every child from 0-4 with quality and affordable educational options. She would also like to restore the teaching of American history and civics to teach about American values and our democratic system of government. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/whole-student-plan>

Women's Rights

As the first woman President of the United States, Marianne is deeply aware of her pivotal role in ushering in a new era of female leadership and re-balancing male and female power. She would work to pass the Equal Rights Amendment to ensure women's rights are once and for all a part of our national law; she wants to codify Roe v. Wade into federal law and fully fund the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). On average, women make just 83 cents for every dollar men earn. Marianne would urge Congress to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act to ensure women are paid equally for equal work. She would enact the FAMILY Act, enabling women to make money while still caring for family and loved ones, and she would expand and fully fund welfare food stamp coverage for low-income families and children. She would Increase Social Security benefits to close the gap between male and female recipients. Marianne would decriminalize sex work. She also wants to ensure that domestic abusers, including law enforcement, cannot own or buy a gun, and she wants to provide federal funding for rape prevention and expeditious rape kit testing. She also wants to ensure that sexual harassment and violence in the military is prosecuted. She would protect and enforce Title IX, expand the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) nutrition program, and fully fund Headstart and high-quality childcare programs. More details here: <https://marianne2024.com/issues/womens-rights>