



California Republican Assembly



About Us

Since 1935, the California Republican Assembly (CRA) has been working to elect Republican candidates who stand resolutely for Republican principles.

As California's oldest and most influential Republican volunteer organization, CRA's endorsement is a coveted privilege for those candidates who meet our high standards — conservative, principled, electable, and the overwhelming choice of our membership. When CRA endorses a candidate, we are committing volunteers, resources, and our reputation.

Our membership is comprised of activists, business owners, and community leaders who are active in local chapters throughout California.

Because of our commitment to Republican principles, President Ronald Reagan called the California Republican Assembly, "the conscience of the Republican Party."

Our Mission

The mission of the California Republican Assembly is:

- to be a responsible conservative voice for the fiscal and social betterment of California and the nation;
- to sponsor public forums which provide for the expression of conservative political points of view;
- to review the performance of our elected leaders and evaluate their adherence to conservative principles;
- to seek out and encourage qualified conservative Republican candidates to run for public office;
- to guide and assist Republican candidates in their campaigns for local, state, and national offices; and
- to increase Republican voter registration.

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What We Believe

Inalienable Rights: We believe that man's "rights" flow from the Creator and the rights of life, liberty, and justice cannot be legitimately granted or rescinded by men.

Judeo-Christian Foundation: We believe in the guiding force of moral law as expressed by the Judeo-Christian ethic and contained in the Holy Scriptures of these historic faiths.

Self-Government: We believe that the only answer to the current moral decline that our nation now faces is a return to the beliefs and standards of morality which our founding fathers placed into the Constitution. We believe with the framers of that document when President Adams stated, "This Constitution will not work except with a religious people." We understand that the concept of self-government begins with governing oneself first, then family, community, state, and nation.

Education: We believe in the rights of parents to a quality education for their children. We support parental choice to create competition among the schools. We must ensure that no school or teachers union can compromise the education of our children or advance a particular political agenda at the expense of our future generation's educations.

Taxes: We believe that the federal tax system is abusive to the American people while discouraging investment and growth. We believe in growth-oriented tax policies which would gradually eliminate punitive income taxes and move our tax system in the direction of use taxes and sales taxes only.

Free Enterprise: We believe in the free enterprise system as the best hope for men and women to fulfill their economic hopes and dreams. We know that the free market is the most efficient and the least costly system to deliver the highest quality goods and services at the lowest price to the consumer. We will support only those who support the free enterprise system through legislation to reduce or eliminate intrusive government intervention in the marketplace.

Family: We believe that the traditional American family, defined as any persons related by blood, marriage of a man and a woman and/or adoption, is the cornerstone of our American society, and the government is duty bound to protect the integrity of the family unit through legislation and taxation policies.

Sanctity of Life: We believe that the preborn child is a human being deserving the full protection of the law.

National Defense: We believe in a strong and consistent national defense. We believe in victory over, and not accommodation with tyranny in any form or philosophy.

Right to Bear Arms: We believe in the unqualified right of our citizens to keep and bear arms without the intrusive hand of government.

Victims' Rights: We believe in the concept of victims' rights over the rights of any criminal. We support a system of restitution as a deterrent to crime and recidivism.

Term Limitation: We believe that public service is a privilege. We support term limits for public officials, not as an ideal but as a necessity to dissuade career politicians. It is the people who should rule, not an elite with little accountability.

National Sovereignty: We believe in an America first program in which government's first concern is the welfare and protection of the American people. We do not believe in trade protectionism but support political leaders who will adopt policies that create fair and competitive trade.

Decentralized Government: We believe in the power of the individual over the power of the state. We believe that only small government truly serves the needs of the people.