

Preamble

"All political power is inherent in the people, and governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and are established to protect and maintain individual rights."

--Washington Constitution Article 1 Section 1

We hold that every person has a natural right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We hold that, where governments exist, their sole purpose is to protect the rights and properties of peaceful individuals.

We hold that individual liberty and economic liberty are inseparable.

Accordingly, the Libertarian Party of Washington State seeks:

- State and local government which does not interfere in the economy nor in the private moral decisions of its citizens.
- A society which is free and prosperous, based on respect for individual differences, the creative potential of a free market, and optimism for the future.

PLATFORM

1. EDUCATION:

We Promote:

- Expanding the diversity of quality education choices
- Supporting parents' rights directing their children's unique education needs.
- Fostering local control and allowing educators individual choice in labor representation.

2. HEALTHCARE

We promote:

- Alternatives to 'managed care' to empower patient/ doctor control, privacy and choice of appropriate treatment & medication.
- Increased access to personal medical account plans, like Healthcare Savings Accounts and full tax credit for medical expenses.
- Market-based solutions, and eliminating regulations which artificially drive up healthcare costs and prevent solutions.

3. GOVERNMENT FINANCE:

We Promote:

- Fiscal responsibility.
- Tax cuts and spending cuts to reduce the size of government and government debt.
- Balanced budgets.

4. ELECTIONS:

We Promote:

- Adopting Ranked Choice (RCV) and proportional voting systems.
- Reform of campaign finance laws to ensure inclusion of all voices in the political process.
- Fair and inclusive Ballot access laws.
- Electoral transparency, accuracy and accountability safeguards including election recording methods that ensure tamperproof, verifiable vote recounts.