



# CALIFORNIA LATINO LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

## 2019 POLICY PRIORITIES

### **CENSUS/CIVIC ENGAGEMENT:**

Promote all efforts that ensure a full and accurate count of all Californians in the 2020 Census.

Advocate for programs and policies that advance voting rights and ensure fair elections.

Encourage 2.5 million lawful permanent residents in California to become US citizens.

### **ECONOMIC EQUITY:**

Support efforts to expand access to capital and credit to break the cycle of debt for millions of Californians.

Increase investments in workforce development programs, including programs for veterans and the formally incarcerated, to ensure all Californians can contribute positively to the state's economic growth.

Enhance opportunities for women and minority owned businesses to ensure economic growth is more equitably distributed across the state.

Promote efforts to increase the availability of affordable housing (including housing for farm workers) throughout California.

### **EDUCATION:**

Expand investment in our education system to ensure California's students once again have access to world-class teachers, textbooks, facilities and support services.

Create, implement and promote programs that address the achievement gap for all students in our education system.

Increase access to higher education for thousands of students by expanding Cal Grant funding.

Fight to repeal or amend past initiatives that limit educational opportunities and college access for students of color.

Promote efforts to increase student and faculty diversity at all institutions of higher learning.

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## 2019 POLICY PRIORITIES *(cont.)*

### **ENVIRONMENT:**

Support the expansion and timely implementation of safe and affordable drinking water programs, particularly for disadvantaged communities.

Improve water supply and water resources throughout California to ensure the economic vitality of rural and urban regions.

### **IMMIGRATION / NEW AMERICANS:**

Defend California values by protecting the due process and privacy rights of all Californians, irrespective of status, and support programs that provide counsel for those subject to unlawful detentions and warrantless searches and seizures.

Expand naturalization services to provide education, outreach and application assistance for lawful permanent residents and individuals eligible for administrative relief.

Promote Federal comprehensive immigration reform legislation that provides a pathway to citizenship for undocumented residents.

Ensure access to quality health care for all Californians irrespective of immigration status.

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