



Democratic Party of Benton County

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# Platform Statement

**Purpose:** To elect Democratic candidates to local, state, and national office.

**Values Statement:** The Democratic Party of Benton County believes in government that works for people, protects individual freedoms, and invests in the common good.

**Value 1: All people have value.** Every person should be guaranteed the freedom to pursue the best life possible for themselves and their families.

*We support:*

- Diversity, equity, and inclusion in our membership and in government
- Freedom from discrimination, hate, abuse, and neglect
- The right to affordable health care for all
- Affordable, quality childcare for all
- Freedom to manage your own personal health choices
- Common sense gun reforms
- The right to a living wage and fair compensation
- Equal pay for equal work
- Freedom to breathe clean air, drink fresh water and leave a habitable planet for future generations
- Freedom to follow your religious beliefs
- LGBTQ rights are human rights, and all person should have the right to live with dignity, security, and respect, regardless of who they are or who they love
- Reducing the number of unwanted pregnancies through education and access to
- contraception. Abortion should be safe, legal, and rare.
- Sensible immigration reform and an end to divisive and derogatory language about
- immigrants

**Value 2: We believe in democracy.**

*We support:*

- Protecting and promoting every American's fundamental right to vote
  - A fair and just democratic process, ensuring every vote counts, and protection for
  - voters' rights
  - Securing our election process from foreign influence
  - Non-partisan districting
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- The continuation and enhancement of veteran's benefits

**Value 3: Government should work for the people.** Investment in the middle class leads to a strong economy that helps families, communities, and businesses thrive.

*We support:*

- Fair taxation and an end to tax cuts for the rich
- Universal pre-kindergarten programs
- Smarter infrastructure investments
- Advancing clean energy and climate change action
- Free quality public education
- Affordable higher education
- Equal access to justice and fair treatment under the law
- Affordable housing and basic tenant rights

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