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2021-2023 Public Policy Priorities

**Economic
Security
for All
Women**

- Equity in the workplace
- Enforcement of anti-discrimination statutes
- Security in retirement
- Access to job training for career development
- Work-life balance, including access to quality affordable childcare and paid sick and care-giving leave

**Equal Access to
Quality Public
Education
for All Students**

- Vigorous enforcement of Title IX
- Adequate and equitable funding at all educational levels, including pre-school and post-secondary
- Instruction in STEM fields
- Opposition to the use of public funds for schools that do not meet public school civil rights and accountability standards

**Social and Racial Justice
for All Members of Society**

- Self-determination in reproductive health
- Equal access to quality affordable health care, housing and a healthy environment
- Freedom from violence in all its forms and wherever it occurs, including racially-motivated violence
- Guarantee of civil and constitutional rights for all, including all forms of identity and expression, and all family structures
- Protection and expansion of voting rights
- Support for United Nations Sustainable Development Goals which address human rights and women's and girls' concerns.



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