

End Statewide Wage Control

Real wages in the United States have not risen in the last forty years, even though worker productivity and company profits have risen consistently. Wages fell 0.9% in Colorado in 2013 (ranked 43rd in wage performance among the states). See <http://www.bls.gov/ro7/qcewco.htm>

The state mandates all cities and towns to have the same minimum wage. It makes no sense for Denver and other cities with a high cost of living to have the same minimum wage as smaller towns with lower rents and housing costs.

Harry calls on the CO legislature to restore **local control of the minimum wage** and allow cities and towns to set livable minimum wage scales.

Fair and Free Elections

Direct the Elections Division to inform the electorate about all candidates for state office and host public debates in which all candidates may participate.

Implement a multiple-choice voting system to replace our plurality wins system.

End taxpayer-funded Party Primaries that cost about \$3,000,000 per election. Very few primary races are contested.

Implement a tractable, online system for collecting and verifying signatures for ballot initiatives.

Transition from Fossil Fuels to Renewable Energy

Why are we still so dependent on fossil fuels, 40 years after President Carter put solar panels on the White House?

Petroleum companies have great power to resist transition to clean energy and they use it every day.

Local communities are making a difference in Colorado. Longmont and Lafayette have permanently banned fracking. Fort Collins, Boulder, Broomfield and Boulder County have temporarily banned fracking.

Harry won't accept regulations that permit the petroleum industry to sever oil, gas, or coal in a manner that releases harmful emissions into the environment. Used fracking water should be treated and **returned to the watershed**; not be dumped in a deep well, forever removed from our precious water supply.

Oil/gas operators should have a clean operating record on their existing wells before being permitted to drill a new well.

Harry calls on the Colorado legislature to end special tax subsidies that cost the state over \$250,000,000 per year to oil/gas development companies.

Fair Taxation – TABOR-induced Revenue Shortfall

State revenue is not adequate to fund public services. Privatization of Colorado public services is running rampant.

The State of Colorado contracted with Plenary Group, an Australian corporation, to operate U.S. 36 between Boulder and Denver for the next 50 years with toll lanes. The state intends to privatize interstate highways in highly populated areas throughout Colorado. Our children and grandchildren will be paying tolls because Colorado can't raise the money to maintain its infrastructure.

Colorado's prison population is booming, spurred by the profit needs of our private prison industry. Tuition for higher education is out of sight, leaving students with loans to pay for years into their working years, because state funding for higher education has dropped dramatically in recent years. Colorado's support of public education is among the lowest in the U.S.

Harry will work with the Colorado legislature on a tax equalization and revenue generation amendment to be referred to the voters.

Create Multi-party Government

Two-party government in the U.S. is on the way out. A strong majority of U.S. voters want a major third party to choose from. Smaller parties are winning elections from coast to coast (Green, Family Workers, Independent and other parties) and their elected officials are making a difference.

Sixty percent of voters want multiple party government (Gallup poll Oct 11, 2013). Why don't we have it? The vast majority want single-payer health care, labeling of genetically modified food ingredients, control of big money spending on elections, and more support for public services like education, higher education, transportation and corrections. Why don't we have it?

Voters want more candidates to choose from. Gridlock and stagnation in government is a direct result of the two-party system in this era of uncontrolled political spending.

You have the power to create three-party government in Colorado this fall.

It's easy! Don't vote for the Republican and Democratic Party candidates for governor.



TEN KEY VALUES:

- Grassroots Democracy
- Social Justice & Equal Opportunity
- Ecological Wisdom
- Non-Violence
- Decentralization
- Community-based Economics & Economic Justice
- Feminism & Gender Equity
- Respect for Diversity
- Personal & Global Responsibility
- Future Focus & Sustainability

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- > Democratic Party (1963-2012): served on CO and AZ Central Committees.
- > Green Party (2013-2014): serving in local, state and national positions.

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- Higher Wages
- Single Payer Health Care
- Public Education
- Election Reform
- Community Rights
- Renewable Energy
- Organic Agriculture



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