



Hampton Roads Legislative Collaborative Table Legislative Agenda for 2027

Environmental Justice

Mandate that large commercial ships use cleaner fuels to protect port communities and marine life from harmful air & water pollution. Give localities the option to ban single use plastic bags as an alternative to charging a fee.

Civil Rights/Anti-discrimination

Enact enforceable Virginia laws regulating ICE activities in the state, especially protecting sensitive spaces from immigration arrests. Reducing criminal exploitation of immigrants and permitting them to seek help makes communities safer for everyone.

Poverty/Economic Justice

Protect access to safe and affordable housing, reducing evictions and increasing rights for renters. Fund access to child care so that parents can seek employment that will bring financial security. Dismantle barriers to housing such as having an eviction or criminal record, needing accessibility accommodations, aging out of foster care, or experiencing homelessness.

Democracy/Voting Access

Rein in secretly funded disinformation and undisclosed AI-generated ads that breed voter distrust and cynicism. Reduce the influence of money in Virginia politics with donor monetary limits, publicly accessible disclosure, and strong, independent oversight.

Health Inequities

Ensure access to health care, especially maternal health care, throughout Virginia. Ensure that people coming out of mental health treatment do not suffer from food insecurity or lack health insurance, particularly members of marginalized populations. . Fund transitional housing like STEP Down, along with longer term inpatient treatment

Criminal Justice Reform

Decriminalize substance exposure in pregnancy to ensure that mothers and babies can receive prenatal care and treatment. Increase access to housing for people with criminal records to ensure access to a full life and reduce risk of recidivism.

We continue to support funding for mental health services, as well as legislation that addresses the school-to-prison-pipeline, supports the rights of all workers, improves voting access, and enhances firearm safety.

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We are members of the following organizations

American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)
American Association of University Women (AAUW)
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Virginia
Chesapeake Climate Action Network (CCAN)
Chesapeake Collaborative
Christians United for Social Change
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Everheld (formerly Connect with a Wish)
Freedom Virginia
Hampton Roads Community Action Program
Hampton Roads Refugee Relief (HR3)
The Interfaith Alliance at the Beach
JuneteenthVA
League of Women Voters of South Hampton Roads
Let's Make a Difference Coalition
LRN (Lynnhaven River Now)
Moms Demand Action
NAACP of Virginia
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
New VA Majority
Norfolk GAINS
PFLAG Hampton Roads
Planned Parent Advocates of Virginia (PPAV)
Poor People's Campaign
Protect Virginia
REV UP Virginia
Sierra Club
Thriving Transmen of Color (TTMOC)
Tidewater Sowers of Justice
Unitarian Universalists Social Justice Committees (3 locations)
UpVote Virginia, (formerly OneVirginia2021)
Veterans for All Voters (was Veterans for Political Innovation)
Virginia Center for Public Safety
Virginia Coalition for Immigrant Rights (VACIR)
The Virginia Coalition of Latino Organizations (VACOLAO)
Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy (VICPP)
Virginia Interfaith Power and Light (VAIPL)
Virginia Organizing / Interspiritual Empowerment Project
Wetlands Watch

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