POLICIES

- **Free Food:**
    - Food is a human right provided to humanity and all living beings by Mother Nature. There should be no child, no man, no woman, and no family that goes hungry because they cannot afford food. Corporations should not be able to profit off of people's hunger, especially when mother nature is the supreme provider of all food sources. The ACP will set up government subsidy programs with farmers who are practicing regenerative farming to provide food to their local communities for free. The ACP will work with experts in restorative and regenerative agriculture to create and education system and framework for farmers all over the USA to follow so they can produce the highest quality food for their local communities. Instead of investing in building up other nations, and funding foreign wars, the ACP will use government funds to build up the America and its people. This free food program is extremely affordable and well within the governments reach if we start relocating funds for our people's own best interests.

- **Free Medication**
    - The food industry and the pharmaceutical industry are closely linked in the USA. The same companies that own the herbicide (like Round Up) that are sprayed on our foods, which make us sick, are the same companies that create the medications to treat our symptoms when we become ill from the chemicalized foods. Roundup, a widely used herbicide containing the chemical glyphosate, has been linked to cancer. Several studies have found evidence that exposure to glyphosate can increase the risk of developing cancer. This includes a 2019 meta-analysis that reported a 41% increase in the risk of non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL) among high-exposure individuals, as well as findings from other studies that suggest a link between glyphosate and various types of lymphoma and other cancers (Institute for Responsible Technology) (Drugwatch.com) (vlaw) (tosifirm).

      Roundup is owned by Bayer AG. Bayer acquired Monsanto, the original manufacturer of Roundup, in 2018. This acquisition merged Monsanto's agricultural products, including Roundup, under the Bayer umbrella. Bayer is also a significant player in the field of oncology (cancer) medication. Bayer has been actively expanding its oncology portfolio, which includes both marketed products and several assets in various stages of clinical development (Home). Bayer has set an ambitious target to achieve $10 billion in sales from its oncology business by 2030, indicating its strong focus and investment in the cancer treatment sector (fiercepharma).

      By making our medication free and our food free, there will never be an incentive or corporate interest to intentionally poison the people of America. Not to mention

that in America good food and good health should and must be a right, not a luxury.

- **Free Education**
    - Free education is in the best interest of America because the better educated our people are the more America will thrive. Our current education system is extremely out of date as it follows a similar if not the same model of education used in the early 1900s. The early 20th century was characterized by a rigid, teacher-centered approach, often referred to as the "factory model" of education. This model was highly structured, focused on rote memorization, and designed to produce uniform outcomes among students. Our current education system still reflects this model aside from the integration of technology.

      The US education system needs to be upgraded to reflect modern times and diverse outcomes. Our system encourages youth to sit in chairs and take orders for lengthy hours of the day, rather than connecting with individual interests, self exploration, emotional intelligence, financial planning, financial literacy, and connection with nature. Once students are actually able to choose their “career path” in college, they are charged 10s of thousands of dollars for this pursuit. The ACP will encourage students to stoke their curiosity of life through education and will make sure they students and teachers have all the necessary tools at hand so their can be a perfect symbiosis of knowledge shared between teachers and students. The ACP will ensure that our education system is practical and provides the individuals with a path to success, because the more the people of America succeed the more America succeeds.

- **No War**
    - From 2001 to 2019 alone, the reported government spending on war costs ranged from approximately $2 trillion to $2.1 trillion. However, broader estimates that include a variety of related costs suggest that the total expenditure during this period could be as high as $5.9 trillion. Looking ahead, projections extended to the end of fiscal year 2023 estimated the total war costs could reach approximately $6.74 trillion.

      That is $6.74 trillion dollars of taxpayer money spent on wars that the US should not be involved in in the first place. The citizens of the USA never decide whether we go to war, it is the politicians that decide this. Yet somehow it is the citizens that get sent to fight these wars and not the politicians. The ACP knows this must come to an end. The ACP believes in having a strong military to protect itself, but it does not believe in starting wars or involving America and its citizens in wars that we do not belong in.

      The US was at war with the Taliban in Afghanistan for 20 years spending trillions of taxpayer dollars and costing countless lives. The moment the US pulled out of

Afghanistan in 2021, the Taliban took over and we left them over $80 billion in US military equipment. So why was the US there for 20 years in the first place if they couldn't prevent the taliban from taking over and not to mention leave them $80 billion in top grade military equipment.

All of this wasted money needs to be reinvested in the above mentioned programs so that we can focus on building a strong nation from within. Where citizens feel connected to their country and proud to be American.

- **No Nuclear Weapons**
    - The American Congress Party is committed to a world free of nuclear weapons. We believe that the existence of these weapons poses a grave threat to humanity and the planet. Instead of investing in destructive technologies, the ACP will lead the charge in global nuclear disarmament, redirecting funds towards programs that promote peace, security, and prosperity. By eliminating nuclear arsenals, we can ensure a safer, more stable world for future generations.

- **Chemical Free Food**
    - The American Congress Party believes that every citizen has the right to clean, chemical-free food. We will ban harmful pesticides and herbicides, such as glyphosate, and support farmers in transitioning to organic, regenerative farming practices. By prioritizing the health of our soil and crops, we will provide nutritious, toxin-free food for all Americans, ensuring that our food system supports well-being rather than causing harm.

- **Affordable Housing**
    - The American Congress Party is dedicated to making housing affordable for everyone. We will implement policies to control rent,and build more affordable housing units. To ensure that individuals and families have the opportunity to own homes, we will prevent large corporate investors, such as BlackRock, from outbidding homebuyers and monopolizing the housing market. By working with community leaders and urban planners, we will create vibrant, sustainable neighborhoods where everyone has the opportunity to own a home and live with dignity, breaking the perpetual cycle of paying rent and enabling people to invest in their futures.

- **End Homelessness**
    - The American Congress Party is committed to ending homelessness in America through a holistic, root-cause approach. It is estimated that ending homelessness in the US would cost around $20 billion, a fraction of the $175 billion we have sent to Ukraine. If we can afford to fight wars that are not our own, we can certainly afford to support our own citizens.

      Our comprehensive plan includes:

        - **Affordable Housing Initiatives:** Increase the availability of affordable housing by constructing new units and converting unused buildings into homes.
        - **Rent Control and Subsidies:** Implement rent control measures and provide subsidies to ensure housing remains affordable for all.
        - **Support Services:** Offer mental health services, addiction treatment, education, and job training programs to address the underlying causes of homelessness.
        - **Preventive Measures:** Establish programs to prevent at-risk individuals and families from becoming homeless through financial assistance and support networks.
        - **Community Integration:** Develop community-based solutions that integrate the homeless into neighborhoods, ensuring they have access to local resources and support.

    By redirecting funds from unnecessary foreign conflicts to domestic welfare, we can build a strong nation from within, where every citizen has a safe place to call home and feels proud to be American.

- **Increased Pay for First Responders**
    - The American Congress Party recognizes the invaluable contributions of our first responders. We will increase their pay and provide them with the resources and support they need to perform their duties effectively. By ensuring fair compensation and benefits, we honor their dedication and bravery, ensuring they can continue to protect and serve our communities with pride.

- **Purify Nature**
    - The American Congress Party is dedicated to purifying and protecting Mother Nature. We have all come from nature and will all return to nature so it is vital that we reestablish our connection with her. We will enforce strict regulations on pollution, promote clean energy, support reforestation and conservation efforts, and the regeneration of our soil. By prioritizing the health of our air, water, and land, we will create a sustainable, thriving ecosystem that benefits all living beings and ensures a healthier planet for future generations. When Mother Nature's health thrives, so does ours.

- **Open Books**
    - The American Congress Party believes in complete transparency and accountability in government spending. Our "Open Books" policy will ensure that every American citizen has the ability to access detailed information about how taxpayer dollars are being spent. Through a secure, user-friendly online platform, citizens will be able to log in and view comprehensive reports on government

expenditures, including detailed breakdowns of spending on various programs, projects, and initiatives.

Key features of the "Open Books" policy include:

- **User-Friendly Platform:** An intuitive and accessible online portal where citizens can easily navigate and understand government spending.
- **Spending Reports:** Comprehensive and up-to-date information on all government expenditures, categorized by departments, programs, and projects.
- **Search and Filter Options:** Advanced search and filter capabilities to allow users to find specific information about government spending quickly.
- **Regular Updates:** Monthly updates to ensure that the information is current and reflects the latest government spending.
- **Educational Resources:** Tools and resources to help citizens understand how government budgeting and spending work, empowering them to make informed opinions and decisions.

By implementing the "Open Books" policy, the American Congress Party aims to foster a culture of transparency, accountability, and trust between the government and its citizens. We believe that when people are informed about how their tax dollars are being used, they can better participate in the democratic process and hold their leaders who work for them accountable.

- **No Federal Income Tax**
  - The American Congress Party is committed to alleviating the financial burden on American citizens by eliminating federal income tax. Our "No Federal Income Tax" policy ensures that no American has to pay federal income tax, allowing individuals and families to retain more of their hard-earned money.

    Key elements of the "No Federal Income Tax" policy include:

    - **Abolishing Federal Income Tax:** Complete elimination of federal income tax for all American citizens.
    - **Economic Growth:** By eliminating federal income tax, we aim to stimulate economic growth by increasing consumer spending and investment, leading to job creation and higher productivity.
    - **Simplified Tax Code:** A simplified and transparent tax system that reduces the complexity and burden of tax filing for individuals and businesses.
    - **Ensuring Fairness:** Implementing measures to ensure that the tax burden is fairly distributed and that we close tax loopholes for large corporations.

The "No Federal Income Tax" policy is designed to provide financial relief to American families, encourage economic growth, and create a fairer and more efficient tax system. By eliminating federal income tax, we empower citizens to make the most of their income and foster a more prosperous and equitable society.