

~Paul J. Romero, Jr.'s candidacy is driven by a commitment to the core values and principles of Oregonians.

As a candidate for Governor, I submit the following Contract with Oregonians. As an Oregonian or Elected Representative in any position, the following issues are goals I will work towards achieving while being very vocal in the process. Progress must be made on these issues by us all in whatever capacity we find ourselves. The commitments described in the Contract With Oregonians are what I will work towards and many will require a governor's inspiration along with pressure from ALL Oregonians. Simply, this commitment of mine must also include the participation of all Oregonians. I would like to thank Speaker Newt Gingrich for his inspiration through his "Contract with America", published in 1994.

Together we have witnessed significant failures of both Democrats and Republicans in our state, all at the people's expense. This must stop immediately! Rights or freedoms taken from one class to please another is a direct violation of America's founding principles and our inalienable rights!

As your Governor, I am committed to a reduction of our government in size, scope, and reach, and agency interference inserted into our lives and livelihood.

Here are my committed goals to achieve as the next Governor of Oregon:

1. There must be performed a complete review of every segment of Oregon Government along with a financial and asset audit. Fundamentally a version of a Department of Government Efficiency (D.O.G.E.) This will result in a reduction of state employees, budgets, and overall financial burdens to Oregonians.
2. With a reduced budget and general fund, the elimination of state income tax and property tax should be a priority. Elimination of the CAT tax must happen to right the business ship in Oregon. The hidden Sales Taxes will be reduced with the goal of putting such burdens on visitors to our state. The grotesque increases and creation of fees across the board will be returned at least to 2020 levels.
3. Mitigate the tax and spend mentality by eliminating any proposed bills that impose undue/unconstitutional government or agency interference or influence, or that implement new taxes and/or excessive costs of permits, licenses, and fees.
4. Pursue damages from China regarding expenses incurred because of COVID like other states. Not only will we recover all China owned properties in Oregon, but we will pursue a law passed by voters to prevent any foreign country from purchasing land and properties in Oregon. Oregon land must be made affordably available to Oregonians and business ventures that truly benefit the state. Data Centers and their excessive use of water must also be dealt with. We need real industry and business growth so that our children can find work in line with their education.

5. The granting of Allodial Titles for the public's purchase of property so that property tax may never be assigned to their property in perpetuity. In addition, we will ensure that no foreign country or entity, nor the state of Oregon owns land, water, air, or mineral rights except what is constitutionally allowed.
6. Enforcement of ORS 254.485 whereby each County decides how ballots will be counted, either by tallying equipment or by hand with representatives from each party. They can be tallied at the precinct or county level. This option has never been given to the voters, a failure of County Clerks and County Commissioners. Voters should decide. Mail In Voting must end with the exceptions of the military who are out of state and those in such a state as to make leaving their homes too difficult.
7. Overhaul our education system, including but not limited to; Return to the basics of reading, writing, math, and science (STEM), limited biology classes requiring parental permission for participation and full transparency, mandatory Civics and Government curriculum to include our state and federal Constitutions, Bill of Rights, and Declaration of Independence; and vocational education curriculums. Restore Parental Rights in education.
8. Enforce state law for civics and constitutional law for government (see Oregon's constitution). Oregon's Supreme Court is largely APPOINTED and not elected due to timely retirements allowing Governors to make appointments. This practice must end. The people must vote for these Supreme Court appointments.
9. Establish a comprehensive inventory of Oregon State real property currently owned by the State of Oregon to establish what is lawful versus what needs to be released back into the public domain.
10. Start an independent review of the Department of Human Services/Child Protective Services/state Mental Health Services regarding their effectiveness and possible involvement in child, sex and human trafficking. Pass a Bill that no child nor dependent shall be removed from a family without evidence of a crime and a lawfully signed warrant; false accusations shall be fully addressed and punishable by law.
11. Review all BLM and USFS land contracts with the State of Oregon for compliance or contempt and nullify those that are not congruent with the Oregon or U.S. constitutions.
12. Eliminate eminent domain to protect unalienable rights of private property owners.
13. Eliminate "sanctuary city" and "sanctuary state" status. Bring our state status to Federal Law compliance.
14. Revamp campaign finance, establish an equal and just platform; specified free and equal coverage for all registered candidates and ad time on any radio or TV station that receives state, federal, or public-grant monies to operate.
15. Implementation of a unique freshwater reclamation and redirection process to bring water to those areas in Oregon that are in need without interfering with current water processes. Improved management of our water resources.
16. A new Oregon city of the future.

This contract is meant to restore the lost bonds of trust between Oregonians and their elected Representatives and is not all inclusive. I offer a pragmatic Statesman approach to repair, rebuild, and renew the faith of its Citizens in the government's proper and limited role. There is much that needs to

be done, these 16 points are what I feel will have the most positive impact across the board.

Together we can create a new state that reinforces strong family values and morals, that builds on the best of traditions and principles while protecting individual rights and freedoms. I pledge to honor my Oath and Oregonians during my service as your Senator.

Make no mistake, I will need your help in accomplishing these things, and my hope is, with your help, to do much more! Thank you for taking the time to get to know me, my goal is to earn your support, your confidence and your VOTE, so please share this far and wide! Thank you Oregon!

I am Paul Joseph Romero, Jr., and I'd like to represent you as the next Governor of Oregon. Thank you.