



County of Tuolumne 2023 Legislative Platform

General Principles

1. The legislative platform approved by the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Board chair to sign letters drafted by county staff that express support or opposition to any legislation.
2. Seek and support legislation that increase the funding, flexibility, and specific language which supports rural needs.
3. Seek and support legislation to enhance local control and oppose efforts that will hinder or limit the County's ability to self-govern.
4. Seek and support equitable levels of state and federal funding for County mandated programs. Oppose federal or state legislation for new, transferred, or realigned mandated programs that do not contain their own sufficient revenue source.
5. Seek and support legislation that provides long-term, dedicated, and sustainable funding for ongoing forest management and fire mitigation activities. Oppose any legislation that would impose undue burden or otherwise restrict Tuolumne County's ability to efficiently perform forest management and fire mitigation activities.
6. Seek and support legislation that will enhance fiscal sustainability of the county through increases in state and federal funding or reductions in the county's fiscal liabilities.

Policy Areas

1. Homeowner's Insurance: Tuolumne County supports legislation that will require the State, insurance providers, and policy holders to work collaboratively to standardize affordable homeowner's insurance rates, taking into consideration local fire mitigation measures, fuel reduction activities, and policy holder implemented defensible space practices.
2. Roads: Tuolumne County supports legislation that will increase funding for existing roads in rural counties.
3. Homelessness: Tuolumne County supports legislation that will increase rural county's access to additional funding for programs that combat homelessness.
4. Water: Tuolumne County supports all efforts to protect or expand upon existing water resources. This includes efforts to secure water rights, fund additional infrastructure, or strengthen existing infrastructure.