



2026 Legislative Priorities

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The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is one of the oldest women's organizations in the country, empowering women since 1881. The mission of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. AAUW of Colorado represents over 700 community leaders in branches around the state of Colorado.

We are available to provide information and assistance on legislation relating to our 2026 Legislative Priorities:

General Priorities

- Support a strong system of **public education** that promotes gender fairness, equity, diversity and inclusivity, and to address the barriers and implicit biases that hinder the advancement of women and girls.
- Achieve **economic security** for all women.
- Guarantee **equality, individual rights and social justice** for a diverse and inclusive society.

Specific Priorities

- **Support Public Education**
 - Challenges facing Higher Education
 - Student loan access
 - Funding Early Childhood Education
 - Funding Pre-K-12
 - Promoting Compliance with Civil Rights Laws and Accountability Requirements
 - Supporting Career Readiness Programs
 - Defending Title IX Protections
- **Prevent Violence Against Women**
- **Protect Reproductive Health Rights**
- **Funding Behavioral Health Services**
- **Promote Equal Pay/Anti-ageism/Retirement Security**
- **Gun Violence Prevention**
- **Human Trafficking Prevention**