

THE AGENDA FOR AMERICA'S ENTREPRENEURS

Our top priorities for 2025

A framework for strengthening America's economic backbone

The Agenda for America's Entrepreneurs sets forth policies that empower America's small businesses to build a thriving and equitable economy. If implemented these policies would ensure the growth of a robust small business ecosystem, reduce barriers for under-resourced entrepreneurs and expand access to the American dream. To do this Congress must work in a bipartisan manner to build upon the historic small business growth in recent years and create an economy that works for all.

Increase equitable access to capital and opportunities for entrepreneurs

- Incentivize lenders to provide more **small dollar loans** that support micro and early-stage entrepreneurship with a focus on under-resourced communities.
- Expand access to **transparent and responsible capital** by requiring clear and upfront disclosures on small business loan products.
- **Modernize federal resources and streamline regulations** to ensure that tools and technical assistance, including procurement opportunities, are geared towards helping the millions of our smallest businesses succeed in today's economy.

Bolster a Main Street-friendly workforce and the creation of quality jobs

- Expand access to affordable quality healthcare by bolstering the benefits of the Affordable Care Act, and extending the **ACA premium subsidies** needed to ensure greater marketplace enrollment by America's small business owners, employees and self-employed entrepreneurs who constitute most of the ACA market participants.
- Require more **transparency and competition in healthcare markets** by holding hospitals and other large medical entities accountable to their anti-competitive practices, which impact the quality and cost of healthcare services for small business owners and their employees.
- Provide support for small business owners seeking to offer long-term benefits for their employees particularly **childcare, reproductive healthcare, paid family and medical leave and retirement**.
- Enact **commonsense immigration reforms** and oppose mass deportations of immigrants to bolster an essential small business workforce.

Foster a level playing field for American small businesses

- Implement **bottom-up business tax policies** that prioritize the needs of true Main Street enterprises, not large corporations or the wealthy.
- Enforce **antitrust and competition laws** to give small business owners a chance to compete in today's increasingly consolidated economy.
- **Oppose radical tariff increases** to ensure that small businesses' supply costs enable them to compete in a global marketplace.