

## SUMMARY OF USCCB POLICY POSITIONS

***Politics is a noble mission to promote the common good. As such, it is about ethics and principles as well as issues, candidates, and officeholders. To engage in "politics," then, is more than getting involved in current polemics and debates; it is about acting with others and through institutions for the benefit of all. "Some issues involve principles that can never be abandoned ....others reflect our judgment about the best way to apply Catholic principles to policy issues. While people of good will may sometimes choose different ways to apply and act on some of our principles, Catholics cannot ignore their inescapable moral challenges or simply dismiss the Church's guidance or policy directions that flow from these principles.***

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The major issues presented are:

- Human Life
- Promoting Peace
- Family Life
- Religious Freedom
- Preferential Option for the Poor and Economic Justice
- Health Care
- Migration
- Education
- Promoting Justice and Countering Violence
- Combatting Discrimination
- Care for our Common Home
- Media, Communications and Culture
- Global Solidarity

USCCB position details are available at <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship-part-two>