



2020 Trust Women Kansas General Election Voter Guide

Trust Women is a 501(c)3 organization and neither endorses nor opposes any candidate.

In July and September we mailed a candidate questionnaire to each candidate running for office in the upcoming state and federal primary and general election, regardless of affiliation with any party or organization.

The answers provided do not denote any affiliation or endorsement by Trust Women, nor does a candidate's choice to participate in our questionnaire signify affiliation or endorsement.

The endorsements we have included along with our questionnaire responses are those given by the anti-choice organization Kansans for Life and the pro-choice organization Planned Parenthood.

Yes and No answers and any additional comments about the questions we asked candidates are included in this document. The voting record on issues of reproductive rights of each candidate already serving in public office is listed in this document as well.

The voter guide is arranged according to elected office and in order numerically by district. In order to find Kansas State Senator candidates in district 16, first find the Kansas Senate section and then follow down numerical order until district 16.

Voter Guide Key

Y: Yes

N: No

U: Undecided

VRP: Voting record pro-choice

VRA: Voting record anti-choice

PP End: Planned Parenthood Endorsement

KFL End: Kansas for Life Endorsement

We hope you find the information below helpful.



Kansas Candidate Survey

These are the questions asked of the candidates running for office in Kansas. Each candidate had the opportunity to answer each question with a yes or no and provide further comment to explain their stance for each question.

1. Do you support a woman's right to safe, legal abortion care?
2. Would you oppose legislation that attempts to restrict a woman's constitutional right to make her own medical decisions, including her decision to have an abortion?
3. Would you support legislation that protects women, doctors and other reproductive health providers from harassment, threats, violence and intimidation?
4. For many women, reproductive health care is their primary point of contact with the health care system. Would you support expanding Medicaid in Kansas to ensure women in the coverage gap have better access to preventative care and disease treatment?
5. Do you support legislation that ensures every person has access to health coverage regardless of their ability to pay?
6. Would you support legislation to repeal the ban on private health insurance covering abortion care?
7. Would you support the expansion of funding to local health departments for broader access of contraceptive services?
8. Do you support women's access to all FDA-approved birth control, regardless of age, religion, geography or income? (FDA-approved forms of birth control include, but are not limited to: intrauterine devices (IUDs), Nexplanon, birth control shot (Depo- Provera), birth control pills, hormonal patches, vaginal rings (NuvaRing)

Nancy J. Ingle	KS Senate	13	D	NA	N	N											
Richard Hilderbrand	KS Senate	13	R	VRA	N	Y											
Michael A. Fagg	KS Senate	14	R	NA	N	A											
Virgil Peck	KS Senate	15	R	VRA	N	A											
Timothy Don Fry II	KS Senate	16	D	NA	N	N											
Ty Masterson	KS Senate	16	R	VRA	N	Y											
Stephen Vecchione	KS Senate	17	D	NA	N	N											
Jeff Longbine	KS Senate	17	R	VRA	N	Y											
Tobias Schlingensiefel	KS Senate	18	D	NA	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Kristen O'Shea	KS Senate	18	R	NA	N	Y											
Anthony Hensley	KS Senate	19	D	VRP	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Rick Kloos	KS Senate	19	R	NA	N	Y											
Rachel Willis	KS Senate	20	D	NA	Y	N											
Brenda S. Dietrich	KS Senate	20	R	VRA	N	A											
Dinah Sykes	KS Senate	21	D	VRP	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Tom Bickimer	KS Senate	21	R	NA	N	Y											
Tom Hawk	KS Senate	22	D	VRP	Y	N											
Craig Bowser	KS Senate	22	R	NA	N	Y											
Wendy Budetti	KS Senate	23	D	NA	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Rob Olson	KS Senate	23	R	VRA	N	Y											
J.R. Claeys	KS Senate	24	R	VRA	N	A											
Mary Ware	KS Senate	25	D	VRP	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<p>"Women's reproductive rights truly are fundamental rights. I lived through the "Summer of Mercy" and later when my daughters were infants through Dr. Tiller's murder. It is my daughters that I keep in mind with this fight. In this critical election, we have the opportunity to reshape how our state government works. With an addition of only three senators and one representative, we can break the supermajority that the conservatives Nw hold. We have well over twice as many strong candidates as is necessary to build our caucuses to that point. Not only would we be able to protest to protect the Governor's veto power, we would have twice as many on each standing committee. What this boils down to is that the opposition would be forced to negotiate with us rather than steamroll us.</p>

