ALEC 2023 ALEC **FIFTY YEARS - FIFTY STATES** ANNUAL REPORT

## **About ALEC**

The American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing and promoting principles of limited government, free markets and federalism at the state level. ALEC educates elected officials on making sound policy and provides them with a platform for collaboration with other elected officials and business leaders. This dynamic forum for the free exchange of ideas—along with education for elected officials—has made ALEC one of the most powerful forces in the resurgence of free-market reform at the state level. After experiencing steady growth in recent years, ALEC is at an important inflection point in the life of the organization; there is great potential for increased impact in the states and opportunity to reimagine ALEC and engage its allies and strategic partners in new and creative ways.

## Mission

The ALEC mission is to increase individual liberty, prosperity and the well-being of all Americans by advancing and promoting the principles of limited government, free markets and federalism. ALEC accomplishes its mission by providing both an educational platform for elected officials and an open forum for the free exchange of ideas between policymakers, business leaders and individual citizens—one that produces real public policy solutions, clearly understood, that can be implemented at the state level. Simply put: ALEC makes principled public policy practical.

## Vision

The vision of ALEC is for a better America that provides the greatest opportunity possible for its citizens to flourish and for communities to succeed, as well as more sovereignty and freedom at the state level. ALEC executes its mission to fulfill this larger vision through an array of core programs and projects focused on training and equipping legislators, which include multiple policy centers, task forces, academies, publications, as well as the American City County Exchange (ACCE) and major events and meetings. By supporting legislators and partners and effectively communicating the powerful ideas of limited government, free markets and federalism, ALEC reaches, informs and influences increasing numbers of people.

## FIFTY YEARS - FIFTY STATES

#### 50 Years, 50 States!

Since its establishment in 1973, ALEC has embraced the principle of sharing trusted policy solutions. The visionary leaders behind our organization, such as former Illinois State Representative Henry Hyde, Iowa State Representative Terry Branstad, and Lou Barnett, a key figure in Governor Ronald Reagan's future presidential campaign, may not have fully envisioned the profound impact of their creation. However, they intuitively understood the enduring necessity for an organization grounded in unwavering trust in the states and the belief that ideas thrive when shared.

To celebrate our 50th anniversary, we spared no effort in hosting events in all 50 states. Throughout our journey, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to equipping state and local leaders with the tools and resources needed to succeed.

With nearly 1,600 attendees at our Annual Meeting in Orlando, featuring Governor Ron DeSantis, and almost 1,000 in Scottsdale for our States and Nation Policy Summit joined by former Governor Doug Ducey, it is clear that our policy ideas have a substantial impact and garner interest from key figures and stakeholders alike.

It also was a remarkable year for new ALEC resources. We launched the 16th edition of ALEC Rich States, Poor States at the Utah State Capitol in April. Additionally, we published the inaugural edition of the ALEC Index of State Education Freedom, the 3rd edition of our Energy Affordability Report, and ACCE Balancing State & Local Power, among others.

Among our many accomplishments, we held 15 policy training academies, from New York to California and beyond, where we educated legislators with best practices and shared trusted policy ideas on economic opportunity, energy affordability, education freedom, protecting states from CCP influence, and more.

While we celebrate our 2023 achievements, there is still much work to be done. We must continue to empower parents with greater education freedom, ensure the safety of our communities, and expand economic opportunities for job creators and everyday Americans who have tirelessly contributed to this nation in the pursuit of honor, God and country.

Together, let us press forward with renewed determination and unwavering dedication to building a brighter future for all.

With thanks.

Lisa B. Nelson, ALEC CEO





ALEC commemorated its 50th anniversary at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, DC, paying tribute to the dedication and remarkable achievements of the ALEC community that have helped shape America's policy landscape over the past five decades.

The event featured notable figures such as United States Senator Pete Ricketts of Nebraska and Lieutenant Governor Winsome Earle-Sears of Virginia. ALEC National Chairman, Florida Speaker-Designate Daniel Perez and CEO Lisa B. Nelson hosted this event with Hugh Hewitt serving as Master of Ceremonies.

In addition to recognizing past accomplishments, ALEC revealed its exciting "50 Under 50" list acknowledging emerging state policymakers. Renowned as a key influencer of conservative state policies, ALEC anticipates future successes under the leadership of the nation's most promising young leaders.



National Portrait Gallery in Washington, DC





"We need more common-sense solutions and ALEC helps us develop them."



- Lieutenant Governor Winsome Earle-Sears Virginia

"ALEC helps our state governments become more effective and efficient."



- U.S. Senator Pete Ricketts Nebraska

"At ALEC, we give the greatest opportunities through our policies."



- Speaker-Designate Daniel A. Perez 2023 ALEC National Chairman Florida

"It's within the states where our freedom truly resides."



- Lisa B. Nelson **ALEC CEO** 



## **ALEC Policy Day**

Our 50th anniversary festivities kicked off with ALEC Policy Day on Capitol Hill, graciously hosted by United States Senator Mike Braun of Indiana. Throughout the morning, our panel discussions delved into pivotal topics, focusing on the invaluable lessons Washington can glean from the states.







As we reflect on the past 50 years, we extend our sincerest appreciation to ALEC members in the 50 states for their remarkable commitment and contributions to enhancing economic prosperity. Each state has played a unique and vital role in driving economic growth, innovation, and resilience. It is the outstanding leaders within those states, dedicated to entrepreneurship, taxpayer protection, commitment to education and workforce development, and their unwavering spirit of enterprise, who create countless opportunities for individuals and businesses alike.

ALEC remains steadfast in our commitment to advancing the finest policy ideas, promoting the cause of freedom, and fostering opportunity across the 50 laboratories of democracy.







## **ALEC Annual Meeting** Orlando, FL

ALEC held its 50th Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL hosted by the ALEC National Chairman and Florida Speaker-Designate, Daniel Perez. It was a non-stop collaboration of leaders and legislators to discuss, debate, and defend the principles that make our organization and country great - limited government, free markets, and federalism. This year we saw countless discussions on artificial intelligence, pushing back against politicized investment strategies, and how to free today's parents and students from the educational industrial complex.



Governor Ron DeSantis Florida



Scott Rasmussen President of RMG Research



Former US Secretary of Housing and Urban Development



"We cannot shy away from doing the right thing, no matter the criticism.'



- Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick Texas

"ALEC's support of free markets has been vital to successful policies in Arkansas and state capitols across the country."



Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders Arkansas

# States and Nation Policy Summit

Scottsdale, AZ

Leaders and legislators from across the political spectrum were engaged in a continuous endeavor to review 40 new model policies, assess our goals for 2024, and uphold the foundational principles that define our organization and nation. Every year, over 100,000 bills undergo voting procedures in state legislatures, with 49 out of 50 mandated by law to pass a balanced budget. Keynote speakers conveyed a common theme: ALEC is a laboratory for policy innovation and trusted policy solutions.



Former CEO of CKE Restaurants

Andrew Puzder

Tom Lewis CEO of TW Lewis Foundation



Karrin Taylor Robson CEO of Arizona Strategies

"ALEC's unwavering commitment to free markets, limited government and federalism has made it a trusted source for policy makers all over the country."

Honorable David M. Walker

Former US Comptroller General



– Governor Kim Reynolds Iowa

"ALEC is extraordinarily important because it represents the implementation of federalism at the state and local level and a focus on ideas as a key to solutions."



 Newt Gingrich
 Former U.S. Speaker of the House of Representatives

## **Training Ground**

ALEC hosted nearly 100 state events, showcasing proven ALEC policy ideas and providing lawmakers with a platform for engaging in interactive dialogues with policy experts. These events equip state leaders across the U.S. with proven tools and resources that are freely accessible and in-depth insights into the policies that enable certain states to grow while cautioning against choices that hinder progress.

At ALEC, our focus is on empowering local leaders with the necessary tools to safeguard their states and their communities. The underlying belief is straightforward: the most adept at solving problems are often the ones closest to those problems.

100+
State Events

700+
Public
Representatives



200+
Members in
State Leadership
Positions

ALEC Members Represent

60M Americans ALEC Partners Create

30M

American

Jobs



















## **ALEC Policy Academy Highlights**

Our educational resources, like the regional and national policy academies, offer an intense opportunity to collaborate and learn from ALEC thought leaders in the states. Above all, the opportunities provided by ALEC reaffirm a fundamental truth: the focus of action should and will be at the state level.



#### **Emerging Technology Academy**

The ALEC Communications and Technology Task Force hosted legislators from ten states for our third annual Emerging Technology Academy in Silicon Valley, California. Over three days of programming, participants joined us for a deep dive into the key tech policy topics state legislative leaders will confront in 2024 and beyond, including artificial intelligence, social media regulation and youth online safety, consumer data privacy, cybersecurity, autonomous systems, smart cities and the future of transportation.





#### **Education Freedom Academy**

The ALEC Education and Workforce Development Task Force was joined by legislators from across the country in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Discussions included education opportunity, with a major emphasis on universal policies that empower all parents to make the choices that are best for their children. The academy included keynote speeches from former Tennessee Representative John DeBerry, economist Steve Moore, and journalist John Fund.

























#### **Energy Academy**

Legislators from 13 states came together at the ALEC Energy Academy in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Presentations addressing politicized ESG, developing energy affordability, mixing generation capabilities and enhancing clean water.





#### **Healthcare Academy**

This year, ALEC hosted its 6th annual Health and Human Services Policy Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. We were joined by legislators from 11 states to discuss free market health care policies and solutions. Discussions centered around artificial intelligence, price transparency, right to try and religious liberty and health care.





## Defending the States Academy

Lawmakers representing 19 states assembled to discuss issues relevant to the CCP's ties to America's fentanyl epidemic; the TRIPS Waiver; and PRC counterfeit products flooding the US market. Conversations about the PRC's acquisition of US agricultural land; the threat posed by technology manufactured by companies with ties to the CCP and China and ESG were part of the Defending the States program. The group also traveled to the US Air Force Academy for an eye-opening presentation on cybersecurity and PRC influence campaigns.





### Tax and Fiscal Policy

In addition to its four regional academies in New York, Michigan, Arkansas, and Virginia, the Center for State Fiscal Reform hosted the Reagan Ranch Academy in Santa Barbara, California, educating dozens of state lawmakers on tax, budget and pension reform ideas. Keynote presenters included the Honorable George Allen, Dr. Arthur B. Laffer and ALEC co-founder Lou Barnett.





## Policy Solutions in Action

For more than half a century, ALEC has served as the premier forum where state legislators from all corners of the nation convene to craft reliable policy solutions rooted in the fundamental principles of American liberty. Together with business and policy leaders, lawmakers collaborate to devise innovative solutions that reflect the essence of freedom and empower communities across the United States. Some of those policies with the greatest influence include areas like Worker Freedom, Economic Competitiveness, Lawsuit Reform, Education Freedom and Federalism.

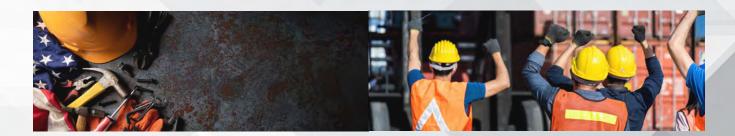
#### **WORKER FREEDOM**

For decades, a key fight has surrounded workers' ability to exercise their First Amendment right to freedom of association when it comes to union membership. The Right-to-Work Act, approved as a model policy in the ALEC Commerce, Insurance and Economic Development Task Force, prevents entities from requiring union membership or fees as a condition of employment, giving workers in Right-to-Work states a guaranteed right to support a union or not support a union without this choice affecting their hiring or job security. Twenty-six states have Right-to-Work laws and according to *Rich States*, *Poor States*, are some of the fastest growing states in America.

Workers are often unaware of their rights before making labor decisions. Policies like the ALEC Public Employee Rights and Authorization Act strive to prevent this problem.

Other ALEC policies give workers the additional flexibility needed to pursue work solutions that work for them. The Uniform Worker Classification Act ensures that 80% of workers who prefer their independent contractor status are able to keep it, rather than being forced into traditional employment models.

ALEC persists in advocating for the rights of Americans to exercise their freedom in making labor choices that align with their individual needs and preferences. As the workforce undergoes constant evolution and adaptation, marked by the emergence of new advances and models, ALEC remains steadfast in its commitment to safeguarding worker freedom, ensuring that individuals retain the autonomy to shape their professional lives according to their own aspirations and circumstances.





UNACCOUNTABLE

AND UNAFFORDABLE

#### **ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS**

#### STATE FLAT TAX REVOLUTION

In 2023, ALEC legislators once again played a pivotal role in spearheading income tax reform across the nation. A total of 12 states – Kentucky, West Virginia, Montana, Utah, Arkansas, North Dakota, Indiana, Nebraska, Connecticut, Ohio, Wisconsin and North Carolina – made significant cuts to their income taxes. Notably, Kentucky's cuts set the Bluegrass State on the path to full elimination of the income tax, should revenue triggers be met in the next decade.



The success of the State Tax Cut Movement over the last three years has shown the power of economic research ALEC produces year after year. *Rich States, Poor States: ALEC-Laffer State Economic Competitiveness Index* continually provides policymakers with the data-driven research they need to make the case that cutting taxes and pursuing free market policy solutions will lead to greater economic prosperity.

#### SOUND PENSION REFORM

This year, according to the annual ALEC report *Unaccountable and Unaffordable*, unfunded pension liabilities totaled \$6.96 trillion nationwide – an average of nearly \$21,000 per person. A growing threat to pension plans and taxpayers is politically motivated investment schemes.

In April 2023, Arkansas Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders and Montana Governor Greg Gianforte signed bills in their respective states that require fiduciaries to only consider financial factors when making investment decisions with state pension funds. With Arkansas and Montana leading the charge in 2023, many more states will follow suit. To date, nearly a dozen states have passed legislation based on ALEC model policies, protecting retirees and taxpayers from politically driven investment schemes.

#### PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY

As part of this effort to balance privacy and innovation, ALEC members have approved a model resolution opposing the development of a central bank digital currency (CBDC). While CBDCs are a significant financial innovation, they also open the door to granting the federal government significant control of and access to personal financial data and accounts. This year, nine states passed legislation against an American CBDC and another five have considered similar policies. We expect more states to join them in 2024 as Congress remains stalled on this issue.



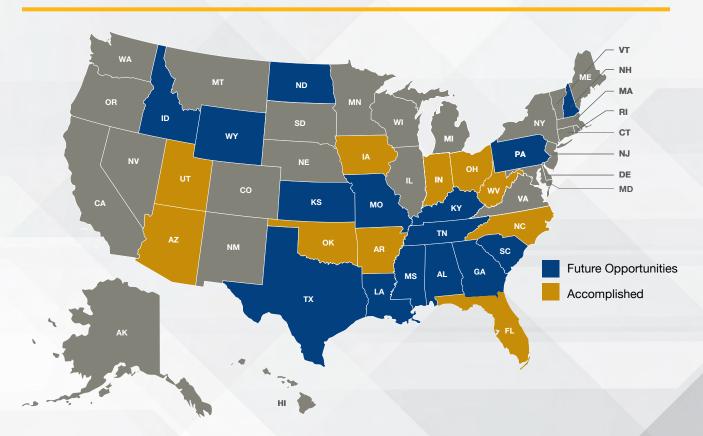
#### **EDUCATION FREEDOM**

Education Freedom has remained a fundamental priority for ALEC since its establishment five decades ago, yet its importance has never been more pronounced. The previous year marked another significant triumph for American students and families, as an increasing number of states adopted initiatives aimed at empowering parents and expanding educational options. In 2023, an all-time record eight states implemented universal school choice programs, signaling a growing recognition among states that funding should follow the student to their optimal learning environment. Presently, the roster of states with universal education freedom policies consists of Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Utah, and West Virginia.

Other critical policies ALEC has worked to promote include freedom in homeschooling, access to charter schools and virtual schools, and implementing open enrollment policies so students are free to choose between different public-school options.

ALEC and our members believe no student should be locked into one educational option. Instead, they assert that states should offer families a spectrum of educational choices and the freedom to select the option that best suits their needs.

#### **CREATING EDUCATION FREEDOM IN STATES BY 2025**



## Policy Solutions in Action: Florida



We were honored to have Florida Speaker-Designate Daniel Perez lead us through a year of profound growth and development. The Florida economy continues to exhibit resilience and growth. With its favorable business climate, including low taxes, business-friendly regulations, and a skilled workforce, Florida remains an attractive destination for companies and individuals seeking more freedom.



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In 2023, Florida lawmakers demonstrated their continued commitment to their constituents. From universal educational opportunity and pro-growth tax policy to pushing back on politicized investment practices and enhancing worker freedom, Florida has followed countless ALEC policy recommendations to become an example for other states to follow. As Americans vote with their feet in search of freedom and opportunity, it's no surprise the Sunshine State netted 365,000 new residents in 2023, second only to Texas.



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In late March, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis signed House Bill 1 into law, making Florida the largest state in the country to implement universal education freedom. Following in the footsteps of Arizona, West Virginia, Utah, lowa, and Arkansas, Florida now provides families with the option to receive an education savings account of approximately \$8,700 per child, granting them greater educational choice to suit their individual needs.

We commend Florida leadership for its proactive efforts to identify and address areas of tax and regulatory relief, thereby providing tangible benefits that ultimately save money for the people of Florida. By recognizing the importance of targeted relief measures, Florida demonstrates its commitment to fiscal responsibility and the well-being of its residents.



#### **LAWSUIT REFORM**

For decades, the ALEC Civil Justice Task Force has served as a vital platform uniting state lawmakers and legal experts and facilitating collaboration aimed at reinstating fairness and predictability within the realm of civil justice. Through its concerted efforts, the Task Force has formulated numerous model policies designed to safeguard the legal system against frivolous litigation, which often hampers businesses' capacity to innovate, hire, and foster economic prosperity.

During the 2023 legislative session, Florida enacted a comprehensive lawsuit reform package, addressing key issues prevalent in civil litigation. Notably, Florida's HB 837 included provisions such as reducing the statute of limitations from four years to two years for general negligence cases, ensuring that Floridians are shielded from liability for damages if the plaintiff bears greater fault, as determined by a jury.

These policies have also contributed to lowering consumer costs across a myriad of goods and services while safeguarding the free market and upholding fairness within the justice systems.

#### **RE-ENTRY REFORM**

The year 2023 witnessed remarkable activity in the realm of criminal justice reform, particularly concerning the reduction of recidivism rates. Numerous successful initiatives have been implemented across various states, aligning with legislation akin to the ALEC Model Act to Prepare Inmates for Re-Entry and the Workforce. This model act draws inspiration from Oklahoma House Bill 1679, also known as the "Sarah Stitt Act."

Laws similar to the Sarah Stitt Act have now been passed in 21 states. In December 2022, the ALEC Model Act to Prepare Inmates for Re-Entry and the Workforce was officially adopted by the ALEC Criminal Justice Task Force. Since then, similar legislation has been signed into law in Arizona, Georgia, Minnesota, Arkansas, and Alaska.



#### **GLOBAL FREEDOM**

In 2023 ALEC stood in solidarity with Israel and unequivocally condemned Hamas' unjustified and deadly assault on innocent Israeli civilians, including children, women, and men. This reprehensible act, resulted in the loss of more Jewish lives in a single day than at any point since the Holocaust, surpassing the death toll of Nazi Germany's Kristallnacht in 1938.

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In response to this tragedy, ALEC members acted quickly by drafting the model Resolution to Affirm Support for Israel and to Condemn Hamas.

In America, the states have responded with resolutions expressing support for Israel in legislative chambers in Ohio, Texas, Nebraska, New Hampshire, and Michigan among others. ALEC members' firm support for Israel is longstanding due in part to our shared values and robust strategic partnership.



#### **ACCE**

The American City County Exchange, or ACCE, is a means of educating local and county elected officials about the importance of governing locally from a limited government, free-market perspective. Since its inception, ACCE has grown from just a few members to members across the country representing school boards as well as city and county governments.



As ACCE celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2023, we focused the ACCE reach at the local and county level. We are hosting outreach activities and membership events throughout the year, including recruitment drives, monthly calls, county association events and conferences, luncheons, meetings with school boards and county commissions, and local-issue panel discussions at our Annual Meeting and the States and Nation Policy Summit.

95K School Board Members

Special Districts

59K

126K
Township
Members

135K+
City Councils
& Mayors

## **ALEC** in the News

State legislators and the people they serve engage with ALEC ideas through a variety of venues and platforms including public forums, broadcast and print news, social media and on the web. In 2023, ALEC reached more than 35 million Americans with research and plans of action to institute market-based reforms, sound tax policy and fiscally responsible government.



6.2B +

50+
National Interviews

Total ALEC Media
Mentions

Readers, Listeners and Viewers
Across National Outlets















**Social Media Impressions Per Day** 



115

**Media Mentions Per Week** 

15.2M+

**Worth of Coverage** 



## Influential Leaders

Each year ALEC recognizes leaders for their outstanding achievements and commitment to the ALEC mission. This year ALEC honored individuals at every level of government who have displayed excellence in leadership and outstanding service to their states.



The Adam Smith Free Enterprise
Award
Daniel Smith
Altria Client Services



American City Council Exchange Award Mayor Billy Hewes Gulfport, Mississippi



The Bob Williams Memorial Award for Policy Leadership House Majority Leader Mike Lefor North Dakota



American City Council Exchange Award
Council Member Jon Russell
Culpeper, Virginia



**Legislator of the Year** Senator Paul Bettencourt Texas



Laffer Award for Economic Excellence
Cynthia Fisher
Patient Rights Advocate



**Legislator of the Year** Senate President Amy Sinclair Iowa



Arizona

Scalia Award for Restoring the Balance of Government
Supreme Court Justice Clint Bolick



**Legislator of the Year**Representative Mindy McAlindon
Arkansas



Thomas Jefferson Freedom Award Governor Kim Reynolds Iowa



Private Sector Member of the Year
Becki Gray
Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC



The Warren Brooks Award for Excellence in Journalism
Chris Krug
The Center Square



Public Sector State Chair of the Year Representative Karianne Lisonbee Utah



Volunteer of the Year
Alex Barrera
Florida House Republican Campaign
Committee







**Iron Lady Award**Attorney General Ashley Moody
Florida



Iron Lady Award
Lieutenant Governor Jeanette Nuñez
Florida

## **ALEC State Legislator of the Month**

Throughout 2023 ALEC continued its successful "State Legislator of the Month" program. These legislators are meticulously chosen for their steadfast adherence to key ALEC principles. Their innovative solutions and strategic policy initiatives are showcased both nationally and locally by ALEC, garnering attention and recognition.



Sen. Joshua Bryant (AR)



Sen. President Amy Sinclair (IA)



Del. Kathy Szeliga (MD)



Sen. Kirk Cullimore (UT)



Rep. Mindy McAlindon (AR



Rep. Henry Stone (IA



Sen. Tom McGillvray (MT



Rep. Karianne Lisonbee (UT)



Rep. Paul Renner (FL)



Rep. John Wills (IA)



Rep. Terry Moore (MT



Rep. Candice Pierucci (UT)



## 50 Under 50 Award

We were honored to recognize and celebrate the exceptional leadership of the "50 leaders under 50" who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and innovation in their respective roles. These individuals represent a diverse array of backgrounds and experiences, yet they share a common commitment to driving positive change and making a lasting impact in their communities. Through their visionary leadership, unwavering determination, and relentless pursuit of excellence, they have not only achieved remarkable success but have also inspired others to reach greater heights. Their contributions serve as a testament to the power of effective leadership in shaping a brighter future for us all. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to each of these exemplary leaders and express our deepest gratitude for their invaluable contributions to our shared endeavors.





### 50 Under 50 Award Winners





Rep. Scott Stadthagen (AL)







Asm. Kate Sanchez (CA)









































Del. Lauren Arikan (MD)











Sen. Ben Brown (MO)





Sen. Ken Bogner (MT)







### 50 Under 50 Award Winners



Sen. Ben Hansen (NE)



Sen. Julie Slama (NE)



Rep. Joe Sweeney (NH)



Sen. Mike Testa (NI



Sen. Crystal Diamond (NM)



Asm. Brian Maher (NY)



Sen. Rob Ortt (NY)



Sen. Rob McColley (OH)



Sen. Ally Seifried (OK)



Sen. Kristen Thompson (OK)



Rep. Lily Morgan (OR)



Rep. David Rowe (PA)



Sen. Jessica de la Cruz (RI



Rep. Fawn Pedalino (SC)



Rep. Tyler Tordsen (SD



Rep. Brock Martin (TN)



Sen. Mayes Middleton (TX)



Rep. Ellen Troxclair (TX)



Sen. Kirk Cullimore (UT)



Rep. Candice Pierucci (UT)



Del. Amanda Batten (VA)



Del. AC Cordoza (VA)



Rep. Casey Toof (VT)



Rep. Tyler August (WI)



Rep. Alex Dallman (WI)



Del. Elias Coop-Gonzalez (WV)



Sen. Evie Brennan (W1)



Rep. Daniel Singh (WY<sub>)</sub>





## Financial Highlights



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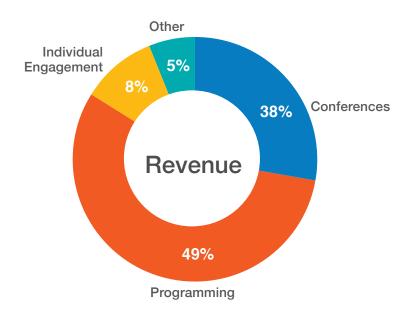
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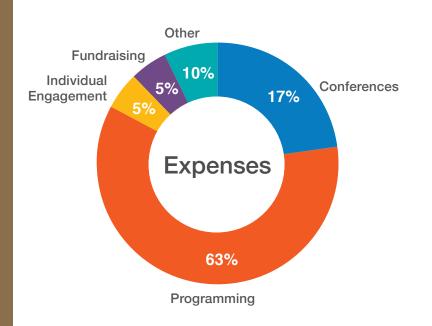
(up over 11% from 2022)





ALEC donors and members support the operations and growth of the nation's premier legislative organization promoting free market policy in the states. ALEC accomplishes its mission by educating legislators and individuals about sound policy and by providing them with a platform for collaboration with other stakeholders.





## **ALEC Internship: Emerging Leaders**

At ALEC, we remain steadfast in our commitment to expanding our outreach and furthering our mission through initiatives that extend beyond the organization itself. With the support of the ALEC team, our internship program serves as a highly effective avenue through which we amplify our impact. These dedicated individuals continue to actively engage in identifying solutions, sharing ideas, and collaborating on public policy initiatives across states, while also assuming new roles and positions of leadership to educate others on the success of these endeavors.

The ALEC internship program offers a unique opportunity to collaborate with state legislators from various political backgrounds in advancing evidence-based solutions within the states. In 2023, ALEC welcomed over 20 interns throughout the year, representing diverse academic backgrounds from prestigious institutions such as Georgetown University and the University of California.





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#### 2023 Executive Committee



Speaker-Designate Daniel Perez, Florida



Senate President Ty Masterson, Kansas



Senator Patricia Rucker, West Virginia



Senator Jim Dotson, Arkansas Secretary



Senator Phil King, Texas CEO Appointment

## 2023 ALEC Leadership



Lisa B. Nelson Chief Executive Officer



Lisa Bowen
Chief Financial Officer,
Executive Vice
President of
Operations and
Administration



Jonathan Williams Chief Economist, Executive Vice President of Policy



Lee Schalk Vice President, Policy



Courtney Cook
Vice President,
Events



Marie Vulaj Senior Vice President, Partnerships and Engagement



Michael Bowman Senior Fellow

#### 2023 Board Directors

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Senator TJ Shope, Arizona

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Steve DelBianco, National Chairman, NetChoice

## ALEC Legacy: ALEC National Chairs

Speaker-Designate Daniel Perez, Florida	2023
Senate President Karen Fann, Arizona	2022
Senate President Stuart Adams, Utah	2021
Speaker Philip Gunn, Mississippi	2020
Representative Alan Clemmons, South Carolina	2019
Representative Jason Saine, North Carolina	2018
Senator Jim Buck, Indiana	2017
Senator Leah Vukmir, Wisconsin	2016
Representative Phil King, Texas	2015
Speaker Linda Upmeyer, Iowa	2014
Representative John Piscopo, Connecticut	2013
Representative Dave Frizzell, Indiana	2012
Representative Noble Ellington, Louisiana	2011
Speaker Tom Craddick, Texas	2010
Speaker Bill Howell, Virginia	2009
Senator Steve Faris, Arkansas	2008
Representative Dolores Mertz, Iowa	2007
Senator Susan Wagle, Kansas	2006
Representative Earl Ehrhart, Georgia	2005
Senator Billy Hewes III, Mississippi	2004
Representative Donald Kennard, Louisiana	2003
Senator Jim Dunlap, Oklahoma	2002
Representative Steve McDaniel, Tennessee	2001
Senator Ray Haynes, California	2000
Senator Brenda Burns, Arizona	1999
Speaker Bobby Hogue, Arkansas	1998
Representative Bonnie Sue Cooper, Missouri	1997
Representative Dale Van Vyven, Ohio	1996
Senator Ray Powers, Colorado	1995
Representative Harold Brubaker, North Carolina	1994
Senator Bill Raggio, Nevada	1993
Representative Fred Noye, Pennsylvania	1991-1992
Delegate Ellen Sauerbrey, Maryland	1990-1991
Representative Frank Messersmith, Florida	1989-1990
Representative David Halbrook, Mississippi	1988-1989
Senator Owen Johnson, New York	1987-1988
Representative Roy F. Cagle, Missouri	1986-1987
Representative Bill Ceverha, Texas	1984-1986
Senator Donald E. (Buz) Lukens, Ohio	1983-1984
Representative T.W. (Tom) Stivers, Idaho	1981-1983
Representative Donna J. Carlson, Arizona	1979-1981
Representative Louis (Woody) Jenkins, Louisiana	1978-1979
Representative Donald E. (Buz) Lukens, Ohio	1977-1978
Representative Don Totten, Illinois	1976-1977

