



# MASSACHUSETTS, *let's be a progressive leader again!*

Massachusetts should *lead* the nation in protecting working families and expanding the middle class, while reducing poverty and inequality. We have the economic engine, creative and intellectual capital, environment, historic models, energy and inspiration to reinvest in, re-create and grow a true Common Wealth. It's time for progressives across the state to take action on our Shared Prosperity.

## OUR **SHARED PROSPERITY** *agenda*

### **QUALITY, FREE, PUBLICLY-FUNDED EDUCATION,**

Pre-K through post-secondary

*Within Five Years:* Free, publicly funded education available for all residents, from pre-K through community, vocational or four-year college

*A First Step:* Universal, publicly funded pre-K available for all residents

### **QUALITY, AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE,**

which covers all medically necessary treatment

*Within Five Years:* A Single Payer system, similar to Medicare for All

*A First Step:* A Public Option enabling any resident to pay into an enhanced MassHealth system

### **AFFORDABLE, DECENT HOUSING,**

in safe and vibrant neighborhoods

*Within Five Years:* Universal access to housing that costs no more than 1/3 of household income

*A First Step:* Increase funding for rental assistance programs

### **JOBS THAT PAY A LIVING WAGE,**

and are close to safe, affordable transportation

*Within Five Years:* Every job pays a living wage, of at least \$15/hour, and everyone has access to safe and affordable public transportation

*A First Step:* Index minimum wage increases to inflation

### **AN EQUITABLE TAX SYSTEM,**

which raises sufficient revenue to invest in our future

*Within Five Years:* Constitutional amendment to implement a graduated income tax

*A First Step:* Enact legislation that raises \$1 billion in new revenue from the wealthiest residents and closes corporate tax loopholes

### **A FAIR AND EFFICIENT CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM,**

which ensures public safety, strong communities and effective use of public funds

*Within Five Years:* Comprehensive sentencing reform, reduction in prison populations and a system of justice reinvestment that supports prevention, treatment and rehabilitation

*A first step:* Pass legislation to remove costly and ineffective mandatory minimums for non-violent drug offenses

## **TAKE ACTION!**

Your grassroots support is needed to pass Massachusetts legislation that moves us forward on our Shared Prosperity! **[Progressivemass.com/legislativeagenda](http://Progressivemass.com/legislativeagenda)**

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