

The American Solutions Project

As our Founder, Vice President Mike Pence, has said: **“Conservatism is bigger than any one moment, election, or person. It’s about ideas.”** At Advancing American Freedom, we have invested significant resources into championing those ideas, creating a conservative, pro-American policy agenda to guide our movement forward. We believe modern conservatism should be grounded in the time-honored principles of limited government, not an unmoored movement stitched together by personal grievances. Americans deserve solutions to the devastating impacts of an out-of-touch Washington.

As we seek to grow our organization and its impact, the work of the American Solutions Project will emanate from this principle and accomplish the following objectives in 2024:

1 Shape Political Majorities	2 Champion Conservative Legislation	3 Protect Conservative Principles
<i>Inject AAF policy priorities into the 2024 political cycle, creating a policy platform for candidates to embrace and reverse the Right’s drift toward populism and the Left’s embrace of socialism.</i>	<i>Enact legislation at the federal and state levels to advance the longstanding policy priorities of Vice President Pence and AAF across domestic and foreign policies.</i>	<i>Solidify AAF’s position as a beacon of traditional conservatism in Washington, D.C. to call elected officials and organizations back to the time-honored principles of limited government.</i>

Our policy priorities in 2024 will offer the opportunity for conservatives to lead and offer a stark contrast to the agenda of Big Government politicians—juxtaposing our vision with that of the populist Right and progressive Left.

To accomplish this project, Advancing American Freedom is seeking to expand the staff and capabilities of our operation. Attached is an overview of our proposed signature initiatives for AAF in 2024 and beyond.

Budget & Funding Overview

Executing the *American Solutions Project* will require significant new resources for AAF in terms of infrastructure, talent, and expenditures to promote our work. Below is an overview of the proposed budget for 2024.

American Solutions Project	\$8,000,000
1 Shape Political Majorities \$3,000,000	
2 Champion Conservative Legislation \$2,000,000	
3 Protect Conservative Principles \$3,000,000	
AAF Operating Expenditures	\$7,000,000
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2024 Total Budget	\$20,000,000

Policy Priorities

1 | Rein-In Federal Government Spending and Taxes

Unrestrained spending and debt in Washington have fueled the expansion of the federal government. Both parties have worked together to increase government spending and dependence. Conservatives must refocus their attention on cutting spending and reforming entitlements rather than allow President Biden and Congress to increase taxes and destroy opportunities for hard-working Americans.

Objectives:

- Create a federal debt commission focusing on mandatory and discretionary spending.
- Hold candidates and officials accountable to tackle the biggest drivers of debt.
- Make permanent the 2017 Trump-Pence tax cuts before they expire in 2025.

2 | Promote Free Trade with Free Nations

Americans manufacture and create the most dynamic products in the world, and it is essential that Americans can sell those products to free nations around the world. Protectionist trade policies that punish allies with haphazard tariffs and protectionism only hurt American workers and help our adversaries. Republicans must defend and promote free trade with free nations as a force for economic and diplomatic power.

Objectives:

- Educate the American people on the benefits of free trade and free trade agreements with our allies.
- Develop U.S. trade policy to beat Communist China.
- Combat untargeted tariffs that raise costs for the American people and strengthen China.

3 | Defeat The Chinese Communist Party

The Chinese Communist Party is an existential threat to the United States. Both political parties have turned a blind eye to China's many abuses in trade, military expansionism, and human rights violations in the misguided hope that China's newfound prosperity would inevitably lead to liberty. It is time for a realistic view of Chinese ambitions and a tough national security policy that protects our interests against communist aggression. Almost every American policy must start with the question: does this help us beat China?

Objectives:

- Stop the flow of fentanyl from China.
- End Chinese attacks on American intellectual property.
- Repatriate American high-tech supply chains.
- Protect American online data and tech security.

4 | Restore U.S. Global Leadership

Today, too many politicians have embraced a future of isolation and appeasement that will erode American leadership and embolden our enemies. American leadership makes the world a safer and more prosperous place. America must always remain a global force for good.

Objectives:

- Support our partners in Ukraine and Israel in a fiscally responsible manner.
- Deter the growth of totalitarianism and communism around the world.
- Promote pro-defense policies that grow our military to combat emerging threats.

5 | Unleash American Energy Dominance

The United States must have the energy capacity to independently power our economy and lead the world's energy future while recognizing that the surest way to encourage a robust energy sector is to remove artificial barriers and reject subsidies that distort the market.

Objectives:

- Increase oil and gas leases.
- Reject climate mandates and regulations that crush industry and harm consumers.
- Establish source-neutral energy policies.
- Make it easier for extraction and processing of America's rare earth mineral resources.