

# Uinta County Republican Party

## Resolution Supporting Children Through Strong and Stable Families

### Why Now

Wyoming's strength depends on strong families raising the next generation. Across rural communities, declining birth rates, delayed family formation, and an aging population threaten school enrollment, workforce stability, and community continuity. Supporting children and the families who raise them is both a moral responsibility and a practical investment in the future of Uinta County and the State of Wyoming.

### WHEREAS

- Children are the most vulnerable members of society and depend upon stable families for their protection and development (National Council on Family Relations; Child Trends).
- Strong families strengthen communities by improving educational outcomes, economic stability, and public safety (U.S. Department of Health & Human Services; Brookings Institution).
- Research consistently shows that children, on average, thrive when raised by their married mother actively involved in their lives (Child Trends; Institute for Family Studies).
- Mothers and fathers provide distinct and complementary contributions essential to a child's development (American Academy of Pediatrics; National Fatherhood Initiative).
- The Uinta County Republican Party affirms God's created order and believes that, in His design, humanity was created male and female (Uinta County Republican Party Platform).
- Marriage is defined as the union of one man and one woman (Uinta County Republican Party Platform).
- The traditional family, founded upon marriage between one man and one woman, is the best institution for providing children with education, formation, and training and serves as the primary authority responsible for their upbringing (Uinta County Republican Party Platform).
- Every child has the right to be nurtured and guided by both their mother and father (Them Before Us; United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child principles).
- A thriving society depends upon welcoming and raising the next generation (OECD Family Database; U.S. Census Bureau).
- All families and children deserve compassion and meaningful support, especially those facing hardship.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

#### 1. Child-Centered Public Policy

Consistent with the Uinta County Republican Party platform, the Uinta County Republican Party affirms that public policy should prioritize the wellbeing and long-term interests of children and recognizes that children most consistently thrive when raised by their married mother and father. Public policy should

strengthen parents' ability to be present, responsible, and engaged in their children's lives and support families in raising the next generation.

## **2. Family Impact Lens**

The Party encourages policymakers to evaluate legislation and public programs through a Family Impact Lens, considering how proposals affect family stability, involvement of both parents in a child's life, economic security of households with children, and long-term wellbeing of children.

## **3. Supporting Stable Families**

The Party supports policies that promote stability and opportunity for families raising children, including removing marriage penalties, encouraging family-friendly housing, supporting pregnancy and early childhood caregiving, encouraging active motherhood and fatherhood, and reducing barriers for families who desire to welcome and raise children.

## **4. Compassion for All Families**

While recognizing the importance of the married mother-father household for child wellbeing, the Party affirms support for children in all family circumstances, including those raised by single parents, guardians, adoptive families, and foster families.

## **5. Strengthening Marriage and Family Stability**

The Party supports voluntary efforts such as marriage education, counseling, mediation resources, and review of policies that unintentionally incentivize family breakdown.

## **Call to Action**

The Uinta County Republican Party calls upon local and state leaders to work toward making Uinta County the most child- and family-friendly county in Wyoming.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

**Anchor Principle:** If we want a strong Wyoming tomorrow, we must support the children and families raising it today.

## **Appendix A — Research and Platform Citations**

### **Party Platform Foundations**

Uinta County Republican Party Platform — Official County Platform Document (On file with Uinta County Republican Party)

### **Stable Families & Child Wellbeing**

National Council on Family Relations — <https://www.ncfr.org>  
Child Trends — <https://www.childtrends.org>

### **Community Outcomes**

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services — <https://www.hhs.gov>  
Brookings Institution — <https://www.brookings.edu>

### **Child Outcomes & Family Structure**

Institute for Family Studies — <https://ifstudies.org>  
U.S. Census Bureau — <https://www.census.gov>

### **Parental Contributions**

American Academy of Pediatrics — <https://publications.aap.org>  
National Fatherhood Initiative — <https://www.fatherhood.org>

### **Children’s Relationship with Parents**

Them Before Us — <https://thembeforeus.com>  
UN Convention on the Rights of the Child — <https://www.unicef.org/child-rights-convention>

### **Demographic Trends**

OECD Family Database — <https://www.oecd.org/social/family/database.htm>  
World Bank Data — <https://data.worldbank.org>