

## District of Columbia Greater Washington Region 2021-2022 Public Policy Agenda

*To be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives.*

- ♥ **Restrict the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products (DC):** Reduce tobacco use, including e-cigarettes, by eliminating and restricting the sale of flavored tobacco products, including menthol. Ensure effective, equitable implementation and funding.
- ♥ **Healthy Restaurant Kids' Meals (Local in MD):** Ensure all restaurant meals marketed to children meet nutrition standards and that the drink offered with a children's meal is a healthier option. Remove sugary drinks as the default beverage from all restaurant children's meals.
- ♥ **Healthy Food Access (DC, Local in MD, VA):** Support increasing the ability of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients to use their benefits at markets and support funding for food as medicine programs that significantly increase SNAP benefits when used on fruits and vegetables.
- ♥ **Water Access in Schools (DC, Local in MD):** Ensure no-charge, safe and appealing water is accessible during the school day or extended hours while children are in school buildings. Increase access to filling stations to encourage water consumption. Allow students to carry water bottles.
- ♥ **Telecommunicator CPR (DC):** Require all 911 call-takers that provide dispatch for emergency medical conditions to be trained in the delivery of high-quality telecommunicator CPR (TCPR).
- ♥ **Health Equity Funding (DC, Local in MD, VA):** Secure public funding for health equity and social determinants of health programs targeted at heart disease, stroke and related risk factors and the disparities that exist in these areas.

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