

WNDC PUBLIC POLICY AND POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Positions on the Media and Technology

The Woman's National Democratic Club (WNDC) Public Policy and Political Action Committee is committed to fostering a media and technology landscape that supports democratic values, innovation, and the well-being of all Americans. By advocating for these priorities, the WNDC seeks to build a resilient, equitable, and forward-looking media and technology ecosystem that strengthens democracy, protects civil liberties, and promotes innovation.

The WNDC Public Policy and Political Action Committee commits to advocating for the following positions and urges policymakers to:

Ensure Public Access to Accurate, Balanced, and Trustworthy Information

- Protect freedom of the press as enshrined in the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.
- Maintain press access to public spaces, including the White House briefing room and other critical venues.
- Preserve public media institutions such as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, National Public Radio, and the U.S. Agency for Global Media.
- Support local news organizations that serve as essential sources of community-based journalism. Safeguard public libraries and uphold free access to information by opposing book bans; respecting librarians' professional discretion in curating collections; and defending librarians' rights to free speech.

Uphold Democratic Principles in Technology and Social Media

- Encourage the responsible development of emerging technologies and artificial intelligence, with safeguards to counter disinformation.
- Protect children and teens from the harmful effects of social media, with a focus on mental health and digital well-being.
- Ensure robust data privacy protections for all Americans, securing personal information against misuse.

Foster U.S. Innovation and Global Technological Leadership

- Support small businesses and startups in the technology sector.
- Attract and retain international students by facilitating opportunities for them to remain in the United States and launch businesses.
- Expand technological infrastructure, including universal broadband access to bridge the digital divide in all regions of the country.