

## **AAUW OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC POLICY PRINCIPLES 2010 - 2012**

To preserve a strong system of public education, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- An increase in state funding for public education and equitable distribution of those funds
- Increased and continued funding for public institutions of higher learning

To affirm the individual rights of all persons, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- The right of reproductive choice
- A criminal justice system that provides protection for the public and preventative and rehabilitative programs for adult and juvenile offenders
- Consumer protection under the law
- Just and humane treatment of immigrants

To achieve full recognition of women's worth, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- Working to achieve pay equity for all women.
- More women in elected and appointed offices and policy-making positions
- Recognition of the value and efforts of volunteerism and care giving

To create sustainable, healthy communities, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- Access for all to reliable healthcare
- User-friendly healthcare delivery systems
- Emphasis on disease prevention
- Quality nursing home care

To promote the arts and humanities, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- Public and private funding of the arts
- Establishment and maintenance of historic sites in the state of Michigan
- Maintenance and expansion of library and media services

To protect the environment, AAUW of Michigan advocates:

- Domestic and International policies for the prevention and control of environmental pollution
- Development and implementation of alternative energy technology
- Increased emphasis on energy conservation
- Preservation of natural resources

The AAUW Public Policy Program is the basis for all AAUW of Michigan activities. The program can be accessed on the AAUW website ([www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)), as well as AAUW Fact Sheets and Position Papers on public policy issues.

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