# **Trump Administration Accomplishments**



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### **Economy**

President Trump's policies have put the American economy into high gear.

- Since President Trump was elected 7.3 million jobs have been created.
  - For the first time on record, there are more job openings than unemployed Americans.
- In 2019, 2.1 new jobs were created.
  - o In 2019, 1.5 million jobs were added for women. This accounts for more than 50% of total job gains for the first time ever.
- Over 500,000 manufacturing jobs and over 825,000 construction jobs have been created since the President was elected.
- The current unemployment rate is 3.5%, a near 50-year low.
- Highlights of February's jobs report:
  - o 273,000 jobs were created.
  - o For 2 years the unemployment rate has been at or below 4%.
  - Wage growth has been near or above 3% for 19 consecutive months.
- Throughout the Trump Administration we have seen record low unemployment for all Americans. In February:
  - o Black American unemployment rate declined to 5.8% near a record low.
  - o The Hispanic American unemployment rate remained at a historic low of 4.4%.
  - o The Asian American unemployment rate fell to 2.5%, near a historic low.
  - o The unemployment rate for women fell to 3.4% matching a 66-year low.
    - Women outnumber men in the workforce occupying more than 50% of nonfarming positions.
- The stock market has reached record highs under President Trump.
  - o The Dow Jones Industrial Average hit record highs over 100 times.
  - The S&P 500 and NASDAQ have all repeatedly notched record highs.
- Under President Trump, 7 million people have come off food stamps.
- Since President Trump took office 2.4 million Americans have been lifted out of poverty.
  - o 1.4 million American children have been lifted out of poverty.
- Under President Trump's leadership, Congress passed historic tax cuts and relief for hard-working Americans. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is the first major tax reform signed in 30 years and the largest tax reform package in history.
  - As a result of the historic tax cuts, nearly 9,000 Opportunity Zones were created in all 50 states, DC, and 5 territories. Opportunity Zones will spur \$100 billion in private capital investment and impact nearly 35 million Americans.
  - The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act doubled the Child Tax Credit.
    - In tax year 2019, nearly 40 million families benefitted from the child tax credit (CTC), receiving an average benefit of \$2,200 - totaling credits of \$88 billion.

- In tax year 2019, nearly 6 million families benefitted from the child and dependent care tax credit (CDCTC), receiving an average benefit of \$551 - totaling credits of \$3 billion.
- Economic confidence rebounded to record highs under President Trump because his pro-growth policies have and continue to put American workers and businesses first.
- President Trump has rolled back unnecessary job-killing regulations at a historic pace.
  - o The Administration has cut nearly 8 regulations for every new rule.
    - This far exceeds the promise made to cut 2 regulations for every 1 regulation added.
  - Regulatory costs have been slashed by nearly \$50 billion and have saved taxpayers \$220 billion once actions are fully implemented.
  - The deregulation efforts will save American households an estimated \$3,100 per year.
  - President Trump took action to increase transparency in Federal agencies and protect Americans from administration abuse.
  - The Administration formed the Governors' Initiative on Regulatory Innovation which aims to better align state and Federal efforts to cut additional unnecessary regulations and costs.

## **Immigration**

President Trump is working to secure our border.

- President Trump is fulfilling his promise to build a border wall, with sizable portions already finished or under construction.
  - o It's expected that 450 miles will be finished by the end of 2020.
  - o 100 miles of border wall have already been completed.
- Under President Trump, the U.S. Border Patrol has arrested hundreds of members of dangerous gangs.
- The President has strongly enforced our nation's immigration laws by cracking down on illegal immigration and taken aim at "sanctuary cities."
- President Trump has called on Congress to close dangerous loopholes such as "Catch and Release," end chain migration, and end the visa lottery program which enables illegal immigration.
- The Administration is looking to close the *Flores Settlement Agreement* that requires the government to release families into the country after 20 days. This loophole has been exploited by smugglers who use children as pawns to enter our country.
- We are closing asylum loopholes recently, the Administration instituted a new rule requiring migrants who come to our border to have previously applied and been denied to a country they passed through.
- President Trump was successful in his efforts to get Mexico and the Northern Triangle countries to step up and help stop the crisis at the border.
  - President Trump's successful negotiations led to border apprehensions falling more than 70% from May (the peak of the crisis) to November 2019.
- In May 2019, President Trump announced a new immigration proposal that would modernize our system and secure the border.

- The Administration has made it a priority to end human trafficking and is using many resources to do so.
  - The Administration provided funding to support the National Human Trafficking Hotline.
  - The Anti-Trafficking Coordination Team (ACTeam) initiative more than doubled convictions of human traffickers and increased the number of defendants charged in ACTeam districts.

## **Foreign Policy**

President Trump has restored our nation's standing in the world and is standing up to bad actors.

- The United States has successfully decimated ISIS.
- Under President Trump, the number one terrorist leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi was taken out.
- President Trump ordered the killing of Qassem Soleimani, the head of Iran's elite Quds Force and an evil, ruthless, and deadly terrorist.
- President Trump fulfilled his promise to name Jerusalem Israel's capital city and moved the U.S. Embassy.
  - The President removed the U.S. from the U.N. Human Rights Council due to the group's blatant anti-Israel bias.
- President Trump released a bold vision for peace in the Middle East.
- President Trump held two historic summits with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, further demonstrating the Administration's commitment to a denuclearized Korean peninsula.
  - The Administration has maintained tough sanctions on North Korea while negotiations have taken place.
- President Trump's maximum pressure campaign is countering Iran's influence and pressuring the regime to abandon its malign activities.
  - President Trump withdrew the U.S. from the Iran Nuclear Agreement and instituted the toughest sanctions in history to drive the regime's oil exports to zero.
  - o President Trump authorized crippling sanctions on the Iranian regime.
- The Trump Administration has imposed sanctions on Russian entities and individuals previously indicted for their roles in Russian interference in our election.
- To better promote democracy across the globe, President Trump imposed sanctions on regimes in Venezuela, Cuba, and Nicaragua.
- President Trump reversed the previous administration's policy on Cuba.
- President Trump urged NATO members to increase defense spending.

### **Trade**

President Trump is delivering on his promise to correct trade imbalances.

 The Trump Administration had taken unprecedented steps to modernize and improve trading practices and negotiate freer, fairer, and reciprocal trade agreements with our global allies.

- President Trump has kept his promise to deliver a modern and rebalanced trade deal to replace NAFTA. The United States – Mexico – Canada Agreement (USMCA)
  - The USCMA will spur economic growth, create 176,000 jobs, add \$68.2 billion to the U.S. economy, and raise wages.
- President Trump negotiated a new United States-Japan trade deal with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. Japan is one of our strongest economic partners and this trade deal builds on that partnership. It is a big win for American farmers, ranchers, workers, and businesses.
- The Administration revised the United States -Korea Free Trade Agreement (KORUS) to make it more beneficial to American workers.
- The President and European Union President Juncker agreed to a new trade deal that strengthens and reforms our trade relationship. The agreement:
  - Works toward zero tariffs, zero non-tariff barriers, zero subsidies on nonautomotive industrial goods.
  - o Makes it easier for the EU to purchase liquefied gas.
  - o Reduces trade and bureaucratic obstacles between the U.S. and the EU.
  - Addresses unfair trade practices.
- President Trump signed a historic phase one trade deal with China that includes key commitments from China on stopping unfair trading practices and increasing purchases of U.S. goods.
- President Trump withdrew the United States from the flawed Trans-Pacific Partnership.
- President Trump has forced our allies to recommit to NATO.

## **Iudicial**

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- President Trump has installed more federal court judges than any president in the past four decades.
- The President is following through on his promise to appoint judges who will uphold the Constitution and rule of law for generations to come.
- President Trump has nominated, and the Senate has confirmed a grand total of 193 Article III judges.
  - o 2 Supreme Court Justices Justice Gorsuch and Justice Kavanaugh.
  - o 51 Circuit Court judges.
  - o 138 District Court judges.
  - 2 Court of International Trade Judges
- President Trump's judicial confirmations have "flipped" 3 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> Circuits federal appeals courts to Republican.
- In 2018, President Trump broke the record for the most circuit court of appeals judges (29) confirmed in the first 2 years of a presidency.

#### **Law Enforcement**

President Trump's policies are supporting our brave law enforcement officers and making our communities safer.

- President Trump has supported our law enforcement officers and their families.
- A new commission was established to evaluate best practices for recruiting, training, and supporting law enforcement officers.
- Violent crime fell in 2017 and 2018 after rising each of the two years prior to President Trump taking office.
- President Trump signed the historic FIRST STEP Act into law, making our communities safer and reformed our criminal justice system fairer.
- President Trump and his administration have promoted second chance hiring.
- The administration revived Project Safe Neighborhoods, which brings together prosecutors, police, sheriffs, and citizens groups to put the most dangerous violent crime offenders behind bars.
- The President signed legislation that permanently funds the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund.
- President Trump signed the Fix NICS Act into law in 2018, strengthening the background check system to ensure we keep guns out of the hands of criminals.
- President Trump signed STOP School Violence Act and created a Commission on School Safety to examine ways to make our schools safer.
- President Trump and his administration have taken critical steps to end human trafficking.
  - The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act was signed into law. The legislation tightens criteria for whether countries are meeting standards for eliminating trafficking.
  - President Trump signed an executive order to establish a position in the White House policy office that is solely devoted to work on combatting human trafficking.

#### **Health Care**

President Trump has reduced the cost of health care and taken significant steps to fight the opioid epidemic.

- President Trump has prioritized fixing our broken health care system and worked with Congress to implement a system that works for all Americans.
- The President has made it clear patients with preexisting conditions will be protected.
- The individual mandate penalty has been eliminated.
- Association Health Plans have been expanded.
- Short-term, limited duration insurance plans have been extended.
- President Trump is working to implement his plan to <u>lower prescription drugs</u>.
- Under the Trump Administration, we have seen the <u>first ever decline</u> of average benchmark premiums on the federal health care exchange.
- The President signed an Executive Order to improve seniors' health care and improve the fiscal sustainability of Medicare.
- Reforms to expand Medicare Advantage options and Health Reimbursement Accounts have been expanded.
- President Trump mobilized his entire Administration to address the drug addiction and opioid abuse by declaring a Nationwide Public Health Emergency.

- President Trump signed the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act to fight the opioid epidemic.
- The Administration launched FindTreatment.gov a public resource to help combat substance abuse.
- President Trump signed an Executive Order that increases price and quality transparency.
- The Administration has committed to ending surprise billing.
- HHS is finalizing a rule that will require hospitals to make prices publicly available online and in a more consumer-friendly format.
- The Administration has proposed a rule to require insurance companies and group health plans to provide enrollees with cost estimates.
- The Trump Administration has promoted innovation and solutions to expand treatment options for Americans living with disease including HIV/AIDS, kidney disease, pediatric cancer, Alzheimer's, and more.
- The Administration launched a program to provide the HIV prevention drug PrEP to uninsured patients for free.
- Signed the bipartisan Tobacco-Free Youth Act to raise the nationwide age for purchasing tobacco and vaping products to 21 years old.
- Costly Obamacare taxes were repealed including the "Cadillac tax" and the Medical Device Tax.

## **Environment**

President Trump is promoting a clean and healthy environment for all Americans.

- The President and the Administration are continuing to pursue policies that encourage environmental protection while promoting economic growth.
  - Since 2005, our energy related carbon emissions have declined more than any other country. This is expected to decrease in 2019 and 2020.
- Our nation's environmental record is one of the strongest in the world.
  - According to the White House, from 1970 to 2018, the combined emissions of the most common air pollutants fell 74% while the economy grew over 275%.
- We have the cleanest air on record and remain a global leader for access to clean drinking water. The President has taken important steps to restore, preserve, and protect our land, air, and waters.
  - The Save our Seas Act was signed into law in 2018. This law reauthorized the NOAA Marine Debris Program, promoting international action to reduce marine debris and authorizing cleanup and response actions that may be needed.
  - The EPA has taken significant steps to clean up our contaminated sites and hazardous sites.
  - The EPA is more efficiently implementing air quality standards that will better protect the environment and human health.
- President Trump announced the U.S. will join the 1 trillion trees initiative.
- The President's management of our nation's lands promotes conservation while encouraging good stewardship and expanding recreational opportunities.
  - Just this year, President Trump signed legislation designating 1.3 million new acres of wilderness - the largest public lands legislation in a decade.

- The Department of the Interior proposed to open more than 1 million acres of land for expanded hunting and fishing access.
- The President took important action to improve management of forests to help prevent devastating forest fires.
- President Trump issued changes to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to reduce regulation and allow for infrastructure and transportation projects to move forward.

### **Energy**

President Trump's policies have begun to unleash our nation's energy potential.

- President Trump signed an Executive Order to expand offshore oil and gas drilling and open more leases to develop offshore drilling.
- The U.S. is the largest producer of oil and natural gas in the world.
- The Administration acted aggressively to increase exports of energy resources to the global market and allowed financing for coal and fossil energy projects.
- President Trump has approved the infrastructure and provided the resources needed to unleash Oil and gas production in the U.S.
  - The Keystone XL and Dakota Access pipelines were approved, supporting an estimated total of 42,000 jobs and \$2 billion in wages.
  - The New Burgos Pipeline, a cross-border project that will export U.S. gasoline to Mexico, was approved.
  - The Trump Administration reversed President Obama's moratorium on new leases for oil and gas development on Federal lands.
- The President rescinded President Obama's costly Clean Power Plan.
- The President proposed the Affordable Clean Energy Rule to reduce greenhouse gasses, empower states, promote energy independence, and facilitate economic growth and job creation.
- The Administration has rescinded many costly Obama-Era regulations including the methane emissions rule that would cost American energy developers an estimated \$530 million annually.
- The President announced his intent to withdrawal the U.S. from the unfair Paris Climate Accord.

### **Agriculture**

President Trump and his Administration continue to help our farmers.

- In 2018, President Trump signed a sweeping new Farm Bill into law.
  - The Farm Bill provides support and stability to our farmers, expands crop insurance, doubles how much farmers can borrow and helps open new markets for our farmers.
- The President authorized the year-round sale of E15 gasoline which provided a boost to America's corn growing communities.
- Red tape that has harmed American farmers have been rolled back.
  - This includes eliminating the burdensome Obama-era Waters of the United States rule.
- The historic Tax Cuts and Jobs Act protected family farmers from the estate tax.

- Thanks to the President's historic tax cuts legislation, the effective tax rate for farmers is expected to fall from 17.2% to 13.9%.
- President Trump is standing up for America's farmers by negotiating fairer, freer, and more reciprocal trade deals that remove barriers and open markets for American farmers.
  - President Trump signed the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) into law.
    - The USMCA will increase America's Agricultural exports by \$2.2 billion.
    - The USMCA will eliminates Canada's discriminatory programs that allow low-priced dairy products to undersell our nation's dairy producers.
    - USMCA includes expanded market access for dairy products, eggs, and poultry.
  - o In a deal with the European Union, American soybean exports will be increased.
  - President Trump reached a new trade agreement with Japan. As a result, Japan will eliminate or reduce tariffs on approximately \$7.2 billion in U.S. agricultural exports.
  - President Trump continues to stand up to China and their unfair trade practices which target our farmers.
- The Trump Administration has authorized a total of \$28 billion in aid for farmers who have been subjected to unfair trade practices.
- The Trump Administration continue to support and expand markets for America's farmers.
- Japan's market has been opened to all American beef.
- Restrictions have been eliminated on:
  - American pork exports to Argentina.
  - o American beef to Brazil.
  - o Idaho chipping potatoes to Japan.
  - o American poultry to South Korea.
- President Trump signed an Executive Order directing Federal agencies to streamline the agricultural biotechnology regulatory process.
- The Trump Administration is working to promote connectivity in rural American by investing in rural broadband.
- President Trump is working to protect our Nation's forests.
  - In 2018, the President signed an Executive Order aimed at increasing responsible forest management and coordinating Federal, State, tribal, and local assets to prevent and combat wildfires.
  - In order to preserve the health of our forests, the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 was signed into law.
- President Trump and his administration continue to provide necessary disaster relief to impacted areas.

#### Education

President Trump and his administration are putting students and families first.

• The President understands the importance of education and continues to declare the last week in January National School Choice Week.

- The President signed a historic Executive Order that promotes and protects free speech on college campuses.
- President Trump and his Administration support the <u>Education Freedom Scholarships</u> and <u>Opportunity Act</u>.
- In 2019, President Trump signed a memorandum that eliminates 100% of student loan debt for permanently disabled veterans.
- The President continues to work with the Department of Education to expand transparency and give students expanded access to vital information about the career outcomes of the programs they enroll in.
- President Trump has made Historically Black Colleges and Universities a priority, including appropriating <u>more money</u> to HBCUs in one year than any other president and establishing a Presidential Board of Advisors on HBCUs.
  - President Trump signed the FUTURE Act into law. The law permanently funds HBCUs and simplifies the FAFSA application
- The President is committed to expanding and strengthening education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematic (STEM).
  - President Trump issued a presidential memorandum encouraging the Department of Education to promote STEM, especially Computer Science.
  - President Trump directed more than \$200 million per year to technology education grants for women and programs that encourage participation in STEM careers.
  - The President signed the bipartisan reauthorization of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act. This law provides the necessary training for students and workers to succeed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy.
  - The President donated his 2017 second quarter salary to the Department of Education. The funds were used to host a STEM focused camp for students.
  - President Trump signed the INSPIRE Act which encourages NASA to have more women and girls participate in STEM and pursue careers in aerospace.
- The President signed an Executive Order to expand apprenticeships in America.
- President Trump has encouraged state and federal lawmakers to expand school choice.
- The administration lowered regulatory hurdles and restored flexibility to schools with respect to menus in their cafeterias.
- President Trump is committed to making our schools safer.
  - President Trump encouraged passage of the STOP School Violence Act to provide funding grants to schools to improve security measures.
  - The Administration established a Commission on School Safety to examine ways to make schools safer for all students and teachers.
- Additionally, the Administration proposed a new \$5 billion annual tax credit to promote school choice. This move is supported by 2/3rds of black Americans.

### **Military and Veterans**

President Trump is protecting America and our allies by rebuilding our military and ensuring our veterans receive the care they deserve.

• President Trump has restored American military strength.

- Under President Trump's leadership, Congress passed three historic National Defense Authorization Acts (NDAA).
  - o The FY2020 NDAA authorized a historic \$738 billion in defense spending.
  - The FY2020 NDAA includes a much needed 3.1% pay raise for our troops, the largest in a decade.
  - The FY2020 NDAA establishes the United States Space Force to ensure American dominance in space.
- President Trump signed the Veterans Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act to allow senior officials in the Department of Veterans Affairs (V.A.) to fire failing employees and establish safeguards to protect whistleblowers.
- The President signed the V.A. Choice and Quality Employment Act of 2017 to authorize \$2.1 billion in additional funds for the Veterans Choice Program (VCP).
- The President signed the V.A. MISSION Act revolutionizing the VA system, increasing choice, and providing quality care for our nation's veterans.
- The Trump Administration created a new White House V.A. Hotline, staffed by veterans and family members.
- The administration expanded telehealth access for veterans.
- Veterans Affairs increased transparency and accountability by launching an online "Access and Quality Tool." This provides veterans a way to access wait time and quality of care data.
- The VA and DOD are working to seamlessly align electronic health records.
- President Trump signed the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017 to expedite the appeals process.
- The Administration has secured a record \$8.6 billion in funding for mental health services with the goal of ending the tragedy of veteran suicide.
- The Trump Administration has created the PREVENTS initiative, a task force aimed at unifying the efforts of government, businesses, and nonprofit groups to help our veterans.
- The President has secured \$73.1 billion for the Department of Veterans Affairs the highest funding for the VA in history.
- In 2019, President Trump signed a memorandum that eliminates 100% of student loan debt for permanently disabled veterans.
  - The President also called upon all 50 states to ensure that disabled veterans do not pay state tax on their forgiven debts.
- The unemployment rate among veterans is 3.6%.
  - o 8.8 million veterans are employed.
  - The number of unemployed veterans has been reduced by nearly 30% under President Trump.
- In November 2019, President Trump became the first president to walk in the New York City Veterans Day Parade.

#### Women

Under President Trump's administration, women have been empowered to reach their economic potential.

• Women have experienced record low unemployment under President Trump.

- The unemployment rate among women fell to 3.4% matching a 66-year low.
  - The unemployment rate among women has been under 4% for 23 straight months.
- Since the President was elected, over 4.3 million new jobs for women have been created.
  - Since the President took office, more than 58% of the jobs created have gone to women.
  - In 2019, 1.5 million jobs were added for women. This accounts for more than 50% of total job gains for the first time ever.
- Women now hold more jobs than men.
- During the President's first year in office, the number of American women in poverty fell by nearly 600,000.
- Thanks to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the child tax credit was doubled to \$2,000 per child.
- President Trump approved the largest paid parental leave program ever, guaranteeing 12 weeks of paid leave for all federal workers.
- The President has signed into law the largest ever expansion of the Child Care and Development Block Grants (CCDBG) to States from \$3.9 to \$5.8 billion.
- Childcare wait lists have greatly decreased and have been eliminated in dozens of states.
- The President and his Administration are committed to keeping families and communities safe.
- The Trump Administration has prioritized empowering women to pursue careers and realize their economic potential.
  - President Trump directed more than \$200 million per year to technology education grants for women and programs that encourage participation in STEM careers
  - President Trump signed an Executive Order establishing the National Council For The American Worker.
  - Over 300 companies and associations of all size and industry have signed the Administration's Pledge to America's Workers, promising to create more than 14 million education, training, and skill-building opportunities over the next 5 years.
  - Ivanka Trump created the Women's Global Development and Prosperity Initiative (W-GDP) to help 50 million women in 22 developing countries realize their economic potential by 2025.
    - In the first year, the W-GDP initiative reached 12 million women.
    - Nearly 2 million women participated in United States Governmentsupported workforce training and development programs.
    - More than 9,000 women-led businesses received more than \$1.6 billion in United States Government-backed loans.
- Additional Trump Administration efforts to empower women globally include:
  - The Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative (We-Fi): Aims to mobilize more than \$2.6 billion in capital for women entrepreneurs in 26 developing countries.

- The WomenConnect Challenge: Seeks to growth women's access to digital technology and bridge the digital gender divide.
- The 2X Women's Initiative: Aimed at mobilizing \$1 billion in capital to support women living in the developing world. This initiative has already mobilized more than \$140 million from the private sector to support women in Latin America and the Caribbean.

## **Black Americans**

Black Americans have a true champion in President Trump.

- 1.6 million new jobs have been created for black Americans since President Trump was elected.
- In February, the unemployment among black Americans declined to 5.8%, near a record low.
  - The black American unemployment rate has been at or below 7% for 25 consecutive months.
  - Prior to President Trump's administration, the black unemployment rate had never dipped below 7%.
  - In 2019, the African American unemployment rate hit a record low and remained below 7% for the entire year.
- Under President Trump, incomes for black Americans have increased by 2.6%.
- Under the Trump Economy, wages are continuing to rise which significantly benefits the lowest-paid workers.
- The poverty rate among black Americans is at its lowest level in history.
  - Under President Trump, 350,000 fewer black Americans are living in poverty.
- During the President's first year in office, the black American poverty rate fell to 21.2% down from 22% the year before.
- As a result of the historic Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, nearly 9,000 Opportunity Zones were created in all 50 states, DC, and 5 territories.
  - Opportunity Zones which will create jobs and spur investment in disadvantaged communities.
  - These Opportunity Zones will spur \$100 billion in private capital investment and impact 1.4 million minority households.
- President Trump signed the historic FIRST STEP Act into law.
  - The FIRST STEP ACT has been widely hailed as the most meaningful criminal justice reform in a generation.
  - This landmark legislation included necessary reforms to our justice system, improves our prison system, and prepares inmates for reentry in our communities.
  - As a result of the First Step Act, more than 3,000 Americans have been released from prison and 90% of those who have had their sentences reduced are black Americans.
  - The First Step Act <u>shortens mandatory minimum sentences</u> for nonviolent drug crimes and provides judges greater liberty to go around mandatory minimums.

- The law also allows offenders sentenced under racially motivated mandatory minimums to petition for their <u>cases to be re-evaluated</u>.
- President Trump was awarded the 2019 Bipartisan Justice award by the nonprofit 20/20 Bipartisan Justice Center. The President received this award for his "ability to work across the aisle to achieve meaningful progress in reforming our criminal justice system."
- President Trump has committed his Administration to advancing second chance hiring for former prisoners. This includes launching a "Ready to Work Initiative."
- The Trump Administration has fought for a <u>federal tax credit</u> on donations that fund scholarships to private schools, a proposal supported by <u>64%</u> of African Americans.
- President Trump has made supporting Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) a top priority.
  - In February 2017, President Trump announced the President's Board of Advisors on HBCUs.
  - The President signed an Executive Order on HBCUs in February 2017, the earliest any President has signed an Order on HBCUs.
  - The EO established an Interagency Working Group to advance and coordinate work regarding HBCUs.
  - The federal HBCU initiative office was moved back into the White House, a move that leaders had requested under President Obama.
  - President Trump has appropriated <u>more money</u> than any other president to HBCUs.
  - The President signed legislation to increase federal funding for HBCUs by 13%, the highest level ever.
  - President Trump signed the FUTURE Act into law. The law permanently funds HBCUs and simplifies the FAFSA application.
  - The President worked with Congress to lift the ban on Pell Grants on summer classes.
  - Through the Capital Financing Program, the Administration has provided more than \$500 million in loans to HBCUs.
  - The President directed the entire federal government to develop a strategy to support HBCUs. To date, this has been supported by 32 departments and agencies.
  - o The Administration has forgiven more than \$300 million in outstanding debt for four schools impacted by natural disasters and the budget provided \$10 million to defer loan payments for 6 school facing financial difficulties.
  - The Department of Education worked with HBCUs to protect \$80 million in Title III carryover funding.
  - President Trump took a big step to end discriminatory restrictions to prevent faith based HBCUs from accessing federal support.
  - The Administration continues to work with HBCUs to expand apprenticeship opportunities, career choices, and ensure they are receiving adequate support.

### **Hispanic Americans**

Under President Trump's leadership the Hispanic American community has thrived.

- Under President Trump, Hispanic Americans have experienced record low unemployment.
- In February, Hispanic American unemployment remained near a historic low of 4.4%.
  - The Hispanic American unemployment rate hit several record lows in 2019, including falling below 4% for the first time in history.
- More than 3.1 million jobs have been created for Latino Americans since the President was elected.
- The median Hispanic American income rose by \$1,786 during President Trump's first year in office.
  - o In 2017, the median Hispanic American income hit its highest ever recorded level (\$50,486).
- Since taking office, the Hispanic American homeownership rose by more than a percentage point (46.3% to 47.4%).
- In addition to the booming economy, President Trump renegotiated freer and fairer trade deals such as the USMCA.
- President Trump has stood up to socialism and communism in Venezuela, Cuba, and Nicaragua.
  - Thanks to pressure from President Trump, over 50 countries followed President Trump's leadership in recognizing Juan Guaidó as the legitimate leader of Venezuela.
  - The Trump administration has <u>rolled back</u> President Obama's disastrous rapprochement with Cuba, which only benefited the country's dictatorship instead of its people.
  - At the direction of President Trump, the Treasury Department has <u>imposed</u> <u>sanctions</u> against senior officials in the Nicaraguan regime for their role in human rights abuses and undermining democracy.
- The President has made it clear that American interests do not align with failed socialist policies.

## **Asian Americans**

*Under President Trump's leadership Asian American unemployment has reached record lows.* 

- Asian American unemployment fell to 2.5% near a record low.
- The lowest ever record unemployment rate for Asian Americans (2.1%) came in June 2019.