

Vision 2028

Citizen Summary

1. What Vision 2028 is

Vision 2028 is a long term repair plan for the United States.

Not a slogan, not a stunt, not a single bill. It is a roadmap for the next 40 to 50 years of policy, investment, and reform.

The basic idea is simple.

- We already spend enormous sums on health care, defense, tax breaks, and corporate giveaways.
- A lot of that money is wasted, poorly targeted, or captured by people who do not need help.
- Meanwhile, working and middle class families live in permanent crisis mode: health bills, rent, child care, student loans, unstable jobs, broken infrastructure.

Vision 2028 says we stop pretending this is normal. We stop letting fear and lobbyists write the budget. We take what we are already spending badly and redirect it into things that actually improve our lives.

This is a plan to:

- Make health care universal and less expensive.
- Keep America safe while ending the blank check for endless wars.
- Clean up a tax code that lets the richest avoid paying what they legally owe.
- Legalize and regulate THC at the federal level in a way that is safe, fair, and affordable.
- Protect consumers from predatory junk fees and fine print.
- Invest heavily in housing, infrastructure, climate resilience, education, and care work.
- Strengthen democracy and rebuild trust in public institutions.

I am not asking you to believe in miracles. I am asking you to believe that we can stop lighting money on fire and start spending it like adults.

2. The core problems we are fixing

Vision 2028 starts from a few blunt facts:

- Health care in America costs more per person than anywhere else in the developed world, yet millions remain uninsured or underinsured and medical debt ruins lives.
- We spend close to a trillion dollars a year on defense while bridges, schools, and water systems fall apart at home.
- The tax system lets the richest individuals and big corporations avoid paying tens or hundreds of billions a year that are legally owed.
- THC products are already widely used, but the rules are a patchwork and the benefits are uneven. Criminal markets still operate wherever legal access is blocked or overpriced.
- Ordinary people are crushed by junk fees, hidden terms, and predatory fine print in everything from bank accounts to phone plans to airline tickets.
- Whole communities have been locked out of opportunity by decades of policy failure, disinvestment, and deliberate neglect.

None of this is an accident. It is the result of who has had power, who has written the rules, and who those rules were designed to protect.

Vision 2028 is about rewiring those systems.

3. What Vision 2028 does

This is a citizen facing version of the big moves behind the full manifesto.

A. Health and care

- Move toward universal coverage with simplified billing and strong public negotiation of drug prices.

- Cut administrative waste, middlemen, and price games that make basic care unaffordable.
- Reinvest a large part of the savings into primary care, mental health, addiction treatment, and rural and tribal health systems.
- Treat nurses, aides, and frontline workers as essential professionals, not disposable line items.

The goal is not just “insurance for everyone.”

The goal is a health system that keeps people alive and stable without bankrupting them.

B. Defense and foreign policy

- Keep the United States fully capable of defending itself and its allies.
- Focus on real threats and strategic partnerships, not open ended occupations and contractor driven missions.
- Gradually reduce defense spending relative to the path we are on by cutting waste, redundancy, and overpriced procurement.
- Shift the savings into infrastructure, veterans’ care, and domestic resilience.

We stay strong. We stay ready.

We stop confusing permanent war with real security.

C. Tax justice

- Modernize and staff the IRS to handle complex returns and large corporate structures instead of fixating on small wage earners.
- Crack down on the most abusive forms of offshore profit shifting and shell games.
- Tighten loopholes that let huge fortunes generate tiny tax bills.
- Make it clear that the law applies at the top as well as at the bottom.

This is not about punishing success.

It is about making sure the rules are not rigged so that only ordinary people ever feel the law’s full weight.

D. THC legalization and regulation

- Federally legalize THC products nationwide.
- Create a national regulatory framework that sets clear standards for safety, labeling, potency, packaging, advertising, and child protection.
- Prevent monopolies by limiting how much land and shelf space a single company can control.
- Prioritize licenses and technical support for small businesses and communities most harmed by past cannabis criminalization.
- Set a flat federal excise tax on THC at the wholesale level, split between federal and state governments, high enough to matter but low enough to keep products affordable and competitive with the illicit market.
- Use the revenue to fund public health education, substance abuse treatment, social equity programs, and enforcement against genuinely dangerous products.

THC is already here. Vision 2028 does not pretend otherwise.

It replaces chaos and criminal markets with a clear, national system that is safer, fairer, and more honest.

E. Consumer protection and transparency

- Require simple, plain language “key terms” pages for major contracts like bank accounts, loans, phone plans, streaming services, and airline tickets.
- Ban surprise junk fees, dark pattern user interfaces, and non refundable traps that only exist to confuse people.
- Give regulators real teeth to punish firms that trick, mislead, or exploit consumers.
- Make “click to agree” mean something again by shrinking the gap between what you think you are signing and what you actually are signing.

People should not need a lawyer on retainer just to buy a plane ticket or open a checking account.

F. Housing, work, climate, and infrastructure

- Invest heavily in affordable housing, social housing, and rehabilitation of existing homes, with a focus on preventing homelessness and stabilizing working families.

- Support living wage jobs and worker protections, especially in the care economy and green industries.
- Upgrade the national grid, build out clean energy, and harden communities against floods, fires, heat waves, and storms.
- Repair and modernize roads, bridges, transit, water systems, broadband, and public facilities in both cities and rural areas.

These are investments that pay off twice: they make daily life better and they create millions of jobs.

G. Democracy and justice

- Reinforce voting rights and access: secure elections, modern systems, and no games with who gets to vote.
- Push back against attempts to turn courts into partisan weapons or to grant effective immunity for powerful people.
- Strengthen protections for whistleblowers and watchdogs who reveal corruption and abuse.
- Work to shrink the gaps between how the justice system treats poor and wealthy defendants.

The law should not feel like a maze that only the rich can navigate.

4. How this is paid for

You are right to ask “how do we pay for it”.

Vision 2028 is structured so that the big investments are funded by freeing up money we already spend badly and by collecting a modest share of taxes that are already legally owed but not paid.

In very rough, central estimates once the plan is fully phased in:

Freed resources each year

- About **\$250 billion** from health care efficiency, drug negotiation, and administrative simplification, after reinvesting a large share into better care.
- About **\$200 billion** from military rebalancing and trimming wasteful programs compared to the current trajectory.
- About **\$100 billion** from improved tax enforcement and closing the worst loopholes.
- About **\$8 billion** from a modest federal THC excise, split with states.

That is around **\$550–600 billion** per year in fiscal space.

New investments each year

- Roughly **\$150 billion** for housing and homelessness solutions.
- Roughly **\$120 billion** for climate, clean energy, and resilience.
- Roughly **\$80 billion** for education and student debt relief.
- Roughly **\$70 billion** for childcare and eldercare.
- Roughly **\$60 billion** for rural and digital infrastructure.

That is around **\$450–500 billion** per year in new spending.

That leaves an annual buffer of about **\$78 billion** in this central scenario, which can go to deficit reduction, extra programs, or simply act as error margin if some savings take longer to arrive.

THC revenue is a small but visible part of this picture. It is not the main funding source. It is a clean, dedicated line that helps pay for public health, treatment, and equity work in the same space where prohibition has already failed.

5. Jobs and economic impact

This is not only a budget story. It is a jobs story.

When we invest in housing, infrastructure, clean energy, schools, health, and care work, we are buying labor. These sectors are job dense. They employ people up and down the skill ladder and across the country.

In rough numbers:

- Each **\$100 billion** in well designed infrastructure spending tends to support around **1 million job years** once you account for direct, indirect, and induced jobs.
- Vision 2028 invests on the order of **\$400–500 billion** per year in hard, green, and social infrastructure.
- That supports around **4–5 million job years per year**, plus additional private sector jobs as businesses expand to meet the new demand and as families have more disposable income and stability.

Over a decade of full build out, that adds up to **9–16 million jobs created or supported** by the program as a whole.

These are jobs you can point to:

- Construction crews rehabbing homes and building new affordable units.
- Electricians and line workers upgrading the grid.
- Nurses, therapists, and counselors expanding access to care.
- Teachers, aides, and care workers supporting children and elders.
- Engineers and trades building and maintaining clean energy projects.
- Small businesses growing to serve communities that finally have money to spend.

We are trading passive, wasteful spending for active, job generating investment.

6. The timeline and the social contract

Vision 2028 is not a one year shock. It is a 40 to 50 year roadmap.

- The early years focus on building the legal and institutional foundations: health care reform, THC regulation, tax enforcement, consumer protection, and early infrastructure projects.
- The middle years are about scaling: housing, climate resilience, child and elder care, and education investments ramp up across the country.

- The later decades focus on maintenance, adaptation, and keeping systems honest: making sure the gains are not rolled back and that the rules keep up with technology and reality.

Underneath all of this is a new social contract.

- Government owes you transparency, fairness, and competence.
- Business owes you honest dealing, not predatory traps.
- Citizens owe each other a basic level of solidarity so that no one is left permanently on the edge, one bill away from disaster.

Vision 2028 is an offer: to rebuild trust by making the numbers work and by making the rules feel fair again.

7. What this means for you

In practical terms, if this roadmap is carried out, your life should look different in ways you can feel.

- Health care that is simpler, safer, and less terrifying financially.
- Housing that is more stable and less likely to explode your budget overnight.
- Childcare and eldercare that are available and decently paid.
- A job market with more real work in building, fixing, and caring, not just extraction and speculation.
- A THC market that is regulated, transparent, and safer, instead of underground and uneven.
- Fewer junk fees and fewer unpleasant surprises in fine print.
- A justice system that feels a little less tilted, a government that feels a little less captured, and a public budget that makes more sense.

You should not have to be an expert to understand that this is possible. The point of Vision 2028 is to make the path from here to there visible, step by step, and to prove that we can afford to build a future that works for people instead of just for balance sheets.