**HEALTH**

- Prevent the automatic freeze and invest a small amount of state funds to sustain KidsCare health coverage for 30,000+ children in working families for check-ups, prescriptions, behavioral health, and life-saving treatments.
- Keep Medicaid as consistent, affordable coverage to support health, security, and employment for parents and families. For new work reporting requirements, minimize the addition of new bureaucracy and prevent the loss of health care coverage.
- Knock down bureaucratic barriers so that young adults who have lived in foster care can get the affordable health coverage they need through Medicaid.
- Improve health outcomes through better access to oral health care for pregnant women and children covered through AHCCCS/ Medicaid.

**EDUCATION**

- Improve early learning and literacy by investing in child care and preschool with well qualified teachers who can give children the attention and environment they need to succeed in kindergarten and beyond.
- Increase investments in K-12 student success through better compensation and working conditions for highly qualified teachers and support teams, updated classroom textbooks and technology, and safe and functional school facilities.
- Add accountability for better educational outcomes by limiting the growth in private school tax credits and vouchers and focusing on quality education options for students with special needs and students in low income families.

**SECURITY**

- Prevent child neglect and abuse and reduce the need for foster care through proven strategies like parent mentoring, child care assistance, domestic violence intervention and behavioral health and substance abuse treatment.
- Help youth living in foster care transition to adulthood by allowing them normal childhood experiences while in care, giving them the chance to get their driver's license, and helping them get independent living skills and support beyond age 18.
- Give more children in foster care the chance to become part of a family by updating policies and supports for permanent guardians and family caregivers and limiting the use of group homes.
- Improve stability for children being raised by grandparents and other relatives with stronger financial support through foster care licensing and TANF cash assistance.