



Southeast Louisiana

UWSELA PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

2022 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA "UNITED FOR A SAFE & PROSPEROUS COMMUNITY"

Ron McClain, Public Policy Chairman

2022 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The 2022 First Extraordinary Session convened on February 1 to redraw district lines for the state House and Senate, with final adjournment on February 20. Redistricting work is required every 10 years with the release of new U.S. Census data to account for population shifts.

The 2022 Regular Legislative Session will convene March 14 with final adjournment June 6. Meetings were held with UWSELA Public Policy and Community Impact staff to ensure inclusion of issues resonating in our community and affecting ALICE families.

UWSELA Public Policy held two Educational Sessions this year. We thank our partners for sharing their knowledge to help UWSELA create a robust 2022 State Legislative Agenda and we are most grateful for their subject matter expertise and their shared commitment to eliminate poverty!

Educational Session #1: Education, Financial Stability, and Health – <u>LINK</u> Educational Session #2: Health, Community Strengthening, and DEI – <u>LINK</u>

EDUCATION

- Early Childhood Education (ECE) (Ages 0-3)
- Increase Investment in K-12 Schools and Higher Education

FINANCIAL STABILITY

- Workforce Development
- Elimination of Pay Secrecy
- Establishment of a Living Wage

HEALTH

- Trauma Informed Care/ACEs
- Mental Health Services
- Paid Family Leave
- Domestic Violence
- Human Trafficking
- Sexual Assault
- Maternal Child Health
- Medicaid

COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING

- Louisiana Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative (LAPRI)
- Redistricting (Transparency & Citizen Engagement)
- Drivers' Suspension License Reform
- Affordable Housing