

TEXAS EAGLE FORUM

December 2023

Dear Texas Eagles,

Texas Eagle Forum began 2023 with critical goals to support family values and individual Constitutional rights for Texans. We added a few more important goals as the year progressed and, thankfully, we celebrated wins in many areas.

When I use the term “we,” I actually mean *you*. As an indispensable part of Texas Eagle Forum, while we presented testimonies, position papers, and visited with elected officials and staffers, you were calling, praying, teaching others, providing financial support, sharing our alerts or *The Torch*, and even entering your personal testimony in the House. Together, our combined efforts really do get things accomplished in Texas politics!

Texas Eagle Forum’s 2023 Accomplishments

TEF leadership was in the Capitol almost every day of the regular session (January to May) working on a wide variety of bills impacting family values and the biblical and constitutional principles that allow us to remain a free and self-governing nation.

- We testified and supported bills to end the sterilization and mutilation of Texas children suffering from gender confusion. *This win still lights up my heart!*
- We supported new laws to extend protection for female (xx) athletes from intrusion by male (xy) contenders in Texas public university sports.
- We testified and supported successful bills to keep children away from drag shows and to require age verification when trying to view pornography online.
- We partnered with several education groups to get grossly sexualized books out of our public school libraries.
- We supported a new law prohibiting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) positions, actions, or trainings at Texas public institutions of higher education.
- We helped Texas get out of the broken, expensive and subversive Electronic Registration Information Center “ERIC” voter registration system.
- We successfully testified for correction on a bill’s language that would have “accidentally” allowed Texas Electors to “free” themselves to vote for whomever they wanted in the Electoral College.
- We fought bills which would have expanded marijuana use in Texas. We also testified against bills to allow predatory gambling, whether online or in casinos.
- While most of our election integrity bills died without a hearing in the House Election Committee, TEF was able to educate our elected officials, staffers and voters on the need for better election processes and laws.
- TEF’s Legislative Scorecard held our legislators accountable for their votes.

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Looking ahead to 2024, you will find Texas Eagle Forum vetting candidates who will stand on constitutional and biblical principles to govern our state with integrity.

Additionally, I hope to add online discussions of the most pressing current issues. We will also continue our search for a gifted leader to help organize TEF Small Groups, so we can better educate and encourage citizens to be active participants in government. As always, we will continue to follow new research on issues critical to the survival, stability, and prosperity of our state and nation.

As always, we ask for your continued prayers and financial support. TEF strives to be excellent stewards of its resources. Although most of us are full-time volunteers, we have expenses to fulfill our mission of equipping you to become citizen activists. Often our work and research requires traveling to events to learn from the best of the best, and we would love to help our strong leaders with some of these expenses. TEF also contracts with a few like-minded professionals for help with our Alerts, *Torch* and website.

Your generous gift enables us to stand strong for Texas families and biblical values.

As we look to the new year, it is hard to ignore the fact we are living in troubling times. But as we gather with family and friends to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ, we have hope for the future. *He* has given us the gifts of both Texas and America, as well as the ability to faithfully steward those gifts through our participation in self-governance. We are blessed to be placed in a time such as this where together we can make a difference.

May you and your family enjoy a blessed and joyful Christmas season, and a happy, healthy, vibrant New Year!

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cindi Castilla". The script is cursive and fluid.

Cindi Castilla
President
Texas Eagle Forum

“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14 (NKJV)