



Texas Forward Decision-Making Process

Recognizing the importance of developing an inclusive and representative collective body, the Texas Forward will make its best effort solicit input from supporters and members in order to make strategic decisions about legislative and organizing initiatives.

To the extent that it is possible, large-scale decisions will be discussed by participants at open quarterly meetings of the coalition. Members and supporters will be given an opportunity to discuss and provide input into such decisions. All coalition members (i.e. those organizations who have endorsed the coalition's principles) will be allowed one vote to affect the outcome of the decision. The passage or failure of a proposal will be determined by a two-thirds majority *of those who choose to vote* (e.g. If 18 out of 20 members vote, at least 12 must vote the same way).

Because we strive to be a statewide coalition, we will work to accommodate those who cannot physically be in the room by providing teleconference or webinar capabilities *and* an ability to submit votes by email. Specific instructions on how to vote via these avenues will be provided with each decision item.

Inevitably there will be decisions items that will need to be addressed by the coalition Steering Committee, such those that are time sensitive or which concern the everyday workings of the coalition. However, the goal will always be to solicit and include the will of the coalition in all decision-making processes where appropriate.