



Locations: Minnesota (HQ) Industries: Diversified Financials



DESCRIPTION:

By complying with Human Rights Campaign's controversial demands, Thrivent increases the risk of dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. The company covers transgender-related medical costs for its employees and their children and provides specific sexual orientation and gender identity-based benefits. It also uses sex and gender ideology criteria in employee recruitment, vendor selection, marketing, and philanthropic support. Thrivent forces employees to undergo multiple ideological trainings and uses its reputation, corporate funds, and political influence to support controversial sex and gender ideologies, organizations, and legislation. A Thrivent donor program hosted an event to explore and learn about the past 50 years of LGBTQIA+ history in the life of the Lutheran church and the ELCA. For these reasons, Thrivent Financial receives a High Risk rating.

Corporate Weaponization

Medium Risk Has denied service to customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries.

Thrivent received a score of 902023 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. The company recruits employees based on sexual identity issues. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (1)(2). Thrivent has not publicly fired customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs.

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate **High Risk** against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

ThriventRC CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies (1)(2).

Employment policies fail to protect against discrimination based on political affiliation/views High Risk and/or religion.

Thriventindicates the company forces employees to attend multiple, controversial trainings on gender identity, sexual orientation, transgender issues, and divisive racial ideology. The company provides gender transition guidelines for its employees and a specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (1)(2). Thrivent3).



Corporate Governance and Public Policy

Uses corporate reputation to support ideological causes and/or organizations hostile to freedom Medium Risk of expression.

Thrivent'ng indicates the company agrees to allow a controversial stakeholder group focused on sexual identity issues to dictate marketing or advertising strategy ($\underline{1}$)($\underline{2}$). By doing so, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders.

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom High Risk of expression.

Thrivent's HRC 2023 CEI rating indicates the company covers transgender related costs for its employees and their children, including paid short-term leave, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, chest surgeries, genital surgeries, medical visits and lab monitoring, travel and lodging. Additionally, the company has pledged philanthropic support of at least one organization or event that promotes sex and gender ideology (1)(2). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders.. The company pledged \$3 million to the Black Lives Matter movement and related causes (3)(4). Thrivent did empower a "Faith Impact Fund" at the ELCA Churchwide Assembly to explore and learn about the past 50 years of LGBTQIA+ history in the life of the Lutheran church and the ELCA (5).

Uses corporate political contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

High Risk

Thriventindicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives (1)(2). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Thrivent has not used its PAC contributions or lobbying for ideological purposes (3)(4)(5).

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