



### **True Value**

Subsidiaries: Grand Rental Station, Party Central, Taylor Rental, Induserve Supply, Home & Garden Showplace Locations: Illinois (HQ) Industries: Retailing Lower Risk

**RISK LEVEL:** 

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

True Value does not yield to political activism in shaping corporate governance, preventing initiatives that potentially alienate consumers, divide employees, and harm shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Overall, True Value does not embrace corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach protects free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

### **Corporate Weaponization**

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

True Value has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (1).

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

True Value does not appear to discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs (1).

Employment policies fail to protect against viewpoint or other discrimination and/or are High Risk ideological in nature.

True Value's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates 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 (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). True Value does not publish a nondiscrimination policy (<u>3</u>).

### **Corporate Governance and Public Policy**

Uses corporate reputation to support causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of Lower Risk expression.

True Value has not supported ideological causes or policies (<u>1</u>).



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

True Value's HRC 2023-2024 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 (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders.

# Uses corporate political actions and/or financial contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

N/A

True Value does not operate a PAC or engage in lobbying at this time  $(\underline{1})(\underline{2})(\underline{3})$ .

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