



State Farm Insurance

Locations: Illinois (HQ) Industries: Insurance



RISK LEVEL:

High Risk

DESCRIPTION:

State Farm Insurance is High Risk. The company yields to political activism in shaping corporate governance, potentially alienating consumers, dividing employees, and harming shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. State Farm embraces corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach fails to safeguard free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

Corporate Weaponization

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

State Farm received a score of 95 on the 2025 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). However, the company has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (3).

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate

High Risk against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

State Farm's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies (1)(2). The company's charitable giving guidelines require that organizations abide by its nondiscrimination policy, including on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, thereby excluding some religious charities (3).

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

State Farm's HRC 2025 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 a specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (1)(2). The company offers unconscious bias training to its employees (3). State Farm does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (4).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy



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

High Risk

State Farm's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company agrees to allow a controversial stakeholder group focused on sexual identity issues to dictate marketing or advertising strategy. By doing so, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders (1)(2). The company signed an amicus brief in support of Bostock v. Clayton County (a Supreme Court case arguing that the 1964 Civil Rights act applies to sexual identity) (3). Leaked emails showed that State Farm partnered with The GenderCool Project to implement children's books about transgenderism and LGBTQ ideologies with kids in elementary school classrooms. After Consumers' Research reported on a State Farm employee inviting local agents to plant transgender books in children's libraries, State Farm abruptly ended the project (4)(5)(6). The company's CEO, Michael L. Tipsord, signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge, which includes a commitment to promote DEI through bias education training in the workplace, strategize on DEI programs/initiatives with other signatories, and engage boards of directors when developing and evaluating DEI strategies (7)(8). State Farm's CEO Michael Tipsord is a member of the Business Roundtable, which supports stakeholder capitalism over traditional shareholder obligations (9). The company supports DEI within its business practices, employing a Chief Diversity Officer and forming an Enterprise Diversity & Inclusion Council (10)(11)(12).

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

State Farm's HRC 2025 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. By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders (1)(2). The company donated \$110K to support LGBTQ organizations including, Out & Equal, The Trevor Project, and Matthew Shepard Foundation (3). The company was a Gold Tier corporate sponsor of the Trevor Project, an organization that advocates for controversial sex and gender ideology, including "gender transition" drugs and surgeries for minors, through legislation, litigation, advertising, and PR campaigns. The organization also hosts online chatrooms that allow adults to communicate with minors as young as 13 about sexually explicit topics. Adults in these chatrooms have encouraged minors to adopt transgender identities and withhold this information from their parents (4)(5)(6)(7)(8). State Farm is a copper sponsor of Out & Equal and a corporate partner of the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (9)(10). The company is a member of the MCCA, indicating its focus on recruiting, retaining, and promoting employees based on race (11)(12). State Farm committed to making a \$1 million donation toward education and research around social injustices and its impact to communities (13). The company pledged to donate \$100 million to "close the racial justice and equity gap" and to support "issues of racial equity and justice" (14)(15)(16). Otherwise, there are no publicly known cases of State Farm using corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies (17).

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

State Farm's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives. By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders (1)(2). The company has not used its PAC donations or lobbying for ideological purposes (3)(4)(5).

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