



Linda Koop's Failed, Recycled Agenda

After being rejected by Dallas voters once, Koop returns even more committed to a divisive special interest agenda that fails Texas families.

Linda Koop's even demeanor is betrayed by her refusal to stand up to Donald Trump's divisive approach and the damaging agenda he and his other followers in Texas demand. Koop's silence condones some of Trump's most degrading and damaging comments about women, people of color and those who may disagree with him.

Koop's actions actually advance the Trump agenda. When in office, Koop took the vote to gut access to affordable healthcare and attacked local public schools – all the while supporting her top special interest donors. Koop is returning with the agenda and intentions that Dallas voters soundly rejected in 2018.

- **Dismantling Affordable Healthcare:** Linda Koop [supports repeal of the Affordable Care Act \(ACA\)](#) that provides Texans with pre-existing conditions access to quality, affordable healthcare and prescription drugs. While working to dismantle the ACA, Koop has also stood with Trump-Republicans in the Texas Legislature to [block the expansion of healthcare](#) which would guarantee care for over 1 million Texans and jobs for more than 70,000 Texans. Koop went as far as [to support \\$350 million in services for special needs children](#) ¹
- **Deep-pocketed donors over Dallas Families:** Koop has made sticking up for special interests her priority. Koop [voted to put the interests of the insurance industry over the needs of Dallas area families](#) whose homes have been damaged as a result of tornadoes, hail and other weather. In [return for making it easier for insurance companies to skip out of paying policy holders](#), the industry has donated nearly \$20,000 to Koop's campaigns. ²
- **Opponent of Public Education:** Koop has taken thousands from [right-wing special interest groups that support private school vouchers](#) -- shifting millions of dollars in funding to unaccountable private schools. In the legislature, Koop has been hostile to Texas schools and teachers by voting [against the expansion of pre-K](#) and [demanding the use of the controversial STAAR test to assess the hardworking Texas teachers](#). ³

¹ [Linda Koop 2014 Campaign Website; SB1, Amendment 118 \(85R\) RV 199; HB2 \(85R\) RV 1934](#)

² [HB 1774, \(85R\) RV 841](#); Texas Ethics Commission, Accessed 7/2020; [Texas Watch](#)

³ [Texas Observer, 5/19/2014; HB 21, Amendment 32 \(85R\) RV 310; HB 22, Amendment 1 \(85R\) RV 751](#)