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- Emilia Sykes has been endorsed by Washington Democrats and organizations that support Joe Biden.

Organization	Year
Rep. Tim Ryan	January 2022
League of Conservation Voters	March 8, 2022
EMILY’s List	February 2022

- **In 2019, Tim Ryan endorsed Joe Biden for President.** “Former Democratic presidential candidate Rep. Tim Ryan endorsed Joe Biden’s presidential bid Wednesday, saying the former vice president has the ability to win swing states President Donald Trump won in 2016. ‘This election for many, many Democrats, regardless of where you live, is about who can beat Donald Trump. And the key to that is who can beat Donald Trump in Michigan, in Wisconsin, in Western Pennsylvania, in Ohio. And I’m convinced that that’s Joe Biden,’ Ryan, who represents Ohio, said on MSNBC.” (Devan Cole, “Ohio Rep. Tim Ryan endorses Joe Biden,” [CNN](#), 11/13/19)
- **League of Conservation Voters endorsed Joe Biden.** “Today, ahead of Earth Day, the League of Conservation Voters (LCV) Action Fund, the federal political action committee of LCV that works to elect leaders committed to solving the climate crisis, announced they are endorsing Joe Biden for President of the United States, saying that ‘he will work tirelessly starting on day one as president and every day to protect our environment and the health of our communities and to combat the climate crisis.’” (League of Conservation Voters, “LCV Action Fund Endorses Joe Biden for President,” [Press Release](#), 4/20/20)
- **On July 12, 2022, EMILY’s List tweeted that “the Biden-Harris administration is fighting for us.”** “The Biden-Harris administration is fighting for us. We must help by defeating Republicans and delivering a pro-choice majority to codify the right to an abortion into federal law.” (EMILY’s List, [Twitter](#), 7/12/22)



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Contributor	Date	Amount
CHERPAC (Representative Cheri Bustos)	6/30/22	\$1,000.00
DWS PAC (Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz)	5/2/22	\$1,000.00
Evergreen PAC (Rep. Suzan DelBene)	6/7/22	\$2,000.00
Friends of Don Beyer	6/7/22	\$2,000.00
Good Friends PAC (Rep. Suzanne Bonamici)	6/28/22	\$1,000.00
Hudson Valley PAC (Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney)	5/2/22	\$2,500.00
Jobs and Innovation Matter (Rep. Jim Himes)	6/28/22	\$1,000.00
Joe Neguse for Congress	5/19/22	\$1,000.00
Making a Difference PAC (Rep. Madeleine Dean)	6/28/22	\$1,000.00
Marc Veasey Congressional Campaign Committee	5/2/22	\$1,000.00
Melanie for New Mexico (Rep. Melanie Stansbury)	5/23/22	\$500.00
Nancy Pelosi for Congress	5/26/22	\$2,000.00
PAC to the Future (Rep. Nancy Pelosi)	5/26/22	\$5,000.00
Paul Tonko for Congress	6/30/22	\$1,000.00

Purpose PAC (Sen. Cory Booker)	6/29/22	\$5,000.00
Shontel Brown for Congress	6/7/22	\$1,000.00
Ted Lieu for Congress	4/20/22	\$2,000.00
Tony Cardenas for Congress	6/29/22	\$1,000.00
Truedem Leadership Fund (Rep. Marcy Kaptur)	6/30/22	\$1,000.00
Wolverine PAC (Rep. Debbie Dingell)	6/30/22	\$1,000.00
Butterfield for Congress	4/10/22	\$1,000.00

***Editor's Note:** Emilia Sykes has touted the American Rescue Plan.*

- **Democrat Jared Golden of Maine was the sole Democrat to oppose the American Rescue Plan.** “Democratic Rep. Jared Golden of Maine, who also voted against the original House version, was the sole member to break ranks. Golden argued in late February that many of the provisions in the nearly \$1.9 trillion pandemic relief package were not directly related to the pandemic or should be addressed in stand-alone bills.” (Jennifer Shutt, “House sends massive coronavirus relief bill to Biden,” [Roll Call](#), 3/10/21)
 - **The American Rescue Plan passed through Congress on a partisan basis.** “The American Rescue plan made it through Congress with only Democratic support, making it stand out from the bipartisan COVID relief plans Congress passed over the last year.” (Savannah Behrmann, “Takeaways from the COVID-19 stimulus bill passing Congress: Weeks of partisan fighting comes to an end with a win for Biden,” [USA Today](#), 3/10/21)
- **The American Rescue Plan is a \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package.** “President Biden signed the \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package on Thursday. The colossal bill, known as the American Rescue Plan, allocates money for vaccines, schools, small businesses and anti-poverty programs such as an expanded child tax credit that will mean new monthly payments to many parents.” (Barbara Sprunt, “Here's What's In The American Rescue Plan,” [NPR](#), 3/11/21)
- **According to a regional Federal Reserve Bank analysis, the American Rescue Plan boosted inflation.** “Inflation is likely getting a temporary boost from the \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package that the Biden administration ushered in early this year, new Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco research released on Monday suggested.” (Jeanna Smialek, “A regional Fed analysis suggests Biden's stimulus is temporarily stoking inflation.,” [the New York Times](#), 10/18/21)
 - **The United States spent a lot more on stimulus when compared to other countries, “and the stimulus that most stands out is Biden's \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan.”** “A recent article published by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco makes this point. The authors – Oscar Jordà, Celeste Liu, Fernanda Nechio, and Fabián Rivera-Reyes – compare core inflation in the US to the average of eight wealthy countries (the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Canada, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, and Finland). Before 2021, these and the US had similar inflation levels. Then the US's shot up. The authors don't mince words about why they think that is, writing: ‘Estimates suggest that fiscal support measures designed to counteract the severity of the pandemic's economic

effect may have contributed to this divergence by raising inflation about 3 percentage points by the end of 2021.’ That is: The US did a lot more stimulus than these other countries, and now it’s seeing a lot more core inflation. And the stimulus that most stands out is Biden’s \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan – because it was enacted after more than \$3 trillion had already been spent to stimulate the economy under Trump, with one big chunk of that being approved just three months prior.” (Andrew Prokop, “Biden’s American Rescue Plan worsened inflation. The question is how much.” [Vox](#), 5/12/22)

- **“We put gasoline on the fire. That’s basically what the ARP did. It was almost written as if we didn’t just pass a trillion-dollar stimulus in December,’ said Goldwein.”** (Andrew Prokop, “Biden’s American Rescue Plan worsened inflation. The question is how much.” [Vox](#), 5/12/22)
- **Researchers found that the American Rescue Plan might raise the vacancy-to-unemployment ratio close to its historical peak in 1968, fueling inflation.** “Based on the package’s size and using historical evidence on how fiscal spending affects the labor market, the researchers found that the American Rescue Plan might raise the vacancy-to-unemployment ratio close to its historical peak in 1968, fueling some inflation – but that the price impact would be small and short-lived.” (Jeanna Smialek, “A regional Fed analysis suggests Biden’s stimulus is temporarily stoking inflation.,” [the New York Times](#), 10/18/21)
- **The American Rescue Plan extended supplemental unemployment benefits.** “The American Rescue Plan extended unemployment benefits until September 6 with a weekly supplemental benefit of \$300 on top of the regular \$400 benefit.” (The White House, “[American Rescue Plan](#),” Accessed: 11/1/21)
 - **COVID-related unemployment benefits contribute to inflation.** “5) Low-wage workers are finally getting raises. Full-service restaurants saw no inflation in April, but fast-food establishments jacked up prices significantly. ... With their savings buttressed by stimulus checks – and, for the previously laid off, their sustenance assured by \$300-a-week federal unemployment benefits – many American workers have become newly empowered to turn down lousy job offers. This, combined with resurgent demand, has produced a shortage of labor in some sectors, forcing firms to raise wages to attract new hires.” (Eric Levitz, “THE ECONOMY JUNE 8, 2021 The Case for (and Against) Worrying About Inflation,” [NY Mag](#), 6/8/21)
- **In July 2022, reports showed that inflation hit its highest rate in 40 years.** “Inflation surged to a new pandemic-era peak in June, with US consumer prices jumping by 9.1% year-over-year, according to fresh data released Wednesday by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. That’s the highest level in more than 40 years and higher than the previous reading, when prices rose by 8.6% for the year ended in May. It is also much higher than the 8.8% that economists had predicted, according to Refinitiv.” (Lucy Bayly and Alicia Wallace, “US inflation hit 40-year high in June, driven by record gas prices,” [CNN](#), 7/13/22)

Inflation has led to higher prices on various cost of living expenses, including record highs for gas prices:

- **Inflation has led to higher prices on groceries, and “cost of living expenses.”** “Though some workers have received pay increases, their salaries aren’t keeping up with widespread inflation. And inflation has pushed up rent and cost of living expenses, which is curbing some households’ ability to save money. No food category saw a price decrease in 2021 compared to 2020, according to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). And the department predicts food prices to rise a total of 5% to 6% in 2022, according to its April report. For consumers who were already cash-strapped, record inflation leads to even more pressure to rein in spending and juggle strained budgets.” (Lisa Rowan, “When Everything Is More Expensive, Is It Even Possible To Save Money On Groceries?” [Forbes Advisor](#), 5/3/22)
 - **Costs are going up for various groceries, including eggs, chicken, milk, and butter.** “Food prices at the grocery store rose 0.9% from March and 9.4% from the year prior. Eggs, chicken and milk were among those hit hardest. The cost of eggs rose 10.3% from last month, while milk was up 3.1% and chicken prices increased 3.4%. Butter increased 3.7% month over month, compared with a 7.1% hike in margarine prices.” (Michelle Fox, “Inflation is costing U.S. households an extra \$341 a month. Here’s what’s more expensive and how you can save some money,” [CNBC](#), 5/12/22)
- **“As inflation continues to rise across the globe, the United States is on the verge of a cost of living crisis, an economist has warned.”** “As inflation continues to rise across the globe, the United States is on the verge of a cost of living crisis, an economist has warned. Mohamed El-Erian told CNBC on 11 May: ‘It’s just a matter of time before we’re talking about a cost of living crisis.’” (Kate Whiting, “Cost of living: This chart shows how the price of products has risen in the US,” [World Economic Forum](#), 5/25/22)
- **“U.S. households are spending an additional \$341 a month to purchase the same goods and services compared to a year ago due to inflation above typical inflation of 2%.”** “Consumer prices rose 8.3% in April from a year ago. As a result, U.S. households are spending an additional \$341 a month to purchase the same goods and services compared to a year ago due to inflation above typical inflation of 2%, according to an analysis by Moody’s Analytics senior director Ryan Sweet.” (Michelle Fox, “Inflation is costing U.S. households an extra \$341 a month. Here’s what’s more expensive and how you can save some money,” [CNBC](#), 5/12/22)
- **“Common household purchases continue to be significantly more expensive than a year ago.”** “Core inflation, a measurement that omits volatile commodities to give a more accurate picture of the rise in prices, remains at troublesome levels. The core inflation rate was 6% in May, accounting for a slight decrease from its measurement in April. Common household purchases continue to be significantly more expensive than a year ago. Food prices increased to 10.1%, the first increase of 10% or more since the period ending in March 1981.” (Kelly Anne Smith, “Inflation Hits New 40-Year High. Here’s What’s More Expensive,” [Forbes](#), 6/10/22)
- **Inflation has led to higher costs for rent, hotel rates, and airline fares.** “Housing costs are still climbing. The government’s shelter index, which includes rents, hotel rates and a measure of what it costs to own a home, increased 5.5% in the past year, the most since 1991. Airline fares are up nearly 38% in the past year, the sharpest such rise since 1980.” (Christopher Rugaber, “US inflation at new 40-year high as price increase spread,” [AP](#), 6/10/22)
- **In June 2022, it was reported that gas prices hit record highs.** “For the first time ever, a gallon of regular gas now costs \$5 on average nationwide, according to AAA’s Saturday

reading. The record is hardly a surprise. Gas prices have been rising steadily for the last eight weeks, and this latest milestone marks the 15th straight day that the AAA reading has hit a record price, and the 32nd time in the last 33 days.” (Chris Isidore, “Average US gas price hits \$5 for first time,” [CNN](#), 6/13/22)

Supporters of Sykes voted for the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which contributed to “the worst inflation surge in decades:”

- **Only six Democrats – Jamaal Bowman, Cori Bush, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Ilhan Omar, Ayanna Pressley, and Rashida Tlaib – voted against the \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill.** “The House on Friday voted 228-206 to pass a \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill after hours of delays and debating among Democrats, sending the bipartisan measure to President Joe Biden's desk for his signature. But while Democratic leaders managed to unify House progressives and moderates to hold a vote on the Senate-passed bill, not all members of the party ultimately supported it. A number of progressives - who have consistently called for both the infrastructure and the separate economic package, known as the Build Back Better Act, to move together ~ voted "no" on the legislation. Here are the six House Democrats who broke from their party to vote against the bill: Rep. Jamaal Bowman of New York Rep. Cori Bush of Missouri Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York Rep. Ilhan Omar of Minnesota Rep. Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts Rep. Rashida Tlaib of Michigan” (Annie Grayer, “These 6 House Democrats voted against the infrastructure bill. These 13 Republicans voted for it.” [CNN](#), 11/5/21)
- **According to the Heritage Foundation, Biden’s infrastructure bill contributed to “the worst inflation surge in decades.”** “The harmful effects of excessive government spending have become the most pressing issue for Americans due to the worst inflation surge in decades. Washington’s reckless choice to pump trillions of dollars into the economy is the reason we face more inflation than other top economies around the world. Yet, incredibly, Congress is still planning an onslaught of additional inflationary spending bills with seemingly no end in sight... Compared to projections from February 2021, when Biden had just taken office, the latest analysis shows a combined \$2.77 trillion in additional deficits over the 2021-2031 period. The largest factor for this increase was the wasteful and opportunistic \$1.9 trillion COVID-19 package that passed with exclusively Democratic support in March 2021. The shoddy \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill that Biden championed added even more red ink.” (David Ditch, “New Charts Reveal Harms of Biden’s Budget-Busting Binge,” [The Heritage Foundation](#), 6/8/22)