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WORKING FAMILIES' ISSUE GUIDE:

WHERE DO THE CANDIDATES  
STAND ON THE ISSUES THAT  
MATTER TO NEBRASKA?



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GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR U.S. SENATE



**DAN OSBORN**, an Independent, is a union leader and Navy veteran. He's running for Senate to be a voice for working Nebraskans and stand up to corporations and powerful special interests. A true fiscal conservative, he will fight to keep corporate money out of politics and end the wasteful tax giveaways to billionaires and big corporations while cutting taxes for working families. Dan is a union man, and he knows that workers and families in Nebraska need a real representative in Washington.

Sources: Nebraska Examiner, 10/5/2023, 3/25/2024; *Labor Notes*, 12/6/2023



**SENATOR DEB FISCHER**, the Republican incumbent, is out of touch with everyday Nebraskans. While she's busy cutting taxes for billionaires, the rest of us are struggling with rising healthcare costs and the erosion of our safety net. Senator Fischer needs to remember who she works for—not big corporations, but the hardworking folks who call Nebraska home.

Sources: Nebraska Railroaders, accessed 10/15/2024; Open Secrets, accessed 10/20/2024; *The Nebraska Independent*, 10/1/2024



**Election Day is November 5, and for working families, our future is on the line.** We know you're busy, so *In Union* has done the hard work for you. We've researched the candidates' records and found out where they stand on the issues that matter most to you and your family—like making sure everyone has affordable healthcare, protecting good-paying jobs, and ensuring our kids have a quality education.



Dan Osborn is the only candidate in this race who will fight for working families and stand up for unions. Osborn has a long record of supporting policies that help working families, like raising the minimum wage and expanding access to quality healthcare. Deb Fischer has consistently sided with big corporations over working families, voting against policies that would benefit working people.

“We need candidates like Dan who aren't afraid to be an independent voice for the working class in the halls of power. It isn't about your political party; it's about taking the fight against corporate greed to Washington, D.C. As a union member, Dan knows all about that fight, and we've got his back.”

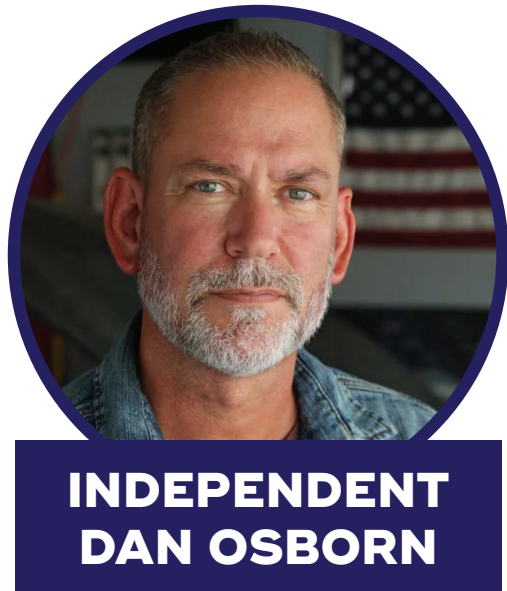
—**Shawn Fain**, President, United Auto Workers

Sources: Nebraska Public Media, 9/3/2024; The Intercept, 6/11/2024

SEE INSIDE for a detailed comparison of the candidates for U.S. Senate on worker issues.

# 2024 NEBRASKA VOTER GUIDE

## COMPARE THE CANDIDATES ON THE ISSUES



### Lowering Costs for Nebraska's Working Families

Osborn is committed to **reducing the cost of living for working families** by standing up to corporate greed and special interests, just like he's done as a leader for his union. He supports **cutting taxes for everyday Nebraskans** by making sure huge corporations and the ultra-wealthy finally pay what they owe in taxes.

Sources: Nebraska Examiner, 10/5/2023, 3/25/2024

### Affordable Healthcare & Prescription Drugs

Osborn believes everyone should be able to afford to go to the doctor and receive quality healthcare. He **supports a \$35 monthly cap on the price of insulin for all**, and he **opposes the massive handouts to Big Pharma**, who get rich off our tax dollars while jacking up prices on lifesaving medications.

Source: KETV, 10/6/2024

### Standing Up for Workers & Unions

As a union leader, Osborn will always stand up for workers' rights and safety. He **supports the Protecting the Right to Organize (PRO) Act**, because all workers should be able to join a union if they choose. He'll fight to **raise the minimum wage**, improve job security and benefits, and keep workers safe on the job.

Sources: Labor Notes, 12/6/2023; 10 11 NOW, 10/12/2024

### Social Security & Medicare

Osborn knows that **Social Security and Medicare are essential benefits that Nebraskans have earned** through years of hard work, and as a union worker himself, he won't let politicians or Wall Street play games with our retirement security. He will work to **strengthen these programs for generations to come by ending wasteful tax handouts to billionaires** and big corporations so they pay their fair share to the program.

Source: 10 11 NOW, 9/17/2024

### Protecting Nebraska's Family Farms

Osborn understands that Nebraska's family farms and ranches are the lifeblood of our state. He'll lead the fight to **reform crop subsidies and anticompetitive practices that unfairly favor large corporations** while local farms are struggling to get by. He **supports trade policies that protect farmers and local supply chains**, as well as establishing a "Right to Repair" for farm equipment.

Sources: Barn Raiser, 3/13/2024; 10 11 NOW, 9/17/2024

Fischer voted for a tax plan that showered **massive tax breaks on the super-rich and big corporations** while leaving hardworking Nebraskans to pick up the tab. Her record in the Senate shows she's **more interested in helping her wealthy donors than the folks who actually live and work here in Nebraska**. It's time to stand up for our families and our communities.

Sources: U.S. Senate, H.R. 1, Vote #303, 12/2/2017; CAP, 9/26/2019; CNBC, 12/17/2019

Fischer voted to leave Nebraskans struggling with sky-high insulin prices while she **hiked up health insurance costs** and penalized seniors with an "age tax" on their Medicare. She even **blocked expanded healthcare access for our veterans**. It's time for a change and a leader who puts Nebraskans first.

Sources: Newsweek, 8/8/2022, 7/29/2022; The New York Times, 12/19/2017; The Hill, 12/15/2017; CNBC, 6/26/2017

In the Senate, Fischer **consistently votes against workers' interests**. She voted against raising the minimum wage, guaranteeing paid sick leave, and ending tax breaks for companies that move our jobs overseas. And she still hasn't signed on to the bipartisan Railway Safety Act, even after a freight train carrying hazardous materials derailed in southeast Nebraska in June. **Fischer represents her corporate donors, not working Nebraskans**.

Sources: The Nebraska Independent, 10/1/2024; KLKN, 6/12/2024; U.S. Congress, S. 576, accessed 10/20/2024

Fischer's plan to slash Social Security and Medicare **puts the retirement security of Nebraska families at risk**. It's simply unfair to force hardworking Nebraskans to pay more for less, especially since they've already paid into these programs their entire lives. **We can't let politicians like Fischer jeopardize the safety net that millions of Americans rely on**.

Sources: U.S. Senate, S. Amdt. 601 to S. Con. Res. 11, Vote #90, 3/25/2015; S. Amdt. 471 to S. Con. Res. 11, Vote #84, 3/24/2015

Fischer's gotten **over a million dollars from Big Ag**, the same folks who are making it harder and harder for family farmers to make a living. She's **against policies that help our farmers compete and keep food prices down**. We can't afford that. Since 2012, over 6,000 family farms have disappeared. That's 6,000 Nebraskan families struggling to get by. We need leaders who stand up for our farmers, not corporate interests.

Sources: USDA, February 2024; Nebraska Railroaders, 10/15/2024