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New Polling Shows One in Five Voters Still Undecided in Governor’s Race, Overwhelmingly Support Policies That Put Children First

Los Angeles, CA – New analysis from the Choose Children 2026 coalition finds that one in five likely June 2026 voters, or 20 percent, have not yet decided who they will support for Governor. Among these undecided voters, affordability and the cost of living, housing, and taxes rise to the top of the changes they most want the next Governor to make to improve quality of life in California.

The data clearly show that undecided voters strongly back policies that put children and families first. Among this group, 87 percent support making child care and preschool more affordable, 88 percent support providing quality prenatal and postpartum care, and 86 percent support building the children’s behavioral and mental health workforce. Across all of the children and family-focused policies tested, support among undecided voters ranges from 65 percent to 88 percent.

“These undecided voters could decide the outcome of this race, and their message could not be clearer,” said Avo Makdessian, executive director of the First 5 Association of California. “They are still making up their minds about who to support, but they know exactly what they want from the next Governor: real solutions that make California more affordable for families and invest in the health, care, and well-being of our youngest children.”

Choose Children 2026 is a California coalition of child advocates, community-based organizations, First 5 commissions, and foundations committed to elevating early childhood as a top priority in the 2026 Governor’s race.

To learn more about Choose Children 2026, its platform and the polling released today, visit [this link](#).