



TRUMAN CENTER

The Truman Center is committed to advancing timely, principled, and innovative solutions to complex national security challenges.

● Our Values

At Truman, we define national security broadly and believe that issues ranging from climate change to immigration to democratic resilience and more all impact America's national security.

We believe that the United States must use a wide range of tools that straddle foreign and domestic policy, and go beyond military might, to strengthen national security. We use our voice and platform to advance this view.

● National Security. Nationwide.

Truman explores and demonstrates why national security matters to leaders, communities, and Americans nationwide. We're innovators in the field of [City & State Diplomacy](#), showcasing how and why mayors, governors, and other local leaders engage internationally and influence national security. We weave the connective tissue between these leaders and national security policymakers in Washington D.C.

● Modernizing National Security Institutions

National security institutions are resistant to change; Truman is driving reforms. We informed the design of the State Department's Subnational Diplomacy Unit and support its role as a bridge between local leaders and U.S. foreign policy, published a [groundbreaking report](#) on diversity in the State Department, and are identifying lessons and best practices in public-private coordination to improve partnerships for crisis response.

● Diversity in National Security

Truman's commitment to Diversity, Equality, Inclusion, Accessibility, and Belonging (DEIAB) is at the center of all that we do, including amplifying diverse voices in fields such as [nuclear security](#). We work with our sister organization, the [Truman National Security Project](#), to elevate its membership of diverse national security experts in their roles in every corner of the national security ecosystem.

● Innovating on the Issues that Matter Most

Truman focuses on the issues at the heart of America's national security. This includes examining how city leaders across the country view U.S.-China relations - the most consequential bilateral relationship in the world. We are [changing narratives about immigration](#) and working with cities to advocate for immigration reform. And, in response to growing authoritarianism, we are helping cities in the U.S. and abroad collaborate to stand up for democracy.

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