

Joshua Rodriguez for Governor



Joshua Rodriguez is an entrepreneur, inventor, and clean-technology leader focused on practical solutions that strengthen Colorado’s economy while protecting families and communities. With a career rooted in advanced industrial systems, automation, and environmental performance, he has worked on innovations that reduce emissions, improve efficiency, and recover valuable materials from waste streams.

Joshua brings a problem-solving, results-driven approach to public service—prioritizing accountability, transparency, and measurable outcomes. He is also active in community and school leadership and has led statewide policy work on child digital safety and fiscal reform.

Joshua is running for Governor of Colorado in 2026 to deliver safer communities, a stronger economy, and a government that respects taxpayers.

Key Issues

Child Safety & Digital Protection

Colorado must modernize child protection for the digital age. I support strong safeguards against online exploitation, sextortion, and AI-enabled abuse, including tougher criminal penalties for predators, clearer platform accountability, and practical

tools for parents and law enforcement—while maintaining due process and focusing enforcement on bad actors.

Tax Reform, Affordability, and TABOR Integrity

Colorado families need relief and a government that lives within its means. I

support a responsible, phased approach to reducing and ultimately eliminating the state income tax while preserving TABOR protections, improving transparency in budgeting, and requiring a clear fiscal transition plan that protects essential services without expanding government waste.

Jobs, Innovation, and Clean Industrial Growth

Colorado should be the best state to build and scale advanced manufacturing and clean industrial technology. I support policies that expand high-wage jobs, streamline permitting without weakening environmental standards, and invest in infrastructure that improves water efficiency and reliability—so Colorado can grow sustainably and competitively.

Education that Prepares Students for the Real Economy

I support outcome-driven education reforms that expand high-quality options for families, strengthen career and technical pathways, and responsibly use modern tools (including AI where appropriate) to improve student outcomes, while protecting student privacy and ensuring accountability for results.

Government Transparency and Accountability

State government should be auditable, understandable, and accountable. I support stronger public transparency, clear ethics standards, performance-based budgeting, and reforms that make it easier for taxpayers to see where money goes and what outcomes they receive.