

# MENSTRUAL HEALTH REPORT CARD

## Michigan

Overall Grade **C** State Ranking **#23**

**Period poverty** is the inability to afford or access menstrual health products, education, or sanitation facilities. In the U.S., 2 in 5 people have struggled to afford period products.<sup>1</sup> When unaddressed, period poverty can lead to missed school and work, increased risk of infections, and shame or isolation due to social stigma.

This report card details the current state of menstrual health policies in your state.

SUBJECT	GRADE	CURRENT POLICY
Menstrual Product Taxation	<b>A</b>	Michigan removed the tax on menstrual products in 2021. <sup>2</sup>
Menstrual Products in Schools	<b>D</b>	Michigan has a pilot program to fund the provision of menstrual products in a limited number of schools. <sup>3</sup>
Menstrual Products in Incarceration Facilities	<b>A</b>	Michigan requires the provision of a 30-day supply of menstrual products to inmates at intake and every month following. <sup>4</sup>
Menstrual Products in Public Buildings	<b>F</b>	Michigan does not have a law requiring public buildings to provide menstrual products.
Good Samaritan Menstrual Product Donations	<b>F</b>	Michigan does not have a Good Samaritan menstrual product donation law.

## Recommendations

1. Implement a Good Samaritan law to protect menstrual product donations made in good faith from civil & criminal liability.
2. Require incarceration facilities to make menstrual products readily available.
3. Expand the pilot program to fund the provision of menstrual products at low-income public schools.

### References

- 1 Alliance for Period Supplies & U by Kotex, 2021
- 2 Michigan HB5267, 2021
- 3 Michigan SB173, 2023
- 4 Michigan Department of Corrections Policy Directive 04.07.110, 2024

