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HOW TO USE THE AARP VOTERS' GUIDE:

AARP produced this guide to help you find out what candidates are saying about health and financial security in their own words.

HAVING TROUBLE CUTTING THROUGH THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN CLUTTER?

AARP is committed to helping you get the facts you need to choose candidates who reflect your views and values. We are nonpartisan – we don't support or oppose any political candidates or contribute any money to campaigns or political action committees. Our priority is ensuring you know where the candidates stand before you cast your vote.



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Social Security

How would you protect Social Security for today's seniors and strengthen it for future generations?

AARP's Position:

Social Security should continue to guarantee that Americans who work and pay into the system receive benefits based on what they earn and contribute. Benefits should keep up with inflation and last for as long as an individual lives. We must strengthen Social Security for the future and protect benefits for people who count on them most, including surviving spouses and families, lower-wage workers, and disabled individuals who no longer can work. Social Security must be put on stable financial ground, but any adjustments should be implemented gradually so changes do not impact those in or near retirement.

Judy Chu (Dem):

Our principled stance on Medicare and Social Security is absolutely no different than the Republicans stance on no revenue increases without cuts. At the end of the day, one of the most politically active voters in the country, seniors, will know who stood with them and who didn't. (Source: Politico.com, <http://ow.ly/bYbii>)

Jack Orswell (Rep):

We need a health care system that provides individuals affordable choices. We have already established free and low-cost health care programs, including Medicaid, which provide services for people who cannot afford health insurance at any price. We need to eliminate the current national health care system requiring participation and create an open, competitive health insurance market. We need to remove the restrictions that prevent insurance companies throughout the United States from competing in California and many other states (Source: [claremont-laverne.patch.com, http://ow.ly/bYcOL](http://ow.ly/bYcOL))

Medicare

How would you put Medicare on stronger financial ground and protect today's seniors and future retirees from rising health costs?

AARP's Position:

Medicare should be strengthened and improved so both current and future generations can count on having access to high-quality, affordable coverage. Medicare should continue to guarantee a specific set of benefits that are affordable and meet a person's health care needs. Medicare should offer choices that ensure access to high-quality health care. Medicare should improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of care by emphasizing value and cracking down on fraud, waste, and abuse.

Judy Chu (Dem):

I commend the Democratic members of the Committee, Reps. Clyburn, Becerra and Van Hollen, for championing a big, bold and balanced plan that included a jobs component and guaranteed Medicare coverage, and I know that our party will continue to fight for a broad solution that will balance cuts with revenue increases, protect benefits for our seniors, poor and disabled, and put our nation's fiscal house in order... (Source: InsuranceNewsNet.com, <http://ow.ly/bYaFY>)

Jack Orswell (Rep):

For those individuals who have pre-existing medical conditions, we need to establish a program similar to the FAIR Plan, which is an association comprised of all insurers authorized to transact basic property insurance in California. Using the FAIR Plan concept, all authorized insurers will be required to provide basic health coverage under the supervision of the California Department of Managed Health Care. I believe private insurance companies will do a better job of managing claims and preventing fraud, making affordable health care available to everyone. (Source: [claremont-laverne.patch.com, http://ow.ly/bYcOL](http://ow.ly/bYcOL))

Financial Security

How would you help Americans save so they can secure their future and live independently as they age?

AARP's Position:

More opportunities and incentives should be available for all Americans to plan and save so they can have a more secure future. Freedom from age discrimination is a fundamental right and critical to Americans' ability to have a secure retirement. Every worker should be treated fairly, regardless of age. We need to support family caregivers who make it possible for more seniors to live in their homes and communities, where they want, rather than taxpayers and struggling families paying for costlier care.

Judy Chu (Dem):

Small businesses are the key to America's economic recovery, creating two out of every three new jobs. That is why as a ranking member of the Small Business Committee's Contracting and Workforce Subcommittee, Rep. Chu has participated or called for hearings into everything from helping ease restrictions on small business access to capital, to making it easier for women-owned or minority businesses to earn federal contracts. (Source: Judy Chu Website, <http://ow.ly/bY9an>)

Jack Orswell (Rep):

Congress needs to encourage entrepreneurs and innovators to build upon their dreams through small business loans and by reducing the rules and regulations that make it difficult for businesses to obtain capital. Small businesses create nearly 50% of new jobs in America. We have always been a nation of creativity and self-improvement and it is small business, not big government that will create jobs and get America back to work. (Source: [claremont-laverne.patch.com, http://ow.ly/bYcOL](http://ow.ly/bYcOL))



After years of working hard and paying into the system, AARP believes you've earned the right to know where the candidates stand on the issues that matter to you and your family. This Voters' Guide will help you find out where the candidates stand on health and financial security in their own words, so you can decide which candidate best reflects your views and values.

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