



US House Florida District 22

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.

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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.

Lois J. Frankel (Dem):

Here in South Florida, many of our neighbors and relatives rely on Social Security and Medicare. Our seniors have spent their entire lives contributing to these programs and they deserve to know that Social Security and Medicare will be there for them when they retire. Lois will fight to protect these programs for current and future generations and will resist any efforts to cut benefits. Making these programs solvent for the long term is vital to their continued survival. We need to focus on combating waste, fraud and abuse from people trying to make money off these precious programs. (Source: Lois Frankel Website, <http://ow.ly/cmKXR>)

Paul Spain (Rep):

Paul believes that government priorities have been mismanaged under the current administration and that seniors deserve better treatment. More attention should be placed on measuring the true factors that affect inflation, including food and energy costs. Currently, a new and more comprehensive index has been recommended, which if implemented, will include the cost of food and energy when computing inflation-based index statistics. If approved, the new Index will help seniors receive more accurate benefit payments. (Source: Spain for Congress, <http://goo.gl/mgXI6M>)

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.

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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.

Lois J. Frankel (Dem):

- Working with small businesses to provide incentives for creating new, good jobs.
- Investing in infrastructure and technology to modernize the economy and create jobs.
- Promoting green technologies to keep us on the cutting edge of new developments in one of the fastest growing fields.
- Focusing on education. Education and our economy are linked. When we forsake education we hinder the long term viability of our economy. (Source: Lois Frankel Website, <http://ow.ly/cmlQI>)

Paul Spain (Rep):

Paul believes that by removing unnecessary job killing directives, the private sector can thrive, and in the process create millions of new jobs. (Source: Spain for Congress, <http://goo.gl/hHdeqK>)



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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