



US House Minnesota District 8

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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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.

Stewart Mills (Rep):

Friends, I've always supported Social Security as a cornerstone of American society and I always will. My pledge to our seniors is this: When it comes to Medicare and Social Security, a promise made is a promise kept. (Source: Mills Campaign Facebook, http://ow.ly/yrX4T)

Rick M. Nolan (DFL):

I firmly believe Social Security is an earned benefit Americans have paid for from their first day on the job, and seniors deserve to know that what they have earned will be protected. Many seniors would be destitute without the benefits they worked for, earned, and have every right to expect. I am fundamentally opposed to any plan or budget deal that privatizes, reduces, or compromises these successful and necessary programs or the benefits they provide. (Source: Nolan House Website, http://ow.ly/Ac7qb)

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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I have fought to protect cuts to Medicare Advantage, joining some 160 Members of Congress on both sides of the aisle in urging the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to restore the Administration's proposed cuts in the Medicare FFS program. [...] I am also working on several bills to expand and strengthen these earned benefits [like] the Improving Access to Medicare Coverage Act [which] would ensure hospital observation stays count toward the requirements to receive Medicare Part A benefits. (Source: Nolan's Congressional Site, http://ow.ly/xIw7n)

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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.

Stewart Mills (Rep):

The Eighth District is a Main Street economy and job growth here comes from the ground up. That means we need tax reform that's geared toward small business growth. Stewart doesn't believe that Washington creates jobsentrepreneurs and business owners create jobs. (Source: Mills Campaign Website, http://ow.ly/yrXgU)

Rick M. Nolan (DFL):

I'm committed to ensuring our seniors are fully protected against fraud, telemarketing and online scams, and abuse or exploitation. [...] I'm working on the following bills to protect our seniors: • Seniors Fraud Prevent Act ensures complaints of fraud are handled quickly by the appropriate law enforcement agencies, and requires the government to distribute information materials [...] • Elder Protection and Abuse Prevention Act - in order to address serious issues of abuse or exploitation of seniors, this bill would ensure that all programs under the Older Americans Act of 1965 include training in elder abuse prevention. (Source: Nolan House Site, http://ow.ly/AcNJ6)



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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