



US House Nevada District 2

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.

Mark E. Amodei (Rep):

I agree with the concept of a "lock box" because time and again, leaders in Washington have dipped into the Social Security trust fund to pay for unrelated, wasteful government spending. We need to lock away these funds by taking Social Security "off-budget" to ensure our future retirees receive the promises that have been made to them. America's senior citizens have worked hard for their retirement. Congress needs to change the status quo to make sure Social Security is there for senior citizens and for future generations. (Source: Amodei's Congressional Site, <http://ow.ly/xSJtK>)

Kristen Spees (Dem):

The older population—persons 65 years or older—represents 12.9% of the U.S. population. By 2030, this population will represent 19%. We need more workers to pay into social security to provide for the older population. By reforming immigration we will be able to strengthen the workforce and we can better provide for our aging population. (Source: Kristen for Congress, <http://ow.ly/ybShy>)

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.

Mark E. Amodei (Rep):

We must reform the Medicare program because it is not solvent in its current form and it will reach insolvency by 2024. However, we also must be sure to keep our promises to those current beneficiaries and those nearing eligibility who have planned their health care needs in retirement around it. Further, we cannot support a plan that will hinder economic growth. The solution to our federal deficit is not diverting costs or raising taxes. (Source: Amodei's Congressional Site, <http://ow.ly/xSJtK>)

Kristen Spees (Dem):

I want to make progress for our State and our country by helping to create long-term policy solutions for the next generation. Government needs to get young blood involved to get a new perspective on the issues. It's important for us to plan for the future and ensure that our safety, health, environment and well-being are preserved. Congress is dealing with issues like spending, budget management, healthcare, medicare and social security that will have an impact on the generations to come. These decisions affect everyone, especially the younger generations that are not represented. (Source: Spees' Facebook, <http://ow.ly/ybToG>)

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.

Mark E. Amodei (Rep):

More taxation, regulation, and litigation will not create more jobs. Government takeovers of the economy have failed while the size and the scope of the federal government has exploded. Washington has tied the hands of small business owners and job creators with onerous regulations and backward fiscal policies that have stalled the economy, slowed innovation and destroyed jobs. We need common sense, pro-growth policies to give small businesses and entrepreneurs renewed confidence in our economy and to remove Washington as the roadblock to job creation. (Source: Amodei's Congressional Site, <http://ow.ly/xSKjn>)

Kristen Spees (Dem):

I want businesses to prosper in Nevada and I am a proponent of protecting the environment. I want to boost our economy and increase jobs. I promote government transparency and accountability. I want Nevadans to be happy and healthy by increasing active political awareness and active lifestyles. (Source: Kristen for Congress, <http://ow.ly/ybZB2>)



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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