



US House North Carolina District 4

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.

David E. Price (Dem):

...I believe seniors should receive the benefits they've earned through a lifetime of hard work, and I am skeptical of attempts to substantially alter [Social Security, Medicare, and other programs for older Americans] important programs. In recent years, much of the Congressional debate about Medicare and Social Security has focused on different approaches to ensuring their long-term viability. While I agree the long-term solvency of Social Security must be addressed due to changing demographics, I have opposed privatizing the program or slashing guaranteed benefits. (Source: Price.house.gov, <http://ow.ly/xoK46>)

Paul M. Wright (Rep):

AARP did extensive research but was unable to find any public statement on this issue by July 11, 2014.

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.

David E. Price (Dem):

[Rep. Price has] Helped extend Medicare's solvency and will fight to protect this critical insurance program for seniors from those who want to eliminate it. [Rep. Price has] Voted to make prescriptions more affordable for seniors by closing Medicare's gap in coverage. [Rep. Price has] Voted to provide preventive care under Medicare without a deductible or co-pay, including mammograms and colonoscopies. (Source: priceforcongress.com; <http://ow.ly/d6oDD>)

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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.

David E. Price (Dem):

...I'm fighting for critical investments in our people that will put Americans back to work today and lay the foundation for our future economic prosperity. Nobody knows the importance of these investments better than we do in North Carolina: in just a few decades, our home state has become one of the leading centers of research, education, and innovation in the world. Drawing on the lessons that have contributed to our success, I'm confident America can revitalize its economy and win the international competition for the industries of tomorrow. (Source: Price.house.gov, <http://ow.ly/xoNXj>)

Paul M. Wright (Rep):

The power to tax is the power to destroy. We must change our oppressive tax system, its heavy tax burden on our working & middle class families. The flat tax and elimination of various taxes should be explored. [...] We must stop the outsourcing of our middle class jobs to other nations and the destruction of our once great economy. (Source: Official Campaign Website, <http://ow.ly/xoOAh>)



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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