



US House Pennsylvania District 17

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.

Matthew A. Cartwright (Dem):

The dignity of our seniors is at the forefront of Congressman Matt Cartwright's policies. As an admirer of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Congressman Cartwright is fighting hard to ensure that Social Security provides benefits for not only our nation's grandparents, but their grandchildren as well. Social Security has dramatically reduced senior poverty for nearly eighty years, and the Congressman will oppose efforts to privatize the benefits of the program or take risks with its trust fund. (Source: [Cartwright.house.gov](http://ow.ly/xAehk), <http://ow.ly/xAehk>)

David J. Moylan III (Rep):

He is less decisive on Social Security and Medicare. He said the issues need to be studied and any changes affecting Social Security beneficiaries would affect those entering the system. He also said he hasn't made up his mind yet about vouchers, which would provide seniors with money to buy private plans. (Source: The Morning Call, <http://ow.ly/ydT9Q>)

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.

Matthew A. Cartwright (Dem):

In the case of Medicare, recent legislation has made significant additions to the program in which will add years of viability. These changes are a good start, but Congressman Cartwright knows that further modifications are necessary to continue this program for the infinite future. Matt will oppose any effort to privatize Medicare, to turn the program into a voucher, or to rob our seniors of the benefits they rely upon. (Source: [Cartwright.house.gov](http://ow.ly/xAehk), <http://ow.ly/xAehk>)

David J. Moylan III (Rep):

Give seniors greater choice of doctors, private health plans, and services under Medicare. (Source: Doc Moylan Campaign Website, <http://ow.ly/ydSFk>)

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.

Matthew A. Cartwright (Dem):

"[Legislation I sponsored] would help improve the care offered by direct-care workers and lower care costs for both older Americans and the health care industry." "This legislation will improve the quality of care for seniors living at home by expanding the training and support of the direct care workforce that care for these seniors," Senator Casey said. "I'm pleased to work with Congressman Cartwright on this initiative. This legislation is a commonsense plan to improve the health of seniors." (Source: [Cartwright.house.gov](http://ow.ly/xAg8Q), <http://ow.ly/xAg8Q>)

David J. Moylan III (Rep):

We must fully tap into our rich abundance of coal, oil and natural gas, including the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline, which will not only break our dependence on foreign energy but also create tens of thousands of good-paying jobs. We must create every incentive possible to restore our once proud manufacturing base. If U.S. consumers were to consume just \$100 billion more U.S. -made goods, that would create more than 1 million new American manufacturing jobs. Let's give businesses a Made in America tax credit based on the value of purchases of American-made products and supplies. (Source: [Docmoylan.com](http://ow.ly/xAhaW), <http://ow.ly/xAhaW>)



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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