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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.

Kevin P. Brady (Rep):

In order to protect Social Security for future generations, we must pursue an aggressive reform agenda. I strongly oppose legislation[...] that would cut benefits to those already retired or those nearing retirement. In order for the grandchildren of those now retired to not be saddled with a huge tax burden or have their benefits drastically cut, we need to pass responsible reform. That's why I am a strong supporter of[...] Rep. Frank Wolf's plan to create a bipartisan "SAVE Commission" that would[...] offer a proposal to Congress on how our nation can ensure the long-term viability of Social Security[...] (Source: Congressman Brady's official site; <http://ow.ly/ceiMH>)

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.

Kevin P. Brady (Rep):

"Doing nothing ends Medicare[...] as we know it for my mom and for yours[...] Only House Republicans have shown the courage to pass a plan to save Medicare for every generation, young and old[...] Act now and we can preserve them; kick the can down the road for more years and it becomes much harder[...] With the retirement and health care of our elderly at stake, why wait?" (Source: U.S. Daily Review; <http://ow.ly/ciTxQ>)

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.

Kevin P. Brady (Rep):

"The way to sustained economic growth is by releasing the creative impulses of the American people. And we can do that by freeing job creators from the burdens of excessive taxation and regulation and trusting those who generate and perform jobs to decide for themselves how to manage the fruits of their labors." (Source: Congressman Brady's official site; <http://ow.ly/ciUCo>)



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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