



USAction Campaign for the Middle Class: Good Jobs, Secure Health Care and an Economy that Works for Us

Our Platform:

The great American middle class, the engine of our economy, wasn't created by accident. We built the middle class by decisions we made together, through our government, to provide security and opportunity for our families and make investments that paved the way for business and industries to grow.

But today working and middle class families are getting crushed while the richest are getting richer and corporations are cutting our wages and benefits and shipping our jobs overseas. To build a strong middle class, we need our government to work for all Americans, not just the rich and powerful. USAction is fighting to take back our country and rebuild the dream – good jobs, secure health care and a strong economy, with liberty and justice for all.

What we support:

- ✓ Ending the Bush tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans and raising taxes for millionaires and billionaires. One way to achieve this is to pass Rep. Jan Schakowsky's Fairness in Taxation Act.
- ✓ Close corporate tax loopholes and eliminate off-shore tax havens.
- ✓ Tackle our long-term deficit by ending wasteful Pentagon spending, and a speedy, responsible end to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.
- ✓ Protect and strengthen Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security.
- ✓ Enact a comprehensive plan to create Good Jobs for Everyone in America, including green jobs and jobs that strengthen our infrastructure.

What we oppose:

- ✗ Attacks on health care reform that would put insurance companies back in charge, allowing them to deny coverage to those with pre-existing conditions and taking away health insurance from 32 million Americans.
- ✗ The proposed Balanced Budget Amendment which will result in deeper cuts in Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security than even the extreme Ryan budget plan.
- ✗ Cuts to the basic guarantees of security and opportunity provided by Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security as part of ongoing negotiations over raising the debt ceiling.