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CAPITOL Update

Over 55 years of age?

Worried about what
Washington might do
to you?

**Learn about
The Brady Plan to
Protect Texas Seniors**



The Brady Plan to Protect Seniors

1. Preserve Social Security & Medicare

Both these crucial programs are in trouble. Medicare will be bankrupt in just 12 short years. Social Security trustees recently testified to Congress that Social Security “is in its worst financial shape ever”. Last year the U.S. government was forced to borrow \$142 billion from China and other investors just to make sure seniors got their Social Security funds. That’s outrageous.

Congressman Kevin Brady is a senior leader of the House Ways & Means Committee that oversees Social Security and Medicare. He has a plan to preserve Social Security and Medicare for every generation—once and for all. It keeps these programs just as they are for Americans who are 55 years or older today. For younger workers it makes common-sense changes to ensure the promise of health care and retirement security is kept for them. Congress needs to act now to save these programs.

2. Stop the Tax Hike on Seniors

President Obama is pushing to double—and in some cases triple—taxes for Texas seniors. Retirees who depend on income from dividends and capital gains will be hit the hardest—an average \$1,700 tax increase on seniors each year. Within



Congressman Brady meets with veterans to discuss the Conroe VA Clinic expansion

ObamaCare is a little-known 3.8% tax on investment income that will also hit many retirees hard. The President—and the Democrat-led Senate recently passed a bill to increase the Estate Tax—the number one reason family-owned businesses

and farms don’t survive to the next generation. Can you imagine working hard your whole life to build up a nest egg for your children and grandchildren - only to see Washington swoop in at death to take up to half of all you’ve worked for? That’s wrong.

Congressman Kevin Brady is leading the fight in Congress to repeal the Estate Tax forever. His bill—HR 1259—now has 218 sponsors, a majority of the U.S. House of Representatives. And he’s fighting to “Stop the Tax Hike” that will hit Texas taxpayers on January 1.

3. Repeal ObamaCare

President Obama’s massive new health care law creates 159 new federal bureaucracies, agencies and commissions in between you and your doctor. It slashes Medicare by \$500 billion, hurting our local hospitals, nursing homes, home health care agencies and hospice centers. Most of these Medicare cuts occur after 2012.

Many Texas seniors will be forced out of their Medicare Advantage plan, and others will see the cost of their drug plans increase. ObamaCare includes 21 new taxes totaling over \$1 trillion—many of them falling on middle class families. A new agency led by 15 unelected bureaucrats will have the power to ration reimbursements to local doctors and hospitals so they can’t provide treatment to Texas seniors. And each day it gets harder and harder to find a local doctor to treat seniors on Medicare.



Kevin fought against the President’s health care law and is leading the effort in Congress to repeal the bill. Led by Kevin’s committee—Ways & Means—the U.S. House has voted a record 33 times to fully repeal and defund ObamaCare and replace it with common-sense health care reforms that put the patient and their doctor in charge of their medical needs—not Washington. These bills remain blocked in the U.S. Senate.

4. Local Care for Local Veterans

The Conroe VA Clinic opened in 2008 after a successful community wide campaign spearheaded by Congressman Brady, local veterans groups and community leaders. It’s a remarkable success, now serving 7,500 area veterans who live north of Houston who no longer have to make long drives into the Houston Medical Center for routine care. But it quickly outgrew itself—the number of veterans it serves has skyrocketed and the Conroe Clinic is the #1 veterans clinic for usage in the entire Houston region.

At Congressman Brady’s urging the VA recently approved his request to expand the Conroe Clinic. The expansion includes a tripling of space - up to 32,000 square feet - more parking, plans for on-site X-ray, expanded medical services and more doctors.

The Veterans Administration is expected to announce the new site by this winter and to complete the expansion within the next 18 months.

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