



As politicians in Washington continue to squabble and argue about politics and power, Americans on Main Street only feel the consequences. They've had enough and they're demanding **we get something done.** 

Republican Main Street Partnership is an alliance of conservatives dedicated to getting the job done for the American people. We're members of Congress, dedicated to tackling the immediate problems causing real pain to the families we represent. This is what they told us is broken. This is our plan to fix it.

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# **Energy Independence**

Just a few years ago, we produced enough energy right here in America to meet all our needs. But Washington has stalled or abandoned critical energy projects, forcing us to import resources we should be producing at home. We can take commonsense actions right now get America back on track.

We begin by making America energy independent!

### **Explore For Affordable Energy**

We'll push to expand energy exploration in America. Open new areas, issue new permits, free up the roadblocks, and maintain the strongest standards in the world.

## **Move Supplies Quickly**

Our families pay the price when energy producers don't have what they need to keep the power on. We'll resume construction of the Keystone Pipeline and others to move supplies quickly to where they're needed with the highest safety and environmental standards.

#### **Discover New Resources**

America can lead the way in discovering new technology to power the world, without green new deals or the clumsy big hand of government. We'll unleash the power of American ingenuity through industry-led investments in new technologies, renewable resources, and continued advancements in cleaner, more efficient use of fuels that currently power our nation.

#### **Made in America**

America should never again be put in the dangerous position of relying on hostile foreign nations to meet our energy needs. We'll push immediately to increase domestic production of oil and natural gas, sanction Russian energy, and increase trade of natural gas with strategic allies.



# **Getting Back to Work**

If you walk in to any business on Main Street, you're likely to meet an owner without enough workers to serve their customers. The pandemic changed everything. Millions of seniors opted to retire early, skilled workers can scarcely be found, and restaurants have either closed for good or struggle to get back to full capacity. It doesn't have to be this way. We'll push for commonsense changes that can be made today to help remove artificially created barriers to entry so people can get back to work and businesses can get back to normal.

## **Stop Punishing Seniors**

Now more than ever, small businesses desperately need experienced and seasoned people on their team. Since the pandemic, over 3 million Americans aged 55 and up retired early or left the workforce. We'll push to reduce the Social Security penalty on wages so retired people who still want to work aren't punished with a massive reduction in their benefits.

#### **Reward Hard Work**

Now more than ever, employers are asking a lot of their teams. Our tax code should reward hard work, not punish it. That's why we'll fight to make overtime pay, bonuses, and tips tax free. Working class people need help making ends meet in Biden's economy. Main Street wants to make all tips and all work over 40 hours a week tax free. Additionally, all bonuses are tax free as long as the bonus does not exceed 12% of the actual salary/income of the person.

#### Value Craftsmen

America was built by hardworking, skilled, men and women who took pride in the quality of their work. We need to get back to the America that values and appreciates people who love to build, fix, and invent. We'll create tax breaks for companies to create apprenticeship programs, incentivize local school boards to develop skilled trade programs, and bring shop classes back to middle and high school.

## **Cut The Spending**

The government is spending money it doesn't have and borrowing money it can't pay back. Washington's neglect of its own financial house is driving up inflation, weakening the dollar, and harming working families the most. We don't need plans that promise to "build back," we need plans that promise to "cut back."



# **Fix the Supply Chain Now**

Fixing the supply chain crisis should be the top priority for U.S. lawmakers. We'll take immediate commonsense steps to stabilize America's economy and get the gears of free enterprise working again.

### **Get Government Out of the Way**

Republicans need to favor a free-market approach to alleviating the pressures on our supply chains. This includes increasing flexibility in trucking licenses and hours of service, and increasing the depth of American ports. An increase in the regulatory burden on American businesses will only continue to exacerbate the crisis.

### Filling up the Shelves

Tonight, millions of Americans will lie sleepless, stressed about finances. The rising cost of gas and groceries caught too many by surprise. The average family will pay and extra \$5,200 for critical items this year while 40% of Americans don't have savings to meet a \$400 emergency.

We can fix it. From the moment families were forced to ration baby formula, stores across America have been struggling to keep shelves stocked. Perhaps the largest contributor to this problem is the logjam in the supply chain. We'll insist on a few commonsense steps to get government out of the way, offer greater flexibility, and get America moving again.



# **Keeping Our Families Safe**

Too many families are afraid to let their children play outside alone and too many politicians have got everything backwards. They treat police like bad guys, and they treat bad guys like good guys. We need to end this nonsense. It's just commonsense, violent predators should be off the streets, and courageous police officers should be on the streets.

#### **Prosecute the Criminals**

Our children are safer when rapists, kidnappers, drug dealers, and murderers are off the streets. We'll insist on strict guidelines to hold district attorneys and prosecutors accountable for the safety of their communities.

#### **Fund the Police**

If we want violent predators off the streets, someone must step forward and remove them. Most police departments need more resources, not fewer, to investigate, hunt down and capture those who would harm our families. Their bravery should be valued, not ridiculed.

#### **End the Gangs**

Gangs are directly responsible for a large part of the criminal activities in cities across the country. That's why we'll work for the expansion of the Public Safety Partnership, an initiative whereby DOJ assists state, local, and tribal law enforcement with developing programs to investigate, prosecute, and deter violent crime, especially violent crime related to gangs, gun violence, and drug trafficking.

#### **Honor the Brave**

We ask police officers to put their life on the line every day to make our neighborhoods a little bit safer. We are demanding changes to current law enforcement programs. That includes, better retention bonuses, stipends for housing, medical health care, and educational training.

It also includes qualified immunity for police to shield officials from harassment, distraction, and liability when they perform their duties reasonably.

Just like every citizen, cops deserve due process. Unverified or non-validated complaints should never live in an officials permanent records.



# **Stand for Freedom**

America is the guardian of freedom on earth. Inevitably, that leads our country to be strong allies with other free nations and natural adversaries with oppressive regimes. As China and Russia fight for dominance, America must remain strong, secure and vigilant.

## **Peace Through Strength**

A well-funded military, including a state-of-the-art nuclear triad, keeps America strong.

Strong enough to maintain our strategic alliances in NATO.

Strong enough to be a deterrent to the bullies of the world such as Russia, China, North Korea, and Iran.

#### **Economic Freedom**

America must stand on the side of freedom, including economic freedom. China and Russian would like nothing more than to replace America as the top economic power in the world. They're waging an economic war. In order to maintain our strategic advantage on the world stage, lawmakers must grant the appropriate authorities within our government the flexibility to compete and counter the actions of Russia and China. Because the more power they gain, the more impact they have on the world's economy.



## **Protecting Freedom on Earth**

From the moment Ronald Reagan stood in front of the Berlin Wall and demanded that it be torn down, America put the world on notice that she would fearlessly and powerfully stand on the side of freedom.

Sadly, aging cold warriors and authoritarian communist regimes in the East are beginning to disrespect America's strength and doubt our resolve. They cheat on trade deals, steal our technology, take our intellectual property, and position spies across our nation to undermine our defense.

Russia has already declared war on Ukraine and China is setting its sights on Taiwan.

That's why it's so important for the United States of America to hold them accountable and stand strongly and boldly with the Ukraine and any other free nation threatened by the enemies of freedom.



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