

UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ON MENDING THE GAPS



HILLARY CLINTON



DONALD TRUMP

Mending the Wealth and Income Gap **TAX JUSTICE**



No tax policy change should exacerbate the income gap, especially the racial/ethnic and gender wealth gaps.

More than 4 million people of color and 6 million women in the United States would benefit from expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit to include childless workers.¹

Hillary Clinton recognizes that a critical piece of putting more dollars in the pockets of Americans includes a plan to “close corporate tax loopholes and make the most fortunate pay their fair share.” She also supports tax relief for that will allow families to “increase their take-home pay as they face rising costs from child care, health care, and sending their kids to college.”²

Donald Trump proposes eliminating income tax for almost 50% of current filers. “All other Americans will get a simpler tax code...providing the lowest tax rate since before World War II.” He claims “the Trump tax plan is revenue neutral” due to a combination of cuts to corporate loopholes and simplification of the tax code.³

¹<http://www.cbpp.org/research/strengthening-the-etc-for-childless-workers-would-promote-work-and-reduce-poverty>

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/plan-raise-american-incomes/>

³<https://www.donaldjtrump.com/positions/tax-reform>

Mending the Wealth and Income Gap **LIVING WAGES**



National legislation should move from adjusting a minimum wage to creating a living wage.

The federal minimum wage is \$7.25 an hour and has not been increased since 2009. The tipped minimum wage is \$2.13 an hour and has not been raised since 1991.¹

Hillary Clinton believes we must raise the minimum wage. “She has supported raising the federal minimum wage to \$12, and believes that we should go further than the federal minimum through state and local efforts, and workers organizing and bargaining for higher wages.” She supports administration efforts to fix overtime.²

Donald Trump does not support raising the minimum wage. He believes that, if we raise the minimum wage, “we’re not going to be able to compete against the world...We have to leave it where it is. People have to go out and work really hard and get into to that upper stratum.”³

¹<http://www.epi.org/minimum-wage-tracker/>

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/plan-raise-american-incomes/>

³<http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/trump-hints-at-middle-ground-on-minimum-wage/article/2591752>

Mending the Wealth and Income Gap **FAMILY-FRIENDLY WORKPLACES**



The needs of women and families should be integrated into federal workplace policies.

Almost 51% of working parents in the United States are ineligible to take unpaid, job protected leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act.¹

Hillary Clinton believes that we shouldn’t ask anyone to make the “impossible choice” of “staying home to take care of a sick child or an aging parent [and] losing a paycheck—or worse, even losing a job.” She supports a guarantee of up to 12 weeks of job protected, paid family and medical leave.²

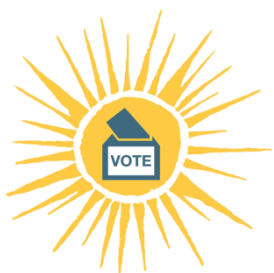
Donald Trump is wary of paid leave. He told Fox News, “we have to keep our country very competitive, so you have to be careful of it.”³

¹<http://www.diversitydatakids.org/data/map/>

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/paid-leave/>

³<http://fusion.net/story/219017/trump-would-shut-down-mosques-lower-salaries/>

Mending the Access Gap DEMOCRACY



No individual or community of color should be disenfranchised by federal policy.

Approximately 5.85 million citizens of the United States are disenfranchised from voting, including more than 2.2 million people of color.¹

Hillary Clinton has said "what has happened is a sweeping effort to disempower and disenfranchise people of color, poor people, and young people... we should do everything we can to make it easier for every citizen to vote." She supports the restoration of the Voting Rights Act, automatic voter registration for eligible 18-year-olds, and early voting 20 days or more before an election.²

Donald Trump has hinged his campaign "based on empowering voters, not sidelining them." However, his stance on voting rights is focused on reducing voter fraud rather than the millions of citizens currently unable to vote due to restrictive laws. He believes "you have places where people just walk in and vote."³

¹<https://www.brennancenter.org/voting-restrictions-first-time-2016>

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/voting-rights/>

³<http://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/heres-what-donald-trump-thinks-about-voting>

Mending the Access Gap HEALTHCARE



Racial and economic disparities in healthcare should be eliminated.

2.9 million individuals remain uninsured as of 2016 because 19 states have refused Medicaid expansion. 45% of uninsured individuals are white, 23% are Latino, and 28% are black.¹

Hillary Clinton believes "affordable healthcare is a basic human right." She has promised to strengthen and defend the Affordable Care Act and fight the rising cost of prescription drugs. She will make the ACA stronger by improving affordability on the exchanges, investing in programs to increase enrollment, supporting efforts to expand Medicaid in the states that haven't, and continuing to push for a "public option."

Donald Trump says "on day one of the Trump Administration, we will ask Congress to immediately deliver a full repeal of Obamacare." He supports a "free market" approach including Health Savings Accounts, Medicaid block grants, and "remov[ing] barriers to entry into free markets for drug providers."³

¹http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/factsheets/factsheet_disparities.pdf

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/health-care/>

³<https://www.donaldjtrump.com/positions/healthcare-reform>

Mending the Access Gap CITIZENSHIP



Immigrants should be welcomed into the country.

The United States would gain \$2.2 billion in tax revenue from currently undocumented immigrants if comprehensive immigration reform is passed.¹

Hillary Clinton states "as president, I'll fight for comprehensive immigration reform that includes a path to full and equal citizenship, starting in my first 100 days of office."² She supports administrative relief like Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and Parents of Americans (DACA/DAPA) and an end to family detention.³

Donald Trump promises to "greatly strengthen our border, making it impenetrable, putting a stop to illegal immigration once and for all."⁴ He will "make Mexico pay for the wall," put an end to birthright citizenship, triple the amount of immigration officers, and make it harder for refugees and asylum seekers to come to the U.S.⁵

¹<http://www.itep.org/immigration/#map>

²<http://www.azcentral.com/story/opinion/op-ed/2016/06/24/hillary-clinton-immigration-arizona/86011342/>

³<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/issues/immigration-reform/>

⁴<http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2015/07/02/nyc-trump-contracts/>

⁵<https://www.donaldjtrump.com/positions/immigration-reform>

Mending the Access Gap HOUSING



Everyone should have access to safe, affordable housing.

There are at least 564,708 people who are homeless in the United States. 40% of people experiencing homelessness are white, 10% are Latino, and 41% are black.¹

Hillary Clinton has a plan to "lift more families into sustainable homeownership," which includes supporting savings, an increase in "affordable rental housing near good jobs and good schools," and support for low-income communities. She plans to protect Low Income Housing Tax Credits, improve clarity for mortgage lending requirements, and defend the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.²

Donald Trump does not have a clear stance on housing issues. In 2007, he was "excited" for the housing market crash because he's "always made more money in bad markets than in good markets." In 2016 he said "if [housing] goes down I'm gonna buy...I'm a businessman, that's what I'm supposed to do."³

¹<http://nlihc.org/library/SHP>

²<https://www.hillaryclinton.com/briefing/h/2016-02-12-hillary-clintons-breaking-every-barrier-agenda-revitalizing-the-economy-in-communities-left-behind/>

³<http://www.cnn.com/2016/05/24/politics/donald-trump-hillary-clinton-housing/>