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Subject : Will you sign the petition to protect Social Security and Medicare from Republican attacks?

## [Sign the petition: Protect Medicare and Social Security, not the ultrawealthy!](#)

Dear MoveOn member,

Tens of millions of Americans benefit from Social Security and Medicare, which are viewed as the most popular and successful social spending programs in America. And yet, Republicans, at the behest of MAGA extremists and ultrawealthy donors, are launching a full-on assault on these programs—unless we stop them.

It's been a decades long dream of the Republicans to slash Medicare, privatize Social Security, and enrich their corporate backers at the expense of the rest of us—and now the far-right Freedom Caucus is preparing to hold our economy hostage by refusing to raise the debt ceiling until they can gut Social Security and Medicare, two overwhelmingly popular and critically important programs that serve tens of millions of Americans.<sup>1</sup> [Will you sign the petition to demand Republicans stop their attacks on Social Security and Medicare?](#)

Why do Republicans hate these programs? In part, because the programs are ongoing proof that the government can effectively operate to lower costs, improve folks' lives, and do so in a way the corporate marketplace never could. We need to strengthen and expand these programs—not risk them at the casino of corporate America. **Millions of Americans, many of whom are already living paycheck to paycheck, rely on these programs to protect their livelihoods and families.** Congress should work together to focus on strengthening and expanding popular programs like Social Security and Medicare that make our lives better. Tell Speaker McCarthy and the GOP House to choose everyday Americans by expanding and protecting programs that benefit them.

We must do everything we can to urge Republicans to protect and expand Social Security and Medicare, not slash these essential programs.

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The debt ceiling is the amount of money our government is allowed to borrow to fund programs. Without raising the debt ceiling, the federal government cannot pay its bills, **risking Americans losing their jobs and devastating families who rely on benefits** such as Social Security and Medicare.

Millions of Americans and their families simply cannot afford to have these programs slashed. In fact, they need Congress to work together to expand them further. Fortunately, MoveOn members have protected these programs from being attacked in the past—and we'll do it again. It is essential that Americans—who overwhelmingly support these programs—see these Republican attacks for what they are and reject them resoundingly. We need to protect essential programs and expand upon their success to ensure a government that works for our common good.

[Click here to add your name to the petition, and then pass it along to three friends to spread the word.](#)

—Mia, Evelyn, Kate, Alexis, and the rest of the team

Source:

1. "Damaging cuts' to Medicare and Social Security are looking more likely with McCarthy as House speaker. Here's what it will mean for retirees.," Business Insider, January 11, 2023

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