

#### It's All About Priorities

### Tax Code Spending Has Exploded by 60%

It's now the **biggest** part of the budget.

Far more than Social Security or than

Medicare & Medicaid combined.

But nearly 75% of Deficit Reduction Has Already Come Through

**Budget Cuts** 

## We Don't Have to Slash Benefits to Reduce the Deficit

Corporate Meal Write-offs

Eliminate Corporate

Meal and Entertainment

Write-offs

Saves \$140 Billion

**VS** 

Raise the Retirement Age to 70

Saves \$120 Billion

Tax Breaks for Shipping Jobs Overseas

End Tax Loopholes to Corporations that Move Jobs Overseas

Saves \$168 Billion

**VS** 

Raise Medicare's Eligibility Age to 67

Saves \$148 Billion\*

\*Medicare savings only. This proposal actually increases health care costs for seniors, states, and employers. Millionaire Tax
Breaks

Limit Extra Deductions for Highest-Bracket Earners

Saves \$520 Billion

VS

Cut COLA's for Seniors, Veterans & the Disabled

Saves \$112 Billion

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# Deficit Reduction

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We Can Save \$1 TRILLION ...in wasteful tax breaks

Eliminate corporate meals and entertainment write offs.

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age to **70.** II \$120 BILLION

OR



Raising the retirement

Writing off expensive business dinners for multimillionaires vs. eating dinner at all for the average Social Security beneficiary earning \$14,000 a year.

Which is your priority?

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National Committee to Preserve
Social Security Medicar

#### Deficit: Reduction

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Stop paying companies to ship jobs overseas.



\$168 billion in savings.

That saves more than: Raising the retirement age for Social Security, Raising the eligibility age for Medicare or Cutting COLA's for seniors, veterans and the disabled. We don't have to cut benefits to reduce the deficit.

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Have you heard the one about the millionaire and billionaire CEOs who want to throw seniors, veterans, and the poor under the bus to save their trillion dollar tax giveaways?





#### BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE TO-DO LIST

- Raise retirement age to 70.
- **CouponCare for Seniors.**
- **Cut benefits immediately.**

# WALL STREET VS. MAIN STREET IT'S ALL ABOUT PRIORITIES.

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