

Bryce campaign: Announces first quarter fundraising figures: \$2.1 Million

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RACINE, WI – The Randy Bryce campaign released the results of their fundraising efforts in the first quarter of 2018, today. The campaign raised \$2.1 million, and ended the quarter with nearly \$2.3 million cash on hand. With \$4.75 million raised since the campaign's launch, the Bryce campaign has now raised more than any other Ryan challenger in the last twenty years, with seven months still to go. The majority of those donations came in small contributions, with an average contribution of \$23. The campaign's fundraising has risen every quarter, with \$1 million raised in the third quarter of 2017; and \$1.2 million raised in the fourth quarter of 2017. The campaign also dramatically grew its number of donors in the first quarter of 2018, adding 45,000 new donors from January 1, for a total of 113,000 total donors.

"Paul Ryan has never been more vulnerable," said Communications Director Lauren Hitt. "Seats far more conservative than his, including one in rural Wisconsin, have already turned blue in special elections, this year. The Speaker is facing a well funded, well organized opponent with broad support, locally and nationally, in an extremely anti-incumbent environment. He may just want to put those rumors to rest and bow out gracefully now."

Both CNN and the University of Virginia's Center for Politics recently moved Wisconsin's First from "safe" or "solid" Republican districts to more competitive

leaning. The polling also indicates Ryan is in trouble, and that was before Bryce's campaign made a sustained TV ad buy in-district last month. Additionally, the campaign is building up its field program, with over 140 county captains leading volunteer efforts in their communities.

Randy has built a broad coalition of support, local and national, progressive and labor groups – including Senator Bernie Sanders (D-VT), Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-WI04), Congressman Joe Kennedy (D-MA), Congressman Mark Pocan (D-WI02), Congressman Dave Obey (ret. D-WI07), American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Congressional Progressive Caucus PAC, Democracy for America, End Citizens United, and International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, Service Employees International Union (SEIU), United Auto Workers, Vote Vets, and Working Families Party.

About Randy Bryce

Randy Bryce is a U.S. Army veteran, cancer survivor, and union ironworker. He was raised in southeastern Wisconsin, and went to public schools. Randy's father was a police officer, and his mother worked in a doctor's office. After graduation, Randy enlisted in the U.S. Army, and was posted to Honduras, where he earned the Army Achievement Medal. After returning stateside, Randy was diagnosed with cancer, which he survived, but only after struggling through the bankruptcy that came with the medical bills. Once in remission, Randy found his way to an apprenticeship as an iron worker, a trade he's now been practicing and fighting to protect from anti-labor laws for nearly 20 years. Randy currently resides in Caledonia, WI with his son, Ben, who attends public schools like his dad. Randy joined the race for Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District in Summer 2017.