

WisDems: Washington Republicans tout Leah Vukmir-backed Social Security and Medicare cuts

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MADISON — Washington Republicans [are yet again talking about cutting Social Security and Medicare](#), something that Republican U.S. Senate candidate Leah Vukmir [has advocated](#) for months.

The proposed cuts are part of a larger giveaway to Vukmir's corporate special interest backers, as Vukmir wants to cut the programs to pay for the Republican tax law, which sends [more than 80 percent of benefits](#) to the richest Americans and large corporations, including Big Pharma, Big Oil, and Wall Street giants.

Last week, Wisconsin nurses [held events across the state](#) to highlight Vukmir's support for cuts to vital health care programs like Medicare and Medicaid, the latter of which covers 3 in 5 Wisconsin nursing home residents.

Here's how Vukmir and Washington Republicans' proposed cuts could impact Wisconsinites:

- [More than 1.2 million Wisconsinites are Social Security beneficiaries](#);
- [More than 1 million Wisconsin seniors count on Medicare](#);
- [Half of Wisconsinites with a disability receive coverage under Medicaid](#); and,
- [3 in 5 Wisconsin nursing home residents count on Medicaid for coverage](#).