

Opportunity Wisconsin: Demands “Florida man” Ron Johnson reimburse taxpayers for vacation junkets

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MADISON, Wis.—Last week, the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel published a [devastating report](#) detailing how Senator Ron Johnson has been using taxpayer dollars to fly between his vacation home in Florida and Washington, D.C. Federal records show that taxpayers footed the bill for 19 flights from Fort Myers, Florida — where Johnson purchased a home for \$1.6 million in 2013 — to Washington between 2013 and May 2021.

The facts speak for themselves – Johnson broke ethics rules to fund his vacation travel at taxpayers’ expense. In light of this blatant abuse of tax dollars, Opportunity Wisconsin is demanding Johnson reimburse taxpayers for the money spent to fund his vacation travel.

“While Wisconsin families are struggling to make ends meet, one of the richest members of Congress, ‘Florida Man’ Ron Johnson, is asking us to foot the bill for his vacation travel,” **said Miranda Stark, Opportunity Wisconsin deputy program director.** *“Senator Johnson has doubled his wealth while in office, yet he has the audacity to think Wisconsinites should be paying for his vacation travel. If Senator Johnson wants to visit his mansion in Florida, he should pay for his own travel. He must immediately reimburse taxpayers for every dollar he’s wasted on his vacation travel.”*

Since early 2021, Opportunity Wisconsin has been working to hold Senator Johnson accountable to his constituents and to demand he vote for policies that support

Wisconsin residents, including bringing new, good-paying jobs to the state, lowering the costs of health care and prescription drugs, and supporting tax cuts for families with children. In addition to holding conversations with Wisconsin workers and families across the Badger State, Opportunity Wisconsin has [spent over \\$5 million](#) in TV ads urging Senator Johnson to focus his work in Washington on addressing the economic needs of his constituents and to stop putting his personal profits over the people of Wisconsin.