

Opportunity Wisconsin: New ad highlights Rep. Bryan Steil's dangerous record on Social Security and Medicare cuts

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RACINE, Wis. – Opportunity Wisconsin's latest TV ad in the 1st Congressional District highlights Congressman Bryan Steil's record on [Social Security and Medicare](#) cuts, and his previous votes to give even more tax breaks to big corporations.

“Working families across Wisconsin have paid into Social Security and Medicare, and they expect these benefits to be there for them. But Rep. Bryan Steil is part of an extreme group that's proposing drastic cuts that would slash those benefits and force families and seniors to pay more out-of-pocket,” **said Opportunity Wisconsin Program Director Meghan Roh.** “Instead of fighting for his constituents, Rep. Steil has continued to support extreme policies, including voting to keep prescription drug prices high and give even more tax breaks to big corporations.”

The new ad features Scott, a veteran and electrician from Waterford, Wisconsin, who discusses the importance of Social Security and Medicare benefits and calls on Steil to protect these programs in Congress.

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Steil is a member of the Republican Study Committee, which [recently released a proposed budget](#) which could dramatically roll back protections recently signed into law as part of the Inflation Reduction Act, including allowing Medicare to negotiate for lower prescription drug prices and measures that are already delivering savings

to consumers when drug prices rise faster than the rate of inflation. In addition to increasing prescription drug prices, the budget proposal also makes extreme changes to Social Security, including raising the retirement age to receive full benefits to 69.

The ad will begin running on broadcast TV in the Milwaukee market this week as part of Opportunity Wisconsin's [previously-announced](#) seven-figure media buy across the state. The grassroots coalition's [previous TV ad in the district](#) highlighted Rep. Steil's opposition to lowering drug prices by voting against caps on insulin prices.

Full Transcript of "Scott": I deployed to Iraq in 2004, we were the first National Guard unit from Wisconsin to get deployed. Since then, I've been working as an electrician. I pay into Social Security and Medicare every paycheck. You know, we're really counting on that to be there once we retire. Bryan Steil is part of a group that wants to cut Social Security and Medicare. Instead, Bryan Steil is pushing huge tax breaks for big corporations. I earned my Social Security and Medicare benefits, Bryan Steil should not be able to take those benefits away.