

PRESIDENT TRUMP'S EMPTY PROMISES to Seniors and People with Disabilities



Empty Promise #1

“I’m not going to cut Social Security like every other Republican and I’m not going to cut Medicare or Medicaid.”

Tweet from 5/21/2015

Since 2015 President Trump has made **150 empty promises** about protecting Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. Here are just a few examples.



Empty Promise #2

“We will always protect patients with pre-existing conditions. And we will always protect your Medicare and we will always protect your Social Security.”

State of the Union on 2/4/20



Empty Promise #4

“Democrats will destroy your Medicare, and I will keep it healthy and well!”

Tweet from 10/18/2018



Empty Promise #3

“The Republicans who want to cut SS & Medicaid are wrong.”

Tweet from 7/11/2015



Empty Promise #5

“Republicans stand for protecting Social Security and Medicare and Medicaid and strengthening the safety net for truly needy Americans.”

Rally on 9/5/2018

U.S. SENATOR BOB CASEY

 **RANKING MEMBER**, *Special Committee on Aging*

FACT: On March 5, 2020, President Trump was asked if he would be cutting Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. He responded, “Oh, we will be cutting.”

FACT: President Trump has annually proposed to slash Medicare spending, which could increase costs for older adults and jeopardize access to care.

FACT: President Trump has consistently recommended cutting and capping Medicaid funding, which would leave millions, including seniors, at risk of losing the care they need.

FACT: President Trump has repeatedly threatened to reduce funding for the Social Security Administration, which put at risk the earned benefits for almost 50 million seniors.

Trump’s Proposed Budget Cuts

	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Medicare	\$-554 Billion ¹	\$-845 Billion ²	\$-500 Billion ³
Medicaid	\$-1.4 Trillion ⁴	\$-1.5 Trillion ⁵	\$-900 Billion ⁶
Social Security Administration*	\$-25 Billion ⁷	\$-25 Billion ⁸	\$-24 Billion ⁹
Federal Disability Programs*	\$-72 Billion ¹⁰	\$-84 Billion ¹¹	\$-76 Billion ¹²

¹ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/ranking-member/newsroom/press/trumps-fy19-budget-would-be-devastating-for-the-country>

² <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Reaction%203-20-19%20FINAL.pdf>

³ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Highlights%202-12-20%20FINAL.pdf>

⁴ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/USA%20FY19%20Trump%20Budget%20Fact%20Sheet2.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Reaction%203-20-19%20FINAL.pdf>

⁶ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Highlights%202-12-20%20FINAL.pdf>

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⁷ Number Provided by the Senate Budget Committee

⁸ <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Reaction%203-20-19%20FINAL.pdf>

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¹¹ Number Provided by the Congressional Research Service

¹² <https://www.budget.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SBC%20Trump%20Budget%20Highlights%202-12-20%20FINAL.pdf>

*There is some overlap between the cuts to the Social Security Administration and Federal Disability Programs