

Social Security

Since the Social Security Act became law in 1935, Congress has expanded eligibility and payments multiple times. In the immediate moment, we want to join with others in the fight to preserve Social Security. In the longer context, we want the expansion of Social Security to continue to include more benefits for more people.

Right Now

- ◆ We demand NO cuts and NO privatization of Social Security.
- ◆ We demand full restoration of Social Security staff.

In the Longer Context We Demand. . .

- ◆ Social Security payments that provide a living wage income.
- ◆ That everyone pay their fair share, including removing the cap on income.
- ◆ That everyone who pays into the system, including undocumented people who pay in, but currently cannot collect, receive their benefits.
- ◆ That farm workers and domestic workers be fully included in the Social Security system.
- ◆ That unwaged labor, such as in prisons and in homes, be included in the Social Security system.

***We need these
safety-net programs
for a decent life.***

What's Happening?

Medicare

Medicare is again under attack, this time with a pilot project in 6 states that will bring AI-driven prior authorization—one of the worst features of Medicare (dis)Advantage—into our esteemed public program. Already, people with lower incomes struggle to afford Traditional Medicare plus a “Medigap” and drug-coverage program. What is really needed is for Medicare (dis)Advantage programs eliminated—or at the very least to be regulated just as Traditional Medicare is. We need all options to have a level playing field.

Open Enrollment runs from October 15 to December 5; if you are newly eligible, or considering switching programs, do your research! If you are in a Medicare (dis)Advantage plan htat is cancelled,

Radical Elders and Unitarian Universalists for a Just Economic Community are having a program to discuss these issues on November 13 at 8 P.M. EDT on Zoom—join us! Register [here](#).

Our Constitutional Rights. . . .

. . . .are under attack by an administration led by an authoritarian corporate CEO that does not seem to understand democracy, the foundations of our country.