Mike Garcia (CA-25) Research Report
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Mike Garcia
Republican Candidate in California’s 25th Congressional District

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Thematics
Mike Garcia Is Too Extreme For California

**Significant Findings**

- García was in favor of repealing the Affordable Care Act without any plans to replace it.
- García suggested that sanctuary cities should be cut from federal funding, he opposed the DREAM Act, which protected DACA recipients, and supported fully funding a wall on the southern border.
- García said he only supported Medicare “at some levels” and opposed the ACA, which eventually closed Medicare’s prescription drug program coverage gap.
- García opposed food stamp programs even though his district had over 17,000 households on food stamps.
  - García: “I think everyone should have to figure out how to fend for themselves.”
- García was skeptical about humans’ contributions to climate change.
  - He believed that human activity had only “some implications” to climate change and denied that California’s forest fires were made worse as a result of climate change.
- García opposed new restrictions on guns.
  - In 2019, Congress passed the Enhanced Background Checks Act that closed the Charleston loophole, and the Bipartisan Background Checks Act which closed the gun show loophole.
- García wanted to bring back the federal death penalty, and supported initiatives that expedited executions.
- García was an ardent Trump supporter.
  - He said he would support Trump’s reelection in 2020, even if there was another Republican candidate running against him.
  - He defended Trump’s “go back home” tweet.
- García would be Rep. Jim Jordan’s apprentice in Congress; he said that Jordan was a “model” of how he would act.
  - Rep. Jordan voted with his party 96.83% of the time and voted in line with Trump’s position 93.8% of the time.
  - Vox: Rep. Jim Jordan had a reputation among Republicans for “being ideological to the point of obstructionist.”

Garcia Was Too Extreme On Health Care

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Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of Getting The ACA “Off The Books” To Create A “Forcing Function For Collectors To Go Out And Do Something.” GARCIA: “So does Katie Hill, she calls it a marker. She says we’re putting these markers out-- but you gotta progress toward these markers. That’s the case if it’s a start, then where’s the next evolution? What have you done? No one has the answer, if anybody says they do, they’re lying. But you’ve gotta have some evolution. I think the ACA or the “Unaffordable Care Act” is flawed enough to start over, so if you get it off the books, you’re creating a forcing function for collectors to go out and do something.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

Garcia Was Too Extreme On Immigration

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2019: The Dream Act Only Allowed Individuals Who Entered The U.S. Under The Age Of 18 The Eligibility To Obtain Conditional Permanent Resident Status. “The American Dream and Promise Act of 2019 would provide current, former, and future undocumented high-school graduates and GED recipients a three-step pathway to U.S. citizenship through college, work, or the armed services. […] An individual is eligible to obtain conditional permanent resident (CPR) status for up to 10 years, which includes work authorization, if the person: entered the United States under the age of 18.” [American Immigration Council, 9/3/19; National Immigration Law Center, 6/22/19]

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[National Immigration Law Center, 6/22/19]
Aug. 2019: Garcia said that he was in favor of fully funding the construction of a wall on the southern border, and opposed sanctuary policies. “I visited the US Mexico border and border patrol facilities near Yuma, Arizona in July. I wanted to see the situation on the ground first hand and get the facts and data straight from the experts. This video is focused on the border barrier itself. (See full video on Facebook @ElectMikeGarcia) I was surprised to learn that there are 4 different types of ‘walls’ within a few miles on the border. The old structures are ineffective. But I was encouraged to see the new 3 layer system making good progress: This section of the border has yet to be penetrated with the new system in place. Wherever the triple layered fence has been built, illegal drug traffic has dropped to ZERO. THIS NEEDS TO BE FULLY FUNDED AND COMPLETED ACROSS THE ENTIRE BORDER! @repkatiehill is for open borders and turning California into a sanctuary state. I firmly stand behind securing the border and enforcing our laws!” [mikegarcia2020, Instagram, 8/26/19]

Trump declared a national emergency in order to gain access to funds to build a wall on the southern border, but said “I didn’t need to do this, but I’d rather do it much faster.” “President Trump declared a national emergency on the border with Mexico on Friday in order to access billions of dollars that Congress refused to give him to build a wall there, transforming a highly charged policy dispute into a confrontation over the separation of powers outlined in the Constitution. […] But with illegal border crossings already down and critics accusing him of manufacturing a crisis, he may have undercut his own argument that the border situation was so urgent that it required emergency action. ‘I didn’t need to do this, but I’d rather do it much faster,’ he said. ‘I just want to get it done faster, that’s all.’ The president’s decision incited instant condemnation from Democrats, who called it an unconstitutional abuse of his authority and vowed to try to overturn it with the support of Republicans who also objected to the move.” [New York Times, 2/15/19]

Garcia suggested that sanctuary cities and states should be cut off federal funding. Garcia: “My father immigrated here in 1959. I am the son of an immigrant. It has got nothing to do with race. It has got nothing to do with prejudice. It has got to do with people who are breaking the laws, committing felonies, coming into our country, sucking up our precious tax dollars that we are all investing in, using up our infrastructure, and degrading out quality of life. We should all be offended. We should all be acting on and voting out politicians who support giving them more free stuff in exchange for that sanctuary. […] I think any city, any state, that becomes a sanctuary city or state is subject to the full force of the federal government and that means potentially cutting off any federal funds.” [Simi Valley Republican Party Office Opening, 1/4/20]

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Garcia was too extreme on foreign policy.
Garcia Said That He Supported Trump’s Orders To Kill General Soleimani

GARCIA: “We have seen examples in the past whether it was Bin Laden or other high value targets, high leadership targets in these terrorist organizations, they don’t stay put very long. When you have an opportunity to go after someone who is responsible and accountable for hundreds of American lives over the last two decades, which Soleimani was in multiple areas especially in Iraq he was responsible for 600 people, when there is opportunities like that, time is of the essence. The way this mission was carried out from what I understand from what has been public and I certainly don’t have access to classified documents, but what I can see online and what I have read is that this was a very well executed surgical strike meaning they knew what was going on. They knew what the targets where and the fact that there was minimal risk of collateral damage was or loss of civilians on the ground, when you have the stars align for you as commander in chief you need to be able to make that call and be able to make that decision. The fact of the matter is this strike was a massive success. Not just because of the way it was executed but because of who the target was and the end result of the operation.” [Sonja Schmidt Podcast, 1/7/10] (VIDEO)

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Garcia Said That He Would Still Support The Iraq War Today, Even After Knowing What He Knew Now

“Knowing what you know now, though, would you support the war? Going into Iraq as a good idea?” GARCIA: “Yes, the timing is always debatable, the method of how you go in is always debatable, it’s easy to be a Monday morning quarterback and throw stones and critique the way the war was born. You can go back to Gettysburg and go, wow, General Lee, you really screwed that one up. Which he did, he screwed it up. It’s easy to do that, we all do that. So, um, first of all, the thing I have a lot of respect for and am very cautious about is when someone asks you, why do you feel about this, if you don’t have access to the full picture and you can’t see all of the data that went into that decision, it’s interesting what you think and feel. Even me now, I obviously don’t have all of the data that went into the president’s decision matrix back in 2003. But, there’s a lot of briefs at a lot of different levels, and that paints the full picture. That’s why they’re there to make those decisions. Sometimes they’re right, sometimes they’re wrong, and you know, it’s a difficult call.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

Garcia Was Bad For Seniors

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The Affordable Care Act, AKA Obamacare, Would Eventually Close Medicare’s Prescription-Drug Program Coverage Gap. “Over time, Obamacare closes the coverage gap, informally referred to as the donut hole, in Medicare’s prescription-drug program (Part D). As originally designed, once Part D beneficiaries reached their (relatively low) deductible, they had to pay 25 percent of their drug costs up to a certain dollar amount; once beneficiaries’ drug costs reached that limit, they then had to pay all of their drug costs. Then, if their total out-of-pocket costs reached an even higher level (called the catastrophic coverage limit, which is currently set at $4,750), then they only had to pay 5 percent of drug costs above that limit. By the year 2020, though, there will no longer be a donut hole. From the moment beneficiaries’ drug costs reach their deductibles until they reach the catastrophic coverage limit, they will only pay 25 percent of their total drug costs.” [National Review, 11/26/13]

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2015: CA-25 Had 17,338 Households Participating In The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

[United States Department of Agriculture, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015, accessed 8/13/19]

Garcia Was Skeptical About Humans’ Contributions To Climate Change

Garcia Said That He Believed That Human Activity Had Only “Some Implications” To Climate Change

GARCIA: “I think there are some implications of manmade products, um, to the climate. And again, this is one of those issues where maybe I’m not as far right as you would think. I think what it boils down to is we need to keep looking at it, we need to keep analyzing the data. When you look at 10, 20, 30 years, the margin of error on our predictions is off the chart. The bottom line is that I don’t think we should do anything that derails our economy. The Green New Deal is, I mean good lord, that would have torpedoed our economy. I think that short-sighted sort of pandering is completely useless. But I do think we have to keep an eye on it, and continue to gather the information.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

Garcia Denied That California’s Forest Fires Were Made Worse As A Result Of Climate Change

GARCIA: “The fires are not a result of climate change. They are usually man made. These power shutdowns and what Edison is doing […] It is not Climate Change. It is man made and bad leadership and bad policy. I think it is a cop out to say it is climate change and there are defiantly concrete things we can do.” [YouTube, joycemediainc, 12/10/19] (VIDEO)
Garcia Opposed Common Sense Gun Reforms

2019: LA Times: Garcia Opposed “New” Resections On Guns. “Another Republican in the contest is former Navy combat pilot Mike Garcia of Santa Clarita, now an executive at Raytheon. Like Knight, Garcia opposes abortion and new restrictions on guns, and he supports repeal of the Affordable Care Act. Underwood Jacobs, a bank executive, says she’ll champion fiscal restraint, border security and military strength.” [LA Times, 11/16/19]

2019 Gun Restrictions Included Closing The Charleston Loophole, And The Gun Show Loophole

HEADLINE: House passes ‘Charleston loophole bill’ on gun background checks [CNN, 2/28/19]

The Enhanced Background Checks Act Of 2019 Would Extended Background Checks From Three Days To Ten, With The Potential To Be Extended Another Ten. “Currently a gun seller has to wait three business for federal investigators to conduct background check. Most checks are quick, but incomplete data can sometimes cause a delayed response. If the delay lasts more than three business days, the gun sale can move forward. The Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019 expands the background check period to ten days, with the potential to be extended another ten.” [NPR, 2/28/19]

Dylann Roof Had Been Allowed To Purchase A Gun Despite A Prior Arrest For Drug Possession Because His Background Check Had Taken Longer Than Three Days To Complete. “The legislation addresses a loophole in current law that enables some firearms to be transferred by licensed gun dealers before the required background checks have been completed, a loophole that allowed Dylann Roof to buy a gun in 2015 and kill nine people at Mother Emanuel Church -- one of the most well known historically black churches in Charleston, South Carolina. Due to Roof’s prior admission during an arrest that he was in possession of drugs, he should not have been permitted to buy the gun he used in the massacre. However, an agent working for the FBI’s background check system who was performing the review on Roof failed to contact Columbia, South Carolina, police, who arrested Roof, in part because of a clerical error in records listing the wrong agency. Because Roof’s background check took longer than three days to complete, the gun shop owner was allowed to sell the gun to Roof. The law permits gun sellers to sell guns if a background check takes longer than three days to complete.” [CNN, 2/28/19]

The Bipartisan Background Checks Act Of 2019 Would Close The Gun Show Loophole That Allowed People Purchasing Firearms Via Private Sales To Forgo Background Checks. “Giffords, a former congresswoman from Arizona, was shot in the head by a mass shooter during a 2011 meeting with constituents and has advocated for gun-violence prevention ever since. She was chosen to drop the bill, called the Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, into the ‘hopper’ where all bills start, as lawmakers introduced it. […] The bill, however, would close the infamous ‘gun show loophole,’ which allows people purchasing firearms via private sales, typically at gun shows, to forgo a background check. Under the legislation, anyone who’s not a licensed firearms dealer would not be able to exchange weapons, which would ensure that all sales run through the national criminal background check system — with a few exceptions.” [Vice News, 1/8/19]

Advocates Called The Bill “The Most Significant Gun Control Measurer In More Than Two Decades.” “The House passed what advocates call the most significant gun control measure in more than two decades on Wednesday when it approved the first of two bills aimed at broadening the federal background check system for firearms purchases. The vote on the first bill, dubbed the Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, passed largely along party lines 240 to 190 with Democrats who control the House cheering as they carried the legislation across the finish line.” [NPR, 2/27/19]

Garcia Wanted To Bring Back The Federal Death Penalty
Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of The Federal Death Penalty And Supported Initiatives To Expedite Executions. “AG Barr announced that the Federal Government will be resuming Capital Punishment (the Death Penalty). I support the death penalty and I support initiatives to expedite the appeals process leading to execution. This includes assigning a lawyer at the time of sentencing rather than waiting several years to do so. There are no innocent people on death row in California. ‘Congress has expressly authorized the death penalty through legislation adopted by the people’s representatives in both houses of Congress and signed by the President,’ Barr said in a statement. ‘Under Administrations of both parties, the Department of Justice has sought the death penalty against the worst criminals, including these five murderers, each of whom was convicted by a jury of his peers after a full and fair proceeding.’ Governor Gavin Newsom signed executive order placing a moratorium on California’s death penalty in March 2019. At the time, 737 people sat on death row. Representative Katie Hill thinks Governor Gavin Newsom is ‘Incredible’. Voters of CA don’t agree. 3 years ago, California voters rejected the repeal of the death penalty.” [Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 7/25/19]

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Garcia Supported Trump

Garcia Was An Ardent Trump Supporter

2019: Garcia Said That He Was A Strong Supporter Of Trump

“On the Republican side, the two top local candidates are Knight, the former congressman whom Hill defeated in 2018, and Garcia, who’s been organizing in the district for months. Both are painting themselves as strong supporters of Trump.” [Mercury News, 12/16/19]

Garcia Called Trump “A Good President.” “Garcia: I support the president. I think he’s a good president.” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 8/9/19]

Garcia: “I Think Trump Is A Good President, Absolutely I Support The President.” GARCIA: “I think Trump is a good President, absolutely. I support the President.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

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Garcia Said He Would Support Trump’s Reelection In 2020, Even If There Was Another Republican Candidate Running Against Him. “Daniels: You support Trump. Would you vote for him again in the election if there was another Republican candidate running against him? Garcia: Yes. I would vote for Trump. The results — to me, results matter, and I think that is what this district is thirsting for: someone that’s going to say what they’re
going to do, but is also going to close in on those actions, and you can’t argue with the results that we’re getting.” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 8/9/19]

### Garcia Defended Trump’s “Go Back Home” Tweet, And Said That Trump Was Not Racist

**Garcia Defended Trump’s “Go Back Home” Tweet And Said That Trump Was Not Racist.** HOST: “Don’t you think ‘Go back home’ was racist?” GARCIA: “No, I don’t. I think what his tweet was not a racist statement. Do I like his delivery all the time? I think sometimes you have golfers with a perfect backswing. Obama had a smooth backswing, but the foreign policy was a mess. I think with this President his delivery is not the best but the ball is landing in the right spot in terms of what’s going on in our economy, what’s going on with defense and security. You’re basically complaining about Katie Hill’s behavior, but defending what the President says and does.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

**Jul. 2019: Trump Tweeted That Four Congresswomen Should “Go Back” To Their Home Countries, Even Though All Were Citizens, And Three Were Born In The U.S.** “Two days after Trump tweeted that four Democratic freshmen should “go back” to their home countries — though all are citizens and three were born in the U.S.A. — Democrats muscled the resolution through the chamber by 240-187 over near-solid GOP opposition. The rebuke was an embarrassing one for Trump even though it carries no legal repercussions, but if anything his latest harangues should help him with his die-hard conservative base.” [Associated Press, 7/16/19]

**HEADLINE:** “House Condemns Trump ‘Racist’ Tweets In Extraordinary Rebuke.” [Associated Press, 7/16/19]

### Garcia Would Be Rep. Jim Jordan’s Apprentice In Congress


Garcia Said That Rep. Jim Jordan Was A “Model” Of How He Would Act In Congress. “Hill’s support for further investigations into President Donald Trump as part of her membership to the House Oversight Committee is also a point of divergence between the congresswoman and Garcia. In fact, Garcia called Oversight Ranking Member Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), who has vehemently opposed continued inquiries into the president, the “model” for how he would act if he were in currently in Congress.” [Proclaimer, 4/28/19]

**Vox: Rep. Jim Jordan Had A Reputation Among Republicans For “Being Ideological To The Point Of Obstructionist”**

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Rep. Jim Jordan Voted With The Republican Party 96.83% Of The Time. According to CQ, over his career, Rep. Jim Jordan has voted with other members of the Republican Caucus 96.83% of the time. [CQ Vote Studies, accessed 1/27/20]

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[CQ Vote Studies, accessed 1/27/20]

**2019-2020: Rep. Jim Jordan Voted In Line With Trump’s Position 93.8% Of The Time**


[FiveThirtyEight, accessed 1/27/20]
Garcia Wants To Raise Californians’ Taxes, While He Reaps The Benefits And Fails To Pay His Own

Significant Findings

✓ Garcia claimed that the Republican Tax Scam benefitted California and said that he would vote in favor of making it permanent in Congress.

✓ The Republican Tax Scam bill raised taxes on more than 5 million Californians.

✓ Garcia personally benefited from the Republican Tax Scam bill.

✓ Garcia’s income bracket received the biggest tax benefit from the bill.

✓ Garcia had a history of failing to pay his company’s taxes.

✓ As of January 2020, Garcia’s real estate business had $1,324.65 in tax liens in Tulare County that had not been released and owed $250 to the California Franchise Tax Board.

Garcia Claimed That The Republican Tax Scam Benefitted Californians…

Garcia Was In Favor Of The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act And Said That He Would Vote In Favor Of Making It Permanent In Congress

Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act. GARCIA: “I don’t think it was Obama hitting a home run and Trump running the bases. What I think the president has done is take off the handcuffs off of a lot of economic stimulus that was always there, levers that we could have been pulled. The Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2018 (TCGA) was a big deal and it has translated into the lowest unemployment-- the highest GDP that we’ve seen in a long time.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

Apr. 2019: Garcia Said He Would Make Trump’s Tax Plan Permanent, Calling It His Second Highest Priority. “Garcia said that instead, he would rather focus on defense and fiscal issues. ‘That’s the top priority, supporting the president’s budgets for DoD over the next five years is critical,’ he said. ‘The second issue is supporting long term tax cuts, the temporary tax cuts were put in place a couple of years ago need to be made permanent, I think that does a lot for small business and for the average family.’” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 4/28/19]

CNN Op-Ed: “Republicans Made Individual Tax Cuts Temporary So They Could Meet Budget Rules That Let Them Pass Their Tax Overhaul With No Democratic Votes.” “Republicans made individual tax cuts temporary so they could meet budget rules that let them pass their tax overhaul with no Democratic votes. But don’t worry, they say. A future Congress won’t let middle class tax cuts expire. Recent precedents—like the oft-extended Bush tax cuts—suggest they may be right. Still, there’s zero guarantee of that. After all, a lot can change over eight years.” [CNN, Jeanne Sahadi Op-Ed, 12/20/17]

2019: Garcia Claimed That The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Benefitted California’s 25th Congressional District

Garcia Claimed That The Tax Scam Bill Benefitted California’s 25th Congressional District. GARCIA: “The 2017 tax cuts were overall a good thing for this district. People debate about how much they saved, or whether or
not their refund was bigger or less; but there was empirical data shows that in this district especially we did benefit from the tax cuts.” [KHTS, 7/22/19] (VIDEO)

**July 2019: Garcia Said The Trump Tax Cuts Were “Meant The Target Californians” And Called For Altering The “Tax Cuts So We’re Not Being Punished For Being Californians.”** [6:15] “Thing two is the tax cuts. The 2017 tax cuts were overall a good thing for this district. People debate about how much they saved or whether or not their refund was bigger or less, but there’s empirical data that shows in this district especially we did benefit from the tax cuts. Now, there were parts of it that were not beneficial to Californians and New Yorkers in particular. The state and local tax deduction limits of $10,000 was meant to target Californians and New Yorkers, and we felt that. I felt it personally, and we were capped at that as a family. So that’s something that needs to be negotiated. And those 2017 tax cuts are not permanent, they’re coming up for a vote in the next few years. So the congress that will be in place there will determine what that looks like, and I don’t think a Democrat congress will negotiate a better deal for Californians. And I don’t think Representatives, if they’re Democrats from California, are going to be able to negotiate a better deal under this administration. So I think for us as the 25th District, Santa Clarita, Antelope Valley and Simi Valley, to be able to get someone to represent them and ideally make permanent the tax cuts, but also tailor the tax cuts so we’re not being punished for being Californians.” [KHTS, 7/22/19]

### ...But It Increased Taxes For More Than 5 Million California Households

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<td><strong>Los Angeles Times: The Trump Tax Plan “Hits Many Middle-Income Residents Hard In California.”</strong> “President Trump again indicated this week he might be open to revisiting the controversial new limit on state and local tax deductions that hits many middle-income residents hard in California and other high-tax, Democratic states. Even so, don’t count on any changes to the Republican tax bill that went into effect last year happening any time soon.” [Los Angeles Times, 2/16/19]</td>
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<td><strong>The California Franchise Tax Board Estimated 1 Million Households Would Pay Over $12 Billion In Additional Taxes Under The Trump Tax Plan.</strong> “While millions of California families saw their federal taxes fall this tax season, the Jarvis family is among an estimated 1 million households who are paying more—actually some $12 billion more, according to the Franchise Tax Board. That’s because the cap on state and local tax (SALT) deductions disproportionately impacted progressive states with high taxes by limiting the amount residents used to be able to deduct from their federal filings.” [Cal Matters, 4/10/19]</td>
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Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Would Increase Incentives To Move Jobs Overseas

Tax Experts Said The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Increased Incentives For Companies To Move Jobs Overseas. “What happened to the workers in Clinton, tax experts say, will probably happen to more Americans if the Republican tax overhaul becomes law. The legislation fails to eliminate long-standing incentives for companies to move overseas and, in some cases, may even increase them, they say. ‘This bill is potentially more dangerous than our current system,’ said Stephen Shay, a senior lecturer at Harvard Law School and former Treasury Department international tax expert in the Obama administration. ‘It creates a real incentive to shift real activity offshore.’” [Washington Post, 12/15/17]

Final Tax Bill Eliminated Central Affordable Care Act Provision, Leading To 13 Million Fewer Americans With Insurance. “The individual mandate is part of the Affordable Care Act, and removing it was a top priority for Trump and congressional Republicans. The Congressional Budget Office projects the change will increase insurance premiums and lead to 13 million fewer Americans with insurance in a decade, while also cutting government spending by more than $300 billion over that period.” [Washington Post, 12/15/17]

GOP Tax Bill Would Cause Health Insurance Premiums To Rise, And Could Lead Insurers To Drop Out Of Regional Markets. “The final GOP plan will repeal the Affordable Care Act’s individual insurance mandate, which would allow young and healthy people to leave the insurance pool, forcing insurers to compensate by raising prices due to the higher costs of insuring only less-healthy people. Not only would premiums likely rise, but many insurers could drop out of regional markets.” [Newsweek, 12/18/17]

HEADLINE: Republican Tax Plan Will Make Health Insurance More Expensive [Newsweek, 12/18/17]

Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Increased The Federal Debt; Republicans Planned To Pay For It With Cuts To Medicare And Social Security

Official CBO Estimate Found Final Tax Bill Would Increase The Federal Deficit By $1.9 Trillion. “The GOP’s signature tax law is projected to increase the national debt by $1.9 trillion between 2018 and 2028, according to a new report by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). According to the report, the tax law would cost the government $2.3 trillion in revenues, but economic growth would offset that figure by about $461 billion.” [The Hill, 4/9/18]

After Passing A Tax Bill That Added Trillions To The Deficit, Speaker Ryan Said Medicare And Medicaid Would Need To Be “Reformed” In Order To Decrease The Deficit. “With his dream of tax reform now realized, Ryan is hoping to make progress on two other issues he’s targeted during his two-decade career in Washington: entitlement and welfare reform. ‘We’re going to have to get back next year at entitlement reform, which is how you tackle the debt and the deficit,’ Ryan, a former Budget Committee chairman, said in a recent interview this month on the Ross Kaminsky radio talk show. Medicare and Medicaid are the ‘big drivers of debt,’
Ryan said, suggesting Republicans could once again use the budget reconciliation process to avoid a Democratic filibuster. Medicare is the ‘biggest entitlement that’s got to have reform,’ Ryan added.” [The Hill, 12/27/17]


HEADLINE: Ryan says Republicans to target welfare, Medicare, Medicaid spending in 2018 [Washington Post, 12/6/17]

AP: “A Wide Range Of Economists And Nonpartisan Analysts Have Warned That The Bill Will Likely Escalate Federal Debt, Intensify Pressure To Cut Spending On Social Programs And Further Widen America’s Troubling Income Inequality.” “The tax overhaul of 2017 amounts to a high-stakes gamble by Republicans in Congress: That slashing taxes for corporations and wealthy individuals will accelerate growth and assure greater prosperity for Americans for years to come. The risks are considerable. A wide range of economists and nonpartisan analysts have warned that the bill will likely escalate federal debt, intensify pressure to cut spending on social programs and further widen America’s troubling income inequality.” [Associated Press, 12/17/17]

2018: 99,889 Residents Of California’s 25th District Received Some Medicare Benefits

2018: 99,899 Residents Of Garcia’s District Received Medicare Benefits. [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2018 Congressional District Report]

2018: 102,753 Residents Of California’s 25th District Received Some Social Security Benefits

2018: 102,753 Residents Of Garcia’s District Received Social Security Benefits Worth $140,064,000. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, released December 2018]

In Garcia’s District, Social Security Beneficiaries Include 76,862 Seniors; 71,648 Were Retirees. Of the 102,753 social security beneficiaries in Garcia’s district, 76,862 were aged 65 or older; 71,648 were retirees. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, released December 2018]

Garcia Benefited From The Tax Cuts While The Middle Class Paid More

Garcia’s Income Bracket Received The Biggest Tax Benefit From The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act…

2019: Garcia Reported $476,500 In Earned Income


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…While The Middle Class Paid More

Politifact: GOP Tax Bill Would Raise Taxes For The Middle Class After Individual Tax Cut Provisions Expired In 2025. “Gillibrand said the Republican ‘tax [plan] raises middle-class taxes.’ That’s not true during the first years of the new tax provisions. If not for the sunset for the tax changes for individuals, we likely would have rated Gillibrand’s statement False or perhaps Mostly False. Middle-income taxpayers will either benefit or see no change in their tax liability through 2025. But her claim could hold up after the bill’s individual provisions expire that year. There’s no guarantee a future Congress will extend those parts of the bill.” [Politifact, 12/22/17]

Tax Policy Center: In 2018, 5 Percent Of Taxpayers Would Pay More In Taxes Under The GOP Tax Bill, But Would Increase To 53 Percent Of Taxpayers In 2027. “Some taxpayers would pay more in taxes under the proposal in 2018 and 2025 than under current law: about 5 percent of taxpayers in 2018 and 9 percent in 2025. In 2027, however, taxes would increase for 53 percent of taxpayers compared with current law.” [Tax Policy Center, 12/18/17]

Garcia Had A History Of Failing To Pay His Company’s Taxes

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Jan. 2020: Rhino Estates Owed $250 To The California Franchise Tax Board. [California State Franchise Board via Freedom of Information Act request, 1/15/20]

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NOTE: Further research necessary into whether Garcia or their associated entities had more bankruptcies, judgments or liens.
### Key Visuals

#### Video

| Garcia’s 1998 Annapolis Graduation Video, Including Bill Clinton’s Speech And Diploma Ceremony |
| ![Garcia and Clinton](image-url) |
| [YouTube, David Forman, 1/14/20] (VIDEO) |

#### Images

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Rhino Estates, LLC Articles Of Organization
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Mike Garcia LinkedIn

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Social Media

[Twitter, @MikeGarcia2020, 1/11/20]

[Mike Garcia For Congress, 5/27/19]
[Mike Garcia For Congress, 4/11/19]

[Twitter, @MikeGarcia2020, 10/27/19]

[Twitter, @MikeGarcia2020, 10/23/19]
AG Barr announced that the Federal Government will be resuming Capital Punishment (the Death Penalty).

I support the death penalty and I support initiatives to expedite the appeals process leading to execution. This includes assigning a lawyer at the time of sentencing rather than waiting several years to do so. There are no innocent people on death row in California.

"Congress has expressly authorized the death penalty through legislation adopted by the people’s representatives in both houses of Congress and signed by the President," Barr said in a statement. "Under Administrations of both parties, the Department of Justice has sought the death penalty against the worst criminals, including those few murderers, each of whom was convicted by a jury of his peers after a fair and fair proceeding.

Governor Gavin Newsom signed executive order placing a moratorium on California’s death penalty in March 2019. At the time, 737 people sat on death row.

Representative Katie Hill thinks Governor Gavin Newsom is "incredible.

Voters of CA don’t agree. 3 years ago, California voters rejected the repeal of the death penalty.

[Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 7/25/19]

Her hypocrisy knows no bounds!

Representative Katie Hill says she wants to get big money out of politics but voted to receive up to $5 million of your tax dollars for politicians to fund their campaigns and to allow them to use campaign funds for personal expenses.

She wants you to foot the bill. And now she stands against special interests?

Where was this Katie Hill when receiving over $330K in PAC money just in the first 6 months of this year or as she spent over $8.3 million in 2018? The hypocrisy knows no bounds.

Yet another disappointing example of her rhetoric not aligning with her actions and her voting record.

We deserve better than this.

#CA25 share what you think of #BigMoneyKatie

[Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 9/16/19]

REMINDER: If we ever want our policies to reflect the will of the people, not corporations or special interests, we need to get big money out of politics, clean up corruption, and make voting easier #ForThePeople.
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Representative Katie Hill is leading the passage of the House National Defense Authorization Act. This is the bill that authorizes our military spending for the fiscal year. The reality is the House bill fails to address several critical national security concerns. After 20 years of war, now is the time to begin funding our military. Now is the time to rebuild our equipment and rebuild our troops with more care and higher pay — and I mean higher pay than this bill provides. Our troops are woefully underpaid. Russia and China are not two years, not two years, not two years past; we need to win a technological arms race.

Why the House NDAA is a Risk to our Security.

The House version of NDAA funds our defense and national security programs at $1 billion less than the Senate version. It cuts personnel accounts that fund troop pay raises by $1.2 billion (roughly $600 per active and reserve member), cuts nuclear deterrent programs, cuts critical programs designed to deter Russia and China, including cuts to hypersonics (the biggest modern threat to our US), ship construction, and closes Guantanamo Bay to move terrorists to the US, along with other crucial cuts. The House version creates severe restrictions on the military's traditional missions in supporting border security.

Kate Hill and her Democrat peers are using this defense budget for political messaging rather than protecting our nation and ensuring our troops are taken care of. Unacceptable.

https://www.militarytimes.com/.../military-budget-khongcow-su...

Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 7/18/19

2019 Dream Act

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2019 Dream Act

[National Immigration Law Center, 6/22/19]

Headlines
Personal & Professional History
Biography

This section provides background information on Garcia’s personal life, including education, personal finances, criminal and civil record, and other areas. Searches were conducted with various local media in Los Angeles County, media outlets including the Santa Clarita Valley Signal, Ventura County Star, The Proclaimer, as well as a number of other online resources, including Lexis-Nexis.

Birth Date

Michael Joseph Garcia, born April 24th, 1976 (age 43) in Granada Hills, CA

Education

1998-2001: Garcia Graduated From The U.S. Navy Strike Fighter Pilot Training Program In Pensacola, FL

2001: Garcia Said That He Graduated The U.S. Navy’s Advanced Strike Fighter Program. [LinkedIn, Michael Garcia, accessed 1/6/20]

Garcia Attended Flight School In Pensacola, Florida. GARCIA: “A top graduate of Saugus High School in 1994, Garcia was nominated by Representative Howard ‘Buck’ McKeon to attend the US Naval Academy in Annapolis. Garcia graduated in the top 3% of his Annapolis class with a bachelor’s degree (Major in Political Science with 60% of his syllabus comprised of engineering courses, and a minor in Spanish). In May of 1998 he was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Navy with orders to attend flight school in Pensacola, Florida.” [Mike Garcia For Congress, accessed 1/6/20]

1998: Garcia Received A Masters’ Degree In National Security Policy Studies From Georgetown University

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1994-1998: Garcia Attended The U.S. Naval Academy In Annapolis, MD

Garcia Graduated From The Naval Academy In 1998 With Distinction With A Bachelor’s Degree In Engineering And Political Science. “Garcia graduated from Annapolis Naval Academy on May 22, 1998 with distinction in the top three percent of his class with his Bachelors Degree in Engineering and Political Science.” [Hometown Station, 1/3/19]

July 1994: Garcia Enrolled In The Naval Academy After His Application Was Sponsored By Rep. Buck McKeon

July 1994: Garcia Enrolled In The Naval Academy After His Application Was Sponsored By Rep. Buck McKeon. “During high school, Garcia knew he wanted to fly fighter jets off air craft carriers, so he set his sights on attending U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis. Congressman Buck McKeon sponsored his application and Dr. Clyde Smyth conducted his extensive interview sessions. Annapolis Naval Academy On July 1, 1994, Garcia entered Annapolis which he immediately realized was seriously regimented.” [Hometown Station, 1/3/19]

Garcia Learned To Avoid Older Cadets Who Were Known To Haze “Plebes”
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Garcia: “Not My Favorite Guy… But The Diploma Was Worth It.” [Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 12/15/19]
Garcia Said That He Graduated “In The Top 3% Of His Annapolis Class”

GARCIA: “A top graduate of Saugus High School in 1994, Garcia was nominated by Representative Howard ‘Buck’ McKeon to attend the US Naval Academy in Annapolis. Garcia graduated in the top 3% of his Annapolis class with a bachelor’s degree (Major in Political Science with 60% of his syllabus comprised of engineering courses, and a minor in Spanish). In May of 1998 he was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Navy with orders to attend flight school in Pensacola, Florida.” [Mike Garcia For Congress, accessed 1/14/20]

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Career

The following provides a brief overview of Garcia’s professional career:

**Political**
- **2019-present**: U.S. House of Representatives, CA-25 candidate

**Professional**
- **2018-present**: Major Defense Company, senior program management
- **2017-present**: Rhino Estate LLC, registered owner
- **2009-2018**: Raytheon, vice president of business development
- **2003-2017**: CEO, Private Real Estate Investor
- **2000-2012**: U.S. Navy, F-18 fighter pilot

Rhino Estates LLC

Garcia’s Real Estate License Appeared To Have Been Expired Since 2012
2012: Garcia’s Real Estate License Appeared To Have Been. [State of California Department of Real Estate, accessed 1/14/20]

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[State of California Department of Real Estate, accessed 1/14/20]

2017: Garcia Incorporated A Real Estate Business Entity With The California Secretary Of State, Despite Indicating He Started The Business 14 Years Earlier

Jun. 2017: Garcia Filed Articles Of Incorporation And A Statement Of Information For Rhino Estates, LLC, A Real Estate Corporation. [California Secretary of State, Articles of Organization, filed 6/19/17; California Secretary of State, Statement of Information, filed 6/29/17]

Jan. 2020: According To A Phone Conversation With The California Secretary Of State, There Were No Filings For Rhino Estates, LLC Prior To June 2017. [California Secretary Of State, Phone Conversation, 1/28/20]
2003: Garcia’s LinkedIn Indicated He Began Serving As CEO Of Rhino Estates LLC. [LinkedIn, Michael Garcia, accessed 9/24/19]

Garcia’s Financial Disclosure Indicated Rhino Estate’s Bank Account Held Between $1,001 And $15,000

Garcia Disclosed Holding Up Between $1,001 And $15,001 In A “Rhino LLC” Bank Of America Checking Account. [Clerk of the House of Representatives, filed 7/29/19]
### 2009-2018: Garcia Was A Business Development Executive At Raytheon, And Claimed He Helped Create “Hundreds” Of Jobs

LinkedIn: Garcia Was A Business Development Executive At Raytheon. According to Garcia’s LinkedIn profile, he began working at Raytheon as the Director of Business Development in 2009. He held that position until 2018, when he was promoted to Vice President of Business Development. [LinkedIn, Viewed 3/20/19]

Garcia Oversaw Development Of New Radar Systems For Fighter Jets. “In a presentation to the Defense IQ International Fighter Conference, Michael Garcia, the company’s senior business development manager for active, electronically scanned array radars, suggested that longer-range sensors and weapons should be part of stealth, rather than placing near-complete reliance on reduced…” [Aviation Week, 11/14/13]

### Garcia Claimed To Have Helped Create “Hundreds” Of “High Paying Jobs” For Raytheon In His District

Garcia Claimed That He Generated “Billions Of Dollars Of Revenue’ And Helped Create “Hundreds Of Jobs” For Raytheon In His District. “During his now 10 years as an executive at Raytheon, Garcia has been responsible for the generation of billions of dollars of revenue and the creation of hundreds of jobs for his company and our district. ‘The aerospace industry in the 25th District should be commended and supported by our local leadership. This industry brings high-end technology to the warfighter and high paying jobs to our community. There is nothing more noble than that!’, exclaims Garcia.” [Mike Garcia For Congress, accessed 1/6/20]

NOTE: Further research needed into Garcia’s claims of revenue generation and job creation at Raytheon.

### 2000-2012: Garcia Was An U.S. Navy Fighter Pilot

NOTE: More research needed into Garcia’s military records.

Garcia Was An F-18 Fighter Pilot, And Was Assigned To Multiple Bases And Aircraft Carriers

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### 2012: Garcia Received His Honorable Discharge From Navy Active Duty

Aug. 2012: Garcia Received His Honorable Discharge From The Navy Reserve As A Lieutenant Commander. [Department of The Navy, Naval Bureau of Personnel, Garcia Certificate of Discharge From Reserve Duty via Freedom of Information Act, accessed 1/16/20]
Jun. 2009: Garcia Received His Honorable Discharge From Active Duty In The Navy As A Lieutenant Commander. “After 11 years of Navy service, on June 8, 2009, Lt. Commander Michael J. Garcia received his honorable discharge at Naval Station Lemoore and he returned home to Saugus.” [Hometown Station, 1/3/19; Department of The Navy, Naval Bureau of Personnel, Garcia Certificate of Discharge From Active Duty via Freedom of Information Act, accessed 1/16/20]
2003: Garcia Was A Veteran Of The Iraq War, Where He Served For 6 And A Half Months

Garcia Said That He Served In The Iraq War For “About 6 And A Half Months.” GARCIA: “There’s moments you get to relax and enjoy the flying and the aspects that you see, but we would take off and in a typical mission it would be about 2 hours to get to Baghdad or Crete. We were operating in the northern part of Iraq. You’d get there, and you’d be lower on gas than you would need to fulfill your mission. So you’d tank and do some refueling, which in itself is a high risk. It was about 6 and a half months -- we were there from April to, I think we left in October. The Persian Gulf in October. Time for me to look at my log book and remember.” [Talk Of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

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Garcia Flew Combat Missions In Saddam Hussein’s Hometown Of Tikrit. “In March 2003, the Iraq War exploded with ‘shock and awe’ bombing of Baghdad. His first of 30 combat missions occurred the night of April 9, 2003, which targeted Saddam Hussein’s home town Tikrit.” [Hometown Station, 1/3/19]
Garcia Was Stationed In Florida, Mississippi, California and The Persian Gulf

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[Department of The Navy, Naval Bureau of Personnel, Garcia Assignment History via Freedom of Information Act, accessed 1/16/20]

### 2009-2012: Garcia Was A Navy Reserve Instructor Pilot

Garcia Said That He Was A Navy Reserve Instructor Pilot. GARCIA: “Accruing over 1400 hours of operational flight time after nearly 20 years of military service to our country, Garcia decided to separate from the US Navy with an Honorable Discharge and focus on his family. While he continued as a reservist instructor pilot, Garcia moved back to the 25th District in 2009 and began to work for the Raytheon Company.” [Mike Garcia For Congress, accessed 1/6/20]

Garcia Said That His Naval Service Was The “Pinnacle” Of His Career

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### Criminal Record

### Criminal And Traffic Violation Record

As of March 2019, Garcia was not associated with any criminal or traffic violations. [Nexis Criminal Records search, accessed, 3/20/19]

**NOTE:** Further research necessary to determine whether Garcia has a criminal record.

### Judgments Or Liens

#### 2020: Rhino Estates Had $1,324.65 In Tax Liens In Tulare County That Had Not Been Released

May 2019: Tulare County Tax Collector Filed Tax Lien Against Rhino Estates LLC; The Tax Lien Was Worth $876.57 And Still Active As Of January 2020. [Tulare County Tax Collector, dated 5/21/19; Tulare County Tax Collector, accessed 1/28/20; Tulare County Recorder, accessed 1/16/20]
Sept. 2019: Tulare County Tax Collector Filed A Tax Lien Against Rhino Estates LLC, The Tax Lien Was Worth $448.08 And Was Still Active As Of January 2020. [Tulare County Tax Collector, dated 9/24/19; Tulare County Tax Collector, accessed 1/28/20; Tulare County Recorder, accessed 1/16/20]
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[Tulare County Recorder, accessed 1/16/20]

**2020: Rhino Estates Owed $250 To The California Franchise Tax Board**

**Jan. 2020:** Rhino Estates Owed $250 To The California Franchise Tax Board. [California State Franchise Board via Freedom of Information Act request, 1/15/20]

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[California State Franchise Board via Freedom of Information Act request, 1/15/20]

**NOTE:** Further research necessary into whether Garcia or their associated entities had more bankruptcies, judgments or liens.
Personal Finance

In 2019, Garcia had an estimated net worth of between $2,453,012 and $6,479,997.

According to Garcia’s federal personal financial disclosures, his 2019 annual unearned income was between $110,210 and $296,400. Garcia also earned $476,500 in salary from the Raytheon and disability payments from Veteran’s Affairs. Garcia’s assets totaled between $3,753,012 and $7,095,000. Garcia had $615,003 and $1,300,000 in liabilities.

Garcia’s Federal Personal Financial Disclosure Summary

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2019 – Federal Personal Financial Disclosure

Net Worth

2019: Garcia Had An Estimated Net Worth Between $2,453,012 And $6,479,997


Earned Income

2019: Garcia Reported $476,500 In Earned Income


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[Source: Garcia 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed 7/29/19]

Assets & Unearned Income

2019: Garcia Reported Between $110,210 And $296,400 In Unearned Income


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Garcia Disclosed Up To $200,000 In “Pleasure” Vehicles Assets


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### Agreements

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### Compensation In Excess Of $5,000 Paid By One Source

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### 2018 – Federal Personal Financial Disclosure

#### Net Worth

**2018: Garcia Had An Estimated Net Worth Between $2,453,012 And $6,479,997**

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#### Earned Income

**2018: Garcia Reported $457,592 In Earned Income**


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#### Assets & Unearned Income

**2018: Garcia Reported Between $47,509 And $150,600 In Unearned Income**

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Political Career

This section provides an overview of Garcia’s political career, from 2019 to 2020.

**Significant Findings**

✓ In 2019, Garcia claimed that he left his job to run for Congress, but records showed he received income from both of his jobs that year.

✓ Garcia was endorsed by the LA GOP.

✓ Garcia was endorsed by former Congressmen Buck McKeon and Elton Gallegly.

✓ In April 2019, Garcia announced his campaign to challenge Rep. Katie Hill.

✓ As of January 2020, Garcia’s campaign raised $483,113.48 and spent $161,323.12.

✓ 26.15% of Garcia’s campaign contributions came from self-financing.

✓ Garcia’s campaign received 100% of his PAC contributions from ideological PACs.

✓ Garcia received $13,900 in campaign contributions from finance, insurance, and real estate.

✓ Garcia’s employer, the Raytheon Company, were among his top campaign contributors.

**2020 Campaign**

Garcia Said That He Was Leaving His Job To Run For Congress, But He Received Revenue From His Two Jobs That Same Year

2019: Garcia Said That He Was Leaving His Job To Run For Congress. “I’m leaving my job to run for Congress. It won’t be easy on my family. But it is something we will go through together.” [YouTube, Mike Garcia for Congress, 9/12/19]

…But He Received Revenue From His Two Jobs That Same Year


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2019: Garcia Reported Earning Compensation From The “Purchase And Sale of Apartment Units.”

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**Garcia Was Endorsed By The Los Angeles Republican Party**

Garcia Was Endorsed By The Los Angeles Republican Party. “Today, Mike Garcia earned the endorsement of the LA GOP for the upcoming 25th Congressional district elections, capturing more than 2/3 of the vote. In winning the endorsement, Garcia defeated former Republican Congressman and longtime Los Angeles politician Steve Knight.” [Twitter, @MikeGarcia2020, 1/11/20]

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**Garcia Was Endorsed By Former Congressmen Buck McKeon And Elton Gallegly**

Garcia Was Endorsed By Former Congressmen Buck McKeon And Elton Gallegly. “Garcia has been endorsed by former congressmen Buck McKeon and Elton Gallegly. Underwood Jacobs is a bank executive who has served on the Lancaster City Council since 2015. Other Republican candidates listed by the Federal Election Commission include Suzette Martinez Valladares and Mark Cripe.” [Ventura County Star, 4/21/19]

**Apr. 2019: Garcia Announced His Congressional Campaign To Challenge Rep. Katie Hill**


**Campaign Finance**

2020: Garcia’s Campaign Raised $483,113.48 And Spent $161,323.12
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[ FEC Committee Candidate and Committee Viewer, accessed 1/9/20]

As Of Q3 2019, Garcia’s Campaign Committee Received 72% Of His Contributions From Individual Contributors And 26.15% From Self-Financing

### Source Of Garcia Career Congressional Campaign Committee Funds

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As Of Q3 2019, Garcia’s Campaign Committee Received 100% Of His PAC Contributions From Ideological PACs

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Garcia Received $13,900 In Campaign Contributions From Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate

### Top Campaign Committee Contributors

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Valencia Technologies $16,800
Rydell Automotive $16,800
Bernards $16,800
Heauer Billing $16,800
Malloy Family Partners $16,800
McKeon Group $16,800
Mercury Air Group $16,800
Paul Meyer $16,800
Santa Clarita Concrete $16,800
SCV Cmte on Aging $16,800
Spirit Holdings $16,800

[Center for Responsive Politics, accessed 1/9/20]

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Garcia’s Employer, The Raytheon Company, Was Among His Top Campaign Contributors

2020: Raytheon Company Employees Donated $16,800 To Garcia’s Congressional Campaign Committee.
[Center for Responsive Politics, accessed 1/9/20]

Garcia Was A Business Development Executive At Raytheon. According to Garcia’s LinkedIn profile, he began working at Raytheon as the Director of Business Development in 2009. He held that position until 2018, when he was promoted to Vice President of Business Development. [LinkedIn, Viewed 3/20/19]

Paid Media Summary


2020 Election

Garcia “Good Guy” Paid Media Summary

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Garcia “Bad Guy” Paid Media Summary

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<td>“A Patriot’s Call to Serve Again”</td>
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Ethics

Significant Findings

✓ Garcia said that he was in favor of term limits because it was “time to get rid of the career politicians in both parties.”

Term Limits

Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of Term Limits For Members Of Congress

Garcia said that he was in favor of term limits because it was “time to get rid of the career politicians in both parties.” Garcia supports term limits because it’s time to get rid of the career politicians in both parties. Washington, DC truly is a swamp, filled with career politicians who are more concerned with their next election than making tough decisions. The Founding Fathers wanted citizens to step up and serve their community in office for a brief period and then make way for new representation before they lost touch with their constituency.” [Mike Garcia for Congress, accessed 1/27/20]
**Relationships**

**Significant Findings**

- Garcia said that Rep. Jim Jordan was a “model” of how he would act in Congress.
  - Jordan voted with his party 96.83% of the time.
  - Jordan voted in line with Trump’s position 93.8% of the time.
  - Vox: Rep. Jim Jordan had a reputation among Republicans for “being ideological to the point of obstructionist.”
- Garcia said that Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez pushed a “socialist agenda.”
- Garcia said that George W. Bush was a “good president,” but not “the greatest president.”

**Jim Jordan**


Garcia said that Rep. Jim Jordan was a “model” of how he would act in Congress. “Hill’s support for further investigations into President Donald Trump as part of her membership to the House Oversight Committee is also a point of divergence between the congresswoman and Garcia. In fact, Garcia called Oversight Ranking Member Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), who has vehemently opposed continued inquiries into the president, the ‘model’ for how he would act if he were in currently in Congress.” [Proclaimer, 4/28/19]

**Rep. Jim Jordan Voted With His Party 96.83% Of The Time**

Rep. Jim Jordan voted with the Republican Party 96.83% of the time. According to CQ, over his career, Rep. Jim Jordan has voted with other members of the Republican Caucus 96.83% of the time. [CQ Vote Studies, accessed 1/27/20]

**Party Unity**

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[CQ Vote Studies, accessed 1/27/20]

Vox: Rep. Jim Jordan Had A Reputation Among Republicans For “Being Ideological To The Point Of Obstructionist”

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Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

Garcia Said That Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Pushed A “Socialist Agenda”

Garcia Said That Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Pushed A “Socialist Agenda.” “‘I have been at the edge where bullets fly and lives are lost,’ Garcia said. ‘I believe America is the greatest country in the world. I’ve seen men and women lose their lives defending this country. And I am disgusted that politicians in Washington are voting in lockstep with Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez to push a socialist agenda that jeopardizes everything we’ve risked blood and treasure to defend.’” [City News Service, 4/10/19]

George W. Bush

Garcia Said That George W. Bush Was A “Good President,” But Not “The Greatest” President

Garcia Said That George W. Bush Was A “Good President,” But Not “The Greatest” President. GARCIA: “I think he was a good president. The greatest? That’s a bold statement, right. Abraham Lincoln, greatest president ever in my opinion.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]
**Donald Trump**

### Significant Findings

- Garcia said that he was a strong supporter of Trump, and that he would support him in 2020 regardless of another Republican in the race.
- Garcia said that going to jail for the president was not “a noble thing,” when referring to George Papadopoulos.
- Garcia defended Trump’s “go back home tweet,” and believed that Trump was not racist.
  - *In July 2019, Trump tweeted that four Congresswomen should “go back” to their home countries, even though all four were citizens.*

### Trump Positions

**Garcia Was An Ardent Trump Supporter**

#### 2019: Garcia Said That He Was A Strong Supporter Of Trump

**2019: Garcia Said that He Was A Strong Supporter Of Trump.** “On the Republican side, the two top local candidates are Knight, the former congressman whom Hill defeated in 2018, and Garcia, who’s been organizing in the district for months. Both are painting themselves as strong supporters of Trump.” [Mercury News, 12/16/19]

**Garcia Called Trump “A Good President.”** “Garcia: I support the president. I think he’s a good president.” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 8/9/19]

**Garcia: “I Think Trump Is A Good President, Absolutely I Support The President.”** GARCIA: “I think Trump is a good President, absolutely. I support the President.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

**Garcia Said He Would Support Trump’s Reelection In 2020, Even If There Was Another Republican Candidate Running Against Him**

**Garcia Said He Would Support Trump’s Reelection In 2020, Even If There Was Another Republican Candidate Running Against Him.** “Daniels: You support Trump. Would you vote for him again in the election if there was another Republican candidate running against him? Garcia: Yes. I would vote for Trump. The results — to me, results matter, and I think that is what this district is thirsting for: someone that’s going to say what they’re going to do, but is also going to close in on those actions, and you can’t argue with the results that we’re getting.” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 8/9/19]

### Russia Investigation

**Garcia Said That Going To Jail For “Anyone” Was Not “A Noble Thing,” Referring To George Papadopoulos**

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### Racist Comments

**Garcia Defended Trump’s “Go Back Home” Tweet, And Said That Trump Was Not Racist**

Garcia Defended Trump’s “Go Back Home” Tweet And Said That Trump Was Not Racist. HOST: “Don’t you think ‘Go back home’ was racist?” GARCIA: “No, I don’t. I think what his tweet was not a racist statement. Do I like his delivery all the time? I think sometimes you have golfers with a perfect backswing. Obama had a smooth backswing, but the foreign policy was a mess. I think with this President his delivery is not the best but the ball is landing in the right spot in terms of what’s going on in our economy, what’s going on with defense and security. You’re basically complaining about Katie Hill’s behavior, but defending what the President says and does.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

**Jul. 2019: Trump Tweeted That Four Congresswomen Should “Go Back” To Their Home Countries, Even Though All Were Citizens, And Three Were Born In The U.S.** “Two days after Trump tweeted that four Democratic freshmen should “go back” to their home countries — though all are citizens and three were born in the U.S.A. — Democrats muscled the resolution through the chamber by 240-187 over near-solid GOP opposition. The rebuke was an embarrassing one for Trump even though it carries no legal repercussions, but if anything his latest harangues should help him with his die-hard conservative base.” [Associated Press, 7/16/19]

**HEADLINE: “House Condemns Trump ‘Racist’ Tweets In Extraordinary Rebuke.”** [Associated Press, 7/16/19]
Issues
Abortion & Women’s Health Issues

### Significant Findings

✓ Garcia was opposed to abortion.

### Abortion

#### 2019: Garcia Said That He Was Opposed To Abortion

2019: Garcia Said That He Was Opposed To Abortion. “Another Republican in the contest is former Navy combat pilot Mike Garcia of Santa Clarita, now an executive at Raytheon. Like Knight, Garcia opposes abortion and new restrictions on guns, and he supports repeal of the Affordable Care Act. Underwood Jacobs, a bank executive, says she’ll champion fiscal restraint, border security and military strength.” [LA Times, 11/16/19]
Agriculture & Food Access Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Garcia said that he was opposed to food stamp programs.
✓ Garcia: “I think everyone should have to figure out how to fend for themselves.”
✓ Garcia’s district had over 17,000 households that benefitted from food stamp programs.

Food Stamps

Garcia Said That He Was Opposed To Food Stamp Programs, Even Though 17,000 Households In His District Participated In The Program

Garcia On Food Stamps: “Food Stamps At A Low Level I Think Is... As A Purist I Would Say No. I Think Everyone Should Have To Figure Out How To Fend For Themselves.” HOST: “Should there be a social safety net? Do you believe in that?” GARCIA: I believe in social security, for sure.” HOST: “What about food stamps?” GARCIA: “Food stamps at a low level I think is... As a purist I would say no. I think everyone should have to figure out how to fend for themselves.” HOST: “Medicare?” GARCIA: “At some levels yes, as well.” HOST: “Medicaid?” GARCIA: “Again, I’d have to look at the level of that. I’m not a big fan of that. Social security is not one of those things though, right. Social Security is absolutely something we need to protect. Those are investments that we as citizens have invested in. We’ve put that money in and it’s a contract with the government.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, Mike Garcia Interview, 8/9/19]

Garcia On Federal Assistance Programs: “There Should Be Safety Nets, But I Don’t Want The Federal Government To Be The Safety Net.” “Garcia: Here’s where I land on all the programs. There should be safety nets, but I don’t want the federal government to be the safety net. I want the churches, I want the local community nonprofits, I want our neighbors to be the safety net because a dollar that’s spent at the federal government level on food stamps – by the time it gets to the level where someone’s actually using those stamps and getting merchandise as a result of that – the inefficiency lost through that whole process is staggering. There’s organizations like the local Veterans Collaborative group out here. I know that when we put money into that, that money pivots right away to someone who needs that safety net. Healthcare becomes a bigger problem because of the cost and the magnitude of it.” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 8/9/19]

CA-25 Had Over 17,000 Households On Food Stamps

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[United States Department of Agriculture, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015, accessed 8/13/19]
Crime & Public Safety Issues

Significant Findings

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Capital Punishment

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**Election Law & Campaign Finance Issues**

### Significant Findings

- Garcia said that he was opposed to H.R. 1.
- H.R. 1 included provisions meant to get “dark money” out of politics.

### For The People Act

**Garcia Said That He Was Opposed To H.R. 1, An Effort Meant To Get Money Out Of Politics**

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Representative Katie Hill says she wants to get big money out of politics but voted to receive up to $5 million of your tax dollars for politicians to fund their campaigns and to allow them to use campaign funds for personal expenses. She wants you to foot the bill. And now she stands against special interests? Where was this Katie Hill when receiving over $330K in PAC money just in the first 6 months of this year or as she spent over $8.3 million in 2018? The hypocrisy knows no bounds. Yet another disappointing example of her rhetoric not aligning with her actions and her voting record! We deserve better than this! #CA25 share what you think of #BigMoneyKatie.”

[Facebook, Mike Garcia for Congress, 9/16/19]
H.R. 1 Supported An End To Citizens United, And Increased Disclosure Of The Funders Of “Dark Money” Groups


The For The People Act Established A Match Program For Candidates Who Raised Money From Small Dollar Donors, Funded By A Fee On Criminal And Civil Fines By Banks And Corporations. “Establishing public financing of campaigns, powered by small donations. Under the vision of the bill’s main sponsor, Rep. John Sarbanes (D-MD), the federal government would provide a voluntary 6-1 match for candidates for president and Congress, which means for every dollar a candidate raises from small donations, the federal government would match it six times over. The maximum small donation that could be matched would be capped at $200. The most substantial change to HR 1 is this program now won’t be funded by taxpayer dollars as originally planned; instead, it will come from adding a 2.75 percent fee on criminal and civil fines, fees, penalties, or settlements with banks and corporations that commit corporate malfeasance (think Wells Fargo).” [Vox, 3/8/19]

The For The People Act Supported An End To Citizens United And Increased Disclosure Of The Funders Of “Dark Money” Groups And Online Political Ads. “Supporting a constitutional amendment to end Citizens United. Passing the DISCLOSE Act, pushed by Rep. David Cicilline and Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, both Democrats from Rhode Island. This would require Super PACs and ‘dark money’ political organizations to make their donors public. Passing the Honest Ads Act, championed by Sens. Amy Klobuchar (MN) and Mark Warner (VA) and introduced by Rep. Derek Kilmer (WA) in the House, which would require Facebook and Twitter to disclose the source of money for political ads on their platforms and share how much money was spent.” [Vox, 3/8/19]

The For The People Act Created National Automatic Voter Registration, Made Election Day A Federal Holiday, Ended Partisan Gerrymandering, And Increased Election Security. “Creating new national automatic voter registration that asks voters to opt out rather than opt in, ensuring more people will be signed up to vote. Early voting, same-day voter registration, and online voter registration would also be promoted. Making Election Day a holiday for federal employees and encouraging private sector businesses to do the same […] Ending partisan gerrymandering in federal elections and prohibiting voter roll purging. The bill would stop the use of non-forwardable mail being used as a way to remove voters from rolls. Beefing up election security, including requiring the director of national intelligence to do regular checks on foreign threats. Recruiting and training more poll workers ahead of the 2020 election to cut down on long lines at the polls.” [Vox, 3/8/19]

NOTE: Further research needed to determine if Garcia’s campaign received support from “dark money” groups.
Environmental Issues

**Significant Findings**

✓ Garcia believed that human activities had only “some implications” to climate change.
✓ Garcia denied that California’s forest fires were results of climate change.

**Climate Change**

**Garcia Said That He Believed That Human Activity Had Only “Some Implications” To Climate Change.**

GARCIA: “I think there are some implications of manmade products, um, to the climate. And again, this is one of those issues where maybe I’m not as far right as you would think. I think what it boils down to is we need to keep looking at it, we need to keep analyzing the data. When you look at 10, 20, 30 years, the margin of error on our predictions is off the chart. The bottom line is that I don’t think we should do anything that derails our economy. The Green New Deal is, I mean good lord, that would have torpedoed our economy. I think that short-sighted sort of pandering is completely useless. But I do think we have to keep an eye on it, and continue to gather the information.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

**Garcia Denied That California’s Forest Fires Were A Result Of Climate Change**

GARCIA: “The fires are not a result of climate change. They are usually man made. These power shutdowns and what Edison is doing […] It is not Climate Change. It is man made and bad leadership and bad policy. I think it is a cop out to say it is climate change and there are defiantly concrete things we can do.” [YouTube, joycemediainc, 12/10/19] (VIDEO)
Foreign Policy Issues

**Significant Findings**

- In August 2019, Garcia said that he was in favor of Trump’s Iran policies after Iran shot down a U.S. Drone over an “international border.”
  - Garcia said that if things weren’t “done correctly,” then there could be a “war with Iran.”
- Garcia said that the operation to kill General Soleimani was “a massive success,” and very well executed.
- Garcia said that he supported the Iraq War “given the intelligence that the administration had at the time.”
- Garcia said that he would still support the Iraq War today knowing what he knew now.

**Iran**

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to go after someone who is responsible and accountable for hundreds of American lives over the last two decades, which Soleimani was in multiple areas especially in Iraq he was responsible for 600 people, when there is opportunities like that, time is of the essence. The way this mission was carried out from what I understand from what has been public and I certainly don’t have access to classified documents, but what I can see online and what I have read is that this was a very well executed surgical strike meaning they knew what was going on. They knew what the targets where and the fact that there was minimal risk of collateral damage was or loss of civilians on the ground, when you have the stars align for you as commander in chief you need to be able to make that call and be able to make that decision. The fact of the matter is this strike was a massive success. Not just because of the way it was executed but because of who the target was and the end result of the operation.” [Sonja Schmidt Podcast, 1/7/20] (VIDEO)

Iraq

Garcia Said That He Supported The Iraq War “Given The Intelligence That The Administration Had At The Time”

Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of The Iraq War “Given The Intelligence That The Administration Had At The Time.” GARCIA: “Yes, I think, given the state of affairs there, given the intelligence that the administration had at the time. For folks who aren’t aware, this was a weapon of mass destruction debate. Are there chemicals there, nukes there? Biochemical warfare...and, it was, a president acting on the information that he had. And he’s a human being, so, in the end...Sadam Hussein was a terrible person, right.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)

Garcia Said That He Would Still Support The Iraq War Today Knowing What He Knew Now

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Gun Issues

**Significant Findings**

- **2019:** The LA Times reported that Garcia was opposed to “new” restrictions on guns.
  - The Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019 would extend background checks from three days to ten, with the potential to be extended another ten.
  - The Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019 would close the gun show loophole that allowed people purchasing firearms via private sales to forgo background checks.
- Garcia said that no “law in the world” could have prevented the shooting at Saugus High School.
- The gun used at the Saugus High School shooting was a homemade gun that lacked serial numbers and the owner was not subject to backgrounds check.

**Gun Reform Measures**

**2019: Garcia Said That He Opposed Common Sense Gun Reforms**

*LA Times: 2019: Garcia Said That He Opposed “New” Restrictions On Guns.* “Another Republican in the contest is former Navy combat pilot Mike Garcia of Santa Clarita, now an executive at Raytheon. Like Knight, Garcia opposes abortion and new restrictions on guns, and he supports repeal of the Affordable Care Act. Underwood Jacobs, a bank executive, says she’ll champion fiscal restraint, border security and military strength.” [LA Times, 11/16/19]

**2019 Gun Restrictions Included Closing The Charleston Loophole, And The Gun Show Loophole**

**HEADLINE:** House passes ‘Charleston loophole bill’ on gun background checks [CNN, 2/28/19]

The Enhanced Background Checks Act Of 2019 Would Extend Background Checks From Three Days To Ten, With The Potential To Be Extended Another Ten. “Currently a gun seller has to wait three business for federal investigators to conduct background check. Most checks are quick, but incomplete data can sometimes cause a delayed response. If the delay lasts more than three business days, the gun sale can move forward. The Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019 expands the background check period to ten days, with the potential to be extended another ten.” [NPR, 2/28/19]

**Dylann Roof Had Been Allowed To Purchase A Gun Despite A Prior Arrest For Drug Possession Because His Background Check Had Taken Longer Than Three Days To Complete.** “The legislation addresses a loophole in current law that enables some firearms to be transferred by licensed gun dealers before the required background checks have been completed, a loophole that allowed Dylann Roof to buy a gun in 2015 and kill nine people at Mother Emanuel Church -- one of the most well known historically black churches in Charleston, South Carolina. Due to Roof’s prior admission during an arrest that he was in possession of drugs, he should not have been permitted to buy the gun he used in the massacre. However, an agent working for the FBI’s background check system who was performing the review on Roof failed to contact Columbia, South Carolina, police, who arrested Roof, in part because of a clerical error in records listing the wrong agency. Because Roof’s background check took longer than three days to complete, the gun shop owner was
allowed to sell the gun to Roof. The law permits gun sellers to sell guns if a background check takes longer than three days to complete.” [CNN, 2/28/19]

The Bipartisan Background Checks Act Of 2019 Would Close The Gun Show Loophole That Allowed People Purchasing Firearms Via Private Sales To Forgo Background Checks. “Giffords, a former congresswoman from Arizona, was shot in the head by a mass shooter during a 2011 meeting with constituents and has advocated for gun-violence prevention ever since. She was chosen to drop the bill, called the Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, into the ‘hopper’ where all bills start, as lawmakers introduced it. […] The bill, however, would close the infamous ‘gun show loophole,’ which allows people purchasing firearms via private sales, typically at gun shows, to forgo a background check. Under the legislation, anyone who’s not a licensed firearms dealer would not be able to exchange weapons, which would ensure that all sales run through the national criminal background check system — with a few exceptions.” [Vice News, 1/8/19]

Advocates Called The Bill “The Most Significant Gun Control Measurer In More Than Two Decades.” “The House passed what advocates call the most significant gun control measure in more than two decades on Wednesday when it approved the first of two bills aimed at broadening the federal background check system for firearms purchases. The vote on the first bill, dubbed the Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, passed largely along party lines 240 to 190 with Democrats who control the House cheering as they carried the legislation across the finish line.” [NPR, 2/27/19]

School Shootings

Garcia Said That No “Law In The World” Could Have Prevented The Shooting At Saugus High School

GARCIA: “First of all, there wasn’t a law in the world that could have been written that would have prevented the shooting at Saugus High School. It was absolutely heartbreaking to watch the quad that I hung out on watching kids have CPR performed on them real time on live TV. absolutely heartbreaking. We had friends that were involved in the shooting as victims as well. But unfortunately, there wasn’t a law that would have prevented that shooting.” [CBSLA, 1/9/20] (VIDEO)

The Gun That Was Used At The Saugus High School Shooting Was A Homemade Gun That Lacked Serial Numbers And Wasn’t Subject To A Backgrounds Check. “Homemade guns that lack serial numbers are sometimes called ghost guns because authorities can’t track their sale or trace their ownership. The parts from which they’re assembled aren’t subject to a background check, and law enforcement and gun control advocates have long raised concerns that the kits could put firearms into dangerous hands.” [BuzzFeed, 11/21/19]
Health Care Issues

**Significant Findings**

- In 2019, Garcia said that he was in favor of repealing the ACA.
  - Garcia believed that getting the ACA “off the books” created a “forcing function for collectors to go out and do something.”
- Garcia supported the Republican Tax Scam bill – “a major victory” for big pharma investors.
- Garcia said that he was “not a big fan of Medicaid,” even though 14% of adults in Garcia’s district benefitted from the program.

**Affordable Care Act (ACA)**

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> Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of Getting The ACA “Off The Books” To Create A “Forcing Function For Collectors To Go Out And Do Something.” GARCIA: “So does Katie Hill, she calls it a marker. She says we’re putting these markers out-- but you gotta progress toward these markers. That’s the case if it’s a start, then where’s the next evolution? What have you done? No one has the answer, if anybody says they do, they’re lying. But you’ve gotta have some evolution. I think the ACA or the ‘Unaffordable Care Act’ is flawed enough to start over, so if you get it off the books, you’re creating a forcing function for collectors to go out and do something.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19]

**Prescription Drugs**

**Garcia Supported The Republican Tax Scam Bill – “A Major Victory” For Big Pharma Investors**

> Garcia Supported The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act

> Garcia Said The Republican Tax Bill “Was A Big Deal And It Has Translated Into The Lowest Unemployment-- The Highest GDP That We’ve Seen In A Long Time.” GARCIA: “I don’t think it was Obama hitting a home run and Trump running the bases. What I think the president has done is take off the handcuffs off of a lot of economic stimulus that was always there, levers that we could have been pulled. The Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2018 (TCGA) was a big deal and it has translated into the lowest unemployment-- the highest GDP that we’ve seen in a long time.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)
**Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Included A “Major Victory For Pharma Manufacturers”**

Politico: Repatriation Provision In Tax Bill Was A “Major Victory For Pharma Manufacturers.” “The bill, H.R. 1 (115), lowers the corporate tax rate and would offer a one-time reduction on profits U.S.-based multinational companies earn and keep abroad. The repatriation provision is seen as a major victory for pharma manufacturers who store boatloads of cash in countries where tax rates are lower.” [Politico, 12/4/17]

Pharmaceutical Companies Were “One Of The Biggest Beneficiaries” Of The Provision, And Were Seen As Likely To Return Money To Their Shareholders, Rather Than Invest In Research And Innovation. “U.S. drugmakers will be one of the biggest beneficiaries of the repatriation portion of the bill. They’ve been sitting on billions of dollars in overseas earnings and can now bring home that cash at a reduced rate. While the tax bill has been promoted by Republicans as a job creator, the reality is that drug companies are more likely to return the money to shareholders, or use it to make acquisitions.” [Bloomberg, 12/20/17]

Tax Bill Was Estimated To Save Top Five Pharmaceutical Companies $42.7 Billion. “The tax proposal supported by President Donald Trump and congressional Republicans would give five top pharmaceutical corporations a $42.7 billion tax break.” [Public Citizen and ITEP, 11/20/17]

Pharmaceutical Companies Worked To Benefit Shareholders, Rather Than To Bring Down The Cost Of Drugs Or Invest In New Research And Development

Pharmaceutical Companies Were Predicted To Use Savings From Tax Bill To Invest In Mergers And Acquisitions In An Effort To Preserve Patents And Prevent Competitors From Producing Cheaper, Generic Drugs. “Blue-chip drugmakers holding $200 billion in cash, mostly overseas, will start investing more of it in mergers and acquisitions after President Trump’s tax overhaul slashed the cost of spending the money in the U.S., debt-ratings firm Moody’s predicts. […] Amgen, Pfizer, Gilead, and Celgene are the most likely to seek deals, Moody’s projects, as they grapple with challenges from a shrinking market for some medications to the expiration of patents on others that will enable rivals to produce cheaper generic versions.” [Washington Examiner, 1/9/18]

Nine Pharmaceutical Companies Announced $50 Billion In Share Buybacks After Tax Bill Passed, “A Sum That Towers Over Investments In Employees Or Drug Research And Development.” “The pharmaceutical industry is using a large portion of its windfall from Republicans’ corporate tax cuts to boost its stock prices. Nine drug companies are spending a combined $50 billion on new share buyback programs, a sum that towers over investments in employees or drug research and development. The bottom line: All of those buybacks were announced during or after the passage of the Republican tax bill. That money is enriching hedge funds, other Wall Street investors and top drug company executives, but it isn’t necessarily helping patients.” [Axios, 2/22/18]

**HEADLINE: Pharma’s $50 billion tax windfall for investors** [Axios, 2/22/18]

**HEADLINE: Big Pharma investors cash in on Trump’s tax plan** [Salon, 2/22/18]

**Medicaid**

**Garcia Said He Was Not A Big Fan Of Medicaid, Even Though 14% Of Adults In His District Benefitted From The Program**

Garcia Was “Not A Big Fan” Of Medicaid, Said He Only Supported Medicare “At Some Levels,” And Said He Opposed Food Stamps On A Philosophical Level. “HOST: “Should there be a social safety net? Do you believe in that?” GARCIA: I believe in social security, for sure.” HOST: “What about food stamps?” GARCIA: “Food stamps at a low level I think is… As a purist I would say no. I think everyone should have to figure out how to fend for themselves.” HOST: “Medicaid?” GARCIA: “At some levels yes, as well.” HOST: “Medicaid?” GARCIA: “Again, I’d have to look at the level of that. I’m not a big fan of that. Social security is not one of those
things though, right. Social Security is absolutely something we need to protect. Those are investments that we as citizens have invested in. We’ve put that money in and it’s a contract with the government.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, Mike Garcia Interview, 8/9/19]

In CA-25, 14% Of Adults Were On Medicaid

2015: 14 Percent Of CA-25 Adults Were Covered By Medicaid. Georgetown University Health Policy Institute, Percent of Adults Covered by Medicaid by Congressional District – 2015, accessed 8/13/19

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**Immigration & Border Issues**

**Significant Findings**

- Garcia said that he was in favor of fully funding the construction of a wall on the southern border.
- Garcia opposed sanctuary cities.
  - Garcia said that he abhorred “the idea of having sanctuary states and sanctuary cities.”
- Garcia said that sanctuary cities and states should be cut from federal funds.
- Garcia complained there was “no age stipulation” to DACA or the Dream Act.
  - The 2019 Dream Act only allowed individuals who entered the U.S. under the age of 18 the eligibility to obtain conditional permanent resident status.
- Garcia said that providing “free healthcare and education” to “illegal immigrants” was a “quintessential socialist position.”

**Border Wall**

**Garcia Said That He Was In Favor Of Fully Funding The Construction Of A Wall On The Southern Border**

Aug. 2019: Garcia said that he was in favor of fully funding the construction of a wall on the southern border, and opposed sanctuary policies. “I visited the US Mexico border and border patrol facilities near Yuma, Arizona in July. I wanted to see the situation on the ground first hand and get the facts and data straight from the experts. This video is focused on the border barrier itself. (See full video on Facebook @ElectMikeGarcia) I was surprised to learn that there are 4 different types of ‘walls’ within a few miles on the border. The old structures are ineffective. But I was encouraged to see the new 3 layer system making good progress: This section of the border has yet to be penetrated with the new system in place. Wherever the triple layered fence has been built, illegal drug traffic has dropped to ZERO. THIS NEEDS TO BE FULLY FUNDED AND COMPLETED ACROSS THE ENTIRE BORDER! @repkatiehill is for open borders and turning California into a sanctuary state. I firmly stand behind securing the border and enforcing our laws!” [mikegarcia2020, Instagram, 8/26/19]

Trump Declared A National Emergency In Order To Gain Access To Funds To Build A Wall On The Southern Border, But Said “I Didn’t Need To Do This, But I’d Rather Do It Much Faster.” “President Trump declared a national emergency on the border with Mexico on Friday in order to access billions of dollars that Congress refused to give him to build a wall there, transforming a highly charged policy dispute into a confrontation over the separation of powers outlined in the Constitution. […] But with illegal border crossings already down and critics accusing him of manufacturing a crisis, he may have undercut his own argument that the border situation was so urgent that it required emergency action. ‘I didn’t need to do this, but I’d rather do it much faster,’ he said. ‘I just want to get it done faster, that’s all.’ The president’s decision incited instant condemnation from Democrats, who called it an unconstitutional abuse of his authority and vowed to try to overturn it with the support of Republicans who also objected to the move.” [New York Times, 2/15/19]

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Sanctuary Cities

Garcia Said That He Strongly Opposed Sanctuary Cities

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DACA, DAPA & The DREAM Act

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DACA Recipients Had To Be Born After June 15, 1981. [American Immigration Council, 9/3/19; National Immigration Law Center, 6/22/19]

2019: The House-Passed American Dream And Promise Act Had No Upper Age Limit. “The American Dream and Promise Act of 2019 would provide current, former, and future undocumented high-school graduates and GED recipients a three-step pathway to U.S. citizenship through college, work, or the armed services. [...] An individual is eligible to obtain conditional permanent resident (CPR) status for up to 10 years, which includes work authorization, if the person: entered the United States under the age of 18.” [American Immigration Council, 9/3/19; National Immigration Law Center, 6/22/19]

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# National Defense & Security Issues

## Significant Findings

✓ Garcia said that he was opposed to the FY 2020 National Defense Authorization Act.

✓ The bill authorized a 3.1% pay increase for uniformed personnel and implemented reforms to improve military housing.

✓ The bill prohibited new transfers into the Guantanamo Bay detention facility.

✓ The bill ensured that the Department of Defense was capable of adapting to climate change.

✓ The bill reversed Trump’s transgender troop ban.

✓ The bill bared Trump from leaving NATO.

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✓ Garcia praised Trump for reducing troop levels in “four different theaters.”

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## Funding

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The NDAA Prohibited New Transfers To Guantanamo, Reversed Trump’s Transgender Troop Ban And Barred Trump From Leaving NATO

HEALDINE: “House Set To Pass NDAA Today.” [Politico, 7/12/19]
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The House FY 2020 National Defense Authorization Act Ensured That The Department Of Defense Was Capable Of Adapting To Climate Change. “On July 10, the House approved two amendments, introduced by Congressman Blumenauer, to the FY 2020 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) that would help the Department of Defense (DoD) prepare and adapt to the impacts of climate change. One amendment would ensure the DoD is capable of adapting to the impacts of climate change, such as sea level rise, drought, and more intense storms, by directing the DoD to identify and seek to remove barriers that hinder it from being resilient to those impacts. The other amendment would ensure America’s military infrastructure is better protected from the growing threat of sea level rise by directing the DoD to consider the impacts of current and future mean sea level fluctuations in the location and design over the lifetime of the proposed military infrastructure. As the climate continues to change, these amendments will ensure America’s military assets, operational capability, and readiness remain at the forefront in the 21st Century.” [National Resources Defense Council, 7/11/19]

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Trump’s 2019 Defense Budget Submission To Congress Included $34 Billion More Than Defense Officials Had Requested, And Included Funding For Trump’s Border Wall With Mexico. “U.S. President Donald Trump will submit a budget to Congress on Monday that includes a sizable $750 billion for fiscal year 2020 for national defense spending, of which $718 billion will go to the Pentagon, a U.S. defense official confirmed to Foreign Policy. That figure includes roughly $9 billion in ‘emergency’ funds that will go toward hurricane relief and border security, the Office of Management and Budget said Monday—in other words, Trump’s long-promised border wall with Mexico. […] Defense officials had been planning for a $733 billion overall national defense budget, which would have been an increase of 2.4 percent over last year’s $716 billion top line.” [Foreign Policy, 3/10/19]

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spending limits. Of the total $718 billion request for the Defense Department, $165 billion will go to OCO and $9 billion to an additional emergency account, while $544 billion will go to the base defense budget, according to the official. CNN reported the breakdown March 8.” [Foreign Policy, 3/10/19]

Trump’s Troop Withdraws

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Presidential War Powers

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In College, Garcia Wrote A Paper On A President’s “Rights And Abilities” To Go To War “With” Or “Without” Congressional Approval.” GARCIA: “I did get to meet Bush Sr. at one point, I wrote a paper in college at the Naval Academy about President Bush, called ‘President Bush and his Lovely Little War,’ it was a paper about a president’s rights and abilities to engage in warfare either with Congress or without Congress. All of that aside, he was coming to visit our campus one day, and I had just gotten the paper back that day, luckily I had gotten an A- on it that day. So, I had this paper about him, he comes and visits our campus., I come around the corner and I literally run into President Bush, and this is while Clinton is in office. So, he wasn’t the sitting President. All of his guards are there, and I ask, Mr. President, do you mind signing this? And he looks at it, it was a cold day, his hands were shaking, and he goes, “You make me look like an a-hole son?” And I say no sir, so, I still have this paper from Bush one signed by him. Greatest -- I wouldn’t say greatest -- both Bush’s were good presidents, good leaders, good Americans.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, 8/8/19] (VIDEO)
Seniors’ Issues

**Significant Findings**

✓ Garcia said he only supported Medicare “at some levels,” even though nearly 100,000 people in his district received some sort of Medicare benefit.

✓ Garcia said there “should be safety nets,” but did not want the “Federal Government to be the safety net.”

✓ Garcia was opposed to the ACA, which would eventually close Medicare’s prescription-drug program coverage gap.

**Medicare**

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Garcia Was “Not A Big Fan” Of Medicaid, Said He Only Supported Medicare “At Some Levels,” And Said He Opposed Food Stamps On A Philosophical Level. HOST: “Should there be a social safety net? Do you believe in that?” GARCIA: I believe in social security, for sure.” HOST: “What about food stamps?” GARCIA: “Food stamps at a low level I think is… As a purist I would say no. I think everyone should have to figure out how to fend for themselves.” HOST: “Medicare?” GARCIA: “At some levels yes, as well.” HOST: “Medicaid?” GARCIA: “Again, I’d have to look at the level of that. I’m not a big fan of that. Social security is not one of those things though, right. Social Security is absolutely something we need to protect. Those are investments that we as citizens have invested in. We’ve put that money in and it’s a contract with the government.” [Talk of Santa Clarita, Mike Garcia Interview, 8/9/19]

**Social Security**

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**Tax Issues**

**Significant Findings**

✓ Garcia said that he was a supporter of the Republican Tax Scam bill.

✓ Garcia said that he would vote in favor of making the Republican Tax Scam permanent.

✓ Garcia claimed that the Republican Tax Scam benefitted Californians, but it increased taxes for more than 5 million Californian households.

✓ Garcia said the SALT cap needed to be negotiated.

✓ Garcia’s income bracket received the biggest tax benefit from the Republican Tax Scam Bill.

**Tax Cuts And Jobs Act**

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**Garcia Said That He Would Vote In Favor Of Making The Republican Tax Scam Bill Permanent**

Apr. 2019: Garcia Said He Would Make Trump’s Tax Plan Permanent, Calling It His Second Highest Priority. “Garcia said that instead, he would rather focus on defense and fiscal issues. ‘That’s the top priority, supporting the president’s budgets for DoD over the next five years is critical,’ he said. ‘The second issue is supporting long term tax cuts, the temporary tax cuts were put in place a couple of years ago need to be made permanent, I think that does a lot for small business and for the average family.’” [Santa Clarita Valley Proclaimer, 4/28/19]

Garcia Said He Would Vote To Make The Tax Cuts Permanent. [6:15] “Now, there were parts of it that were not beneficial to Californians and New Yorkers in particular. The state and local tax deduction limits of $10,000 was meant to target Californians and New Yorkers, and we felt that. I felt it personally, and we were capped at that as a family. So that’s something that needs to be negotiated. And those 2017 tax cuts are not permanent, they’re coming up for a vote in the next few years. So the congress that will be in place there will determine what that looks like, and I don’t think a Democrat congress will negotiate a better deal for Californians. And I don’t think Representatives, if they’re Democrats from California, are going to be able to negotiate a better deal under this administration. So I think for us as the 25th District, Santa Clarita, Antelope Valley and Simi Valley, to be able to get someone to represent them and ideally make permanent the tax cuts, but also tailor the tax cuts so we’re not being punished for being Californians.” [KHTS, 7/22/19]

Garcia Said Taxes Would Go Up If The Republican Tax Plan Was Repealed. GARCIA: “We are benefitting right now from the 2017 tax cut that this President has supported since day one. Those are not permanent. They are coming up for a revote. So, the simple way to convince your friends to vote for a conservative Republican this election is to ask them, ‘do you want to see your taxes go up 5 to 7 points over the course of the next four years?’
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…But The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Increased Taxes For More Than 5 Million California Households

The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Would Increase Income Taxes On “More Than 5 Million Households In California.” “This week, the US House of Representatives is expected to vote on federal tax legislation proposed by House Republican leaders, with the support of President Trump, that calls for significant cuts to the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT). … Reducing or eliminating the SALT deduction, then, would result in double taxation, thereby increasing the income taxes paid by millions of households in the US, including more than 5 million households in California.” [California Budget & Policy Center, 11/15/17]

Los Angeles Times: The Trump Tax Plan “Hits Many Middle-Income Residents Hard In California.” “President Trump again indicated this week he might be open to revisiting the controversial new limit on state and local tax deductions that hits many middle-income residents hard in California and other high-tax, Democratic states. Even so, don’t count on any changes to the Republican tax bill that went into effect last year happening any time soon.” [Los Angeles Times, 2/16/19]

The California Franchise Tax Board Estimated 1 Million Households Would Pay Over $12 Billion In Additional Taxes Under The Trump Tax Plan. “While millions of California families saw their federal taxes fall this tax season, the Jarvis family is among an estimated 1 million households who are paying more—actually some $12 billion more, according to the Franchise Tax Board. That’s because the cap on state and local tax (SALT) deductions disproportionately impacted progressive states with high taxes by limiting the amount residents used to be able to deduct from their federal filings.” [Cal Matters, 4/10/19]

Politifact: “Residents In Higher-Tax States Like California Will Be Hurt By Changes To The State And Local Tax Deduction;” In California, New York And New Jersey, The Average Taxpayer Who Itemized SALT Would Face A Tax Increases Of Around $5,500. “But residents in higher-tax states like California will be hurt by changes to the state and local tax deduction. Previously, California residents could deduct the amount they pay in state and local taxes from their federal tax bill. As part of the 2017 tax bill, deductions will be capped at $10,000. The provision is set to end after 2025. […] The average deduction in California, New York and New Jersey are all over $17,000. If the state and local tax deduction were eliminated, ‘an average taxpayer in New York who currently itemizes SALT (state and local tax) would face a tax increase of almost $5,500.’ That figure wouldn’t be far off for a decent chunk of Californians.” [Politifact, 9/7/18]

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Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Benefitted The Wealthy, Corporations, And Special Interests…

Washington Post: Final Tax Bill Included A “Significant Tax Break For The Very Wealthy” And “A Massive Tax Cut For Corporations.” “A new tax cut for the rich: The final plan lowers the top tax rate for top
earnings. Under current law, the highest rate is 39.6 percent for married couples earning over $470,700. The GOP bill would drop that to 37 percent and raise the threshold at which that top rate kicks in, to $500,000 for individuals and $600,000 for married couples. This amounts to a significant tax break for the very wealthy, a departure from repeated claims by Trump and his top officials that the bill would not benefit the rich. [...] A massive tax cut for corporations “A massive tax cut for corporations: Starting on Jan. 1, 2018, big businesses’ tax rate would fall from 35 percent to just 21 percent, the largest one-time rate cut in U.S. history for the nation’s largest companies.” [Washington Post, 12/15/17]

...While Millions Of Americans Would Pay More In Taxes

Politifact: GOP Tax Bill Would Raise Taxes For The Middle Class After Individual Tax Cut Provisions Expired In 2025. “Gillibrand said the Republican ‘tax [plan] raises middle-class taxes.’ That’s not true during the first years of the new tax provisions. If not for the sunset for the tax changes for individuals, we likely would have rated Gillibrand’s statement False or perhaps Mostly False. Middle-income taxpayers will either benefit or see no change in their tax liability through 2025. But her claim could hold up after the bill’s individual provisions expire that year. There’s no guarantee a future Congress will extend those parts of the bill.” [Politifact, 12/22/17]

Tax Policy Center: In 2018, 5 Percent Of Taxpayers Would Pay More In Taxes Under The GOP Tax Bill, But Would Increase To 53 Percent Of Taxpayers In 2027. “Some taxpayers would pay more in taxes under the proposal in 2018 and 2025 than under current law: about 5 percent of taxpayers in 2018 and 9 percent in 2025. In 2027, however, taxes would increase for 53 percent of taxpayers compared with current law.” [Tax Policy Center, 12/18/17]

Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Would Increase Incentives To Move Jobs Overseas

Tax Experts Said The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Increased Incentives For Companies To Move Jobs Overseas. “What happened to the workers in Clinton, tax experts say, will probably happen to more Americans if the Republican tax overhaul becomes law. The legislation fails to eliminate long-standing incentives for companies to move overseas and, in some cases, may even increase them, they say. ‘This bill is potentially more dangerous than our current system,’ said Stephen Shay, a senior lecturer at Harvard Law School and former Treasury Department international tax expert in the Obama administration. ‘It creates a real incentive to shift real activity offshore.’” [Washington Post, 12/15/17]

Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Would Lead To More Expensive Health Insurance; 13 Million More Uninsured

Final Tax Bill Eliminated Central Affordable Care Act Provision, Leading To 13 Million Fewer Americans With Insurance. “The individual mandate is part of the Affordable Care Act, and removing it was a top priority for Trump and congressional Republicans. The Congressional Budget Office projects the change will increase insurance premiums and lead to 13 million fewer Americans with insurance in a decade, while also cutting government spending by more than $300 billion over that period.” [Washington Post, 12/15/17]

GOP Tax Bill Would Cause Health Insurance Premiums To Rise, And Could Lead Insurers To Drop Out Of Regional Markets. “The final GOP plan will repeal the Affordable Care Act’s individual insurance mandate, which would allow young and healthy people to leave the insurance pool, forcing insurers to compensate by raising prices due to the higher costs of insuring only less-healthy people. Not only would premiums likely rise, but many insurers could drop out of regional markets.” [Newsweek, 12/18/17]

HEADLINE: Republican Tax Plan Will Make Health Insurance More Expensive [Newsweek, 12/18/17]

Tax Cuts And Jobs Act Increased The Federal Debt – And Republicans Planned To Pay For It With Cuts To Medicare
Official CBO Estimate Found Final Tax Bill Would Increase The Federal Deficit By $1.9 Trillion. “The GOP’s signature tax law is projected to increase the national debt by $1.9 trillion between 2018 and 2028, according to a new report by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). According to the report, the tax law would cost the government $2.3 trillion in revenues, but economic growth would offset that figure by about $461 billion.” [The Hill, 4/9/18]

After Passing A Tax Bill That Added Trillions To The Deficit, Speaker Ryan Said Medicare And Medicaid Would Need To Be “Reformed” In Order To Decrease The Deficit. “With his dream of tax reform now realized, Ryan is hoping to make progress on two other issues he’s targeted during his two-decade career in Washington: entitlement and welfare reform. ‘We’re going to have to get back next year at entitlement reform, which is how you tackle the debt and the deficit,’ Ryan, a former Budget Committee chairman, said in a recent interview this month on the Ross Kaminsky radio talk show. Medicare and Medicaid are the ‘big drivers of debt,’ Ryan said, suggesting Republicans could once again use the budget reconciliation process to avoid a Democratic filibuster. Medicare is the ‘biggest entitlement that’s got to have reform,’ Ryan added.” [The Hill, 12/27/17]


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Garcia Benefitted From The Republican Tax Bill

Garcia’s Income Bracket Received The Biggest Tax Benefit From The Republican Tax Scam Bill

NOTE: Further search needed to determine how much Garcia’s tax windfall was due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

2019: Garcia Reported $476,500 In Earned Income


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[2019 Garcia Earned Income

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Distribution of Trump Tax Cuts Favors Wealthier
On average, in 2018, taxes declined for everyone, but top groups got the biggest benefit.

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<td>Top quintile ($1,170,000)</td>
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Source: Tax Policy Center estimates
Note: Average federal tax includes individual and corporate income tax, payroll taxes, Social Security, and Medicare. The middle quintile is based on an average breakdown of average reported income groups.