Ted Howze (CA-10) Research Report
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Ted Howze
Republican Candidate in California’s 10th Congressional District

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**Key Findings**

**Howze Was An Extremist Who Looked Up To Obstructionists And Republican Party Lackeys**

Howze claimed to be a moderate but was a far-right extremist. Howze claimed to be a moderate, but the Modesto Bee called Howze a “far-right” extremist on immigration. Howze even criticized Rep. Denham for not being conservative enough, but Denham voted with President Trump 97.9% of the time.

Howze looked up to obstructionists. In 2018, Howze said he would caucus with the Freedom Caucus and supported Jim Jordan to be the next Speaker of the House. Howze said the “set of guys in the Freedom Caucus absolutely have their heads screwed on straight when it comes to governing in this country.”

Howze said extreme things. Howze said “only a soulless heathen that Joseph Mengele would be proud of” would support abortion through nine months, as Howze alleged Harder did, and in a since-deleted tweet, Howze argued Planned Parenthood killed more children than semi-automatic weapons. Howze called immigrants invaders and argued that immigrants carried “Ebola, Zika, MERS, and SARS.” Howze said him “having to every time [he] pulled an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week” was the “stupidest thing in the world.”

**Howze Was A Career Politician Who Made Bad Decisions**

Howze was a career politician. Howze said he was not a career politician, but Howze said he had been involved in politics “very heavily” for about 15 of the last 20 years. Howze had held elected office longer than Josh Harder and ran for office four times.

Despite claiming otherwise, Howze increased taxes and fares, eliminating funding for emergency responders and a homeless shelter. Howze claimed that he expanded the police force without raising taxes, but Howze eliminated funding for emergency responders including police. In 2008, Howze voted for a plan that included a half-cent sales tax increase to fund roads and regional repairs. In 2010, Howze supported a half-cent tax measure to pay for roads. In 2018, Howze said although he opposed new taxes, while on the city council he “fought like a dog” to negotiate a new road tax because he was asked to. In 2007, while on the Turlock City Council, Howze opposed city funding for a homeless shelter.

Howze claimed a city development initiative was his “signature plan,” but the plan was approved before he joined the council. Howze took credit for the Turlock Regional Industrial Park and applauded the fact that it created hundreds of jobs in Turlock. Howze called it his “signature project” from his time on the Turlock City Council. However the plan for the industrial park was approved Howze ever sat on the city council.

**Howze Was Bad For California’s…**

Howze was bad for California’s health care. Howze said he supported repealing the 2010 Affordable Care Act and supported block granting Medicaid, even though it would hurt California.

Howze was bad for California’s seniors. Despite thousands of CA-10 residents receiving Social Security benefits, Howze wanted to raise the retirement age and institute a cap and means testing. Despite thousands of CA-10 residents receiving Medicare benefits, Howze said the program was a nightmare that needed to be reformed. Howze supported a balanced budget amendment even though it would have hurt seniors.

Howze was bad for California’s taxpayers. Howze supported the 2017 Republican tax bill, then Howze later said he would not have voted for the Republican tax bill, but in 2019, Howze shared an op-ed promoting the 2017 tax bill. Howze said he supported lowering corporate taxes.
Howze was bad for California’s immigrants. The Modesto Bee reported that Howze had a far-right stance on immigration. Howze opposed birth right citizenship. Howze supported building Trump’s border wall. Howze said Obama’s executive order on DACA was unconstitutional. Howze called immigrants invaders, claimed they were a public health risk because they carried diseases and said he believed “we need to stop spending money on non-American citizens.” In CA-10, 20 percent of residents were foreign born, and as of 2019 over 10,000 Dreamers lived in CA-10.

Howze was bad for California’s climate. Howze did not support the Paris Climate Accords and said they were a “joke.”

Howze was bad for California’s education. Howze advocated for abolishing the Department of Education.

Howze was bad for California’s safety. In 2018, Howze touted being a lifelong NRA member. Howze said him “having to every time [he] pulled an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week” was the “stupidest thing in the world.” Howze said he wanted to “place a moratorium on the state of California from enacting any other gun laws.” Howze said making it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will would make America safer. Howze was in favor of concealed carry reciprocity, saying it was an “unquestioned right we should have.” In 2010, Howze had a concealed carry permit and may have received preferential treatment to get it. Howze said he supported Second Amendment sanctuary counties.

Howze was bad for California’s women. Howze was pro-life. Howze said he would introduce a federal bill making a heartbeat the beginning of life. In a since-deleted tweet, Howze argued Planned Parenthood killed more children than semi-automatic weapons.

Howze was bad for California’s voting. Howze was in favor of a national voter ID law. Howze said the penalty for voter fraud should be the loss of all rights as a US citizen.
Thematics
Howze Was An Extremist Who Looked Up To Obstructionists

**Significant Findings**

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Howze Claimed To Be A Moderate

Howze Said He Had Been Wrongly Labeled By His Opponents As Far-Right: “I’m Actually A Very Moderate Republican.” “On the surface, Howze looked like a conservative challenger to Denham. His social media accounts promote other posts that label Denham a RINO, or Republican in Name Only. And he promoted California gubernatorial candidate Travis Allen, who was a favorite among grass-roots conservatives. ‘That’s a label that was put on us by our opponent,’ Howze said of the impression that he was challenging Denham from the right. ‘I’m actually a very moderate Republican,’ he said.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

Howze Was Called A “Far-Right” Extremist On Immigration
Modesto Bee: Howze Had A “Far-Right Stance On Immigration” And Opposed Amnesty. “He has a far-right stance on immigration, opposing amnesty for undocumented immigrants and insisting on border security such as a Mexican border wall, a mainstay of President Donald Trump's 2016 campaign. ‘Most people feel (Denham) is selling out our president's strategy,’ Howze said. He thinks Denham wants support from moderates, including Democrats, more than he fears retribution from a lame-duck speaker; Ryan will retire in November.” [Modesto Bee, 5/26/18]

Howze Said He Was To The “Right” Of Denham On Immigration

Howze: “The Only Issue That I’m Right Of Congressman Denham On Is Probably Immigration.” “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul. And while he supports President Donald Trump, he said, ‘I certainly would not consider President Trump a role model for my children nor for myself.’ ‘The only issue that I’m right of Congressman Denham on is probably immigration,’ Howze said.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

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Howze Criticized Rep. Denham For Not Being Conservative Enough, But Denham Voted With President Trump 97.9% Of The Time

2018: Howze Called Denham A “Pro-Amnesty RINO”

Howze Criticized Jeff Denham As A “Pro-Amnesty RINO.” “Ted Howze, a local veterinarian who ran to the right of Denham, channeled the frustration of this energized flank of the local Republicans in his primary campaign. In social media posts, Howze called Denham a ‘pro-amnesty RINO (Republican in name only).’ Howze got more than a quarter of the Republican vote and sliced into Denham’s base. The incumbent finished ahead, but down 10 percentage points from the 2016 primary.” [High Country News, 7/11/18]

2018: Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy”

Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy.” [14:50] Howze: “Because if we just grant amnesty, which is what my opponent in this race is trying to do. Jeff Denham would grant amnesty not to 800,000 people, not to 3.2 million people, but to the same 11 to 23 million people he tried to grant amnesty to in 2013 when he was the first and only Republican to sign on to Nancy Pelosi’s HR 15 bill. So he's been an open borders amnesty guy going all the way back to 2013 when he was working with Nancy Pelosi to grant amnesty to these people.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

2018: Howze Appeared To Run An Ad Alleging “Jeff Denham Works For Nancy Pelosi”

Howze Appeared To Run Republicans For Ted Howze. [Republicans for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19]

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Howze Said He Identified With And Admired How Mark Meadows And Jim Jordan “Come Out Truthfully On A Lot Of Matters”


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Howze Said The “Set Of Guys In The Freedom Caucus Absolutely Have Their Heads Screwed On Straight When It Comes To Governing In This Country.” [29:10] Howze: “And for anybody else who wants to know if I get elected in 2020 my first move is going to be to join the Freedom Caucus. I think the set of guys in the Freedom Caucus absolutely have their heads screwed on straight when it comes to governing in this country.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Said “The House Freedom Caucus Is The Only Group Actually Standing Up For The True Principles Of Conservatism And Smaller Government.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “The House Freedom Caucus is the only group actually standing up for the true principles of conservatism and smaller government. When elected in the California 10th, I will be joining the Freedom Caucus.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/22/18]

![Tweet by Ted Howze](image)

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Freedom Caucus Was Considered Obstructionists

Republican Congressman Pete King Called The Freedom Caucus “Obstructionists.” “Republican lawmaker Pete King threw a jab at the House Freedom Caucus on Thursday by calling them ‘obstructionists.’ King, R-NY, posted this tweet the morning after President Donald Trump met with Democratic leaders about coming to an agreement on immigration and, more specifically, how to help the 800,000 people who will be subject to deportation in March because of the planned end to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program: ‘Memo to Freedom Caucus: Trump base is the American people not a small faction of obstructionists! Kudos to @POTUS Trump.’” [Newsmax, 9/14/17]

The Freedom Caucus Opposed Legislation Protecting Young Immigrants That President Trump Discussed With Democratic Legislators. “King’s tweet followed reports that Trump and top Democrats discussed protections for young immigrants at a dinner Wednesday night. Members of the conservative group have pushed back against reports that legislation protecting young immigrants led by Democrats would be voted on the House floor, saying Speaker Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) made assurances that wouldn’t happen. ‘That’s a promise he made. He’s gotta figure out whether he’s going to stay with that promise or not,’ the group’s chairman, Rep. Mark Meadows (R-N.C.), said last week. ‘There was a concern that Democrat-led legislation would get on the floor, and he made a commitment that that would not happen,’ he added.” [The Hill, 9/14/17]

Howze Said Extreme Things

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In A Since-Deleted Tweet, Howze Argued Planned Parenthood Killed More Children Than Semi-Automatic Weapons. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “I wonder how much money Planned Parenthood pays their public relations firms annually to deflect from the TRUTH that they kill an average of 1750 children more PER DAY than semi-automatic rifles? Just curious… #2A #NRA #DefendTheSecond.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/25/18 (saved on Archive.org)]

Howze Called Immigrants Invaders

Howze Called Immigrants Coming Across The Southern Border A “Daily Invasion.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Fast forward to modern America where mass migrations are being driven northward from Central America by murderous drug lords, gangs and political corruption. We are witnessing a daily invasion across our southern border while Democrats say the crisis is ‘manufactured’.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/16/19]

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Howze Tweeted That Migrations To America Were Being Driven By “Murderous Drug Lords, Gangs, And Political Corruption,” And That It Was An “Invasion.” “Last month, Harder's campaign team pointed to a Howze tweet in January on migration from Central America to the U.S. border. At 2:17 a.m. Jan. 16, Howze tweeted the ‘mass migrations are being driven northward from Central America by murderous drug lords, gangs
and political corruption. We are witnessing a daily invasion across our southern border while Democrats say the crisis is ‘manufactured.’” Harder's campaign suggested that Howze's tweet was spreading hateful anti-immigrant rhetoric.” [Modesto Bee, 7/17/19]

**Howze Argued That Immigrants Carried “Ebola, Zika, MERS, And SARS”**

Howze Complained Undocumented Immigrants Posed A Health Risk Because They Could Carry Diseases, Appearing To Warn Of “Ebola, Zika, MERS, And SARS.” According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “As the debate on illegal immigration rages on, consider this. I have spent the last 25 years working as a licensed veterinarian in the State of California. I’m routinely required by law to perform health exams and write Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) on livestock in order to obtain entry permits so that ANIMALS leaving California can legally enter other states or nations. […] But what about people who enter America illegally? The Centers for Disease Control specifically cites the likely potential for the cross-border movement of tuberculosis, measles, pertussis, rubella, hepatitis A, influenza, shigellosis and syphilis. […] Sadly, politicians have erected tougher barriers against the movement of animals across our borders than people. There is a crisis of potentially apocalyptic scale happening right now at our Southern Border. You’ve probably heard of Ebola, Zika, MERS, and SARS. Lassa Fever is spread by rat pee and poop and can cause you to bleed in lots of places and kill you.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, January 2019]

**Howze Said Him “Having To Every Time [He] Pulled An AR-15 Out Of The Safe To Wonder If It’s Legal This Week” Was The “Stupidest Thing In The World”**

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Howze Was A Career Politician Who Made Bad Decisions

**Significant Findings**

- Howze was a career politician.
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  - 2007: On the Turlock City Council Howze opposed city funding for a homeless shelter.
- Howze made misleading claims about a Turlock development project, taking credit for himself.
  - Howze claimed that a local development initiative, the Turlock Regional Industrial Project, was his “signature project,” when it had actually been approved before he joined the city council.

Howze Was A Career Politician

Howze Said He Was Not A Career Politician…

**Howze Said He Was Not A Career Politician.** In a campaign ad published on Facebook, Howze said “This is Dr. Ted Howze, Republican candidate for Congress. I was raised on Central Valley farms by working-class parents and I’m proud of putting myself through school by working as a firefighter and EMT. For the last 25 years I’ve served our Valley dairy farmers as a large animal veterinarian while also being actively involved in our local community where I’ve been both a city council member and high school football coach. I’m a conservative, not a career politician or lobbyist. [Ted Howze campaign ad “Are You Ready?, Facebook, 10/5/19]
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Howze Said He Had Been Involved In Politics “Very Heavily” For About 15 Of The Last 20 Years. [1:02:05] Howze: “For the you know about 15 of the last 20 years I was I've been involved in politics very heavily. First working in people's campaigns, writing a lot of speeches for people doing a lot of work but then running now this would be my fourth campaign. And two of them being a primary and a runoff for supervisor.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**... And Howze Had Held Elected Office Longer Than Josh Harder**

**Howze Was On The Planning Commission For At Least Four Years**

Howze Joined The Turlock City Planning Commission On April 1, 2002. [Ted Howze April 2002 California Form 700, filed 4/23/02]

Howze Was On The Turlock City Planning Commission Through 2006. [Ted Howze 2005 California Form 700, filed 4/5/06]

Howze Said He Joined The Planning Commission In 2000. [10:35] Howze: “And ultimately in 2000 I was asked by the mayor of Turlock at the time was Kurt Andre to join the Planning Commission there which I did.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Was On The City Council For Four Years**

Howze Assumed Office As A City Councilman On January 9, 2007. [Ted Howze 2006 California Form 700, filed 1/22/07]

Howze Left The City Council On December 7, 2010 [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

**Josh Harder Had Held Public Office Since 2019**

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**Howze Ran For Office Four Times**

2004: Howze Ran For Stanislaus County Supervisor

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2006: Howze Ran For Turlock City Council

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2018: Howze Ran For Congress In California’s 10th District

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Howze Said While He Led The City Budget Committee, Turlock Hired 20 Additional Police Officers And Nine Firefighters

… But Howze Eliminated Funding For Emergency Responders Including Police

The Plan Also Included A Requirement For All Full-Time City Employees To Begin Contributing Five Percent Of Their Salaries To Health Benefits Or Pensions. “All full-time city employees, elected and appointed officials will begin contributing 5 percent of their salaries to health benefits or pensions to help close the budget gap.” [Modesto Bee, 3/25/09]
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2008: Howze Voted For A Plan That Included A Half-Cent Sales Tax Increase To Fund Roads And Regional Repairs

2008: Howze Was Supportive Of A Half-Cent Sales Tax Increase To Fund Roads And Regional Repairs. “Measure K was campaigned against heavily here in 2006, but with a new formula to kick dollars back to city government and a slender list of regional projects, the City Council will back a 2008 version of the half-percent sales tax measure, the council decided Tuesday. The new plan calls for a 20-year term for the tax, instead of 30 years, and would raise $700 million for Stanislaus County roads. […] How the $350 million in local money would be divided among the cities is the big question, said Councilman Ted Howze, the city's representative to StanCOG. StanCOG suggested an even distribution of the money in thirds by population, maintained road miles and sales tax. The City Council decided Tuesday that it's only interested if the formula is skewed 70 percent for sales tax, 20 percent for maintained miles and 10 percent for population, Howze said.” [Modesto Bee, 1/9/08]

Howze Voted For The Plan. “The southern corridor project was a major selling point to get Turlock's support, Howze said, and the city wanted a guarantee the funds wouldn't disappear if the project didn't materialize. StanCog agreed to require a four-fifths vote, up from two-thirds, among its 16 board members to revise the spending allocations for the corridor projects. Howze voted for the plan.” [Modesto Bee, 6/12/08]

Howze Said He Was Opposed To Additional Taxes, But He Would Let The Public Decide If They Wanted To Raise Taxes. “I'm fundamentally opposed to additional taxes, and I know (two other Turlock councilmen) are, too. That said, we've done the best job we could. I'm going to at least vote to allow the public to tax themselves to improve our roads.' -- Ted Howze, Turlock City Council” [Modesto Bee, 2/10/08]

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Howze Was On The Stanislaus Council Of Governments Policy Board From January 9, 2007 To January 13, 2009

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Howze Said Although He Opposed New Taxes, While On The City Council He “Fought Like A Dog” To Negotiate A New Road Tax Because He Was Asked To. [1:26:40] Howze: “Listen I've held elected office and I have a track record. When I was a Turlock City Council member I put customer service for any member of our community above everything else. And in fact I know for a fact, the Bee just absolutely eviscerated me in an editorial one time because I was tapped by our Democrat mayor to go negotiate the best tax deal for Turlock and road tax. I don't favor new taxes. But I went and fought like a dog because it was what was asked for our city. And that's the way I'll serve all constituents. I will listen. I will provide customer service and it will be the priority of our district field office that we make sure anybody coming in asking for help gets help before they leave.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

2007: On The Turlock City Council Howze Opposed City Funding For A Homeless Shelter

Howze Said That City Dollars Should Not Be Dedicated To Homeless Shelters, Instead Suggesting That The City Direct Federal Dollars To Frontline Services For The Homeless. “Businessmen, homeless people, the faith-based and social services will be called on to design a system for moving people off the street and into homes, the City Council decided Monday night. Whether the committee will unite a damaged city or turn into another layer of bureaucracy hinges on widespread participation, said two California State University, Stanislaus, professors who presented their findings on homelessness to the City Council […] Councilman Ted Howze said city dollars should not be dedicated to a shelter. If anything, the city can direct federal money to front-line services, he said. Councilman Kurt Spycher said the faith-based community should take over any type of shelter and the city should dedicate its dollars, federal or otherwise, to transitional housing programs.” [Modesto Bee, 9/18/07]

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Howze Said He Opposed Turlock Funding Homeless Shelters Because Shelters Funded With Taxpayer Dollars Were Subject To “Few Restrictions On Whom Is Sheltered There” Which Meant The Shelter Could House Paroled Felons From Neighboring Communities. “Many Turlock residents have asked for a deeper explanation of why a majority of the City Council supports getting Turlock out of the role of homeless shelter provider. City leaders were informed in July that any shelter owned, operated or funded with taxpayer money is deemed a public facility subject to few restrictions on whom is sheltered there. This includes sheltering paroled felons sent here from other communities within Stanislaus County by state parole agents. The public facility designation applies even if the city owns the building and leases it to a non-profit group or if the city provides any
operational funding to an outside group that owns its own facility. Any solution must involve collaborative efforts between Turlock's faith-based and nonprofit organizations that own, fund and operate their own facilities.” [Modesto Bee, 9/23/08]

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The City Council Voted To Sell The Homeless Shelter. “The City Council voted to seek buyers for its former homeless shelter, ending its Tuesday night meeting with no clear solution to house the city's homeless this winter. Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher and Vice Mayor Kurt Vander Weide voted to open the bidding process on the converted warehouse at 400 B St. Mayor John Lazar and Councilwoman Beverly Hatcher dissented. ‘The city shouldn't be in the shelter business,’ Howze said, noting his concern that a city-operated public shelter could be used to house people who have been paroled from prison.” [Modesto Bee, 8/27/08]

Howze Claimed A City Development Initiative Was His “Signature Plan,” But It Was Approved Before He Joined The City Council

Howze Took Credit For The Turlock Westside Industrial Specific Plan Which Was Responsible For Over 500 Jobs In The Turlock Area…

2018: Howze Took Credit For The Turlock Westside Industrial Specific Plan. [47:45] Howze: “If I never serve an elected office another day I will still hold a tremendous amount of pride for our committee for this is what is now tagged as the Turlock Regional Industrial Park. For years Turlock held this WISP idea, Westside Industrial Specific Plan. It was a pie in the sky dream to develop industry out on the west side but there was no money for it. You can’t convince a major manufacturer to come in and pay for all the infrastructure, bond it and then tell them we'll pay you back over 25 years as the next, nobody wants to be that first guy all right. So I identified through two allocations from redevelopment money the monies to lay all that infrastructure into the westside. It was supported by my fellow Republican council members, the projects were done and anybody can see the growth on the west side now.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said The Project Was Responsible For Over 500 New Jobs And If He “Had Not Pushed There Would Be Nothing Out There.” [48:30] Howze: “I believe it's now up to eleven new facilities out there, over 500 new jobs generated just since 2011. And those are high-paying jobs. Those are high-paying technologically advanced agricultural manufacturing jobs most of them paying 18 to 24 dollars an hour or more. It’s making a huge impact not only in our community but in our region to have those many jobs and that area is going to do nothing but continue to grow. I know that there's a ton of with the economy heating up right now there's a ton of interest out in there. To me that will always be the signature project I'm proudest of because if I had not pushed there would be nothing out there yet but farm ground still.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]
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2020: Howze Claimed That The Turlock Regional Industrial Project Was His “Signature Project” During His Service On The Planning Commission And City Council. “Ted is a conservative who served the valley community of Turlock as a Planning Commissioner, City Councilman, Stanislaus Council of Governments representative, Vice-Mayor and budget committee leader. […] Ted’s signature project, Turlock’s Regional Industrial Park, has created hundreds of new high-paying jobs for the region from employers like Blue Diamond Growers, Valley Milk, Hilmar Cheese, US Cold Storage, Sensient Foods, Foster Farms and Cozy Shack.” [Ted Howze for Congress 2020, accessed 4/14/20]

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The Turlock Regional Industrial Park Plan Was Approved in 2006. “Approved in 2006, the Turlock Regional Industrial park was developed as a Specific Plan area with an accompanying certified Environmental Impact Report. The City of Turlock developed the Master Planned Area to facilitate economic and job development through orderly growth and streamlined processes. The plan was prepared during a time of significant change in the structure of the national economy.” [City of Turlock, accessed 4/14/20]

The First Time Howze Attended A Meeting As A City Councilmember Was January 2007. [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda, 1/9/07]

NOTE: From 2000 to 2006, Howze was a board member on the Turlock City Planning Commission. Further research necessary to determine if the Planning Commission and Howze had a role in the Westside Industrial Specific Plan.
### Significant Findings

✓ ...Health care.

✓ Howze said he supported repealing the 2010 Affordable Care Act.

✓ Howze supported block granting Medicaid, even though it would hurt California.

✓ In 2010, Howze supported a motion to strip health care benefits from elected officials in Turlock, CA, including himself.

✓ ...Seniors.

✓ Despite thousands of CA-10 residents receiving Social Security benefits, Howze wanted to raise the retirement age and institute a cap and means testing.

✓ Despite thousands of CA-10 residents receiving Medicare benefits, Howze said the program was a nightmare that needed to be reformed.

✓ Howze supported a balanced budget amendment even though it would have hurt seniors by blocking Social Security and Medicare payments.

✓ ...Taxpayers.

✓ Howze supported the 2017 Republican tax bill.

✓ ...then Howze later said he would not have voted for the Republican tax bill...

✓ ...but Howze later shared an op-ed promoting the 2017 tax bill.

✓ Howze said he supported lowering corporate taxes.

✓ ...Immigrants.

✓ Howze opposed birthright citizenship.

✓ Howze supported building Trump’s border wall.

✓ Howze said Obama’s executive order on DACA was unconstitutional.

✓ Howze called immigrants invaders, claimed they were a public health risk because they carried diseases and said he believed “we need to stop spending money on non-American citizens.”

✓ ...Climate.

✓ Howze did not support the Paris Climate Accords, and said they were a “joke.”
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✓ ...Education.

✓ Howze advocated for abolishing the Department of Education.

✓ ...Safety.

✓ 2018: Howze touted being a lifelong NRA member.

✓ Howze said him “having to every time [he] pulled an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week” was the “stupidest thing in the world.”

✓ Howze said he wanted to “place a moratorium on the state of California from enacting any other gun laws.”

✓ Howze said making it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will would make America safer.

✓ Howze was in favor of concealed carry reciprocity, saying it was an “unquestioned right we should have.”

✓ 2010: Howze had a concealed carry permit and may have received preferential treatment to get it.

✓ Howze said he supported Second Amendment sanctuary counties.

✓ ...Women.

✓ Howze was pro-life.

✓ Howze said he would introduce a federal bill making a heartbeat the beginning of life.

✓ In a since-deleted tweet, Howze argued Planned Parenthood killed more children than semi-automatic weapons.

✓ ...Voting.

✓ Howze was in favor of a national voter ID and making election day a national holiday.

✓ Howze said the penalty for voter fraud should be the loss of all rights as a US citizen.

...Health Care

Howze Said He Supported Repealing The 2010 Affordable Care Act

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Howze Said Obamacare “Was An Unmitigated Disaster”

Howze Said Obamacare “Was An Unmitigated Disaster.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Obamacare was an unmitigated disaster for employers providing high quality health plans to their employees. Many #CA10 business owners have shared their stories which mirror my own.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/12/18]

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Block Granting Medicaid Would Hurt Californians

Block Granting Medicaid Would Cut Federal Funding For MediCal. “Over 20% of Californians age 65 and over, approximately 2.6 million individuals, rely on Medi-Cal every year for necessary health care services. Block grants and per-capita cap proposals would cut federal funding for MediCal and remove longstanding federal protections, resulting in real-world harm to low-income older adults in California. Older adults could lose vital health care services. […] Fewer services could be available for older adults living at home. […] Older adults could be forced further into poverty due to health care costs. […] Older adults could experience increased risk of poor care.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

Older Adults Could Lose Vital Health Care Services. “Older adults could lose vital health care services. Current law requires certain low-income groups to receive Medi-Cal, but these mandatory eligibility categories could disappear under some cap proposals. Federal law now requires states to enroll anyone who is eligible for Medi-Cal, but that protection could be lost under a block grant. Without such federal requirements, California could limit coverage to a certain number of persons each year. Current law requires Medi-Cal to provide certain services such as hospital inpatient and outpatient services, and nursing home services. Under the cap proposals, however, California could exclude or cut even mandatory services.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

Cap Proposals Could Cut Funding And Oversight, Leading To Fewer Providers And Reduced Access. “Current law requires California to pay adequate rates to providers, and provides federal oversight to ensure states follow through. California’s reimbursement to Medi-Cal providers is the third lowest in the country. Under cap proposals, however, funding and oversight would be cut, which likely would result in even lower provider rates, fewer participating providers, and reduced access for vulnerable low-income persons.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

Fewer Services Could Be Available For Older Adults Living At Home. “California has made much progress in helping older adults to remain living at home with programs like In-Home Supportive Services and Community
Based Adult Services. Capped funding would put this progress at risk. California also uses Medicaid waivers to provide a range of services that enable older adults to remain living at home. Programs like the Multi-Purpose Senior Services Program and Nursing Home/Acute Hospital waiver provide personal care services, meal delivery, assistance for family caregivers, and home modifications. However, faced with reduced federal funding, California would likely reduce home-based services or shrink enrollment.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Older Adults Could Be Forced Further Into Poverty Due To Health Care Costs.** “Older adults could be forced further into poverty due to health care costs. Currently, Medi-Cal does not count certain items when deciding eligibility. If California could make its own rules, however, beneficiaries could be required to sell their home, car, wedding ring, or burial fund in order to receive Medi-Cal. Current law provides special financial protection for spouses of those persons who no longer can live independently. Without this protection, one person’s stay in a nursing home, or long-term need for personal assistance at home, could consign his or her spouse to ongoing poverty. Medi-Cal providers are now required to accept the Medi-Cal rate as payment in full. Without this protection, Medi-Cal beneficiaries could face unaffordable medical bills.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Older Adults Could Experience Increased Risk Of Poor Care.** “Older adults could experience increased risk of poor care. The Nursing Home Reform Law provides for specific services, requires around-the-clock nurse staffing and protects residents from abuse, neglect, or eviction, but these protections could be eliminated under cap proposals. Quality of care could suffer, exposing residents to an increased risk of infections, bedsores, and other negative and dangerous outcomes.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock**

Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock. “Motion by Councilmember Spycher, seconded by Councilmember Howze, to eliminate health care benefits and/or deferred compensation in-lieu of benefits, on a voluntary basis effective September 1, 2010, defund heath care insurance for all elected officials in the future effective September 1, 2010, and directing staff to bring back a resolution within 30 days for consideration by Council.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 6/22/10]

**…Seniors**

**Despite Thousands Of CA-10 Residents Receiving Social Security Benefits, Howze Wanted To Raise The Retirement Age And Institute A Cap And Means Testing**

2018: **120,224 Residents Of California’s 10th District Received Some Social Security Benefits**

2018: **120,224 Residents Of California’s 10th District Received Social Security Benefits Worth Nearly $155 Million.** [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, 2018]

In CA-10, Social Security Beneficiaries Included **86,947 Seniors; 81,751 Were Retirees.** Of the 120,224 Social Security beneficiaries in California’s 10th District, 86,947 were aged 65 or older; 81,751 were retirees. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, 2018]

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Howze Said Raising The Social Security Cap Would Be One Of The Three Easiest Fixes To The Program. [25:35] Howze: “So Social Security we're going to have to address. It's actually the easiest program to address of the three majors. Because in Social Security we have some options, some are very popular, well none of them are popular. Nobody wants to get involved so I take that back. But some are easier than others. You know we can either raise the amount of tax withheld out of people's checks again affecting future workers or we can raise the cap on the
Social Security limit which is now currently capped at I don't remember what the number is a 107,000 or 109,000 whatever that limit is it changes. We can increase the retirement age. There's this whole list of things. I think probably the three easiest fixes is not increasing the amount of tax but raising the cap. I mean and quite frankly as somebody who's always been a high income earner I never realized when they stop taking Social Security tax out. I just was used to it so they might as well take it out to my last dollar that I make. At that point it's not affecting you. That would be number one.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said Another Of The Easiest Fixes Would Be Raising The Retirement Age To 70. [26:40] Howze: “I think number two would be raising the retirement age. We have rising life expectancies. When Social Security was first conceived we didn't have the 15 or 17 year longer life expectancies that we have now. I think the solution to that is to not just raise it overnight from you know 65 to 70. I think the probably the easier solution is raise it incrementally. You know we'll raise the retirement age by three months every year or two months every year. And we do that over time until we reach the retirement age of 70.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Called For Increasing The Age For Social Security Recipients To 70. [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 4/20/18]

The Comment Appeared To Be Deleted. As of 2/26/20, the comment was no longer accessible on Howze's Facebook page. [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 4/20/18]

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case to say you know that we set the boundaries that our top 1% of retirees or top 3% or whatever we need that cutoff to be aren't going to receive their Social Security benefits. I know at the age of 51 I'm probably never going to receive a dime from Social Security and that's just the way it is right. So I think that's the social security issue and that again that's the easiest to fix.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said “America Is Headed On A Path Of Bankruptcy” And Talked About Revising Social Security And Other “Entitlements”

Howze Said “America Is Headed On A Path Of Bankruptcy” And Talked About Revising Social Security And Other “Entitlements.” “Ted Howze, the only Republican at Wednesday's event, said, ‘America is headed on a path of bankruptcy,’ and talked about revising Social Security and other ‘entitlements.’ Denham didn't attend the forum, hosted by the League of Women Voters of Stanislaus County at Modesto's Tenth Street Place. His name appeared on a placard in front of an empty chair, just like Monday's well-attended debate at the Salida library, hosted by the California Alliance for Retired Americans (Howze missed that one too).” [Modesto Bee, 4/18/18]

Despite Thousands Of CA-10 Residents Receiving Medicare Benefits, Howze Said The Program Was A Nightmare That Needed To Be Reformed

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Howze Said Medicare Was A Nightmare And That It Needed To Be Reformed. [28:00] Howze: “Medicare is a nightmare. Okay Medicare is funded by the payroll tax. It's never been enough to cover all the people going into the Medicare system. We now see with the number of retirees that Medicare is outpacing the growth of GDP by about 19%. Over the next two years that program is either going to be the only social safety net program we offer at the, you know, cancellation of the rest or we're going to have to reform it. So you know and that that's just Medicare Part A. Part B and D there's never been a dedicated revenue stream to. Us as the tax payers you know we ask the retirees to cover 25% of Part B and D costs, taxpayers just pick up 75% of those costs out of the general fund. We can't continue to do that.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Supported a Balanced Budget Amendment Even Though It Would Have Hurt Seniors By Blocking Social Security And Medicare Payments

Howze Said He Supported A Balanced Budget Amendment

Howze Said He Supported A Balanced Budget Amendment. [17:00] Howze: “I fully support a balanced budget amendment. I believe we shouldn't be borrowing money from China to pay our bills every month.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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A Balanced Budget Amendment Would Have Blocked Benefit Payments From The Social Security And Medicare Part A Trust Fund. “A balanced budget amendment would have blocked benefit payments from the Social Security and Medicare Part A trust funds since all federal expenditures, including these earned benefits, would have to be covered by revenue collected in the same year. It also would have required draconian spending cuts, inviting Congress to slash Medicare Parts B, C and D, Medicaid, and many other social safety net programs for seniors, while opening the door to massive new tax cuts.” [National Committee To Preserve Social Security & Medicare, 4/13/18]

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…Taxpayers

Howze Supported The 2017 Republican Tax Bill

March 2018: Howze Said “Our Employees Received Bonuses, Increased 401k Contributions And Are Having Less Money Taken From Their Paychecks As A Result Of Tax Reform”

Howze Said “Our Employees Received Bonuses, Increased 401k Contributions And Are Having Less Money Taken From Their Paychecks As A Result Of Tax Reform” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Lower taxes & reduced regulatory burdens serve to unshackle the economic might of America’s small businesses! Our employees received bonuses, increased 401K contributions and are having less money taken from their paychecks as a result of tax reform. Let’s cut payroll tax next!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/12/18]
April 2018: Howze Didn’t “Hate” The Republican Tax Bill

Howze Didn’t “Hate” The Republican Tax Bill. “Howze, a conservative, chose his words carefully as he broke from the pack on various issues like gun control (‘We don't need to infringe on law-abiding gun owners’) and accepting more refugees from war-torn nations, suggesting screening for ‘young men of fighting age coming here as individuals.’ And he was the only debater who doesn't hate the tax reform narrowly passed by Congress, with a ‘yes’ vote from Denham, in December.” [Modesto Bee, 4/18/18]

…Then Howze Later Said He Would Not Have Voted For The Republican Tax Bill…

June 2018: Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Tax Bill And Complained About Spending That Would “Economically Enslave Our Children” Under Republican Leadership

Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Tax Bill. “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

…But Howze Later Shared An Op-Ed Promoting The 2017 Tax Bill

Howze Retweeted A House GOP Tweet Sharing An Op-Ed Promoting The 2017 Republican Tax Bill. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze retweeted a House GOP tweet sharing an op-ed promoting the 2017 Republican tax bill as a plan that was “helping Americans keep more of their own money.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 2/20/19]
Howze Said He Did Not Support An Income Tax Increase On Any Tax Bracket


Howze Said He Supported Lowering Corporate Taxes

Howze Said He Supported Lowering Corporate Taxes. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support lowering corporate taxes as a means of promoting economic growth,” Howze responded “Yes. Lowering corporate taxes ensures our companies stay in America, invest in growth and become more profitable and valuable in retirement accounts held by a majority of American's (sic).” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

…Immigrants

Howze Had A Far-Right Stance On Immigration

Howze Said He Was To The “Right” Of Denham On Immigration

Howze: “The Only Issue That I’m Right Of Congressman Denham On Is Probably Immigration.” “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul. And while he supports President Donald Trump, he said, ‘I certainly would not consider President Trump a role model for my children nor for myself.’ ‘The only issue that I’m right of Congressman Denham on is probably immigration,’ Howze said.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

Modesto Bee: Howze Had A “Far-Right Stance On Immigration” And Opposed Amnesty

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Mexican border wall, a mainstay of President Donald Trump's 2016 campaign. ‘Most people feel (Denham) is selling out our president's strategy,’ Howze said. He thinks Denham wants support from moderates, including Democrats, more than he fears retribution from a lame-duck speaker; Ryan will retire in November.” [Modesto Bee, 5/26/18]

### Howze Opposed Birthright Citizenship

**Howze Said He Did Not Defend The Fourteenth Amendment “As An Absolute Right” And Said He Wanted To Eliminate Birthright Citizenship**

Howze: “I’ve had a lot of discussions recently with people about the meaning of the Fourteenth Amendment and you know birthright citizenship on American soil. You know a lot of people want to defend that as an absolute right. I don't defend it as an absolute right. You know the men who wrote the 14th amendment did it post-civil war to protect freed slaves that they wanted to not be denied citizenship in former Confederate States. And they wrote that amendment the author's themselves had said foreign people you know didn't apply to it. So I don't think that that applies. […] I really would like to see us eliminate birthright citizenship give people a path to get legitimate work visas.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

**2018: Howze: “There Is No Valid Basis Under The 14th Amendment For The Practice Of Granting Citizenship To U.S. Born Children Of Foreign Nationals Illegally In America”**

2018: Howze: “There is no valid basis under the 14th Amendment for the practice of granting citizenship to U.S. born children of foreign nationals illegally in America. The 14th Amendment was clearly ratified in 1868 to protect the rights of native-born Black Americans, whose rights were being denied as recently-freed slaves. It was written in a manner so as to prevent state governments from ever denying citizenship to blacks born in the United States. But in 1868, the United States had no formal immigration policy, and the authors therefore saw no need to address immigration explicitly in the amendment. […] The correct interpretation of the 14th Amendment, according to its authors, is that an illegal alien mother is subject to the jurisdiction of her native country as is her baby. Automatic birthright citizenship is a policy that Congress should not only highly discourage but legislatively challenge until the courts decide the issue.” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 4/16/18]

### Howze Wanted Courts To Investigate Ending Birthright Citizenship

**Howze Called For Courts To Investigate Ending Birthright Citizenship.** [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/5/19]

![Ted Howze for Congress Mark, I’d suggest we first ask the courts to examine it as written. The authors of the 14th amendment clearly stated it was written to guarantee citizenship to freed slaves and not the children of foreign nationals.]

[Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/5/19]

### Howze Supported Building Trump’s Border Wall

**2019: Howze: “Build The Wall, Build It Now!”**
2019: Howze: “Build The Wall, Build It Now!” “I submit that there is a humanitarian crisis unfolding on our southern border that is not ‘manufactured’. Not acting to prevent the death of millions would be the most immoral act our elected leaders ever perpetrate on the American People. Build the Wall, Build it now!” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 1/14/19]

2018: Howze Said That Since He Wasn’t An Engineer He Didn’t Know If A Border Was “Feasible,” But If A Border Wall Was Feasible Then He Was “All For It”

2018: Howze Said That Since He Wasn’t An Engineer He Didn’t Know If A Border Was “Feasible,” But If A Border Wall Was Feasible Then He Was “All For It.” [15:50] Howze: “I'm not an engineer. I don't know the best way to secure the border. I'm going to tell you I believe we need to secure it. If that's a fence across most of the border if that's a fence across some of it if that's you know electronic measures and drones and if it's boots on the ground in some areas it is what it is. You know I support securing our border in whatever manner that is necessary. And again, I haven't seen the plans, I'm not an engineer. I don't know you know if a wall is feasible, I'm all for it. If it's not I'm for whatever is necessary to get that done.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said Obama’s Executive Order On DACA Was Unconstitutional

Howze Said To Create The DACA Program, Obama “Pulled An Unconstitutional Maneuver Through Executive Fiat”

Howze Said To Create The DACA Program, Obama “Pulled An Unconstitutional Maneuver Through Executive Fiat.” [12:35] Howze: “Now as far as DACA and the Dreamers go, there's kind of a unique perspective there from the standpoint that you know Dreamers are young people that were brought here to this country by their parents. Now I was subject to my dad moving around quite a bit as I was a kid. And as a kid you had no choice, you went wherever your parents went. So you can kind of identify with these young people that fall under the class of Dreamers. The problem is President Obama pulled an unconstitutional maneuver through executive fiat and he created the DACA program in which he pitched to these Dreamers that if you're willing to come in, sign up, pay the fee, do all the right things that he was going to give you some kind of pathway to something, but no promises. So consequently we had nearly 800,000 Dreamers sign up and become DACA registrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Would Freeze The Immigration Status Of DACA Registrants Until After The Borders Are Secured And Then They Would “Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship”

Howze Said He Would Freeze The Immigration Status Of DACA Registrants Until After The Borders Are Secured And The Immigration System Is Reformed. [13:30] Howze: “Now there's a difference between a Dreamer who's here in the country illegally because her parents brought him here and a DACA registrant who thought they were doing the right thing you know under our laws because they were legitimately trying to find a pathway to citizenship. So what I would do is I would take the DACA registrants and I would freeze their status. They wouldn't be eligible for deportation and I'd say you could stay in this country right now while we do two things. While we secure our borders and ports and while we reform immigration.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

After Those Two Things Were Done Howze Would Allow DACA Registrants “To Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship.” [14:05] Howze: “Because first of all, our current immigration process only benefits immigration attorneys. They're the ones making all the money and they're the one that's dragging this thing out for 15 or 20 years, and the government's backlogged. We live in an age as we're sitting here doing a podcast today we live in an age of technological revolution. We should be able to find a way technologically to reform our immigration system where we can get people through the system in five years or less. So I would secure our borders, I'd reform our immigration system and then once that's done I would allow the DACA registrants, the
people that signed up and did the right thing, I would allow them to go to the end of the line to earn citizenship. But not until I get those other things done first.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said Immigrants Here Illegally, Other Than The “800,000” DACA Recipients, Should Be Deported.

[15:20] Howze: “I would allow 800,000 people to get in the back of the line. Otherwise if you're in this country illegally you should be deported. Unless you're here on a legitimate work visa or you're already going through the citizenship process trying to do it the right way you should have to leave the country. So my stance is pretty easy. I support legal immigration and would try to close our borders off and stem the tide of illegal immigrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Had “Repeatedly” Expressed Support For A Solution For Dreamers Who Signed Up For DACA To Become Citizens.

[14:50] Howze: “I have said repeatedly on the record on film I support a solution for the Dreamers who actually signed up under the provision of DACA. I’m a football coach. I believe the rules are the rules. When President Obama created the DACA program like it or not he put it out there and said if you come in and pay the fee, this is what we’re going to do with you. I think it is wrong for us to yank that back for the people who did what they thought was the right thing. For those that signed up under DACA, I would freeze their immigration status so they wouldn’t have to worry about being deported and I would allow them to get into line to earn citizenship just like anybody else trying to earn citizenship.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Said That Individuals Who Did Not Sign Up For DACA Should Have To Work Through The System “Just Like Anybody Else”.

[15:35] Howze: “If however you did not sign up under the provision of DACA you are in this country illegally juts like anybody else who has entered illegally and you are going to have to work your way through the system from beginning to end just like anybody else. I don’t think we can handpick who we provide priority status to just because you violated the law to enter the country. I would much rather see us have a merit-based immigration system than a first come first serve immigration system.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Thought Dreamers Who Didn’t Register For DACA Were Likely Criminals And Should Not Be Eligible For Citizenship.

Howze said he believes that only those who registered for DACA should be eligible for citizenship. He said Dreamers who did not register should not be considered for a path to citizenship because they are likely criminals.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

Howze Called Immigrants Invaders, Claimed They Were A Public Health Risk Because They Carried Diseases And Said He Believed “We Need To Stop Spending Money On Non-American Citizens”.

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Howze Called Immigrants Coming Across The Southern Border A “Daily Invasion.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Fast forward to modern America where mass migrations are being driven northward from Central America by murderous drug lords, gangs and political corruption. We are witnessing a daily invasion across our southern border while Democrats say the crisis is ‘manufactured’.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, Twitter, 1/16/19]

Howze Tweeted That Migrations To America Were Being Driven By “Murderous Drug Lords, Gangs, And Political Corruption,” And That It Was An “Invasion.” “Last month, Harder's campaign team pointed to a Howze tweet in January on migration from Central America to the U.S. border. At 2:17 a.m. Jan. 16, Howze tweeted the ‘mass migrations are being driven northward from Central America by murderous drug lords, gangs and political corruption. We are witnessing a daily invasion across our southern border while Democrats say the crisis is ‘manufactured.’” Harder's campaign suggested that Howze's tweet was spreading hateful anti-immigrant rhetoric.” [Modesto Bee, 7/17/19]

Howze Argued That Immigrants Carried “Ebola, Zika, MERS, And SARS” Howze Complained Undocumented Immigrants Posed A Health Risk Because They Could Carry Diseases, Appearing To Warn Of “Ebola, Zika, MERS, And SARS.” According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “As the debate on illegal immigration rages on, consider this. I have spent the last 25 years working as a licensed veterinarian in the State of California. I’m routinely required by law to perform health exams and write Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) on livestock in order to obtain entry permits so that ANIMALS leaving California can legally enter other states or nations. […] But what about people who enter America illegally? The Centers for Disease Control specifically cites the likely potential for the cross-border movement of tuberculosis, measles, pertussis, rubella, hepatitis A, influenza, shigellosis and syphilis. […] Sadly, politicians have erected tougher barriers against the movement of animals across our borders than people. There is a crisis of potentially apocalyptic scale happening right now at our Southern Border. You’ve probably heard of Ebola, Zika, MERS, and SARS. Lassa Fever is spread by rat pee and poop and can cause you to bleed in lots of places and kill you.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, January 2019]

Howze: “I Also Believe That We Need To Stop Spending Money On Non-American Citizens” Howze: “I Also Believe That We Need To Stop Spending Money On Non-American Citizens.” [17:05] Howze: “I also believe that we need to stop spending money on non-American citizens.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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…Climate

Howze Did Not Support The Paris Climate Accords And Said They Were A “Joke”

Howze Did Not Support The Paris Climate Accords. [58:40] Howze: “Look our climate has been changing for the last 20,000 years. Now that doesn’t mean, that does not mean that good stewardship of our planet is not good for all of us. I think that’s absolutely the case. But for one I will not stand behind radical ideas that destroy our economy, and rejoining the Paris Climate Accord only equals us paying for other countries who will do nothing to clean up their own environment.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]


…Education

Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education

Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education. [25:05] Howze: “I think we should have abolish the Department of Education federally. I think nobody knows their needs better than local communities do. And being a person who was on a city council and understanding that we know our needs and we can address them education is the same way. You know what you need locally. Do we need schools that promote more technical training because we have a lot of high tech jobs? Do we need schools that need a lot more you know prep for higher education that’s going to send you on to be doctors, lawyers? I mean we have needs we have to fill. I think the education is best suited at that level and I think we should let the educational control stay at the local level.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

…Safety
### 2018: Howze Touted Being A Lifelong NRA Member

Howze Touted Being A Lifelong NRA Member. “The audience skewed older and, judging from the tone of the questions, a little liberal. They were polite, attentive and mostly quiet. They didn’t cheer many answers nor did they boo any, even when Ted Howze announced he was a proud life member of the NRA. We’d expect no less from Modesto. Polite.” [Modesto Bee, Mike Dunbar Column, 4/21/18]

### Howze Said He Was A “Pro-Second Amendment” Candidate.

Howze Said He Was A “Pro-Second Amendment” Candidate. [2:10] Howze: “I am a pro-Second Amendment life member of the NRA.” [Ted Howze OANN Interview, Vantage Toolbox, 12/16/19]

### Howze Said Him “Having To Every Time [He] Pulled An AR-15 Out Of The Safe To Wonder If It’s Legal This Week” Was The “Stupidest Thing In The World”

Howze Said Him “Having To Every Time [He] Pulled An AR-15 Out Of The Safe To Wonder If It’s Legal This Week” Was The “Stupidest Thing In The World.” [22:00] Howze: “I hate having to every time I pull an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it's legal this week or not. It's the stupidest thing in the world and I'm a strong Second Amendment supporter.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

### Howze Said He Wanted To “Place A Moratorium On The State Of California From Enacting Any Other Gun Laws”

Howze Said He Wanted To “Place A Moratorium On The State Of California From Enacting Any Other Gun Laws.” [25:30] Howze: “I would want to place a moratorium on the state of California from enacting any other gun laws. And I would force them to come through the federal court system all the way up to the Supreme Court and I think the United States government should work against them to stop them from enacting any of those laws now that’s absolutely an infringement on your Second Amendment rights.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

### Howze Said Making It Easier For Law-Abiding Citizens To Get Concealed Carry Permits At Will Would Make America Safer

Howze Said Making It Easier For Law-Abiding Citizens To Get Concealed Carry Permits At Will Would Make America Safer. [1:16:55] Howze: “Look I support the Second Amendment knowing that gun ownership by law-abiding citizens makes us a safer nation. It’s a powerful deterrent to crime. And if you don't believe so just look at Mexico our neighbor to the south. They have one gun store in the entire country. Citizens are prohibited from owning guns. Yet they have three times the homicide rate as the United States by guns. Okay. Making more laws, gun control, is only control of law-abiding citizens. It doesn't affect criminals. If you wanted to make us a safer nation you'd make it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will. Look at the Texas shooting case. Good guy with a gun stop a bad guy with a gun. One shot, right?” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

### Howze Was In Favor Of Concealed Carry Reciprocity, Saying It Was An “Unquestioned Right We Should Have”

Howze Was In Favor Of Concealed Carry Reciprocity, Saying It Was An “Unquestioned Right We Should Have.” [11:00] Howze: “Oh I'm in favor [of national CCW reciprocity]. I think that we need a national standard so that we can eliminate all the infighting that we have between the states. I myself am a CCW holder here in the state of California. And I know it's frustrating when you want to drive across a state border you have to worry about locking up a gun because you just don't want to take the chance that you know have a misunderstanding and I think that's ridiculous. I think we're Americans and our right to carry and defend ourselves should not stop at state borders. I think you should have that right whenever you're standing on the soil of the United States of America. So
I support it. I will vote for it and I think it's an unquestioned right we should have.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

### 2010: Howze Had A Concealed Carry Permit And Received Preferential Treatment To Get It

2010: Howze Had A Concealed Carry Permit And May Have Received Preferential Treatment To Get It. “People in Turlock who want concealed weapon permits might consider running for office. Of the seven permits issued by Turlock police, two belong to City Council members. And while Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher don't feel they got preferential treatment, Police Chief Gary Hampton confirmed that they did. ‘I do take into consideration people who hold political office,’ Hampton said Wednesday […]. Howze and Spycher were elected to the City Council in November 2006, attended the same firearms course and received concealed weapon permits on the same day in October 2008. […] [N]either was aware that they have two of seven issued by Turlock police. […] Howze said, ‘I'd always heard how tough (permits) were to get, so I never asked’ before getting elected. With frequent contact after, ‘it was convenient to ask,’ he said, ‘but I thought I'd have to go through the sheriff.’ Howze said he ‘had no idea whether it was seven or 700’ permits issued by police.” [Modesto Bee, 4/9/10]

### Howze Said He Supported Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties

Howze Said He Supported Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties. [24:45] Howze: “When asked about Second Amendment sanctuary counties, Howze said “Yeah I would support that 100%. I would support people defending their constitutional right.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

### Howze Was Pro-Life

Howze Was Pro-Life. [18:45] Howze: “I am as a conservative who is very much a pro-life individual.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

### Howze Said He Would Introduce A Federal Bill Making A Heartbeat The Beginning Of Life

Howze Said He Would Introduce A Federal Bill Making A Heartbeat The Beginning Of Life. [28:00] Howze: “And third, as a priority, I want to end the gruesome practice of late-term abortions. I think it is something as a society that we have to do. And I think the Supreme Court has flatly said they need direction from Congress to define when the beginning of life is. I would support and introduce a federal heartbeat as the beginning of life bill, and try to make abortion as rare as possible in our society.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

### Howze Called Late Term Abortions “Infanticide” And “Murder”

Howze Said It Was “Truly Horrifying To Watch Democrats Like #CA10’s @JoshHarder Coming Out Across America To Support Abortion Up To The Moment Of Birth,” Calling It Infanticide And Murder. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “It’s truly horrifying to watch Democrats like #CA10’s @JoshHarder coming out across America to support abortion up to the moment of birth. First NY, now VA. Whatever your view on abortion, this is infanticide. Simply murder for the sake of convenience.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/30/19]
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Howze Said Liberals “Openly Support The Killing Of Unborn Children And Policies That Have Systematically Gutted The Family Unit”

Howze Said Liberals “Openly Support The Killing Of Unborn Children And Policies That Have Systematically Gutted The Family Unit.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Liberals that openly support the killing of unborn children and policies that have systematically gutted the family unit are holding ‘Families belong together’ protests across the nation today. Irony, hypocrisy, and ignorance of public perception rarely intersect so perfectly.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 6/30/18]
Howze Later Deleted the Tweet

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Howze Criticized Harder For Supporting “The Barbaric Practice Of Full Term Abortion”

Howze Criticized Harder For Supporting “The Barbaric Practice Of Full Term Abortion.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Exactly why we must target congressional seats like #CA10 where @RepJoshHarder believes in the barbaric practice of full term abortion. @ProLifeAction @NRCC” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 2/25/19]

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Howze’s Top Three Priorities Were Border Security, Reducing Regulations On Businesses, And Ending Late-Term Abortion And Introducing A Federal Heartbeat Bill

Howze’s Top Three Priorities Were Border Security, Reducing Regulations On Businesses, And Ending Late-Term Abortion And Introducing A Federal Heartbeat Bill. “[27:30] The top three things I’d like to work on is number one securing our border and fixing our broken immigration system. For people who want to legally immigrate here it should not take 15 years and $20,000 worth of attorney fees to actually become a citizen. Second, reducing regulations on business owners. Being a business owner, I understand how hard we’re shackled, especially in California and farming specifically by all the regulations we’re facing. We have to continue to do that. The Trump administration has done great job. [28:00] And third, as a priority, I want to end the gruesome practice of late-term abortions. I think it is something as a society that we have to do. And I think the Supreme Court has flatly
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Howze At Another Event Said His Top Three Priorities Were Making Quality Healthcare Affordable, Reducing The Cost Of Living, And Securing America’s Borders. [9:10] Howze: “My top three priorities as your member of Congress: making quality healthcare affordable for all Americans, reducing the cost of living for Valley families, and securing America's borders.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**In A Since-Deleted Tweet, Howze Argued Planned Parenthood Killed More Children Than Semi-Automatic Weapons**

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**...Voting**

**Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday**

Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday. [17:05] Howze: “I know I personally favor, like any other country in the world do, and that's implementation of a national voter ID and making Election Day a national holiday.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

**Howze Said The Penalty for Voter Fraud Should Be The Loss Of All Rights As A US Citizen**

Howze Said The Penalty for Voter Fraud Should Be The Loss Of All Rights As A US Citizen. “In addition, the sentence for convictions related to election fraud need serious teeth. Loss of all rights as a US citizen? No right to vote, own a gun, hold a passport, draw Social Security or Medicare ever should do it!” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 11/11/18]
Howze Said “A Second Term By President Trump Will Be The Best Thing For The Court System”

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Howze Said He Voted For Trump And He Supported His “America-First Agenda”

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Howze Said He Was “Not Running To Support Or Just Oppose” President Trump

Howze Said He Was “Not Running To Support Or Just Oppose” President Trump. [40:10] First of all I'm a rubber stamp for nobody. I'm opinionated I have my own. The President and I stylistically are two different people. I mean he is loud New York, New Jersey and I am much more laid-back California. So listen I'm not running to support or just oppose a President of the United States. I'm running to actually get things done for my district. And when the policies are good I'll support them and when the policies are bad I won't. It's that simple. I was on record during the 2018 campaign on video of things I disagreed with the president. The Bee staff knows this. So I'm nobody's rubber stamp.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

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Howze Said He Would Be Supporting President Trump In 2020. [1:12:10] Howze: “Lowest unemployment in our lifetimes. Lowest black unemployment, Hispanic unemployment, largest wage rises. That's number one. Number two, fundamentally remaking the Supreme Court so that we end legislating through judicial fiat. And lastly a president who's willing to negotiate. He's tried to work with the other side to solve problems like the Dreamers. I'll be supporting President Trump.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

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Howze Said He Would Not Let Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Babysit His Children Because He Would Fear For Their Safety. [13:30] Howze: “I don't want to be too rude it was the will of [Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez’s] voters. But we really as a country need to demand a higher standard of candidates. I mean that to me this is one of the biggest problems, we are not demanding as much of our candidates as we would demand of people who babysit our children. Right I wouldn't let her babysit my kids because I would fear for their safety while I was gone and somebody elected her to Congress. This has to change.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
**Budget**

**Howze Said He Supported A Balanced Budget Amendment**

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**Climate Change**

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**Crime And Public Safety**

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**Howze Said While He Led The City Budget Committee, During The Economic Crisis, Turlock Hired 20 Additional Police Officers And Nine Firefighters.** [11:05] Howze: “I served on the City Council for four years
where I led the Budget Committee and the Redevelopment Agency while I was in town. So you guys are all familiar with what happened to everybody across the country in 2006 to 2010. It was probably the worst economic disaster in the history of the United States and during that time the city of Turlock with me as the Budget Committee lead we were actually capable of going through our budget finding millions of dollars of lost money, developing a new strategic policing plan public safety plan where we hired 20 additional police officers and nine firefighters and we knocked down the game problems pretty heavily in our city and improved the quality of life.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Extreme Rhetoric**

**Howze Said The University In Turlock Led To A “Very Big Population Of Just Far Left-Wing Crazies”**

[28:40] Howze: “Howze: “Now I'm not faulting then there are some really educated people that work at the University and that is a gem for [Turlock] to have that University there but it also leads to a very big population of just far left-wing crazies.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Foreign Policy**

**Howze Said President Trump Was On The Right Track By Leaving The Iran Deal**

[1:05:15] Howze: “The Iran nuclear deal we should have pulled out of. They’re the number one state-sponsor of terror in the world. They have taken our money they're laughing at us. In the meantime they're still launching attacks against Israel and anybody else they want to attack every foreign country in the Middle East. That pallet load of cash President Obama sent to them is being spent to kill our allies. Absolutely wrong. I think President Trump is on the right track by cutting that deal and trying to work something. Now that doesn't mean you just cut them off and ignore them. I think he now needs to negotiate a legitimate deal with them that cuts off their terror activities.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said North Korea Was Proof That President Trump’s Foreign Policy Strategy Was Working**

[1:05:55] Howze: “I think North Korea absolutely proves that the policy works. North Korea has pushed this country around since Bill Clinton. And what they did is every 10 years they’d saber rattle and we go there and give them a couple billion dollars to play like good children.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said Congress Should Work To Take The War Powers Back From The President To Limit The Actions A President Can Take Without Congressional Approval**

[1:1:15] Howze: “I think that comes back to War Powers Act and stuff. And one of the things I think that as Congress we should really work to take that power back and make sure presidents only have pretty limited actions that they can take without congressional approval.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Gun Control**

**Howze: “I’m A Strong Second Amendment Supporter”**
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Howze Said He Supported Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties

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Howze Said He Wanted To “Place A Moratorium On The State Of California From Enacting Any Other Gun Laws”

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Health Care

Howze Said Medicare For All Was Not The Answer To The Failure Of The Health Care System

Howze Said Medicare For All Was Not The Answer To The Failure Of The Health Care System. [45:20] Howze: “Look I have personal experience with the failure of the health care system in this country. And I'm telling you right now Medicare for all is not the answer. It is not the answer. Because when somebody is inserted between a patient and a doctor and making the decisions for them you're in the same position my late wife was in. Under Medicare for all there's only two ways to control cost and that is either to pay doctors less for providing services or provide fewer services. And if you don't think that's true go look at the VA system right now. We're talking about the number of veterans we've been helping through the VA system. It's a joke. Nobody deserves to have that kind of medical care. I propose we fix private healthcare systems.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Howze Said He Would “Support Any Plan That Covers Pre-Existing Conditions”

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**Howze Called For Litigation Reform To Lower The Cost Of Healthcare.** [19:45] Howze: “We have to have litigation reform in this country right. We are going to have to take on the trial lawyers and we are going to have to stop these multi-million dollar malpractice suits. I'm in medicine I understand it's called the practice of medicine for a reason not the perfection of medicine. And we’ve got to get these crazy lawsuits under control so the doctors can perform at a reasonable cost and I think that's important.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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**Ideology/Campaign Strategy**

**Howze Said He Identified With And Admired How Mark Meadows And Jim Jordan “Come Out Truthfully On A Lot Of Matters”**


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**2019: Howze Said He Was Running To Represent the Valley, Which To Him “Runs Bakersfield To Sacramento”**

2019: Howze Said He Was Running To Represent the Valley, Which To Him “Runs Bakersfield To Sacramento.”” [9:45] Howze: “I’ve gotten involved to represent our valley. Now, I’m running in the 10th Congressional District but this valley to me really runs Bakersfield to Sacramento and foothill to foothill. That’s where I’ve driven a vet truck and worked for the last 25 years.” [Ted Howze Fundraiser Speech, Facebook, uploaded 6/27/19]

**Howze At Another Event Said His Top Three Priorities Were Making Quality Healthcare Affordable, Reducing The Cost Of Living, And Securing America’s Borders**

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Howze Wanted To Serve On The Agriculture, Veterans’ Affairs, And Infrastructure And Transportation Committees
Howze Wanted To Serve On The Agriculture And Veterans’ Affairs Committees. When asked what committees he would want to be on in Congress, Howze said [27:50] “I'll tell you number one for me would be agriculture because I'm an ag guy. I work in the industry I understand it well. I have the ties that understand how important it is to this district right. High-tech agricultural processing is one of the biggest futures we have in the ability to ship our products that we can only grow here all over the world. It's one of our biggest economic ties. I would like to be on Veterans’ Affairs. [...] And I've seen the devastating effects of the shortcomings of spending on our veterans after they come back from war. To me I would love to be on that committee and serve the veterans who have served us.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Wanted To Serve On The Infrastructure And Transportation Committee. [28:40] Howze: “Lastly because we have so many needs here, infrastructure and transportation. For California our needs are massive. Just drive up and down 99 trying to get anywhere. And for me that would be bringing money in for federal investment to fix our roads. Not throw it away on trains to nowhere but roads, dams, water.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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Ilhan Omar


Howze: “I Have Nothing Against Any Religion But You Have A Pair Of Muslim Women [In Congress] Who Are Just Absolutely Anti-Semite. One That Apparently Married Her Brother To Get In The Country, Ilhan.” [12:50] Howze: “Guys if you don't think we're under assault in this country and I have nothing against any religion but you have a pair of Muslim women who are just absolutely anti-Semite. One that apparently married her brother to get in the country, Ilhan. And then to falsify her citizenship I mean she should be immediately investigated and tossed out if this is proven true.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Immigration

Howze Said He Did Not Defend The Fourteenth Amendment “As An Absolute Right” And Said He Wanted To Eliminate Birthright Citizenship

Howze Said He Did Not Defend The Fourteenth Amendment “As An Absolute Right” And Said He Wanted To Eliminate Birthright Citizenship. [12:50] Howze: “I’ve had a lot of discussions recently with people about the meaning of the Fourteenth Amendment and you know birthright citizenship on American soil. You know a lot of people want to defend that as an absolute right. I don't defend it as an absolute right. You know the men who wrote the 14th amendment did it post-civil war to protect freed slaves that they wanted to not be denied citizenship in former Confederate States. And they wrote that amendment the author's themselves had said foreign people you know didn't apply to it. So I don't think that that applies. [...] [14:20] I really would like to see us eliminate birthright citizenship give people a path to get legitimate work visas.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]
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Howze Said He Did Not Have Qualms With Immigrants With Work Visas Getting Driver’s Licenses, But If An Immigrant With No Work Visa Caused An Accident They Should Be Deported. [11:30] Howze: “Okay I can tell you I go both ways on [undocumented immigrants also being eligible for driver’s licenses] and I'm going to be fair with you. I have been the victim of two unlicensed drivers from foreign countries. One DUI almost killed my entire family one it wasn't a DUI it's just a stupid driver right. So I mean I don't have a qualm if you have a work visa in this country that you should probably be allowed to get a driver's license. If you don't have a work visa and you cause an accident you should probably be arrested and deported instantly because you've committed a crime by being here not legally.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Josh Harder

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Howze Said Harder Had “Roughly $31 Million Of Nancy Pelosi’s Money” In 2018. [3:00] Howze: “Now a big part of that especially in the Harder campaign was Josh had roughly $31 million of Nancy Pelosi’s money. They've talked about it and I'm sure some of you saw how many people, they had armies of Harder supporters coming in knocking on your doors during the election.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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Howze Said Harder Had “Five And Six Thousand” Paid Volunteers A Weekend In 2018 From Arizona And Nevada. [3:45] Howze: “They were importing union people from Nevada and Arizona to come in here on weekends and walk for him. Five and six thousand of them a weekend. They were paid volunteers.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Medicare

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poverty versus you know the rest of society. And then Medicaid has been such a mismanaged program it's ridiculous.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

**Howze Said Medicare Should Be A Program Solely Responsible For Seniors**

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**Howze Said He Would Protect Medicare**

Howze Said He Would Protect Medicare. In a YouTube ad for his campaign, Howze said, “I've worn a lot of boots in my life. Work boots, cowboy boots, even firefighters boots. And I'm not alone. We work hard here in the Central Valley, but the cost of living just keeps going up. Nancy Pelosi and Josh Harder, their DC games won't secure our border, lower our cost of living, or protect Medicare. I will. And if you ask me, Congress needs a big boot in the --. I'm Dr. Ted Howze and I approve this message.” [“Boots” Howze ad, YouTube, 1/6/20]

**Medicaid**

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Social Security

Howze Said The Three “Easiest” Fixes To Social Security Would Be Raising the Cap, Raising The Retirement Age, And Implementing Means Testing

Howze Said Raising The Social Security Cap Would Be One Of The Three Easiest Fixes To The Program. [25:35] Howze: “So Social Security we're going to have to address. It's actually the easiest program to address of the three majors. Because in Social Security we have some options, some are very popular, well none of them are popular. Nobody wants to get involved so I take that back. But some are easier than others. You know we can either raise the amount of tax withheld out of people's checks again affecting future workers or we can raise the cap on the Social Security limit which is now currently capped at I don't remember what the number is a 107,000 or 109,000 whatever that limit is it changes. We can increase the retirement age. There's this whole list of things. I think probably the three easiest fixes is not increasing the amount of tax but raising the cap. I mean and quite frankly as somebody who's always been a high income earner I never realized when they stop taking Social Security tax out. I just was used to it so they might as well take it out to my last dollar that I make. At that point it's not affecting you. That would be number one.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said Another Of The Easiest Fixes Would Be Raising The Retirement Age To 70. [26:40] Howze: “I think number two would be raising the retirement age. We have rising life expectancies. When Social Security was first conceived we didn't have the 15 or 17 year longer life expectancies that we have now. I think the solution to that is to not just raise it overnight from you know 65 to 70. I think the probably the easier solution is raise it incrementally. You know we'll raise the retirement age by three months every year or two months every year. And we do that over time until we reach the retirement age of 70.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said The Other Easiest Fix Would Be Means Testing. [27:15] Howze: “And I think lastly is means-testing. Yes it's our money and we paid it in but Bill Gates and Warren Buffett aren't going to miss a Social Security check. So I think you know we keep saying we want to ask the wealthy to do more. That's the ultimate case because we're really trying to protect our poor seniors in society. It's a social safety net. So I think there is a case to say you know that we set the boundaries that our top 1% of retirees or top 3% or whatever we need that cutoff to be aren't going to receive their Social Security benefits. I know at the age of 51 I'm probably never going to receive a dime from Social Security and that's just the way it is right. So I think that's the social security issue and that again that's the easiest to fix.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Taxes

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Howze Said Although He Opposed New Taxes, While On The City Council He “Fought Like A Dog” To Negotiate A New Road Tax Because He Was Asked To. [1:26:40] Howze: “Listen I've held elected office and I have a track record. When I was a Turlock City Council member I put customer service for any member of our community above everything else. And in fact I know for a fact, the Bee just absolutely eviscerated me in an editorial one time because I was tapped by our Democrat mayor to go negotiate the best tax deal for Turlock and
road tax. I don't favor new taxes. But I went and fought like a dog because it was what was asked for our city. And that's the way I'll serve all constituents. I will listen. I will provide customer service and it will be the priority of our district field office that we make sure anybody coming in asking for help gets help before they leave.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

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send me to Harvard or Stanford like Mr. Harder. I earned my education at the University of California at Davis.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Donald Trump**

**When Asked How He Saw Himself Working With President Trump Howze Said “Quite Well,” And Said He Thought The President Was Doing A “Fabulous Job”**

When Asked How He Saw Himself Working With President Trump Howze Said “Quite Well,” And Said He Thought The President Was Doing A “Fabulous Job.” [30:05] Moderator: “How do you see yourself working with President Trump?” Howze: “Quite well. […] I think our president is doing a fabulous job of putting this country back to work. The reduction in regulations. Everything that they’ve achieved. And most importantly the Supreme Court nominees that he have put on have been fabulous. It’s changing the future of this country for the next 25 years because we will stop the Democrat party’s ruling through judicial fiat. So I would be quite proud as a conservative to go back and continue those values and make sure that we get back on path to American really being a constitutional country.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Said “So Much Of What President Trump Has Done Is Positive For Our Country” And That Trump Has “Done Everything He Said He Was Going To Do When He Was Elected”**

Howze Said “So Much Of What President Trump Has Done Is Positive For Our Country” And That Trump Has “Done everything He Said He Was Going To Do When He Was Elected.” [37:50] Howze: “I mean so much of what President Trump has done is positive for our country. […] [38:05] But he has done everything he said he was going to do when he was elected. […] [38:25] And I look at our current president, Republican, Democrat, I can't remember another who has so transparently done what he said he was going to do.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

**Abortion**

**Howze’s Top Three Priorities Were Border Security, Reducing Regulations On Businesses, And Ending Late-Term Abortion And Introducing A Federal Heartbeat Bill**

Howze’s Top Three Priorities Were Border Security, Reducing Regulations On Businesses, And Ending Late-Term Abortion And Introducing A Federal Heartbeat Bill. “[27:30] The top three things I’d like to work on is number one securing our border and fixing our broken immigration system. For people who want to legally immigrate here it should not take 15 years and $20,000 worth of attorney fees to actually become a citizen. Second, reducing regulations on business owners. Being a business owner, I understand how hard we’re shackled, especially in California and farming specifically by all the regulations we're facing. We have to continue to do that. The Trump administration has done great job. [28:00] And third, as a priority, I want to end the gruesome practice of late-term abortions. I think it is something as a society that we have to do. And I think the Supreme Court has flatly said they need direction from Congress to define when the beginning of life is. I would support and introduce a federal heartbeat as the beginning of life bill and try to make abortion as rare as possible in our society.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Was Pro-Life**

**Howze Was Pro-Life.** [18:45] Howze: “I am as a conservative who is very much a pro-life individual.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

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Climate Change

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2018: Howze Said Man’s Impact On The Environment “Falls Somewhere In Between The Global Alarmists” And “The People That Say ‘Oh We Have No Effect Whatsoever.’ [36:25] Howze: ”I think there's no question that man affects his environment, right? We do too much on the planet not to have some effect. Now I think that effect falls somewhere in between the global alarmists who say ‘we're ending the planet tomorrow’ and the people that say ‘oh we have no effect whatsoever.’ The problem that we have is like the Paris Climate Accords. I support pulling out of the Paris Climate Accord because it's a joke. It was a one-sided Accord to again make Americans because the rest of the world identifies us as the wealthiest country on earth to make Americans pay for the sins of the rest of the world. As long as China is unwilling to scale back its pollution which right now it's probably accounting for half and the entire world's pollution.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]


Education

Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education

Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education. [25:05] Howze: “I think we should have abolish the Department of Education federally. I think nobody knows their needs better than local communities do. And being a person who was on a city council and understanding that we know our needs and we can address them education is the same way. You know what you need locally. Do we need schools that promote more technical training because we have a lot of high tech jobs? Do we need schools that need a lot more you know prep for higher education that's going to send you on to be doctors, lawyers? I mean we have needs we have to fill. I think the education is best suited at that level and I think we should let the educational control stay at the local level.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Foreign Policy

Howze Supported The Killing Of Qasem Soleimani And Said The Iranians Responded To The Killing By Launching Missiles At US Instillations That Were Paid For By Barack Obama

Howze Supported The Killing Of Qasem Soleimani And Said The Iranians Responded To The Killing By Launching Missiles At US Instillations That Were Paid For By Barack Obama. [6:45] Moderator: “Was President Trump’s order to take out Iranian terrorist leader Qasem Soleimani the right decision?” Howze: “Absolutely. Listen, I’m a parent. I understand the most basic concept. If I would have raised my three sons telling them ‘no, stop,’ ‘no stop,’ ‘please stop,’ ‘I’ll pay you to stop,’ you would have been run over as a parent. This is what we’ve done with Iran since 1979. Right? And today, the Iranians launched missiles at our military
installations, and they were missiles that Barack Obama paid for. This has to stop. And I think our president sent a message that we are done. He not only sent a message to Iran that we are done, he sent a message to North Korea that we’re done. And I believe that Iran chose very poorly today. I think there’s going to be serious repercussions. But most importantly, we pray for the families and for our servicemembers that were over there right now.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

### Gun Issues

**Howze Said He Was A “Pro-Second Amendment” Candidate**

Howze Said He Was A “Pro-Second Amendment” Candidate. [2:10] Howze: “I am a pro-Second Amendment life member of the NRA.” [Ted Howze OANN Interview, Vantage Toolbox, 12/16/19]

**Howze: “I Am A Pro Second Amendment Life Member Of The NRA”**

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**Howze Said He Believed When The Second Amendment “Says ‘Shall Not Be Infringed,’ [It] Means Exactly That”**

Howze Said He Believed When The Second Amendment “Says ‘Shall Not Be Infringed,’ [It] Means Exactly That.” [10:00] Howze: “I am a pro Second Amendment life member of the NRA. And I believe in the Second Amendment and I believe when it says ‘shall not be infringed’ means exactly that ‘shall not be infringed.’ So I think this is an individual who's violating his oath of office because any elected official who gets sworn in says I will protect and defend the Constitution with his hand on the Bible, his or her hand on the Bible and so for them to immediately be talking about gun confiscation to me disqualifies you from holding public office anymore. Because you're blatantly going against the United States Constitution. So I think it's unconstitutional. I think that you know the people of the United States should be frightened that we have elected representatives that are willing to destroy the document that has granted us the freedoms that we have in this country.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Howze Said Making It Easier For Law-Abiding Citizens To Get Concealed Carry Permits At Will Would Make America Safer**

Howze Said Making It Easier For Law-Abiding Citizens To Get Concealed Carry Permits At Will Would Make America Safer. [1:16:55] Howze: “Look I support the Second Amendment knowing that gun ownership by law-abiding citizens makes us a safer nation. It's a powerful deterrent to crime. And if you don't believe so just look at Mexico our neighbor to the south. They have one gun store in the entire country. Citizens are prohibited from owning guns. Yet they have three times the homicide rate as the United States by guns. Okay. Making more laws, gun control, is only control of law-abiding citizens. It doesn't affect criminals. If you wanted to make us a safer nation you'd make it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will. Look at the Texas shooting case. Good guy with a gun stop a bad guy with a gun. One shot, right?” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Howze Was In Favor Of Concealed Carry Reciprocity, Saying It Was An “Unquestioned Right We Should Have”**

Howze Was In Favor Of Concealed Carry Reciprocity, Saying It Was An “Unquestioned Right We Should Have.” [11:00] Howze: “Oh I'm in favor [of national CCW reciprocity]. I think that we need a national standard so that we can eliminate all the infighting that we have between the states. I myself am a CCW holder here in the state
of California. And I know it's frustrating when you want to drive across a state border you have to worry about locking up a gun because you just don’t want to take the chance that you know have a misunderstanding and I think that's ridiculous. I think we're Americans and our right to carry and defend ourselves should not stop at state borders. I think you should have that right whenever you're standing on the soil of the United States of America. So I support it. I will vote for it and I think it's an unquestioned right we should have.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Ideology/Campaign Strategy**

**2018: Howze Said He Would Caucus With The Freedom Caucus And Supported Jim Jordan To Be The Next Speaker Of The House**

2018: Howze Said He Would Caucus With The Freedom Caucus And Supported Jim Jordan To Be The Next Speaker Of The House. [26:00] Howze “Jim Jordan of the Freedom Caucus. If I am elected in November I’m going to caucus with the Freedom Caucus and Jim Jordan is absolutely the guy that should be the next Speaker of the House.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze: “I Hope That America 100 Years From Now Looks A Lot Like It Did 50 Years Ago”

Howze: “I Hope That America 100 Years From Now Looks A Lot Like It Did 50 Years Ago.” [31:25] Howze: “I hope that America 100 years from now looks a lot like it did 50 years ago, from the standpoint of creating your own opportunity through hard work. Success being rewarded, not punished. Original thoughts and innovation driving this country to the forefront of the world.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Called Himself A “Constitutionally Conservative Leaning Libertarian”

Howze Called Himself A “Constitutionally Conservative Leaning Libertarian.” “[18:10] I am a registered Republican, but I’m actually constitutionally conservative leaning libertarian. I believe in the constitution and I believe the government can pretty much stay out of our personal lives. They have no business in our personal lives whatsoever.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

**2020: Howze Said His Campaign Was The Only Republican Campaign That Could “Match The Democrats In Harvesting Ballots”**

2020: Howze Said His Campaign Was The Only Republican Campaign That Could “Match The Democrats In Harvesting Ballots.” [35:45] Howze: “Listen I think we’re all three great candidates. I like both of my opponents personally. You would be better off with any of us as your representative than Josh Harder […] [36:05] We’ve raised the most money in this district. Over 500 new donors just this quarter who never participated politically. We’ve built the premiere ground game in this district to rival the Democrats. We’ve knocked on 50,000 doors since July. […] [36:35] We are the ones who are going to be able to turn out the donors, match the Democrats in harvesting ballots, and put a Republican back in office in the 10th district in 2020. […] [36:55] If you want to pick the horse that can win the race for you, we’re that horse.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Voting**

**2019: Howze Said It “Absolutely Appears” That Voter Fraud Was Committed In The 2018 CA-10 Primary Election**

you know we were amazed as we pored through the data, we actually found an absentee voter, we weren't looking at them we were looking at poll voters, but an absentee voter who at 116 years old hadn’t missed an election in the last twenty years. Which is ironic considering the oldest living person in the United States today is listed as 112.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday

Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday. [17:05] Howze: “I know I personally favor, like any other country in the world do, and that’s implementation of a national voter ID and making Election Day a national holiday.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

Impeachment

Howze Lamented The Lack Of Respect In Politics Immediately Before Repeatedly Calling Josh Harder A “Puppet” And Alleging His Support For Impeachment Was Bought By Adam Schiff

Howze Lamented The Lack Of Respect In Politics Immediately Before Repeatedly Calling Josh Harder A “Puppet” And Alleging His Support For Impeachment Was Bought By Adam Schiff. [28:15] Howze: “We need to get back to having differing ideas and respecting one another. We can do that here right? We can have different ideas and still respect each other. Josh Harder is a puppet. Write that down for the paper. Josh Harder is a puppet. Because when he came out and said, ‘I’m going to support impeachment,’ our campaign staff was all in a meeting and said ‘Well, Nancy Pelosi will be out in the next hour because she doesn’t let him say anything more than an hour before it happens.’ She was on stage 55 minutes later announcing they were going to impeach him. We also knew he would support it because he magically got $28,000 from Adam Schiff’s PAC to support the impeachment. This is a man that answers to Nancy Pelosi and Adam Schiff, not to you and I, not to the central valley, not to his constituents. That’s got to change.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Immigration

Howze Said That Individuals Who Did Not Sign Up For DACA Should Have To Work Through The System “Just Like Anybody Else”

Howze Said That Individuals Who Did Not Sign Up For DACA Should Have To Work Through The System “Just Like Anybody Else.” [15:35] Howze: “If however you did not sign up under the provision of DACA you are in this country illegally juts like anybody else who has entered illegally and you are going to have to work your way through the system from beginning to end just like anybody else. I don’t think we can handpick who we provide priority status to just because you violated the law to enter the country. I would much rather see us have a merit-based immigration system than a first come first serve immigration system.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Said Immigrants Here Illegally, Other Than The “800,000” DACA Recipients, Should Be Deported

Howze Said Immigrants Here Illegally, Other Than The “800,000” DACA Recipients, Should Be Deported. [15:20] Howze: “I would allow 800,000 people to get in the back of the line. Otherwise if you're in this country illegally you should be deported. Unless you're here on a legitimate work visa or you're already going through the citizenship process trying to do it the right way you should have to leave the country. So my stance is pretty easy. I support legal immigration and would try to close our borders off and stem the tide of illegal immigrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]
Howze Said To Create The DACA Program, Obama “Pulled An Unconstitutional Maneuver Through Executive Fiat”

Howze said to create the DACA program, Obama “pulled an unconstitutional maneuver through executive fiat.” [12:35] Howze: “Now as far as DACA and the Dreamers go, there's kind of a unique perspective there from the standpoint that you know Dreamers are young people that were brought here to this country by their parents. Now I was subject to my dad moving around quite a bit as I was a kid. And as a kid you had no choice, you went wherever your parents went. So you can kind of identify with these young people that fall under the class of Dreamers. The problem is President Obama pulled an unconstitutional maneuver through executive fiat and he created the DACA program in which he pitched to these Dreamers that if you're willing to come in, sign up, pay the fee, do all the right things that he was going to give you some kind of pathway to something, but no promises. So consequently we had nearly 800,000 Dreamers sign up and become DACA registrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Would Freeze The Immigration Status Of DACA Registrants Until After The Borders Were Secured And Then They Would “Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship”

Howze said he would freeze the immigration status of DACA registrants until after the borders were secured and then they would “go to the end of the line to earn citizenship.” [13:30] Howze: “Now there's a difference between a Dreamer who's here in the country illegally because her parents brought him here and a DACA registrant who thought they were doing the right thing you know under our laws because they were legitimately trying to find a pathway to citizenship. So what I would do is I would take the DACA registrants and I would freeze their status. They wouldn't be eligible for deportation and I'd say you could stay in this country right now while we do two things. While we secure our borders and ports and while we reform immigration.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

After Those Two Things Were Done Howze Would Allow DACA Registrants “To Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship.” [14:05] Howze: “Because first of all, our current immigration process only benefits immigration attorneys. They're the ones making all the money and they're the one that's dragging this thing out for 15 or 20 years, and the government's backlogged. We live in an age as we're sitting here doing a podcast today we live in an age of technological revolution. We should be able to find a way technologically to reform our immigration system where we can get people through the system in five years or less. So I would secure our borders, I'd reform our immigration system and then once that's done I would allow the DACA registrants, the people that signed up and did the right thing, I would allow them to go to the end of the line to earn citizenship. But not until I get those other things done first.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Was “Firmly Against Illegal Immigration” Because It Was A National Security Issue

Howze said he was “firmly against illegal immigration” because it was a national security issue. [12:10] Howze: “I am firmly against illegal immigration. And the reason being is it's a national security issue. If we don't know who's coming across our borders or through our ports we open ourselves up, be it acts of terrorism. You know we are putting ourselves in danger as a country. We have enemies around the world and we need to keep those people out of our country.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Was “Completely In Favor Of Legal Immigration”

Howze said he was “completely in favor of legal immigration.” [11:50] Howze: “Well first of all I'm completely in favor of legal immigration. We're a country of immigrants. You know all of our families immigrated here at some point or another. And I think over time the requirements have changed and stuff but we all have this kind of shared background of coming here legally at some point. And a lot of our ancestors came through Ellis Island.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]
**Howze Said He Opposed Sanctuary States And Would Support Legislation To Have The Federal Government Arrest The Governor Of A State For Not Enforcing The Laws**

Howze Said He Opposed Sanctuary States And Would Support Legislation To Have The Federal Government Arrest The Governor Of A State For Not Enforcing The Laws. [4:10] Howze: “Listen I am absolutely opposed to the sanctuary state status. And it breaks my heart because we were just in Newman the other night for the second remembrance service for Ronil Singh. Who was a young animal control officer when I was first seated on the Turlock city council. You look at the criminal that took his life who has fallen through the cracks, been deported come back, given sanctuary. We’re allowing criminals in this state to be protected by our elected politicians. I think at the federal level we have to hold them accountable. If that means that we have to have the federal government come in and arrest a governor of a state for not enforcing the laws, so be it. As a member of Congress, I would vote to pass that legislation in a heartbeat. We must secure our borders, protect our country, its sovereign rights, its citizens, and I will do that as your member of Congress.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Said He “Will Not Stand For Amnesty”**

Howze Said He “Will Not Stand For Amnesty.” [48:10] Howze: “I will not stand for amnesty. I do support legal immigration. I think we need to double the number of H-2A visas to get more agricultural workers in this country. And I think we need to offer them an expedited path to citizenship if they're willing to come to this country and work hard and stay out of trouble.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

**2018: Howze Said That Since He Wasn’t An Engineer He Didn’t Know If A Border Was “Feasible,” But If A Border Wall Was Feasible Then He Was “All For It”**

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**Jeff Denham**

Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy”

Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy.” [14:50] Howze: “Because if we just grant amnesty, which is what my opponent in this race is trying to do. Jeff Denham would grant amnesty not to 800,000 people, not to 3.2 million people, but to the same 11 to 23 million people he tried to grant amnesty to in 2013 when he was the first and only Republican to sign on to Nancy Pelosi's HR 15 bill. So he's been an open borders amnesty guy going all the way back to 2013 when he was working with Nancy Pelosi to grant amnesty to these people.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Obama Administration**

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Howze Said The Obama Administration Had “Done Nothing But Divide This Nation.” [27:35] Howze: “The Obama Administration was like a rock thrown into a pond that has created a set of ripples that have done nothing but divide this nation. And what we see from that today is this partisan effort to remove a duly elected president of the United States. It has created an even deepening divide in this country that has tribalism politically like we have never seen before. Friends losing friends and family members who won’t talk to one another over what’s going on in our nation’s capital. It’s sickening. It needs to stop.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Taxes And Regulation


Howze Alleged That The Department Of Defense Wasted Enough Money Every Year To Buy An Island In The Caribbean One Hundred Times

Howze Said Anyone Who Understands The Consequences Of Taxes And Regulations Would Be Driven To Be “Very Conservative”

Images

Howze Met Charlie Kirk And Said He Was An “Inspiration”
Kirk Was The Founder And Executive Director Of Turning Point USA. According to the Turning Point website, Chalie Kirk was the founder of Turning Point USA, “a national student movement dedicated to identifying, organizing, and empowering young people to promote the principles of free markets and limited government.” [Turning Point website, accessed 3/19/20]

Kirk Said Trump Would Be “America’s Greatest President.” According to Facebook, Kirk posted a video on Facebook discussing why Trump will be America’s greatest president. [Facebook, 11/5/18]


Headlines

HEADLINE: “GOP Candidate In District 10 Attacked For ‘Extreme’ Stance On Immigration” [Modesto Bee, 7/17/19]
GOP candidate in District 10 attacked for ‘extreme’ stance on immigration

[Modesto Bee, 7/17/19]

HEADLINE: “GOP Candidate Says He Lives In Turlock. Opponent And Some Neighbors Say Something Else”

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GOP candidate says he lives in Turlock. Opponent and some neighbors say something else

[Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]
Personal & Professional History
Biography

This section provides background information on Ted Howze’s personal life, including education, personal finances, criminal and civil record, and other areas. Searches were conducted with various local media in Stanislaus And San Joaquin Counties, media outlets including the Modesto Bee, Turlock Journal, and Turlock City News as well as a number of other online resources, including Lexis-Nexis.

Birth Date

Ted Howze Was Born On January 10th, 1967


Education

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Career

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

Political
- 2002-2006: Turlock City Planning Commission Board Member
- 2004: Unsuccessful candidate for Stanislaus County Supervisor
- 2006: Successful candidate for Turlock City Council
- 2007-2010: Turlock City Councilman
  - 2006-2010: City of Turlock Budget Committee Chairman
  - 2007-2009: Stanislaus County Council of Governments Representative
- 2018: Unsuccessful candidate for California’s 10th Congressional District
- 2020: Candidate for California’s 10th Congressional District

Professional
- 1987-1994: UCD Firefighter
- 1994-2015: Mid Valley Large Animal Service veterinarian and managing partner
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- 2005: Mid Valley Large Animal Service merged with Sierra View Animal Health
- 2015: Howze retired from practice
- 2006-2009: Howze Farms owner
- 2007-2010: Vetmedicines.com owner

Howze Said He Wanted To Serve In The Military But Was “Locked Out” Due To A Severe Knee Injury In High School

Howze Said He Wanted To Serve In The Military But Was “Locked Out” Due To A Severe Knee Injury In High School. [28:15] Howze: “I didn't serve in the military. I couldn't because of a severe knee injury in high school. I wanted to but was locked out. I have the utmost respect for our nation's veterans that go and work to keep us free as a country.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Was A Firefighter For Seven Years While He Was An Undergraduate And A Veterinary Student

Howze Was A Firefighter For Seven Years While He Was An Undergraduate And A Veterinary Student. “Howze spent seven years as a firefighter at the University of California at Davis, from his undergraduate days through veterinary school.” [Modesto Bee, 9/22/06]

Howze Was Hired At Mid Valley Large Animal Service In 1994 And Became A Co-Owner And Managing Partner In 1996

Howze Was Hired At Mid Valley Large Animal Service In 1994 And Became A Co-Owner And Managing Partner In 1996. “In 1994, my practice hired a young veterinarian named Ted Howze. Ted was the most self-motivated, innovative and hard-working associate I had ever hired. In less than two years he became a co-owner and managing partner of the practice.” [Modesto Bee, 2/21/04]

2014: Howze Was The Head Football Coach At Denair High School

2014: Howze Was The Head Football Coach At Denair High School. “Ted Howze knew he wanted to be a high school football coach ever since he was a teenager. Three decades later, after being named the new head coach at Denair High School, he’s finally achieved his goal. ‘My freshman football coach at Hanford High, a man by the name of Walt Parker, really got it when it came to football,’ said Howze, 47, a veterinarian who served a term on the Turlock city council (2006-10). ‘I felt like he was a maker of men, and I knew I wanted to have the same influence on young men that he had on me.’ While earning degrees in exercise physiology and veterinary medicine at the UC Davis, Howze took classes in football theory from College Hall of Fame coach Jim Sochor, who led the Division II Aggies to 18 conference championships. And for the past nine years, Howze has been coaching Turlock youth football. His teams the past three seasons are a combined 47-3 (26-0 over the past two seasons) with three Cen-Cal Super Bowl titles.” [Modesto Bee, 4/3/14]

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2014: Howze Said He Was “Done With Politics” After He Became A Football Coach. “While Howze had to put off his plans for retirement as a veterinarian, he is adamant that he’s retired – for good – as a politician. Turlock mayor John Lazar recently announced he would not seek another term, leading many to wonder if Howze might enter a mayoral race. ‘I’ve been asked that question about 10 times over the last two months,’ said Howze. ‘I’m a football coach. I’m done with politics.’ ‘With citizen government, you participate and then you go away and give somebody else a chance. I cherished my time on the council, and I’m proud of the things we accomplished, but now I’m a football coach.’” [Modesto Bee, 4/3/14]
Howze Stepped Down From Coaching Football After One Season. “Ted Howze has stepped down as head coach at Denair High School after one season. Howze, a large-animal veterinarian and former Turlock city councilman, led the Coyotes to a 3-7 record in 2014, a marked improvement for a team that won just four games the previous three seasons combined. He became engaged earlier this year to Laura Wilkinson, who heads the math department at St. Mary's High School, and they'll make their home in Stockton. He expects to continue his coach career as a defensive assistant for the Rams.” [Modesto Bee, 4/19/15]

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Howze Said He Had Been Involved In Politics “Very Heavily” For About 15 Of The Last 20 Years. [1:02:05] Howze: “For the you know about 15 of the last 20 years I was I've been involved in politics very heavily. First working in people's campaigns, writing a lot of speeches for people doing a lot of work but then running now this would be my fourth campaign. And two of them being a primary and a runoff for supervisor.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Said He Was Not A Career Politician. In a campaign ad published on Facebook, Howze said “This is Dr. Ted Howze, Republican candidate for Congress. I was raised on Central Valley farms by working-class parents and I'm proud of putting myself through school by working as a firefighter and EMT. For the last 25 years I've served our Valley dairy farmers as a large animal veterinarian while also being actively involved in our local community where I've been both a city council member and high school football coach. I'm a conservative, not a career politician or lobbyist. [Ted Howze campaign ad “Are You Ready?, Facebook, 10/5/19]

Howze Was On The Planning Commission For At Least Four Years

Howze Joined The Turlock City Planning Commission On April 1, 2002. [Ted Howze April 2002 California Form 700, filed 4/23/02]

Howze Said He Joined The Planning Commission In 2000. [10:35] Howze: “And ultimately in 2000 I was asked by the mayor of Turlock at the time was Kurt Andre to join the Planning Commission there which I did.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Was On The Turlock City Planning Commission Through 2006. [Ted Howze 2005 California Form 700, filed 4/5/06]

Howze Was On The City Council For Four Years

Howze Assumed Office As A City Councilman On January 9, 2007. [Ted Howze 2006 California Form 700, filed 1/22/07]

Howze Left The City Council On December 7, 2010 [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

Howze Was On The Stanislaus Council Of Governments Policy Board From January 9, 2007 To January 13, 2009

Howze Joined The Stanislaus Council Of Governments On January 9, 2007. [Ted Howze California Form 700, filed 1/22/07]

### 2015: Howze Retired From The Veterinary Practice

2015: Howze Retired From The Veterinary Practice. “Mid Valley Large Animal Service began in a garage in Denair, CA on December 23, 1992. Founding partner Dr. Mark Brandt merged his client base with that of his vet school classmate Dr. Craig Brooks to form a practice that would provide an intensively personalized service to their clients. […] Dr. Brooks left with the equine portion of the practice in 1996, leaving Drs. Brandt, Ted Howze, and Bryan Morrett to tend to their ever growing dairy and beef cattle clients. […] The 2005 merger with Sierra View Animal Health in Escalon brought 2 more vets and a thriving small ruminant practice. […] Dr. Howze retired from practice in 2015 allowing the next generation of veterinarians to attain ownership with their fresh ideas and abundant energy.” [Mid Valley Large Animal Service website, accessed 2/27/20]

### Howze Was Registered With The California Veterinary Medical Board Through January 2021

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![California Department of Consumer Affairs License Search](image)

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Criminal Record

2012: Howze Paid A $428 Fine After Being Ticketed For Driving Over The Speed Limit

2012: Howze Paid A $428 Fine After Being Ticketed For Driving Between One And 25 Miles-Per-Hour Over The Speed Limit. [Stanislaus Superior Court Public Portal, Case #: 1775369, filed 5/29/12]

November 2010: A Traffic Infraction For “Stop Lamps Requirements” Was Filed In Fresno County Against A Ted Howze

November 2010: A Traffic Infraction For “Stop Lamps Requirements” Was Filed In Fresno County Against A Ted Howze. [Fresno County Superior Court, accessed 3/19/20]
2009: Howze paid a $445 fine after being ticketed for driving between one and 25 miles-per-hour over the speed limit. [Stanislaus Superior Court Public Portal, Case #: 1291509, filed 1/22/09]
NOTE: Further research necessary to determine whether Howze has a criminal record. Howze full name is Ted Howze II, meaning the Fresno case above could relate to another individual.

## Judgments Or Liens

### 2018: Howze Was Assessed A $297.09 Lien In San Joaquin County

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### Bankruptcy Filings

**Ted Howze Had No Bankruptcy Filings**

**Ted Howze Had No Bankruptcy Filings.** As of February 2020, Ted Howze had no bankruptcy filings. [Nexis Comprehensive Person Report, accessed 2/20/20; Nexis Bankruptcy, Judgments & Liens Search, accessed 2/26/20]

### Voter Registration & History

**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Turlock From October 1996 To July 2015**

**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Turlock From October 1996 To July 2015.** According to the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters, “Ted David Howze registered to vote in Stanislaus County on October 7, 1996.” “Ted David Howze’s Stanislaus County registration was canceled July 14, 2015.” [Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorder, 2/24/20]

**1996: Howze Declined To State A Political Party When He Registered To Vote**

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**2004: Howze Updated His Registration To Republican**

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**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Stockton From January 2016 To February 2019**

**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Stockton From January 2016 To February 2019.** According to a longitudinal search of Ted Howze’s voter registration history, Howze was registered to vote in Stockton, CA from January 25, 2016 to February 21, 2019. [Ted Howze longitudinal voter search, accessed 2/28/20]

**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Turlock From January 2019 To The Present (February 2020)**

**Howze Was Registered To Vote In Turlock From January 2019 To The Present (February 2020).** According to the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters, “Ted David Howze registered to vote in Stanislaus County on January 29, 2019.” [Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorder, 2/24/20]

**2019: Howze Registered As A Republican**

**2019: Howze Registered As a Republican.** [Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorder, 2/24/20]

According to VoteBuilder, a longitudinal voter search, and the Stanislaus County Clerk Ted Howze’s voting history is depicted below:

**Ted Howze Voting History**
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[Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorder, 2/24/20; Ted Howze profile, VoteBuilder, accessed 2/27/20; Ted Howze longitudinal voter search, accessed 2/28/20]
Personal Finance

In 2019, Ted Howze had an estimated net worth of between $4,497,022 and $9,230,000.

According to Ted Howze’s federal personal financial disclosures, his 2019 annual unearned income was between $115,009 and $380,000. Ted Howze also earned $6,000 in salary from Mid Valley Large Animal Service. Ted Howze’s assets totaled between $4,497,022 and $9,230,000. Ted Howze had $0 in liabilities.

NOTE: For detailed descriptions of Ted Howze’s personal financial disclosures by year, see Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures.

Ted Howze’s Federal Personal Financial Disclosure Summary

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2007-2010: Howze Held Hundreds Of Thousands Of Dollars In Stock Of Companies Like Pfizer, Exxon Mobile, Bank Of America, Citigroup, And Wells Fargo

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Taxpayer Funded Salaries


According to the Turlock City Clerk, Howze earned $45,756 from 2002 to 2010 while he was a Turlock public official. [Turlock City Clerk, 10/4/19]

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* Howze received $5,137 in lieu of medical insurance to a 457 account.
** Howze received $7,234 in lieu of medical insurance to a 457 account.
*** Howze received $3,735 in lieu of medical insurance to a 457 account.

[Turlock City Clerk, 10/4/19]

2004: When Howze Ran For Stanislaus County Supervisor He Said He Would Advocate For A 20 Percent Pay Cut.

“How the paychecks of Stanislaus County supervisors have grown fatter over the years and have become an issue in the election for three Board of Supervisors seats. The salaries have yet hit six figures, as in some of California's 58 counties. But the four people trying to unseat three Stanislaus incumbents on March 2 say the pay -- $72,566 annually for the chairman and $63,544 for the others, plus benefits -- is too generous for what they perceive as part-time work. […] Ted Howze, a Turbok veterinarian and District 2 candidate, said he will work full time for the county, if elected. ‘Even having said that, I think the salary is too high,’ he said. He vowed to push for a 20 percent pay cut and a policy linking compensation with meeting attendance.” [Modesto Bee, 2/23/04]
2010: Howze Proposed That City Council Members Drop Their Medical Benefits To Trim Expenses.

“Election season just concluded, but it seemed like City Council members started the November races at their special meeting Thursday. Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher and Mayor John Lazar, whose seats are up for election this fall, engaged in a testy back-and-forth over proposals to trim expenses from the city's budget. Howze proposed the city drop out of memberships in the League of California Cities and the Council of Mayors. He also suggested council members drop their medical benefits.” [Modesto Bee, 6/18/10]

As Of 2019, Ted Howze’s Personal Property Was Worth At Least $3,116,190

# Political Career

This section provides an overview of Ted Howze’s political career, from 2004 to 2020.

## Significant Findings

- **2002-2006:** Ted Howze was a Turlock City Planning Commission board member.
  - Howze said he joined the Planning Commission in 2000.
- **2004:** Howze spent “close to $80,000” in his unsuccessful county supervisor campaign.
- **2005:** Howze sued a political opponent for libel and cyberpiracy after he lost the county supervisor election.
  - In his libel suit, Howze asked for $10 million in damages.
    - Howze claimed that two supporters of his opponent, Tom Mayfield, wrote three defamatory letters about him.
    - The letters alleged that Howze had threatened to kill a referee at a children’s soccer game.
    - Howze’s assistant coach (a police officer) at the time said Howze was “cool and composed” during the incident with the referee.
  - **2005:** A judge threw out the Stanislaus County libel case.
    - In his cyberpiracy suit, Howze sought at least $2 million.
      - The district court cyberpiracy lawsuit was filed by Howze because a Mayfield consultant bought the “TedHowze.com” domain name and redirected it to “TomMayfield.com.”
      - The district court cyberpiracy case was dismissed “with prejudice.”
- **2007-2010:** Howze was a Turlock City councilman.
- **March 2018:** Howze announced he was running for Congress in California’s 9th Congressional District, but was actually running in the 10th.
  - In the lead up the 2020 election, Howze switched between running in California’s 9th and 10th Congressional Districts.
  - Howze said it “absolutely appears” that voter fraud was committed in the 2018 CA-10 primary election.
- **2019:** Howze said money donated to his campaign would fund his efforts to harvest ballots.
- **2020:** Howze said his campaign was the only Republican campaign that could “match the Democrats in harvesting ballots.”
✓ March 2019: Howze loaned himself most of his campaign cash and 25 percent of his individual contributions came from apparent family members.

✓ 2020: A Republican opponent of Howze questioned whether he actually lived in Turlock.

✓ Howze’s wife still lived in Stockton and his campaign admitted that he spent some nights in Stockton.

✓ Some of Howze’s Turlock “neighbors” said they believed no one lived there.

✓ Howze said he was looking at “investing in high quality digital video cameras in front of every major polling place” to employ facial recognition to catch people voting multiple times.

### Election History

#### Ted Howze Electoral History

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[California Election Results, 6/5/18; Stanislaus County Election Results, 11/7/06; Stanislaus County Election Results, 11/2/04; Stanislaus County Election Results, 3/2/04]

### 2004 Election

**2004: Howze Spent “Close To $80,000” In His Unsuccessful County Supervisor Campaign**

2004: Howze Spent “Close To $80,000” In His Unsuccessful County Supervisor Campaign. “As election season heats up, both Stanislaus County supervisor candidates for District 2 are galvanizing their financial supporters and reaching out to undecided voters. Three-term incumbent Tom Mayfield and challenger Ted Howze stumped for votes at an El Concilio rally for Latino voters in Modesto on Wednesday, challenging the crowd to back the candidate who best addresses their needs. […] In an admittedly risky move, Howze has also put his personal finances on the line, loaning his campaign close to $80,000. ‘Certainly, if you loan your campaign money and you lose there is no chance to recover that money,’ Howze said. ‘I didn't loan myself with the thought of getting it back.’” [Modesto Bee, 9/19/04]

### 2005 Election

**2005: Howze Sued A Political Opponent For Libel And Cyberpiracy After He Lost The County Supervisor Election**

2005: Howze Sued A Political Opponent In Superior Court For Libel After He Lost An Election For Turlock County Supervisor. “Mudslinging is so common in political campaigns that candidates have a difficult burden of proof when making libel or slander charges against their opponent, legal experts say. That is why so few allegations
result in the kind of defamation lawsuit filed by former Stanislaus County supervisorial candidate Ted Howze. A political newcomer, Howze lost the District 2 runoff election to three-term incumbent Tom Mayfield in November. In a Superior Court lawsuit, Howze charges Mayfield and some of his supporters with libel -- saying they made false statements with an intent to mislead voters.” [Modesto Bee, 3/4/05]

**In His Libel Suit, Howze Asked For $10 Million In Damages.** “In a separate lawsuit, this one filed in Superior Court, Howze charges Mayfield and supporters with libel and unfair competition, claiming it cost him the election. He says opponents made false statements designed to mislead voters. Howze is seeking at least $10 million in damages in the Superior Court lawsuit. Mayfield's attorney has until April 4 to file his response.” [Modesto Bee, 3/26/05]

**Howze Claimed That Two Supporters Of His Opponent, Tom Mayfield, Wrote Three Defamatory Letters About Him.** “Stanislaus County Superior Court confirmed Thursday that Howze's libel lawsuit had been filed. Howze gave a copy to The Bee. He claims two Mayfield supporters wrote a total of three false, defamatory letters about him, and circulated them to residents and the media.” [Modesto Bee, 3/4/05]

**The Letters Alleged That Howze Had Threatened To Kill A Referee At A Children's Soccer Game.** “According to the lawsuit, the letters describe Howze's conduct as a coach at a youth soccer match in Turlock in the summer of 2003, saying he ‘went off the deep end,’ yelled and cursed at opposing players, assaulted a woman and threatened to kill a referee.” [Modesto Bee, 3/4/05]

**Howze’s Assistant Coach (A Police Officer) At The Time Said Howze Was “Cool And Composed” During The Incident With The Referee.** “I was Ted's assistant coach during the soccer incident Mayfield's campaign referenced in a recent attack mailer. The soccer game got dangerous because one player on the other team kept intentionally throwing elbows in the faces of other children. We begged the young referee to control the game after one of our players was given a bloody nose. After more elbowing, all our parents yelled to the referee, asking for the offending player to be ejected. The parents from the other team wanted to fight and only backed off after Howze identified me as a police officer. Ted Howze was cool and composed. He moved our team to the other side of the field to defuse the confrontation. […] Ted was not red carded. Ted Howze is a great coach and a good man. His character is impeccable and that is why local law enforcement and firefighting agencies have chosen to endorse him.” [Modesto Bee, Letter to the Editor, 11/1/04]

**One Letter Alleged That Howze Had Been Arrested; Its Alleged Author Maintained That She Had Not Written It.** “One letter, purported to be written by Patricia I. Shade of Modesto, alleged that Howze had been arrested after the incident. Turlock police told The Bee during the summer that they had no record of the alleged altercation or arrest. Shade denied writing the letter when it surfaced during the summer. Contacted at her home Thursday, she said much the same thing: ‘I didn't write the letter that he's basing his entire case on. All I can do is raise my right hand and tell the truth.’” [Modesto Bee, 3/4/05]

**2005: A Judge Threw Out The Stanislaus County Case**

**A Judge Threw Out The Stanislaus County Case.** “A judge has thrown out a libel lawsuit against Stanislaus County Supervisor Tom Mayfield and members of his campaign staff, ruling that the political mudslinging did not fall into the realm of personal attack. […] The decision ends, for now, the three-month-old case that had come on the heels of a heated supervisors election in November. Following the election, Mayfield's opponent, Ted Howze, charged the three-term incumbent and members of his re-election staff with spreading ‘hurtful’ and ‘misleading’ campaign material in an effort to sway voters. […] [Howze’s] attorney, John Villines, said he will appeal the decision. Villines said he wasn't able to present his entire case, because of a federal law that nearly exempts political campaigns from libel and slander laws. Mayfield's attorney invoked the law in his motion to dismiss, which limited Villines to present only evidence collected prior to filing the charges. […] Meanwhile, a second lawsuit filed by Howze against Mayfield and some of his supporters continues in federal court.” [Modesto Bee, 6/14/05]
2019: Howze’s Libel Case Was Still Listed As Open, But With No Action Since 2005


![Case Information]

Howze Filed A Separate Lawsuit In District Court, Alleging Cyberpiracy And Unfair Competition, In Which He Sought At Least $2 Million

Howze Filed A Separate Lawsuit In District Court, Alleging Cyberpiracy And Unfair Competition, In Which He Sought At Least $2 Million. “A separate lawsuit, in U.S. District Court in Fresno, charges Mayfield with Internet violations called cyberpiracy, as well as unfair competition, and seeks at least $2 million. Mayfield said Thursday he was ‘surprised’ by the lawsuits and that his lawyers are reviewing the charges. He declined to comment further.” [Modesto Bee, 3/4/05]

Mayfield’s Attorney Asked The Judge To Drop Howze’s Cyberpiracy Lawsuit, Calling It “Frivolous.” “A $2 million cyberpiracy lawsuit against Stanislaus County Supervisor Tom Mayfield and his campaign staff is frivolous and has no merit, Mayfield's attorney contends. Turlock attorney Dan Farrar, in a response filed in U.S. District Court in Fresno, asks for dismissal of Ted Howze's lawsuit. No action has been taken.” [Modesto Bee, 3/26/05]

Mayfield And His Attorneys Maintained That The Committee Had “Zero Liability.” “‘Mayfield and Assali and the committee have zero liability,’ Farrar said. ‘In regards to Mr. Jonson, I have doubts he violated the law. But even if he did, there was no harm (to Howze).’ Jonson also is named as a defendant. Soon after the lawsuit's filing, Jonson said the legal action surprised him. He declined to comment further. Mayfield said he never had spoken to Jonson and could not have instructed him to purchase the name. ‘All he did for me was write the Web site. Anything else, he did on his own,’ Mayfield said. ‘I had no idea of what happened. For this guy to sue me over this, it's absolutely untrue.’” [Modesto Bee, 3/26/05]

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13. On or about June 2004, Defendant JONSON and Defendant SOLUTIONS intentionally registered the URL address www.TedHowze.com (the “Domain Name”) on behalf of Defendants MAYFIELD and COMMITTEE. The Domain Name is identical to and confusingly similar to the personal name of Plaintiff TED HOWZE. HOWZE did not purchase or pay for this URL address www.TedHowze.com, nor direct anyone to do so. HOWZE did not provide content for any website at this URL address, nor was this or any other website created under his direction or supervision or with his consent by Defendants.

14. Defendant JONSON and Defendant SOLUTIONS, on behalf of Defendants MAYFIELD and COMMITTEE, intentionally redirected, rerouted, and “pointed” the Domain Name to Defendant MAYFIELD’s election website, www.TomMayfield.com. The result of this redirection is that Internet users who entered the Domain Name into their Internet browsers would arrive at Defendant MAYFIELD’s re-election website instead of a website that contained information concerning HOWZE.

[Howze vs. Jonson, Solutions Unlimited, Mayfield, Assali, and the Committee To Re-Elect Tom Mayfield, Document 1, filed 2/17/05]

The District Court Cyberpiracy Case Was Dismissed “With Prejudice”

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March 2018: Howze Announced He Was Running For Congress In California’s 9th Congressional District, But Was Actually Running In The 10th

March 27, 2018: Howze: I “Am Running For Congress In The 9th District Of California Because I Care Deeply About Our Nation And Am Concerned For Our Children’s Futures.” “Tired of the same old Politicians? Me too! That’s why am running for Congress in the 9th District of California because I care deeply about our Nation and am concerned for our children’s futures. Like many of you - I don’t feel we are adequately represented in Washington D.C. by a Congress that only answers to big money donors. I know we can do much better!” [Howze for Congress, 3/27/18]

March 9, 2018: Howze Filed A Statement Of Organization To Run For Congress In California’s 10th Congressional District. [FEC, 3/9/18]
2019: Howze Said It “Absolutely Appears” That Voter Fraud Was Committed In The 2018 CA-10 Primary Election

2019: Howze Said It “Absolutely Appears” That Voter Fraud Was Committed In The 2018 CA-10 Primary Election. [11:25] Howze: “So did voter fraud occur in the primary in 2018? It absolutely appears that it did. And you know we were amazed as we pored through the data, we actually found an absentee voter, we weren't looking at them we were looking at poll voters, but an absentee voter who at 116 years old hadn’t missed an election in the last twenty years. Which is ironic considering the oldest living person in the United States today is listed as 112.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

2020 Election

In The Lead Up The 2020 Election, Howze Switched Between Running In California’s 9th And 10th Congressional Districts

June – October 2018: Howze Filed To Run In California’s 9th Congressional District, Where He Lived

June And July 2018: Howze’s Campaign Filed A Statement Of Organization And An Amended Statement Of Organization For California’s 9th Congressional District. [FEC, 6/25/18; FEC, 7/3/18]

October 2018: Howze Was Weighing A Bid In California’s 9th Congressional District, Where He Lived. “Rep. Jeff Denham and the local GOP organization in recent weeks have given a combined $35,000 to Ted Howze, Denham’s only Republican rival in the hard-fought June primary. Some Democrats say the money appears to be a reward for attempting to game California’s top-two primary system, while Denham’s campaign, Howze and the Stanislaus Republican Central Committee deny collusion. […] Howze (pronounced hows) this week said the primary campaign was invigorating and left him with a desire to run again for Congress in two years, although not
against Denham in the 10th District. Assuming Democratic Rep. Jerry McNerney in November keeps his Ninth District seat based around Stockton—where Howze lives—Howze would challenge him in 2020, he said.” [Modesto Bee, 10/3/18]

November 2018: Howze Filed To Run In California’s 10th Congressional District

November 2018: Howze’s Campaign Filed An Amended Statement Of Organization To Run For California’s 10th Congressional District, Now Listing A PO Box As The Address. [FEC, 11/15/18]

1. Ted Howze for Congress 2020
   PO Box 730
   Hilmar, CA 95324
   Email: ted@tedhowze.com

2. Date: 11/15/2018
   FEC Committee ID #: C00681544
   This committee is a Principal Campaign Committee. Candidate: Ted D Howze, II
   Party: Republican Party
   Office Sought: House of Representatives
   State is California in District: 10

April 2019: Howze Posted A Picture Indicating He Lived In Turlock

April 2019: Howze Posted A Picture Of His Choctaw Nation Tribal Membership Card, Which Indicated He Lived In Turlock, CA. [Ted Howze, Facebook, 4/12/19]

November 2018: Modesto Bee: Howze “Intends To Move Back To Turlock In Early December, Where He Still Owns A Livestock Veterinary Practice.” “Howze, considered more conservative than Denham, previously served on the Turlock City Council before moving to Stockton, but said he intends to move back to Turlock in early December, where he still owns a livestock veterinary practice. He filed papers a few weeks ago indicating plans to run again for Congress in two years.” [Sacramento Bee, 11/14/18]

2019: Howze Said Money Donated To His Campaign Would Fund His Efforts To Harvest Ballots

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Howze: “What does a donation get you? It gets you a fair shot at replacing Josh Harder because we are going to use that money to build our ground teams. It’s how we are going to fund the people that are going to harvest the ballots,
do our door-to-door work, and get our name out to all the voters.” [Ted Howze Fundraiser Speech, Facebook, uploaded 6/27/19]

**2020: Howze Said His Campaign Was The Only Republican Campaign That Could “Match The Democrats In Harvesting Ballots”**

2020: Howze Said His Campaign Was The Only Republican Campaign That Could “Match The Democrats In Harvesting Ballots.” [35:45] Howze: “Listen I think we’re all three great candidates. I like both of my opponents personally. You would be better off with any of us as your representative than Josh Harder […] [36:05] We’ve raised the most money in this district. Over 500 new donors just this quarter who never participated politically. We’ve built the premiere ground game in this district to rival the Democrats. We’ve knocked on 50,000 doors since July. […] [36:35] We are the ones who are going to be able to turn out the donors, match the Democrats in harvesting ballots, and put a Republican back in office in the 10th district in 2020. […] [36:55] If you want to pick the horse that can win the race for you, we’re that horse.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**March 2019: Howze Loaned Himself Most Of His Campaign Cash And 25 Percent Of His Individual Contributions Came From Apparent Family Members**

Howze Bragged About His 2020 Fundraising, Claiming “One Of The Top Five [Republican] Candidates”…

March 2019: Howze Touted Having $309,000 Cash-On-Hand At The End Of 2018, Which He Claimed Made Him One Of The Top Five Republican Candidates For 2020. “[22:00] Howze: As of December 31”, we had $309,000 cash on hand. Harder only had $103,000, the incumbent Congressman. Now that’s important because as hard as we have work more than a year out, that put us as one of the top five Republican candidates for 2020 right off the bat. Question: Is that just for California? Howze: No, that’s nationwide.” [PlayerFM, Jefferson Liberty Radio interview with Ted Howze, 3/9/19]

…Yet 85% Of Howze's Receipts Were Loans From The Candidate And 25 Percent Of Itemized Individual Contributors Were Apparent Family Members

At The End Of 2018, Of $310,905 In Receipts To Howze's Campaign Committee, 85 Percent He Had Loaned To Himself, And Three Of His Eleven Individual Contributors Had The Last Name Howze.

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### Howze’s 2018 Campaign Still Owed Howze $150,980

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### 2020: A Republican Opponent Of Howze Questioned Whether He Actually Lived In Turlock

A Republican Opponent Of Howze Questioned Whether He Actually Lived In Turlock. “An opponent of Congressional District 10 candidate Ted Howze is questioning whether he lives in the district as he stated during a recent candidates debate. ‘I live, work and am registered to vote in the city of Turlock,’ Howze said before an audience […] in downtown Modesto on Jan. 22. The campaign for CA10 candidate Bob Elliott provided The Bee with an investigation it says shows Howze continues to live in Brookside — a gated community along the Calaveras and San Joaquin rivers in Stockton — and not Turlock. […] The Elliott campaign said the issue is that Howze said he lives in one city when he lives in another. ‘Integrity is an important part of being a representative, our representatives should say what they do and do what they say,’ campaign consultant Andre Levesque said in an email. ‘If Ted Howze can’t tell the truth about something as simple as where he lives, it should call into question anything else he has said he will do in Congress and his position on any issue.’” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]

### Howze’s Wife Still Lived In Stockton And His Campaign Admitted That He Spent Some Nights In Stockton

Howze’s Wife Still Lived In Stockton And His Campaign Admitted That He Spent Some Nights In Stockton. “Howze campaign manager Tim Rosales said in an interview last week that Howze lives in Turlock but splits his time between there and his Brookside home, where his wife lives. […] Rosales said Howze is in Stockton or Turlock depending on his schedule and campaign events and said his wife lives at Brookside because she teaches school in Stockton. She also is registered to vote at the Brookside home, according to San Joaquin County. […] ‘Some nights he’s in Stockton,’ Rosales said, ‘but the Turlock house is where he resides. … He stays at both places. He is not shying away at that at all.’” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]
“The most recent property tax bill for the Zina home was sent to the Brookside home in October, according to the Stanislaus County Tax Collector’s office. Rosales — Howze’s campaign manager — said that’s because Howze’s wife pays the bills.” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]

**Some Of Howze’s Turlock ‘Neighbors’ Said They Believed No One Lived There**

Some Of Howze’s Turlock ‘Neighbors’ Said They Believed No One Lived There. “Three of the four neighbors who live closest to the home said or believe no one lives there, and the fourth declined to comment. But two other neighbors said the home is occupied, and one insisted Howze lives there. And while Howze and his campaign say he lives at the home, Howze quickly ended an interview with The Bee before answering questions.” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]

**Howze Wanted To Serve On The Agriculture Committee**

Howze Wanted To Serve On The Agriculture Committee. When asked what committees he would want to be on in Congress, Howze said [27:50] “I'll tell you number one for me would be agriculture because I'm an ag guy. I work in the industry I understand it well. I have the ties that understand how important it is to this district right. High-tech agricultural processing is one of the biggest futures we have in the ability to ship our products that we can only grow here all over the world. It's one of our biggest economic ties. I would like to be on Veterans’ Affairs. […] And I've seen the devastating effects of the shortcomings of spending on our veterans after they come back from war. To me I would love to be on that committee and serve the veterans who have served us.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**A Man Arrested For Pedophilia Was Pictured After His Arrest Wearing A Ted Howze Campaign T-Shirt**

A Man Arrested For Pedophilia Was Pictured After His Arrest Wearing A Ted Howze Campaign T-Shirt. “So many things went wrong in Ted Howze's perfectly understandable attempt to not have his congressional campaign connected to a pedophile. David Alanis, 36, surely wishes he hadn't found himself among a couple of dozen adults allegedly hoping to have sex with a child […]. Howze surely wishes that Alanis had not chosen to wear a Howze campaign T-shirt the day he was arrested. Howze certainly wishes that people had not brought attention to it on social media, after a photo appeared on Lathrop Police's Facebook page. He might even wish that his campaign had decided to let bad enough alone, rather than officially requesting that the Sheriff's Department take down a photo of Alanis' arrest. Sheriff Patrick Withrow probably wishes his office had simply replaced the full-torso picture with Alanis' mug photo -- as Howze's campaign had requested, all the while accusing Withrow of posting it for political purposes -- rather than blurring out the Howze logo.” [Modesto Bee, Editorial, 6/19/19]

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The Photo Was Edited To Remove The Campaign Logo At The Request Of The Howze Campaign. “At the request of a congressional candidate's campaign, the San Joaquin County sheriff's office doctored the image of a man arrested in a pedophilia sting - a move the sheriff now says was a mistake. David Alanis, one of 24 alleged sex offenders caught in the bust, was wearing a shirt with the logo of Ted Howze, who is running for the seat held by Rep. Josh Harder. The candidate's staffers, who say Alanis ‘absolutely isn't affiliated with our campaign,’ called the sheriff to complain about the photo. ‘They said, ‘Hey, look, we don't know this person. We don't know why they're wearing our shirts, we can't control that. We'd appreciate it if you didn't associate our brand name with that person,' Sheriff Pat Withrow told TV station FOX40. The sheriff's staff obliged, whiting out the logo.” [CNN, 6/19/19]
The Photo Was Edited To Remove The Campaign Logo From Alanis’s Shirt. According to the Facebook page for the Lathrom Police Services, the photo in question was later edited to remove the Ted Howze campaign logo from Alanis’s shirt. [Facebook, Lathrop Polices Services, 4/20/19]

Legislative Timeline

2002-2006: Turlock City Planning Commission Board Member
Howze Was On The Turlock City Planning Commission From April 1, 2002 To 2006

Howze Joined The Turlock City Planning Commission On April 1, 2002. [Ted Howze April 2002 California Form 700, filed 4/23/02]

Howze Was On The Turlock City Planning Commission Through 2006. [Ted Howze 2005 California Form 700, filed 4/5/06]

Howze Said He Joined The Planning Commission In 2000

Howze Said He Joined The Planning Commission In 2000. [10:35] Howze: “And ultimately in 2000 I was asked by the mayor of Turlock at the time was Kurt Andre to join the Planning Commission there which I did.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

2007-2010: Turlock City Councilman

Howze Was On The Turlock City Council From January 9, 2000 To December 7, 2010

Howze Assumed Office On January 9, 2007. [Ted Howze 2006 California Form 700, filed 1/22/07]

Howze Left Office On December 7, 2010 [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]
Extreme Rhetoric

Significant Findings

✓ Howze followed extreme right-wing figures on Twitter, but claimed to be a moderate.

Twitter

Howze Followed Extreme Right-Wing Figures On Twitter, But Claimed To Be A Moderate

Howze Followed Controversial Figures On Twitter Such As James O'Keefe And Dinesh D’Souza. [Ted Howze, Twitter, accessed 5/2/19]

Howze Said Denham Was Wrong To Think Howze Was Challenging Him From The Right: “I’m Actually A Very Moderate Republican.” “On the surface, Howze looked like a conservative challenger to Denham. His social media accounts promote other posts that label Denham a RINO, or Republican in Name Only. And he promoted California gubernatorial candidate Travis Allen, who was a favorite among grass-roots conservatives. ‘That’s a label that was put on us by our opponent,’ Howze said of the impression that he was challenging Denham from the right. ‘I’m actually a very moderate Republican,’ he said.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]
Howze Said “Only A Soulless Heathen That Joseph Mengele Would Be Proud Of” Would Support Abortion Through Nine Months, As Howze Alleged Harder Did

According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Betting #CA10 @RepJoshHarder hopes people forget he supports abortion through the ‘Full nine terms without exception’. Only a soulless heathen that Joseph Mengele would be proud of supports time of birth abortions. Says a lot about you @joshua_harder” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/30/19]

Howze Said Liberals “Openly Support The Killing Of Unborn Children And Policies That Have Systematically Gutted The Family Unit”

According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Liberals that openly support the killing of unborn children and policies that have systematically gutted the family unit are holding ‘Families belong together’ protests across the nation today. Irony, hypocrisy, and ignorance of public perception rarely intersect so perfectly.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 6/30/18]
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Howze Later Deleted the Tweet. As of 2/26/20, this tweet was no longer accessibly on Howze’s official Twitter account. [Ted Howze, Twitter, 6/30/18 (saved on Archive.org)]

Howze Criticized Harder For Supporting “The Barbaric Practice Of Full Term Abortion”

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**Ethics**

### Significant Findings

☑️ 2007: Howze allegedly violated the Brown Act, California’s open meetings law.

☑️ Howze may have violated the Brown Act again when he was alleged to have discussed having the votes to support a school stadium remodeling outside of a scheduled meeting.

☑️ Howze appeared to set up Facebook pages to run ads in support of his 2018 congressional campaign, misleading voters by implying support he didn’t actually have.

☑️ 2011: One of Howze’s call vendors was under investigation by the California Fair Political Practices Commission in connection with Howze’s bid for council.

   - The investigation concerned automated phone calls from a woman pretending to be a certain female city council candidate and telling voters to oppose Proposition 8, a ban on gay marriage.
   - Howze was not mentioned in the final FPPC findings regarding the allegations.
   - Kurt Vander Weide and Carl Fogliani were held responsible for the call.
   - Howze publicized his 2020 endorsement by Kurt Vander Weide on his website.

☑️ There is some evidence that Howze’s local political allies have actively contributed to his campaign for Congress, including one individual that Howze appointed to the Turlock Planning Commission in 2009.

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**Turlock City Council**

### 2007: Howze Allegedly Violated The Brown Act, California’s Open Meetings Law

**The Brown Act Intended To Provide Public Access To Meetings Of California Local Government Agencies**

“The Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code sections 54950-54963, referred to as the ‘Brown Act’) is intended to provide public access to meetings of California local government agencies. […] In order to achieve this objective, governmental bodies subject to the requirements of the Brown Act must provide public notice of their meetings, post agendas of the subjects to be discussed at those meetings, and provide public access to those meetings. Public notice of every meeting subject to the Brown Act is required, and access is mandatory unless the meeting is held in closed session under a specific exception contained in the Act.” [FAC, accessed 5/17/18]

**Howze Violated The Brown Act By Privately Discussing Labor Negotiations With Other City Officials**

“Howcouncilmen Ted Howze, Kurt Spycher and Vice Mayor Kurt Vander Weide violated the Brown Act, which governs California public meetings, when they discussed recollections of labor negotiations a month after approving the final contract, according to an expert. With two violations in less than a year, the city could face prosecution if such acts recur, said Peter Scheer, executive director of the California First Amendment Coalition.” [Modesto Bee, 11/30/07]
Howze And Spycher Mistakenly Thought They Were Not Subject To The Brown Act Because They Had Not Been Sworn Onto The Council. “Last month, Howze and Spycher said they discovered the contract for the city employees union was not what they intended. They said they called Vander Weide, and Spycher also called Mayor John Lazar. But Spycher said there were ‘no Brown Act violations.’ The act outlaws ‘serial meetings,’ or individual communication between a series of members. In January, Lazar, Howze, Spycher and Vander Weide held secret discussions over Councilwoman Beverly Hatcher's appointment, thinking Howze and Spycher weren't governed by the act because they weren't yet sworn onto the council. Hatcher was appointed to the council a second time after a public discussion and vote -- the ‘do over’ remedy outlined in the act.” [Modesto Bee, 11/30/07]

However, Under California Law, Elected Officials Must Follow The Brown Act Even Before Assuming Office. “But under state law, elected officials must behave as such as soon as election results are clear. Even before assuming office, the Brown Act applies. Burton, the city attorney, said he takes responsibility for not making that clear with the new council.” [Modesto Bee, 12/21/06]

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The Turlock City Council Decided To Reconsider Its Vote. “The City Council has decided to reconsider how it filled an open seat, after learning that last week's vote may have violated state law. The Brown Act, which regulates city and county government meetings in California, outlaws ‘serial meetings,’ or individual communication between a series of members for the purpose of reaching a decision away from the public eye. A series of individual private meetings is exactly what three council members said happened before their public Dec. 12 meeting. Former Councilwoman Beverly Hatcher, who did not run for re-election in November, was ultimately re-appointed to the council.” [Modesto Bee, 12/21/06]

Although There Was No Decision Rendering The Appointment Illegitimate, The City Attorney Said It Was “Going To Be A Do-Over.” “Determining whether the council broke the law, or whether the appointment was legitimate, would require a court decision. ‘It's going to be a do-over,’ City Attorney Dick Burton said Wednesday. ‘I don't want to argue in court a year from now or six months or now.’ Before the Hatcher appointment at the Dec. 12 meeting, Councilman Kurt Vander Weide said that he had met with then-Mayor-elect John Lazar and then-Councilmen-elect Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher to discuss options for the open seat. Spycher then said that he had met with Vander Weide, Lazar and Howze. Lazar said Tuesday he had met with Vander Weide, Howze and Spycher. All the meetings were one-on-one, in person or over the phone, between mid-November and early December.” [Modesto Bee, 12/21/06]

Initially, Howze Had Advocated Appointing Hatcher. “Howze and Spycher advocated appointing Hatcher, who chose not to run for re-election in November. After 20 minutes of debate and six public endorsements for appointing Bublak, Hatcher ultimately was given the seat by a 3-1 vote, with Vander Weide dissenting. Beforehand, Vander Weide moved to get Bublak the seat, but the motion didn't receive a second. Jim Theis, a real estate broker, wrote a letter to The Bee criticizing the Hatcher appointment. Others called the paper to report perceived misdeeds.” [Modesto Bee, 12/21/06]
Mayor John Lazar Contended That The Meetings Were Not Violations, Because Howze And Spycher Were Not Council Members At The Time Of The Meetings. “Lazar said it wasn't a violation, because Howze and Spycher weren't council members. The meetings, he said, were more of an introduction, and topics ranged from city business to families and personal life. ‘It wasn't having a meeting; it was having a cup of coffee with someone,’ he said.” [Modesto Bee, 12/21/06]

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2009: Howze May Have Violated The Brown Act Again When He Was Alleged To Have Discussed Having The Votes To Support A School Stadium Remodeling Outside Of A Scheduled Meeting

2009: Howze Allegedly Discussed Having The Votes To Support A School Stadium Remodeling Outside Of A Scheduled Meeting. “Councilman Ted Howze suggested city redevelopment money could be used to remodel Turlock High's aging stadium and told schools Superintendent Sonny Da Marto he was ‘working to make that happen,’ Da Marto said Wednesday. In a short statement, Da Marto said he had a one-on-one meeting with Howze on April 3. But Da Marto, who did not return phone calls, didn't address school board President Timm LaVelle's claims at Tuesday's City Council meeting that Howze implied to Da Marto that he had ‘the necessary support to make this happen.’ According to LaVelle, Howze said: ‘Tell Timm this is for real.’ Interim City Manager and Police Chief Gary Hampton said Wednesday that he investigated a rumor that Howze told Da Marto he ‘had three votes’ on the project. Da Marto and Howze said that was untrue, Hampton said.” [Modesto Bee, 4/30/09]

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The Interim City Manager Ad Police Chief Said He Was “Confident” Howze Did Not Violate The Brown Act. “Hampton said he was ‘confident’ Howze did not violate the Brown Act after talking with the two men. The Brown Act prevents a majority of elected officials from discussing official matters outside a scheduled meeting. (In Turlock's case, a majority is three council members.) The officials also can't conduct serial meetings, when one official contacts another in a chain. ‘What else can I say other than (LaVelle's) accusations are an outright lie,’ Howze said Wednesday. ‘Nothing improper has happened here.’ LaVelle stood by his comments Wednesday.” [Modesto Bee, 4/30/09]

Howze Criticized A Fellow City Councilor Over A Conflict-Of-Interest Case

Howze’s Colleague On The City Council, Mary Jackson, Consulted An Attorney Over A Possible Conflict-Of-Interest Case She Was Involved In. “When Councilwoman Mary Jackson realized she might be a target of the county's civil grand jury, she turned to a big gun. Jackson consulted Lance Olson -- a political law specialist and attorney for the state Democratic Party and members of the California Congressional Delegation -- for his take on whether she had a conflict of interest when voting on the Vintage Lounge Piano Bar project last month. Olson said she didn't, in a memo written with associate Richard Miadich. ‘There's this perception in the public that I'm not ethical and I don't have integrity, and that's not the case,’ Jackson said Friday. ‘I sought out the best legal advice.’” [Modesto Bee, 2/15/09]

Howze On Jackson’s Conflict-Of-Interest Case: “The Gambino Crime Family Had Attorneys Trying To Represent Them Also.” “The memo criticized City Attorney Phaedra Norton's written opinion advising Jackson not to vote on the piano bar project, calling it a ‘cut and paste’ of general statements about the law and ‘completely devoid’ of analysis of Jackson's situation. ‘Their opinion is based on the facts that were disclosed to them, just as my opinion was based on facts disclosed to me,’ Norton said. ‘There were substantial differences in those facts.’ Councilman Ted Howze said he believed the legal memo was Jackson's attempt to ‘impugn the city attorney to save her own political future.’ He said Jackson paid for a legal opinion to prove
she's innocent before the grand jury has its turn. ‘The Gambino crime family had attorneys trying to represent them also,’ Howze said.” [Modesto Bee, 2/15/09]

### An Individual That Howze Appointed To The Turlock Planning Commission Later Contributed The Legal Maximums To Howze’s Campaign

1/13/09: **Howze Appointed Aben Williams To The Turlock Planning Commission.** “Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Spycher, appointing and to Nick Hackler and Aben Williams to the Planning Commission to fill unexpired terms expiring December 31, 2009.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 1/13/09]

5/13/19: **Williams Contributed $5,600 To Howze’s Campaign, Contributing The Legal Maximum To Both The General And Primary Election Funds.** [FEC, accessed 4/14/20]

### A Fellow City Councilmember’s Wife Contributed To Howze’s Congressional Campaign

2007-2010: **Kurt Spycher Was A Member Of The Turlock City Council.** [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda, 1/9/07, 12/14/10]

2019: **Shirley Spycher Contributed $2,000 To Howze’s Campaign.** [FEC, accessed 4/15/20]

Shirley Spycher Was Kurt Spycher’s Wife. “We can’t think of a more qualified, experienced and prepared person to become our next sheriff. On June 5, we encourage everyone to support Jeff Dirkse. Kurt and Shirley Spycher, Turlock.” [Kurt and Shirley Spycher Letter to the Editor, Modesto Bee, accessed 4/15/20]

### Facebook Straw Groups

**Howze Appeared To Set Up Facebook Pages To Run Ads In Support Of His 2018 Congressional Campaign, Possibly Misleading Voters By Implying Support He Didn’t Actually Have**

NOTE: Before using this information, we would advise consulting with someone regarding the implications of setting up straw groups.

**Howze Appeared Set Up Four Facebook Groups In Support Of His Congressional Campaign**

**Howze Appeared To Set Up Groups Called Voters, Independents, Republicans, And Democrats For Ted Howze.** [Voters for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19; Independents for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19; Republicans for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19; Democrats for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19]
Howze Appeared To Use Phony Accounts Run Ads For His Campaign Without Disclosing They Were Funded By His Campaign


Automated Calling

2011: One Of Howze’s Call Vendors Was Under Investigation By The California Fair Political Practices Commission In Connection With Howze’s Bid For City Council

The FPPC Was Investigating Whether Howze Was Linked To Campaign-Related Impropriety With Dane’s Company. “Dane has said he doesn't keep records after he completes his contracts. He said the FPPC is looking to see if then-Councilman Ted Howze was behind the calls. Howze said he used Dane’s company for automated calls in an earlier election, but had nothing to do with the Jackson calls. Dane's anti-FPPC calls have targeted about 300,000 Democratic voters. He is putting together new versions to reach Republicans and independent voters, at a cost of about $10,000.” [Modesto Bee, 8/2/11]

Tony Dane, Who Owned An Automated Call Vendor, Sued The Fair Political Practices Commission When They Attempted To Get Bank Records Related To His Work On The 2008 Turlock City Council Race. “It might be the 21st century equivalent of the old adage, ‘Never pick a fight with a man who buys ink by the barrel.’ In this case, a man who runs an automated calling service in Nevada is using his business to reach hundreds of thousands of people in his fight with California’s Fair Political Practices Commission. Tony Dane,
who owns Automated Calling in Las Vegas, is suing the FPPC over its attempts to get copies of his bank records over some calls issued in the Turlock City Council election in 2008.” [Modesto Bee, 8/2/11]

In Addition To His Lawsuit, Dane Launched An Attack, Using Robocalls To Tell Gov. Jerry Brown To Shut Down The FPPC. “But he's also launched an at-tack, sending automated calls to registered voters encouraging them to tell Gov. Jerry Brown to abolish the FPPC. Though the FPPC's $8 million annual budget won't fix the state's budget woes, it's a start, Dane said. ‘They don't do anything that couldn't be done by the secretary of state's office.’ In his robocall, a woman's voice says, ‘In over 30 years of the FPPC's existence, they have not done one thing that made California a better place to live.’ Porter did not want to respond to that claim. ‘The FPPC would not want to impinge on anyone's ability to exercise the right of free speech,’ he said. ‘It sounds like that's what Mr. Dane is doing with his calls.’” [Modesto Bee, 8/2/11]

The Investigation Concerned Automated Phone Calls From A Woman Pretending To Be A Certain Female City Council Candidate And Telling Voters To Oppose Proposition 8, A Ban On Gay Marriage

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Howze Said He Had Used AutomatedCalling Before, But Had Nothing To Do With The Calls In Question. “Howze said he used Dane's company for automated calls in an earlier election, but had nothing to do with the Jackson calls.” [Modesto Bee, 8/2/11]

Howze Was Not Mentioned In The Final FPPC Findings Regarding The Allegations

Kurt Vander Weide And Carl Fogliani Were Held Responsible For The Call...[FPPC Decision, accessed 3/3/20]

…And Howze Publicized His 2020 Endorsement By Kurt Vander Weide On His Website

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**ELECTED OFFICIALS / COMMUNITY LEADERS**

- **Hon. Kevin McCarthy**, House Republican Leader
- **Hon. Jeff Denham**, CA-10 Representative (ret.)
- **John Cox**, Business leader, Former CAGOP Nominee for Governor
- **Travis Allen**, State Assemblyman (ret.)
- **Tom Patti**, Supervisor, County of San Joaquin
- **Ted Brandvold**, Mayor, City of Modesto
- **Amy Bublak**, Mayor, City of Turlock
- **Benjamin Cantu**, Mayor, City of Manteca
- **Bill DeHart**, Councilmember, City of Turlock (ret.)
- **Dominic Farinha**, Councilmember, City of Patterson
- **Janice Keating**, Councilmember, City of Modesto (ret.)
- **Robert “Bob” Martina**, Mayor, City of Newman
- **J.R. McCarty**, Mayor, City of Oakdale
- **Deborah Novelli**, Mayor, City of Patterson
- **Robert Rickman**, Mayor, City of Tracy
- **Kurt Spycher**, Councilmember, City of Turlock (ret.)
- **Kurt VanderWeide**, Councilmember, City of Turlock (ret.)

[Howze campaign website endorsements, accessed 3/4/20]
Relationships

**Significant Findings**

- Howze criticized Josh Harder.
  - Howze’s campaign created a website calling Josh Harder “PAC Man” and alleging that he had broken his campaign promises to reject corporate PAC money and to reject the DC “party bosses.”
  - Howze wrote a conspiratorial op-ed alleging “Democrats stole election for Josh Harder” by using voter fraud.
  - Since 2018, Howze has been critical of Harder.
  - Howze criticized Harder by saying he had “taken unprecedented amounts of corporate $$$ camouflaged within innocuous soundings PAC’s.”
  - Howze said his parents didn’t “have the luxury to send me to Harvard or Stanford like Mr. Harder” and that he “earned” his education.
  - Howze falsely claimed that Rep. Harder’s office failed to get health care for a 100-year-old World War II veteran.
  - Howze said Harder’s office did not help a Caltrans member locate a family.
  - Howze said Harder’s office gave a woman trying to get her Social Security benefits the “brush off.”
  - Howze lamented the lack of respect in politics immediately before repeatedly Calling Josh Harder a “puppet” and alleging his support for impeachment was bought by Adam Schiff.
  - Howze retweeted a tweet saying that Moms Demand Action supporting Harder’s campaign was more evidence that he was a carpetbagger.
  - Howze said Harder had “roughly $31 million of Nancy Pelosi’s money” in 2018.
  - Howze said Harder had “five and six thousand” paid volunteers a weekend in 2018.
- Howze criticized Jeff Denham but was later endorsed by him.
  - Prior to running for Denham’s congressional seat, Howze campaigned for him and defended him during a recall attempt.
  - In 2008, Howze supported a city council resolution expressing opposition the recall of State Senator Jeff Denham.
  - In 2010, Denham contributed $5,000 to Howze’s City Council Campaign. Howze was not running for reelection in 2010.
✓ 2010: Howze and his wife made max-out donations to Denham.

✓ 2018: Howze called Denham a “pro-amnesty RINO.”

✓ Howze said Denham was an “open borders amnesty guy.”

✓ 2018: Howze appeared to run an ad alleging “Jeff Denham works for Nancy Pelosi.”

✓ 2020: Denham endorsed Howze.

✓ Howze said “Republicans are really made up of two groups. Wealthy business interests and foot soldiers.

✓ 2018: Howze said he would caucus with the Freedom Caucus and supported Jim Jordan to be the next Speaker of the House.

✓ Howze said he identified with and admired how Mark Meadows and Jim Jordan “come out truthfully on a lot of matters.

✓ Howze said the “set of guys in the Freedom Caucus absolutely have their heads screwed on straight when it comes to governing in this country.”

✓ Howze said the Obama Administration had “done nothing but divide this nation.”

✓ Howze said Hunter Biden’s tax returns would be “far more relevant” than Donald Trump’s tax returns.

✓ Howze: Paul Ryan and House Republicans are “a bad joke on the American people.”

✓ 2018: Howze said he supported Jim Jordan to be the next Speaker of the House.

✓ 2020: Howze was endorsed by Kevin McCarthy.

✓ Howze met Charlie Kirk and said he was an “inspiration.”

✓ Howze criticized Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

✓ Howze said he would not let Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez babysit his children because he would fear for their safety.

✓ Howze said that if Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez had served on a city council she would not have been elected to Congress because “the whole town would’ve gone ‘oh my god no.’”

✓ Howze said Nancy Pelosi was going to “want to take [Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez] out to the woodshed pretty soon and whip her.”

✓ Howze criticized Ilhan Omar for being an “anti-Semite” and alleged that she “apparently married her brother to get in the country.”

✓ The former GOP nominee for governor in California, John Cox, endorsed Howze.

✓ Howze quarreled with fellow CA-10 Republican candidate Bob Elliott.
Josh Harder

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Howze Criticized Harder By Saying He Had “Taken Unprecedented Amounts Of Corporate $$$ Camouflaged Within Innocuous Soundings PAC’s”

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Howze Wrote A Conspiratorial Op-Ed Alleging “Democrats Stole Election For Josh Harder” By Using Voter Fraud


Howze’s Opinion Was Called A Conspiracy Theory Backed By Falsehoods

Eric Caine Op-Ed: “Like Most Conspiracy Theories, Howze’s Argument Begins With False Assumptions, Features A Thick Pad Of Irrelevant ‘Facts,’ And Depends On A Willing Suspension Of Disbelief From Readers.” “Let that sink in. Voter fraud is a felony, punishable by five years in prison and up to a $10,000 fine, but Howze isn’t claiming an isolated instance here. He’s not only argued that Democrats stole the election in California Congressional District 10, he’s said, ‘the same tactic was likely used throughout California to defeat several Republican members of Congress.’ Howze made these wild claims in late November on his Howze for Congress website and in a Ceres Courier opinion piece. Like most conspiracy theories, Howze’s argument begins with false assumptions, features a thick pad of irrelevant ‘facts,’ and depends on a willing suspension of disbelief from readers.” [The Valley Citizen, Eric Caine Op-Ed, 12/19/18]

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Howze On Harder: “When Pelosi Buys Your Seat, You Have To Vote With Nancy Or Else!” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Ironic that even as @RepJoshHarder desperately tries to convince the entire #CA10 that he’s a moderate Democrat, he doesn’t vote along with the other 26 moderates for the good of our nation. But when when Pelosi buys your seat, you have to vote with Nancy or else! #2020election” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/2/19]

![Twitter post](image)

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Howze Criticized Harder’s Knowledge Of Agricultural Issues. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “If our #CA10 member of Congress actually had any experience in agriculture he’d know to speak with those of us who work in agricultural industries & have a history of building jobs in Agricultural manufacturing. Ag families will replace this fraud in 2020 @CAFarmBureau.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 2/25/19]
Howze Criticized Harder For Supporting “The Barbaric Practice Of Full Term Abortion.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Exactly why we must target congressional seats like #CA10 where @RepJoshHarder believes in the barbaric practice of full term abortion. @ProLifeAction @NRCC” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 2/25/19]

Howze Said His Parents Didn’t “Have The Luxury To Send Me To Harvard Or Stanford Like Mr. Harder” And That He “Earned” His Education

[CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Falsely Claimed That Rep. Harder’s Office Failed To Get Health Care For A 100-Year-Old World War II Veteran

[CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]
continued. ‘We did. We got him treatment through a local doctor. That's what happens when you live here, and you're local, and you have known people for two and a half decades.’” [Modesto Bee, 1/27/20]

**Howze Said Harder’s Office Did Not Help A Veteran Get The VA Treatment He Needed.** [36:45] Howze: “I live, work, and I'm registered to vote in the city of Turlock. And I think more important than just listening because we all listen. You can listen and still not service your customers. That's why so many people in the 10th district are calling our campaign and our office asking for help because they've been unable to receive it at [Harder’s] office. Take the case of one-hundred-year-old Sam Satariano who showed up at your office asking your staff to help him get treatment at the VA system and couldn't do it. We did. We got him treatment through a local doctor. That's what happens when you live here and you’re local and you know have known people for two and a half decades. If you can't get it done through the government route you know enough people to get it done privately.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Harder Denied Having Been Asked To Help The Veteran**

**Harder Denied Having Been Asked To Help The Veteran.** “Harder denied the allegation at the debate. ‘That's a lie if you are saying that we don't actually help veterans in our office,’ Harder said. ‘That's a blatant lie.’ When asked by The Bee after the debate, Harder's office said it has no record of Satariano or anyone on his behalf seeking help for the veteran. The office said it logs every request for help from constituents and requests made on behalf of constituents.” [Modesto Bee, 1/27/20]

**Howze Invited Harder To A Meeting With Another Veteran Who Howze Alleged Harder's Office Also Didn’t Help**

**Howze Invited Harder To A Meeting With Another Veteran Who Howze Alleged Harder’s Office Also Didn’t Help.** [39:15] Howze: Listen I take exception to be calling being called a liar. Take another case, take another case of what David Calvin Louis's family, when the American flag showed up that was his burial flag and your office told him you couldn't help and we ended up having the flag come through us to another source and within two weeks we found the family that flag. If you'd like to join me tomorrow morning for coffee in Turlock at 9:00 a.m. we're meeting with another veteran who says your office won't help him. We're more than happy to have you come and meet them and see if you can give them the help they need.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Howze Said Harder’s Office Did Not Help A Caltrans Member Locate A Family**

**Howze Said Harder’s Office Did Not Help A Caltrans Member Locate A Family.** [0:05] Howze: “When a Caltrans member brought a flag into Josh Harder’s office and said, ‘can you help find the family?’ Josh Harder’s office said, ‘we don’t do that.’ Our campaign did.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Said Harder’s Office Gave A Woman Trying To Get Her Social Security Benefits The “Brush Off”**

**Howze Said Harder’s Office Gave A Woman Trying To Get Her Social Security Benefits The “Brush Off.”** [0:15] Howze: “Just today we spent the entire day helping an Assyrian lady who doesn’t speak English try to get her Social Security benefits taken care of, because Josh Harder’s office gave her the brush off.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Lamented The Lack Of Respect In Politics Immediately Before Repeatedly Calling Josh Harder A “Puppet” And Alleging His Support For Impeachment Was Bought By Adam Schiff**
Howze Lamented The Lack Of Respect In Politics Immediately Before Repeatedly Calling Josh Harder A “Puppet” And Alleging His Support For Impeachment Was Bought By Adam Schiff. [28:15] Howze: “We need to get back to having differing ideas and respecting one another. We can do that here right? We can have different ideas and still respect each other. Josh Harder is a puppet. Write that down for the paper. Josh Harder is a puppet. Because when he came out and said, ‘I’m going to support impeachment,’ our campaign staff was all in a meeting and said ‘Well, Nancy Pelosi will be out in the next hour because she doesn’t let him say anything more than an hour before it happens.’ She was on stage 55 minutes later announcing they were going to impeach him. We also knew he would support it because he magically got $28,000 from Adam Schiff’s PAC to support the impeachment. This is a man that answers to Nancy Pelosi and Adam Schiff, not to you and I, not to the central valley, not to his constituents. That’s got to change.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Retweeted A Tweet Saying That Moms Demand Action Supporting Harder’s Campaign Was More Evidence That He Was A Carpetbagger

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Howze Said Harder Had “Five And Six Thousand” Paid Volunteers A Weekend In 2018

Howze Said Harder Had “Five And Six Thousand” Paid Volunteers A Weekend In 2018. [3:45] Howze: “They were importing union people from Nevada and Arizona to come in here on weekends and walk for him. Five
and six thousand of them a weekend. They were paid volunteers.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Jeff Denham

Prior To Running For Denham’s Congressional Seat, Howze Campaigned For Him And Defended Him During A Recall Attempt

Howze Campaigned For Denham And Opposed An Effort To Recall Him

Howze Once Campaigned For Jeff Denham. “With such a crowded field, some say Republican Ted Howze, a veterinarian who once walked precincts to campaign for Denham, entered the race only to increase the chances of two Republicans advancing in the primary. Howze denies the notion, saying he has felt disillusioned by Denham, who he said has been ‘all talk, no delivery’ on water storage, infrastructure and immigration.” [Los Angeles Times, 5/22/18]

Howze On Denham’s 2008 State Senate Recall: “This Recall Effort Has Been Mounted Because [Denham] Told The Voters Of California The Truth: That Our Budget Is A Mess.” “Turlock City Councilman Ted Howze, another Democrat, added: ‘This recall effort has been mounted because [Denham] told the voters of California the truth: that our budget is a mess.’ Denham has raised $1.1 million to fight the recall. Major contributions include $50,000 from the Los Angeles Casinos Political Action Committee and $25,000 from the Pechanga Band of Mission Indians, which has a casino in Temecula. Smaller donations have come from farming interests, healthcare groups and individuals. The campaign to oust Denham has raised $500,000, of which $360,000 came from the Democratic State Central Committee of California.” [Los Angeles Times, 5/5/08]

Howze Used His Position On The City Council To Oppose Efforts To Recall Jeff Denham

4/8/08: Howze Called For The City Council To Support A Motion Opposing The Recall Election Of State Senator Jeff Denham. “Councilmember Vander Weide and Councilmember Howze requested a resolution opposing the recall election of Senator Jeff Denham be placed on the next agenda. Councilmember Hatcher stated she supported Senator Denham but did not feel it appropriate for the Council to be involved in partisan politics.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 4/8/08]

4/22/08: Howze Voted For The Council Resolution Opposing Denham’s Recall Election. “Mayor Lazar spoke in support of opposing the recall election of Senator Denham, but thought it may be more appropriate to write a letter to press. Councilmember Hatcher spoke in opposition to the City Council taking a stance in a partisan issue. Councilmembers Vander Weide and Howze spoke in favor of opposing the recall election. […] Motion introducing a resolution opposing the Recall Election in the 12th Senate District against Senator Jeff Denham was introduced by Councilmember Vander Weide, seconded by Councilmember Ted Howze, and failed with Mayor Lazar and Councilmembers Hatcher and Spycher dissenting.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 4/22/08]

2010: Jeff Denham’s Campaign Contributed To Howze’s City Council Race. Howze Was Not Running For Reelection

4/15/10: Jeff Denham For State Senate Contributed $5,000 To Howze’s City Council Campaign. [Friends of Ted Howze, California Form 460, Filed 4/22/10]
Howze Was Not Seeking Reelection To The City Council In 2010. “Coming into 2010, everyone knew the fall City Council election had the potential to drastically change Turlock’s leadership. But when both incumbent council members – Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher – announced in July they would not seek reelection, so as to spend more time with family, the election was blown wide open.” [Turlock Journal, 12/30/10]

2010: Howze And His Wife Made Max-Out Donations To Denham

2010: Ted And Sharon Howze Donated $2,400 Each To Denham’s 2010 Campaign. [FEC, 3/2/10]

2010: The Maximum Donation An Individual Could Give To A Candidate Per Election Was $2,400. [Center for Responsive Politics, accessed 5/6/19]

2018: Howze Called Denham A “Pro-Amnesty RINO”
Howze Criticized Jeff Denham As A “Pro-Amnesty RINO.” “Ted Howze, a local veterinarian who ran to the right of Denham, channeled the frustration of this energized flank of the local Republicans in his primary campaign. In social media posts, Howze called Denham a ‘pro-amnesty RINO (Republican in name only).’ Howze got more than a quarter of the Republican vote and sliced into Denham’s base. The incumbent finished ahead, but down 10 percentage points from the 2016 primary.” [High Country News, 7/11/18]

2018: Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy”

Howze Said Denham Was An “Open Borders Amnesty Guy.” [14:50] Howze: “Because if we just grant amnesty, which is what my opponent in this race is trying to do. Jeff Denham would grant amnesty not to 800,000 people, not to 3.2 million people, but to the same 11 to 23 million people he tried to grant amnesty to in 2013 when he was the first and only Republican to sign on to Nancy Pelosi’s HR 15 bill. So he’s been an open borders amnesty guy going all the way back to 2013 when he was working with Nancy Pelosi to grant amnesty to these people.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

2018: Howze Appeared To Run An Ad Alleging “Jeff Denham Works For Nancy Pelosi”


Howze Appeared To Run Republicans For Ted Howze. [Republicans for Ted Howze, Facebook, 3/18/19]

After Howze Lost The Primary, Denham Donated To Howze’s Campaign

October 2018: Modesto Bee: “Denham And The Local GOP Organization In Recent Weeks Have Given A Combined $35,000 To Ted Howze.” “Rep. Jeff Denham and the local GOP organization in recent weeks have given a combined $35,000 to Ted Howze, Denham’s only Republican rival in the hard-fought June primary.” [Modesto Bee, 10/3/18; FEC, accessed 5/6/19]

Denham’s Donations To Howze Were Potentially An Attempt To Keep CA-10 Red By Locking Democrats Out Of The Top-Two Primary
Modesto Bee: “Democrats Say The Money Appears To Be A Reward For Attempting To Game California’s Top-Two Primary System.” “Some Democrats say the money appears to be a reward for attempting to game California’s top-two primary system, while Denham’s campaign, Howze and the Stanislaus Republican Central Committee deny collusion. […] Howze (pronounced hows) this week said the primary campaign was invigorating and left him with a desire to run again for Congress in two years, although not against Denham in the 10th District. Assuming Democratic Rep. Jerry McNerney in November keeps his Ninth District seat based around Stockton—where Howze lives—Howze would challenge him in 2020, he said.” [Modesto Bee, 10/3/18]

NRCC Chair Steve Stivers Admitted Denham Backers Were Seeking To Help Howze’s Campaign, A Claim Denied By Denham’s Campaign. “Harder, Denham’s likely opponent, said in a statement the congressman’s numbers Tuesday were ‘painfully low’ and that he was ‘out of sync’ with the district. But Republicans saw it differently. ‘I’m not worried about Jeff at all,’ National Republican Congressional Committee Chairman Steve Stivers said off the House floor Wednesday. Stivers said some of ‘Jeff’s friends’ were trying to boost Howze to block Democrats from the November ballot. Whitfield, Denham’s campaign manager, said that was not true.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

Around The Time Denham Donated To Howze, Howze Started Praising Him

September 2018: Howze Wrote An Op-Ed Calling For Denham’s Reelection And Praising Him As A “Seasoned Major League Player.” “Howze authored a guest column printed in The Turlock Journal last week. ‘Denham embodies the seasoned major league player that nobody in their right mind should ever trade for an unproven minor leaguer,’ Howze wrote. ‘I am convinced that Jeff Denham will be the most productive choice for Valley residents who would be best served by re-electing him to Congress.’” [Modesto Bee, 10/3/18]

December 2018: Howze Said Denham “Would Make An Excellent Secretary Of The Interior.” According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “Outgoing Congressman Jeff Denham would make an excellent Secretary of the Interior and become a valuable partner in the fight to keep our water rights here in California's Central Valley!” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 12/15/18]

2020: Denham Endorsed Howze

2020: Denham Endorsed Howze. According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “#BreakingNews Fmr. Valley Congressman Jeff Denham is ENDORSING Ted Howze for Congress. Denham wrote: ‘I fully support and endorse Ted Howze for Congress. Ted is a tough conservative who will always put the Valley first and is exactly the kind of leader we need in Congress. It was a great honor to represent the 10th district and now I encourage all those who supported me for years to vote for Ted Howze this March and November.’ #GOP #CA10 #TeamTed #InItToWinIt” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/11/20]
Republican Party

**Howze Said “Republicans Are Really Made Up Of Two Groups. Wealthy Business Interests And Foot Soldiers”**

Howze said “Republicans Are Really Made Up Of Two Groups. Wealthy Business Interests And Foot Soldiers.” [17:35] Howze: “Republicans are really made up of two groups. Wealthy business interests and foot soldiers. All right boots on the ground foot soldiers. Wealthy corporate interests are absolutely almost worthless in a campaign other than donations right. But the funny thing about it is once they give you that donation they're done they disappear they're finished.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**The Freedom Caucus**

2018: Howze Said He Would Caucus With The Freedom Caucus And Supported Jim Jordan To Be The Next Speaker Of The House

2018: Howze Said He Would Caucus With The Freedom Caucus And Supported Jim Jordan To Be The Next Speaker Of The House. [26:00] Howze “Jim Jordan of the Freedom Caucus. If I am elected in November I’m going to caucus with the Freedom Caucus and Jim Jordan is absolutely the guy that should be the next Speaker of the House.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]
Howze Said He Identified With And Admired How Mark Meadows And Jim Jordan “Come Out Truthfully On A Lot Of Matters”


Howze Said The “Set Of Guys In The Freedom Caucus Absolutely Have Their Heads Screwed On Straight When It Comes To Governing In This Country”

Howze Said The “Set Of Guys In The Freedom Caucus Absolutely Have Their Heads Screwed On Straight When It Comes To Governing In This Country.” [29:10] Howze: “And for anybody else who wants to know if I get elected in 2020 my first move is going to be to join the Freedom Caucus. I think the set of guys in the Freedom Caucus absolutely have their heads screwed on straight when it comes to governing in this country.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Said “The House Freedom Caucus Is The Only Group Actually Standing Up For The True Principles Of Conservatism And Smaller Government.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “The House Freedom Caucus is the only group actually standing up for the true principles of conservatism and smaller government. When elected in the California 10th, I will be joining the Freedom Caucus.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/22/18]

Nancy Pelosi

Howze Said Harder Had “Roughly $31 Million Of Nancy Pelosi’s Money” In 2018

Howze Said Harder Had “Roughly $31 Million Of Nancy Pelosi’s Money” In 2018. [3:00] Howze: “Now a big part of that especially in the Harder campaign was Josh had roughly $31 million of Nancy Pelosi’s money. They've talked about it and I'm sure some of you saw how many people, they had armies of Harder supporters coming in
knocking on your doors during the election.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said Nancy Pelosi Was Going To “Want To Take [Alexandria Ocasio-]Cortez Out To The Woodshed Pretty Soon And Whip Her”**


**Barack Obama**

**Howze Said The Obama Administration Had “Done Nothing But Divide This Nation”**

Howze Said The Obama Administration Had “Done Nothing But Divide This Nation.” [27:35] Howze: “The Obama Administration was like a rock thrown into a pond that has created a set of ripples that have done nothing but divide this nation. And what we see from that today is this partisan effort to remove a duly elected president of the United States. It has created an even deepening divide in this country that has tribalism politically like we have never seen before. Friends losing friends and family members who won't talk to one another over what’s going on in our nation’s capital. It’s sickening. It needs to stop.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Joe Biden**

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**Howze: Paul Ryan And House Republicans Are “A Bad Joke On The American People”**

According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “The @SpeakerRyan led house @GOP has become a bad joke on the American people. Elected officials on both sides of the aisle refuse to reign in spending that will economically enslave our children. I’m running for Congress to help fix the problem!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, Twitter, 3/22/18]

![Twitter screenshot of Ted Howze's tweet](image)

**Kevin McCarthy**

**2020: Howze Was Endorsed By Kevin McCarthy**

“Today at 1:45pm, it was announced that Republican House Leader Kevin McCarthy (R – CA-D23, Bakersfield) jumped into his neighboring Central Valley Congressional race [...]. McCarthy endorsed Turlock’s Congressional Candidate Ted Howze, who states that he is fighting to take the CA District 10 Seat back. [...] ‘I proudly endorse Ted Howze for Congress,’ Congressman McCarthy wrote. ‘Ted has what it takes to honorably serve and win back California’s 10th Congressional District. Ted’s local roots run deep and I know he will put the Central Valley first. He has my full support and I look forward to campaigning and eventually serving with him on Capitol Hill.’ In response, Howze noted, ‘I’m proud to receive the endorsement of Kevin McCarthy and to have Central Valley and national leaders like him unifying around our campaign. He understands the Valley and knows that we have a real opportunity to get positive change for the country beginning right here in the heartland of California.’” [Turlock City News, 2/26/20]

**Charlie Kirk**

**Howze Met Charlie Kirk And Said He Was An “Inspiration”**

According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “@charliekirk11 & @TPUSA are making a huge difference by fighting for the future of America everyday! You’re an inspiration for speaking up to countless conservative college students. Especially the ones volunteering to help us win in the #CA10 and take back the House in 2020!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 9/23/19]
Kirk Was The Founder And Executive Director Of Turning Point USA. According to the Turning Point website, Charlie Kirk was the founder of Turning Point USA, “a national student movement dedicated to identifying, organizing, and empowering young people to promote the principles of free markets and limited government.” [Turning Point website, accessed 3/19/20]

Kirk Said Trump Would Be “America’s Greatest President.” According to Facebook, Kirk posted a video on Facebook discussing why Trump will be America’s greatest president. [Facebook, 11/5/18]


Howze Said He Would Not Let Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Babysit His Children Because He Would Fear For Their Safety

Howze Said He Would Not Let Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Babysit His Children Because He Would Fear For Their Safety. [13:30] Howze: “I don't want to be too rude it was the will of [Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez’s] voters. But we really as a country need to demand a higher standard of candidates. I mean that to me this is one of the biggest problems, we are not demanding as much of our candidates as we would demand of people who babysit our children. Right I wouldn't let her babysit my kids because I would fear for their safety while I was gone and
somebody elected her to Congress. This has to change.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said That If Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Had Served On A City Council She Would Not Have Been Elected To Congress Because “The Whole Town Would’ve Gone ‘Oh My God No’”**


**Ilhan Omar**

**Howze: “I Have Nothing Against Any Religion But You Have A Pair Of Muslim Women [In Congress] Who Are Just Absolutely Anti-Semite. One That Apparently Married Her Brother To Get In The Country, Ilhan”**


**John Cox**

**The Former GOP Nominee For Governor In California, John Cox, Endorsed Howze**

The Former GOP Nominee For Governor In California, John Cox, Endorsed Howze. According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “I'm proud to announce the endorsement of former CA GOP nominee for Governor John Cox. John joins his former GOP competitor Travis Allen and dozens of local Republican leaders and organizations in supporting my campaign for Congress. John Cox got more votes than Gavin Newsom in the 10th Congressional District in 2018- and he knows we can win in 2020.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 10/7/19]
Bob Elliott

Howze Said One Of His 2020 Republican Opponents, Bob Elliott, Was Not Recruited By National Republicans Like Elliott Said

Howze Said One Of His 2020 Republican Opponents, Bob Elliott, Was Not Recruited By National Republicans Like Elliott Said. [1:02:00] Howze: “The answer is they didn't. They didn't. Now we all know in campaigns a lot of people say a lot of things to try to get traction. We've had conversations at every level with the Republican Party from Washington, DC to the state of California. They assure us nobody recruited him. So you know we've tried not to make a big deal about it. We just stay in our own lane and we run and we'll do our own thing.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Elliott Questioned Whether Howze Lived In CA-10 And Conducted An Investigation Into Where Howze Lived

Elliott Questioned Whether Howze Lived In CA-10 And Conducted An Investigation Into Where Howze Lived. “An opponent of Congressional District 10 candidate Ted Howze is questioning whether he lives in the district as he stated during a recent candidates debate. […] The campaign for CA10 candidate Bob Elliott provided The Bee with an investigation it says shows Howze continues to live in Brookside — a gated community along the Calaveras and San Joaquin rivers in Stockton — and not Turlock. […] The Elliott campaign said the issue is that Howze said he lives in one city when he lives in another. […] The Elliott campaign said questions arose about where Howze lives when its volunteers canvassed the Turlock neighborhood and residents said no one lived at the home, prompting the investigation. ‘The house has been visited numerous times, day and night on different days over the past two weeks,’ according to the investigation, ‘and at every observed instance, in all conditions, the outdoor lights have been on, garbage cans not put out and there is no answer at (the) front door.’” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]
**Elliott Consultant: “If Ted Howze Can’t Tell The Truth About Something As Simple As Where He Lives, It Should Call Into Question Anything Else He Has Said He Will Do In Congress And His Position On Any Issue”**

“Integrity is an important part of being a representative, our representatives should say what they do and do what they say,’ campaign consultant Andre Levesque said in an email. ‘If Ted Howze can’t tell the truth about something as simple as where he lives, it should call into question anything else he has said he will do in Congress and his position on any issue.’” [Modesto Bee, 2/19/20]

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**Carlos Villapudua (D)**

**2019: Howze Supported A Democratic Candidate, Carlos Villapudua, For State Assembly**

“And Carlos Villapudua who I’ve also become great friends with across party lines is running for state assembly and is just a great man. So give them all a hand. And I would encourage you to support these men in their future endeavors because we can’t have enough good people in politics who put their communities ahead of themselves, ahead of political ideology and so these are the type of people I love to be around and I’m very happy to call all of them friends.” [Ted Howze Meet & Greet In Tracy, Vantage Toolbox, 10/3/19]

**Villapudua Was A Democratic Candidate.** “Carlos Villapudua (Democratic Party) was a member of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors, representing District 1 in California. Villapudua (Democratic Party) is running for election to the California State Assembly to represent District 13. He is on the ballot in the primary election on March 3, 2020. Villapudua completed Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection survey in 2019. Click here to read the survey answers. Villapudua was a 2018 Democratic candidate for the same seat.” [Ballotpedia, accessed 2/20/20]
Donald Trump

Significant Findings

✓ Howze said he agreed “with many of the conservative policies [President Trump] sets forth, but personally, I don’t like the man.”

✓ Howze said he “certainly would not consider President Trump a role model for my children nor for myself.”

✓ Howze said there was “no questioning [Trump’s] success as president.”

✓ Howze said he voted for Trump and he supported his “America-First Agenda.”

✓ Howze said “a second term by President Trump will be the best thing for the court system.”

✓ Howze said “so much of what President Trump has done is positive for our country” and that Trump has “done everything he said he was going to do when he was elected.”

✓ When asked how he saw himself working with President Trump Howze said “quite well,” and said he thought the president was doing a “fantastic job.”

✓ Howze said he “was not running to support or just oppose” President Trump.

✓ Howze said he would be supporting President Trump in 2020.

✓ Howze opposed the impeachment proceedings.

✓ Howze said Hunter Biden’s tax returns would be “far more relevant” than Donald Trump’s tax returns.

Trump’s Record

2018: Howze Criticized Trump

Howze Said He Agreed “With Many Of The Conservative Policies [President Trump] Sets Forth, But Personally, I Don’t Like The Man”

Howze Said He Agreed “With Many Of The Conservative Policies [President Trump] Sets Forth, But Personally, I Don’t Like The Man.” “Howze said he wasn’t induced to run, but got in the race because he’s also put off by Denham. ‘He's impossible to nail down on an issue,’ Howze said. He said he tried to contact Denham, without success, before Denham voted for the tax bill, which Howze is convinced -- like all Democratic candidates -- will prove disastrous for California families. As for Trump, ‘I agree with many of the conservative policies he sets forth, but personally, I don't like the man,’ Howze said.” [Modesto Bee, 3/17/18]

Howze Said He “Certainly Would Not Consider President Trump A Role Model For My Children Nor For Myself”

Howze: “I Certainly Would Not Consider President Trump A Role Model For My Children Nor For Myself.” “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the
GOP tax overhaul. And while he supports President Donald Trump, he said, ‘I certainly would not consider President Trump a role model for my children nor for myself.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

**2019-2020: Howze Supported Trump’s Agenda**

**Howze Said There Was “No Questioning [Trump’s] Success As President”**

Howze: “Love Or Hate Donald Trump The Man, There Is No Questioning His Success As President.”

“Democrats have also told us for more than two years that President Trump would likely get America into a war. What he has actually done is stop the nuclear saber-rattling of North Korea and end the Korean War. Trump has decimated Isis and proposed bringing troops home from the Middle East and forced NATO members to start paying more of their fair share towards their own defense. Peace! Love or hate Donald Trump the man, there is no questioning his success as President. We are safer and more prosperous as a nation than we were before he took the oath of office.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/1/19]

**Howze Said He Voted For Trump And He Supported His “America-First Agenda”**

Howze Said He Voted For Trump And He Supported His “America-First Agenda.” [15:20] Howze: “Now how many people in this room voted for President Trump? So did I. So did I. And I'll tell you right now I absolutely positively support President Trump's America-first agenda.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said “A Second Term By President Trump Will Be The Best Thing For The Court System”**

Howze Said “A Second Term By President Trump Will Be The Best Thing For The Court System.” [1:26:50] Howze: “Boy I'd like to clean the courts out and I think a second term by President Trump will be the best thing for the court system.” [Ted Howze 2018 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Said “So Much Of What President Trump Has Done Is Positive For Our Country” And That Trump Has “Done Everything He Said He Was Going To Do When He Was Elected”**

Howze Said “So Much Of What President Trump Has Done Is Positive For Our Country” And That Trump Has “Done Everything He Said He Was Going To Do When He Was Elected.” [37:50] Howze: “I mean so much of what President Trump has done is positive for our country. […] [38:05] But he has done everything he said he was going to do when he was elected. […] [38:25] And I look at our current president, Republican, Democrat, I can't remember another who has so transparently done what he said he was going to do.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

**When Asked How He Saw Himself Working With President Trump Howze Said “Quite Well,” And Said He Thought The President Was Doing A “Fabulous Job”**

When Asked How He Saw Himself Working With President Trump Howze Said “Quite Well,” And Said He Thought The President Was Doing A “Fabulous Job.” [30:05] Moderator: “How do you see yourself working with President Trump?” Howze: “Quite well. […] I think our president is doing a fabulous job of putting this country back to work. The reduction in regulations. Everything that they’ve achieved. And most importantly the Supreme Court nominees that he have put on have been fabulous. It’s changing the future of this country for the next 25 years because we will stop the Democrat party’s ruling through judicial fiat. So I would be quite proud as a conservative to go back and continue those values and make sure that we get back on path to American really being a constitutional country.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]
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Howze Said He Was “Not Running To Support Or Just Oppose” President Trump. [40:10] First of all I'm a rubber stamp for nobody. I'm opinionated I have my own. The President and I stylistically are two different people. I mean he is loud New York, New Jersey and I am much more laid-back California. So listen I'm not running to support or just oppose a President of the United States. I'm running to actually get things done for my district. And when the policies are good I'll support them and when the policies are bad I won't. It's that simple. I was on record during the 2018 campaign on video of things I disagreed with the president. The Bee staff knows this. So I'm nobody's rubber stamp.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Howze Said He Would Be Supporting President Trump In 2020

Howze Said He Would Be Supporting President Trump In 2020. [1:12:10] Howze: “Lowest unemployment in our lifetimes. Lowest black unemployment, Hispanic unemployment, largest wage rises. That's number one. Number two, fundamentally remaking the Supreme Court so that we end legislating through judicial fiat. And lastly a president who's willing to negotiate. He's tried to work with the other side to solve problems like the Dreamers. I'll be supporting President Trump.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Impeachment

Howze Opposed The Impeachment Proceedings

Howze Opposed The Impeachment Proceedings. “Howze called the impeachment hearings in Washington a self-serving partisan exercise. He claimed that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Rep. Adam Schiff and Harder are so engrossed in impeachment that ‘nothing is getting done’ for constituents in the Central Valley. In attempting to connect Harder with the impeachment drive, Howze noted that Harder has accepted campaign donations from Schiff. ‘It's time for them to pack up their circus tent and move on,’ Howze said. ‘America deserves better.’ Following the rally, a spokesman for Harder said the congressman ‘is of course concerned about the president's abuse of power,’ but Harder is not on the impeachment committees and has not been outspoken about the hearings. ‘Josh has spent the last couple weeks trying to get this administration to stop blocking health care for Vietnam vets and just announced a $250,000 federal investment for Stanislaus State (University),’ said Ian Lee, a spokesman for Harder.” [Modesto Bee, 12/5/19]

Howze Said Impeachment Did Not Rank In The “Top Seven Or Eight Issues” To People In The Central Valley. [0:30] Howze: “You know, people within our districts, Central Valley California, the breadbasket, what they're telling us is [impeachment] doesn’t even rank in their top seven or eight issues. […] [0:50] Impeachment is the last thing on their plate.” [Ted Howze OANN Interview, Vantage Toolbox, 12/16/19]

Tax Returns

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@Ted_Howze

Hunter’s would be far more relevant don’t you think?

Joe Biden (Text Join to 30330) @JoeBiden · Nov 25, 2019
The American people are still waiting to see your tax returns, @realDonaldTrump. What are you hiding?

6:53 AM · Nov 26, 2019 · Twitter for iPhone

2 Retweets 8 Likes

[Ted Howze, Twitter, 11/26/19]
Issues
## Abortion & Women’s Health Issues

### Significant Findings

- **Howze was pro-life.**
- **Howze said he would introduce a federal heartbeat bill making a heartbeat the beginning of life.**
- **Howze said it was “truly horrifying to watch Democrats like #CA10’s @JoshHarder coming out across America to support abortion up to the moment of birth,” calling it infanticide and murder.**
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- **Howze said “Only a soulless heathen that Joseph Mengele would be proud of” would support abortion through nine months, as Howze alleged Harder did.**
- **Howze said liberals “openly support the killing of unborn children and policies that have systematically gutted the family unit.”**
- **Howze criticized Harder for supporting “the barbaric practice of full term abortion.”**
- **Howze asked supporters to “donate $25 to save a child’s life” so he could end all federal funding for abortion as a congressman.**
- **Howze’s top three priorities were border security, reducing regulations on businesses, and ending late-term abortion and introducing a federal heartbeat bill.**
- **In a since-deleted tweet, Howze argued Planned Parenthood killed more children than semi-automatic weapons.**

### Abortion

#### Howze Was Pro-Life

**Howze Was Pro-Life.** [18:45] Howze: “I am as a conservative who is very much a pro-life individual.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

#### Howze Said He Would Introduce A Federal Bill Making A Heartbeat The Beginning Of Life

**Howze Said He Would Introduce A Federal Bill Making A Heartbeat The Beginning Of Life.** [28:00] Howze: “And third, as a priority, I want to end the gruesome practice of late-term abortions. I think it is something as a society that we have to do. And I think the Supreme Court has flatly said they need direction from Congress to define when the beginning of life is. I would support and introduce a federal heartbeat as the beginning of life bill, and try to make abortion as rare as possible in our society.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

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Howze Said It Was “Truly Horrifying To Watch Democrats Like #CA10’s @JoshHarder Coming Out Across America To Support Abortion Up To The Moment Of Birth,” Calling It Infanticide And Murder. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “It’s truly horrifying to watch Democrats like #CA10’s @JoshHarder coming out across America to support abortion up to the moment of birth. First NY, now VA. Whatever your view on abortion, this is infanticide. Simply murder for the sake of convenience.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/30/19]
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Howze’s Top Three Priorities Were Border Security, Reducing Regulations On Businesses, And Ending Late-Term Abortion And Introducing A Federal Heartbeat Bill. “[27:30] The top three things I’d like to work on is number one securing our border and fixing our broken immigration system. For people who want to legally immigrate here it should not take 15 years and $20,000 worth of attorney fees to actually become a citizen. Second, reducing regulations on business owners. Being a business owner, I understand how hard we’re shackled, especially in California and farming specifically by all the regulations we’re facing. We have to continue to do that. The Trump administration has done great job. [28:00] And third, as a priority, I want to end the gruesome practice of late-term abortions. I think it is something as a society that we have to do. And I think the Supreme Court has flatly said they need direction from Congress to define when the beginning of life is. I would support and introduce a federal heartbeat as the beginning of life bill and try to make abortion as rare as possible in our society.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

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Planned Parenthood

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**Budget Issues**

**Significant Findings**

✓ Howze said he supported a balanced budget amendment.

✓ Howze supported zero-based budgeting.

✓ Howze said the national debt “was the single biggest threat to our future generations” and that China would “own” the US.

✓ Howze alleged that the Department of Defense wasted enough money every year to buy an island in the Caribbean one hundred times.

✓ Howze said he supported federal spending to promote economic growth.

✓ March 2018: Howze opposed the omnibus spending bill that passed the House.

✓ Howze had a record of supporting cutting budgets while on the City Council.

✓ 2008: Howze supported cutting the arts budget as well as other departments.

✓ 2008: Howze said the Arts Commission would be one of the first departments to be completely defunded if the budget year was worse than expected and said the city really had “to get back to providing just the core services.”

✓ 2008: Howze voted to eliminate two city positions due to budget shortfalls.

✓ In 2008, Howze moved to appropriate $600,000, in excess of the Turlock City Engineer’s request, for a parking lot for the Turlock fire station.

✓ 2009: Facing budget shortfalls, Howze suggested city workers take voluntary pay cuts or make contributions toward health insurance costs to save jobs.

✓ 2009: Howze voted to lay off 23 Turlock city employees and eliminated 39 positions.

✓ 2009: Howze voted to remove the city manager and voted in favor of appointing the man who became the next city manager.

✓ 2009: Howze approved a $200,000 city manager salary package as the city was making cuts.

✓ In 2010, Howze supported a motion to strip health care benefits from elected officials in Turlock, including himself.

✓ 2010: Howze supported an unsuccessful plan to eliminate three city engineering positions.

**Balanced Budget**
Howze Said He Supported A Balanced Budget Amendment

Howze Said He Supported A Balanced Budget Amendment. [17:00] Howze: “I fully support a balanced budget amendment. I believe we shouldn't be borrowing money from China to pay our bills every month. I also believe that we need to stop spending money on non American citizens.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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A Balanced Budget Amendment Would Have Blocked Benefit Payments From The Social Security And Medicare Part A Trust Fund. “A balanced budget amendment would have blocked benefit payments from the Social Security and Medicare Part A trust funds since all federal expenditures, including these earned benefits, would have to be covered by revenue collected in the same year. It also would have required draconian spending cuts, inviting Congress to slash Medicare Parts B, C and D, Medicaid, and many other social safety net programs for seniors, while opening the door to massive new tax cuts.” [National Committee To Preserve Social Security & Medicare, 4/13/18]

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Budget Rhetoric

Howze Supported Zero-Based Budgeting

Howze Supported Zero-Based Budgeting. [18:15] Howze “I think we need to go back to zero-based budgeting. I think we also need to incentivize independent accountants within each department that when they find evidence of waste, fraud, and abuse, that we give them a cut of what they find and save the taxpayer.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]


Howze Said The National Debt “Was The Single Biggest Threat To Our Future Generations” And That China Would “Own” The US. [19:00] Howze: “The national debt is the single biggest threat to our future generations. The Chinese are never going to have to invade the US. They’re going to own it. They’re going to buy it out from under our future generations.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]
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Howze Alleged That The Department Of Defense Wasted Enough Money Every Year To Buy An Island In The Caribbean One Hundred Times. [18:30] Howze: “I can guarantee you that if I put an accountant inside the Department of Defense and told them I was going to give them one percent of every wasted dollar they found next year they’d own an island in the Caribbean.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Said He Supported Federal Spending To Promote Economic Growth


Local Budget Decisions

2008: Howze Introduced A Motion To Provide $600,000 For A Parking Lot For The Turlock Fire Station

8/26/08: Howze Introduced A Motion To Provide $600,000 For A Parking Lot For The Turlock Fire Station. “City Engineer Michael Pitcock presented the staff report on the request to authorize bid and approve an agreement in the amount of $436,627.85 with Teichert Construction, Inc. for City Project No. 0719, ‘Fire Station No. 1 Parking Lot’ and appropriating $600,000 to account number 175/779-02-02 ‘Fire Station Renovation’ for construction and engineering costs to be funded via a transfer from the City’s Redevelopment Agency. […] Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide, Awarding bid and approving an agreement in the amount of $436,327.85 with Teichert Construction, Inc. of Turlock, California, for City Project No. 0719, ‘Fire Station No. 1 Parking Lot’ Motion carried unanimously.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 8/26/08]

2008: Howze Supported Cutting The Arts Budget As Well As Other Departments

2008: Howze Supported Cutting The Arts Budget As Well As Other Departments. “Council members Ted Howze and Beverly Hatcher formed an ad hoc committee along with Kerr and his finance staff to plan those cuts, which include: * $20,000 reduction in the city attorney’s office, to $491,594 * $20,000 reduction in general fund support for the arts, leaving an arts budget of $135,722 * $36,000 reduction in the City Council budget, which includes reduced travel and a change to lobbying services, leaving $215,615 in the council budget * $157,000 reduction by freezing an open building inspector and engineering tech position. Before the end of Tuesday’s meeting, Howze warned of ‘catastrophic’ budget cuts this time next year. The Howze-Hatcher ad hoc committee is meeting throughout the summer to plan a restructuring of the Municipal Services Department, which includes parks, recreation, water and sewer.” [Modesto Bee, 6/11/08]

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2008: Howze Said The Arts Commission Would Be One Of The First Departments To Be Completely Defunded If The Budget Year Was Worse Than Expected And Said The City Really Had “To Get Back To Providing Just The Core Services.” “Councilman Ted Howze said bad economic times mean Turlock must focus on filling its residents' basic needs, such as police and fire services. ‘We really have to get back to providing just the core services,’ he said. ‘We don't have a lot of money left outside that.’ If the budget year is worse than expected, Howze said, the Arts Commission would be one of the first departments to be 'completely defunded.'” [Modesto Bee, 6/30/08]
2008: Howze Voted To Eliminate Two City Positions Due To Budget Shortfalls

“A divided City Council voted to lay off two longtime city employees Tuesday night over the objections of a capacity crowd but scrapped a plan to eliminate city funding for the arts for four years. It was the first time since 1993 that the city has laid off employees because of budget woes, officials said. ‘It's not something we take lightly,’ City Manager Tim Kerr said. Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher and Vice Mayor Kurt Vander Weide voted to approve the layoffs, saying they were needed to close this year's $1.2 million budget deficit. Mayor John Lazar and Councilwoman Beverly Hatcher dissented, saying there should have been more effort to get input from the public and the city departments taking the hit. The positions cut -- Public Facility Maintenance Manager Rick Harden and Recreation Division Manager Judy Loretelli -- save the city about $250,000.” [Modesto Bee, 11/19/08]

2009: Facing Budget Shortfalls, Howze Suggested City Workers Take Voluntary Pay Cuts Or Make Contributions Toward Health Insurance Costs To Save Jobs

“The city's general fund budget is $4 million out of balance, and city leaders soon must find a way to cut more than 10 percent from it, officials said at a special meeting Tuesday night. […] Councilman Ted Howze suggested workers could take voluntary pay cuts or make contributions toward health insurance costs to save more jobs.” [Modesto Bee, 2/11/09]

2009: Howze Voted To Lay Off 23 Turlock City Employees And Eliminated 39 Positions

“Tuesday night, the City Council laid off 23 full- and part-time employees, the largest number of city layoffs in at least 20 years. The council also eliminated 39 positions as it approved a spending plan for the budget year that starts July 1. […] Facilitator Lisa McDermott, the Arts Commission's one full-time worker, was among those laid off. She helped coordinate city gallery exhibitions and children's art programs. Council members Amy Bublak, Spycher and Ted Howze rejected a proposal to find a third party to fund the position. […] The council closed a $5.1 million deficit for its 2009-10 budget. But the council may have to consider as much as $1 million in more cuts in the coming months. Council members did reach a consensus against turning off every other streetlight in some areas. Howze said it would have disproportionately affected the city's older neighborhoods.” [Modesto Bee, 6/10/09]

2009: Howze Voted To Remove The City Manager And Voted In Favor Of Appointing The Man Who Became The Next City Manager

“The City Council named Modesto Police Chief Roy Wasden as its city manager Tuesday night. […] Mayor John Lazar and Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher voted to appoint Wasden in closed session. Councilwoman Mary Jackson voted not to appoint Wasden and declined to comment. Amy Bublak, a Modesto police officer, voluntarily abstained from voting to avoid ‘an appearance of impropriety,’ City Attorney Phaedra Norton said. […] ‘At this point in our history, he's the right person for the job,’ Lazar said. ‘We need a healer,’ Howze and Spycher echoed Lazar, saying Wasden's character stood out. ‘It's what the city needs at this time,’ Howze said. […] The search for a new Turlock city manager began in January after a council majority voted to fire Kerr, who had been in the job three years. Council members Howze, Bublak and Spycher voted Kerr out.” [Modesto Bee, 5/12/09]

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The Former Manager Survived A 2007 Controversy In Which Howze And Other Members Of The Council Were Concerned That Kerr Gave The Turlock City Employee Association Union Too Much In Benefits. “Turlock City Manager Tim Kerr is on the hot seat because of a disagreement with City Council members stemming from his negotiations with an employee union. Council members voted 4-1 on Monday to evaluate his performance. They held a special meeting to parse their memories of a closed-door session at which they approved a contract for the Turlock City Employee Association. A majority of the council was concerned that Kerr gave too much to the union after their closed-door vote. […] “It was repeated over and over again that the enhanced retirement would be at no additional cost to the city,” Councilman Kurt Spycher said.” [Modesto Bee, 10/31/07]

Howze Was Worried The Costs Would Impact How Much Money The City Could Offer Their Police Officers And Firefighters. “Councilman Ted Howze said he was concerned about the raises and retirement benefits because they could come at a cost to the raises the city can afford for its public safety unions. He said that the council had prioritized those contracts because its police officers and firefighters earn significantly less than their counterparts in other cities. ‘It's not that any group of employees are any less important,’ Howze said. ‘We'd love to give them all big raises. The problem is we only have so many dollars.”’ [Modesto Bee, 10/31/07]

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2009: Howze Approved A $200,000 City Manager Salary Package As The City Was Making Cuts. “Over and over again, the message from the public to elected officials has been loud and clear: As you slash government services and shed employees, be sure you to take a hard look at the generous pay and benefits you're giving your top executives. Yet, many elected officials don't seem to be listening. Or if they are, they're ignoring what they hear. We put the majority of the Turlock City Council in that camp. Wednesday, three council members OK’d a salary and benefit package that makes their new city manager the highest paid in Stanislaus County. Roy Wasden's base salary of $202,300 is $18,000 a year more than that of his predecessor -- and $7,000 more than that of the city manager in Modesto, which is roughly three times the size. […] The five-year contract calls for Wasden to get nine months' severance if he doesn't make it through six months. […] Voting for the contract were Mayor John Lazar and council members Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher […]. The action comes after two longtime employees were laid off last fall and as the council is looking at eliminating up to 21 full-time and part-time positions because of its budget situation.” [Modesto Bee, 5/29/09]

2010: Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock

Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock. “Motion by Councilmember Spycher, seconded by Councilmember Howze, to eliminate health care benefits and/or deferred compensation in-lieu of benefits, on a voluntary basis effective September 1, 2010, defund heath care insurance for all elected officials in the future effective September 1, 2010, and directing staff to bring back a resolution within 30 days for consideration by Council.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 6/22/10]

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2010: Howze Supported An Unsuccessful Plan To Eliminate Three City Engineering Positions. “The City Council Tuesday adopted a budget for the next fiscal year, but a lot of work — and cutting — remains to be done. The $30 million general fund remains $3.6 million in the red, City Manager Roy Wasden said in a report. Some of that can come from the city's $17 million reserve, but Wasden cautioned that the city can't keep operating in a deficit with no improvement in the economy on the horizon. Council members, who last year laid off 22 employees, resisted a proposal that would cost three employees their jobs in the building and engineering departments. With two engineering employees retiring, the department would be reduced by five positions. […] Councilman Ted Howze urged the council to cut the jobs: ‘If we don't do the layoffs now, the hole gets deeper.’ […] Howze's proposal to eliminate the positions failed on a 3-2 vote, with he and Spycher voting for it.” [Modesto Bee, 6/22/10]
## Consumer Issues & Regulations

### Significant Findings

- Howze supported net neutrality.
- Howze said anyone who understands the consequences of taxes and regulations would be driven to be “very conservative.”
- Howze said his first campaign Twitter account was banned from Twitter.
- Howze said social media companies that censored conservative voices needed to be held accountable.

### Net Neutrality

#### Howze Supported Net Neutrality

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> Howze: “I actually support net neutrality and I know that argument goes both ways. But we do live in an era where you want an open flow of information back and forth through the Internet. The argument is without internet, service providers may invest more in expanding their networks and stuff but the reality is if you can throttle down some people’s content while increasing yours, the internet is becoming a huge tool even in schools for kids to have access to information from everywhere. I think we really have to in some respects look at the Internet as the library of today and you know there’s a lot of kids now who don't even know how to go crack a book because they Google everything. So you know I think some things for the public good you say you want full access to all materials. So you know I have mixed emotions but I do think at this point net neutrality is probably something we should support just to make sure that everybody has full access to the information that they need.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

### Regulations

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Howze Said Anyone Who Understands The Consequences Of Taxes And Regulations Would Be Driven To Be “Very Conservative.” [18:05] Howze: “I have been a Republican since I graduated from college. […] [18:30] Anybody who is in the business world and understands the consequences of all the taxes that we pay, all the regulations that we face, that will drive you to become very conservative if you aren’t already conservative with your religious beliefs, which I am as a conservative who is very much a pro-life individual.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 1, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Social Media Censorship

Howze Said His First Campaign Twitter Account Was Banned From Twitter.

Howze Said His First Campaign Twitter Account Was Banned From Twitter. [20:00] Howze: “Well I definitely have serious thoughts about it because I lost my original campaign Twitter account. So several thousands of followers that we were communicating with across the platform, we wake up one morning and Twitter's banned it. And we've never been able to get an answer we were calling them and everything else because this is an official federal campaign with a Federal Election Commission number. We couldn't even get an answer out of them we had to go start a new Twitter account and start all over again just as our campaign was getting off the ground. And you know I think this is wrong.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said Social Media Companies That Censored Conservative Voices Needed To Be Held Accountable.

Howze Said Social Media Companies That Censored Conservative Voices Needed To Be Held Accountable. [20:35] Howze: “So I think one of the things that we do have to say, we're talking about the internet and net neutrality right, I think these social media companies have to be held to a standard. If we're going to have a free exchange of ideas you may be a private company, well they're not because they're publicly traded stocks now right. You have a responsibility to the public not to censor that exchange of ideas. You know the First Amendment needs to flow two ways. So you know I don't know exactly what the answer is to that yet but the censoring of conservative voices and ideas that fall behind the Constitution and liberty that has to stop. You know and it's kind of the issue is if you can't have equal and open access to everyone well then maybe you shouldn't have access to anyone. So you know I support getting in and looking at what these guys are doing and seeing what changes we can make that we have a free exchange of ideas on their platforms.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]
Crime & Public Safety Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze did not support the legalization of marijuana for recreational purposes.

✓ 2008: Howze supported a $35 million plan to build a new public safety building that would house the police department.

✓ 2008, Howze moved to appropriate $600,000, in excess of the Turlock City Engineer’s request, for a parking lot for the Turlock fire station.

✓ In 2008, Howze moved to amend the City’s contract with the firefighter’s union after he “expressed concern” with inconsistent language.

  ✓ This amendment increased a city-funded retirement benefit contribution to the firefighter’s union.

✓ 2009: Howze voted for a plan to eliminate funding for four police officers, one firefighter, and one emergency services dispatcher.

✓ 2010: Howze voted along with the rest of the city council to eliminate four police officer positions after the police chief suggested it due to budget difficulties.

✓ 2018: Howze said that during his time on the city council they expanded the police force, expanded the fire service, and did that without raising any local taxes.

✓ Howze said while he led the city Budget Committee, Turlock hired 20 additional police officers and nine firefighters.

✓ Howze expressed support for the death penalty.

Marijuana

Howze Did Not Support The Legalization Of Marijuana For Recreational Purposes

Howze Did Not Support The Legalization Of Marijuana For Recreational Purposes. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support the legalization of marijuana for recreational purposes,” Howze responded “No. We already have enough societal issues with alcohol use and dependency. Our young people don't need a societal stamp of approval on any mind altering substance that can be a gateway to abusing even more addictive substances like heroin.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

Local Public Safety Funding

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2008: Howze Supported A $35 Million Plan To Build A New Public Safety Building That Would House The Police Department. “The City Council on Tuesday night blessed plans for a $35 million public safety building
[...]. Rancho Cucamonga-based WLC Architects drafted a space-needs study for the Police Department [...]. The firm uncovered a host of issues -- compounded by the department's growing staff -- with the two police buildings on the Palm Street campus. Three options were presented to the council: Modernize the two old buildings [...] and fill in the lot with more single-story work space, for $39 million. Build a three-story bridge building on the campus and use the two standing buildings for ancillary services, such as an evidence room, at a cost of $35 million. Build a new station for $35 million. [...] Mayor John Lazar, Vice Mayor Kurt Vander Weide and Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher liked the idea of a new building on a site owned by the city [...].” [Modesto Bee, 1/9/08]

2010: Money To Be Used To Build The Center Was Later Taken By The State In An Effort To Balance State Budgets. “Money matters continued to weigh heavily on the Turlock City Council on Tuesday night, with a Public Safety Center that doesn't have any funding, an employee trying to keep her job and a short-lived controversy over ‘found’ money. The council heard an update on its Public Safety Center, a $35 million project on which the city had intended to spend $8 million in redevelopment money. But the state took redevelopment money from the cities in an attempt to balance its budget.” [Modesto Bee, 5/26/10]

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2009: Howze Voted For A Plan To Eliminate Funding For Four Police Officers, One Firefighter, And One Emergency Services Dispatcher. “Officials will eliminate open police and firefighter positions and tap budget reserves in a scramble to slash $5 million before July 1. The City Council unanimously approved much of the plan but drew the line at a proposal to delay opening the city’s three community pools until July 1. Recreational swim programs are housed at pools in Columbia Park, and Turlock and Pitman high schools. ‘It’s the most glaring example of cutting a service to people who have no other alternative,’ Councilman Ted Howze said of the Columbia pool, which is in a low-income neighborhood. [...] On Tuesday night, the council also froze citywide hiring through June 30, 2010. The City Council eliminated funding for six open positions: one emergency services dispatcher, four police officers and one firefighter.” [Modesto Bee, 3/25/09]

The Plan Also Included A Requirement For All Full-Time City Employees To Begin Contributing Five Percent Of Their Salaries To Health Benefits Or Pensions. “All full-time city employees, elected and appointed officials will begin contributing 5 percent of their salaries to health benefits or pensions to help close the budget gap.” [Modesto Bee, 3/25/09]

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2018: Howze Said That During His Time On The City Council They Expanded The Police Force, Expanded The Fire Service, And Did That Without Raising Any Local Taxes

council when we left we left this city with a greater economic surplus than when I came into office. We expanded our police force during that time through the strategic master plan. We also expanded our fire service during that time right. And we did that without raising any local taxes.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

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Firefighters

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2007: While Howze Was On The City Council The Firefighters Union Sued The City, Claiming The City’s Contribution To The Health Care Fund For Retired Firefighters Had Not Been Properly Calculated For Years. “A lawsuit is brewing between Firefighters Local 2434 and City Hall. The firefighters union requested $249,500.55 plus interest from the City Council on Tuesday, claiming the city's contribution to the health care fund for retired firefighters hasn't been calculated properly for years. […] The $249,500 represents the difference between what the city paid to the fund and what firefighters say they should have been paid, calculating retirement and other benefits into the equation. The claim reaches to June 2003. […] In October, three councilmen said what they voted to approve for the Turlock City Employees Association was not what they agreed to in private negotiations. Councilman Ted Howze claims city management hoodwinked elected officials to get a better deal for themselves and their staff. Other council members and Mayor John Lazar have called that idea ridiculous.” [Modesto Bee, 12/14/07]

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percent of members' base salary and benefits. City officials argue that payments are calculated on base salary alone.” [Modesto Bee, 6/26/08]

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2008: Howze “Expressed Concern” With Inconsistent Language In The Firefighters Union Contract And Moved To Amend It

At A November 2011 Council Meeting, Howze Expressed Reservations About Wording Of The Firefighter’s Contract

11/18/08: Howze “Expressed Concern” With Inconsistent Language In The Firefighters Union Contract. “Councilmember Howze expressed concern with inconsistency between the language in the Firefighters’ Memorandum of Understanding and the City Council’s action, noting the contracts need to reflect actual results from negotiations and Council direction.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 11/18/08]

Howze Moved To Amend The MOU With The Union. “Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide, Approving an Amendment in the MOU with the International Association of Firefighters, Local #2434. Motion unanimously carried.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 8/26/08]
The Contract Amendment Provided For A 9% Employer Paid Member Contribution To The Firefighter’s Retirement Benefits, Rather Than The 5% Previously Approved

In 2007, The Fire Association Requested The City Fund An Employee Paid Member Contribution (EMPC). “Early in 2007, the City was informed by the Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) that employee compensation associated with the pay for performance (PFP) program would not be considered compensation toward an employee’s retirement. In short, PFP was not defined as “PERS-able” compensation for the purpose of determining an employee’s retirement. To offset this loss of “PERS-able” income, the Fire Association requested the City consider funding an additional retirement contribution commonly referred to as the Employer Paid Member Contribution (EPMC).” [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda Packet, 11/18/08]
From: Tim Kerr, City Manager

Prepared by: John C. French, Assistant City Manager

1. ACTION RECOMMENDED:

   Motion: Approving an Amendment in the MOU with the International Association of Firefighters, Local #2434

2. DISCUSSION OF ISSUE:

   At the regular City Council meeting of October 14, 2008, this item was presented for the City Council’s consideration. At that time this item was tabled and staff was directed to provide Council with background information on this issue. The requested background information has been provided to the Council and staff is now seeking the Council’s support for the amendment to the MOU with the International Association of Firefighters, Local #2434 as recommended on October 14, 2008.

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   In discussing the implementation of the EPMC, PERS staff informed City staff that the cost of such a benefit would be calculated on 9% of total compensation paid to PERS. Furthermore, PERS informed staff that the City could elect to calculate this benefit on the range of 0-9%. Based upon these conversations with PERS, during contract negotiations the City Council authorized 5% rather than the overall 9% contribution toward the EPMC. Subsequently, the City and Fire Association approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on October 23, 2007, reflecting the 5% rather than 9% contribution to the EPMC. (See Exhibit “A”, attached.)

   Following approval of the MOU, City staff contacted PERS to implement the City’s contribution to the EPMC. At this point, PERS informed City staff that the initial explanation provided allowing a 0-9% contribution was in error. Funding of the EPMC program must be made on an “all or nothing” basis. If the City was to fund the EPMC as an offset to the fact that the PFP compensation was not “PERS-able” a contribution of 9% would need to be made. Accordingly, on November 27, 2007, the City Council approved the implementation of the EPMC at the full 9% contribution (See Exhibit “B” attached.)

[City of Turlock, City Council Agenda Packet, 11/18/08]
The City Initially Elected To Provide A 5% Contribution To The EPMC. “In discussing the implementation of the EPMC, PERS staff informed City staff that the cost of such a benefit would be calculated on 9% of total compensation paid to PERS. [...] Based upon these conversations with PERS, during contract negotiations the City Council authorized 5% rather than the overall 9% contribution toward the EPMC. Subsequently the City and Fire Association approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on October 23, 2007, reflecting the 5% rather than the 9% contribution to the EPMC.” [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda Packet, 11/18/08]

The Contract Amendment Supported By Howze Provided For A 9% Employer Paid Member Contribution To The Firefighter’s Retirement Benefits, Rather Than The 5% Previously Approved. “Funding the full cost of the EPMC contribution was consistent with the City Council direction to hold employees harmless against the division that the PFP was not “PERS-able” compensation. However, a discrepancy remains between the MOU and the Resolution implementing this benefit. Accordingly, the attached amendment to the MOU has been prepared for the City Council’s consideration. [...] [The Fire union will be notified of the change and provided with a corrected MOU.” [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda Packet, 11/18/08]
8/26/08: Howze Introduced A Motion To Provide $600,000 For A Parking Lot For The Turlock Fire Station.
“City Engineer Michael Pitcock presented the staff report on the request to authorize bid and approve an agreement in the amount of $436,627.85 with Teichert Construction, Inc. for City Project No. 0719, ‘Fire Station No. 1 Parking Lot’ and appropriating $600,000 to account number 175/779-02-02 ‘Fire Station Renovation’ for construction and engineering costs to be funded via a transfer from the City’s Redevelopment Agency. […] Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide, Awarding bid and approving an agreement in the amount of $436,327.85 with Teichert Construction, Inc. of Turlock, California, for City Project No. 0719, ‘Fire Station No. 1 Parking Lot’ Motion carried unanimously.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 8/26/08]

Death Penalty

Howze Expressed Support For The Death Penalty

Howze Expressed Support For The Death Penalty. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Let’s remember it’s the leader of @RepJoshHarder’s party in CA that ended the death penalty for cop-killers. Nancy Pelosi and Gavin Newsom’s values aren’t our Valley values. #CA10 #GOP #BlueLivesMatter” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 6/20/19]
## Education Issues

### Significant Findings
- Howze advocated for abolishing the Department of Education.
- Howze said he did not support requiring states to adopt federal education standards.

### Department Of Education

**Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education**

Howze Advocated For Abolishing The Department Of Education. [25:05] Howze: “I think we should have abolish the Department of Education federally. I think nobody knows their needs better than local communities do. And being a person who was on a city council and understanding that we know our needs and we can address them education is the same way. You know what you need locally. Do we need schools that promote more technical training because we have a lot of high tech jobs? Do we need schools that need a lot more you know prep for higher education that's going to send you on to be doctors, lawyers? I mean we have needs we have to fill. I think the education is best suited at that level and I think we should let the educational control stay at the local level.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

### Federal Education Standards

**Howze Said He Did Not Support Requiring States To Adopt Federal Education Standards**

Howze Said He Did Not Support Requiring States To Adopt Federal Education Standards. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support requiring states to adopt federal education standards,” Howze responded “No. Local school boards are best equipped to serve their student population and regional educational needs. National educational control would only serve to further empower large Unions like the National Education Association and American Federation of Teachers to push their agendas nationwide.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

### California State University

**Howze Said California State University Being Located In Turlock Led To A “Very Big Population Of Just Far Left-Wing Crazies”**

Howze Said The University In Turlock Led To A “Very Big Population Of Just Far Left-Wing Crazies.” [28:40] Howze: “Howze: “Now I'm not faulting then there are some really educated people that work at the University and that is a gem for [Turlock] to have that University there but it also leads to a very big population of just far left-wing crazies.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

California State University Was Located In Turlock. [California State University website, accessed 3/6/20]
# Election Law & Campaign Finance Issues

## Significant Findings

- Howze was a proponent of a plan to split California into two states because California was “not following its constitution” and only Democrats were being represented.
- Howze said he supported a national campaign fund where every candidate received identical funding.
- Howze was in favor of a national voter ID and making election day a national holiday.
- Howze said the penalty for voter fraud should be the loss of all rights as a US citizen.
- Howze supported term limits.
- Howze said he was looking at “investing in high digital video cameras in front of every major polling place” to employ facial recognition to catch people voting multiple times.

## Electoral Reform

### Howze Was A Proponent Of A Plan To Split California Into Two States Because California Was “Not Following Its Constitution” And Only Democrats Were Being Represented

Howze Was A Proponent Of A Plan To Split California Into Two States Because California Was “Not Following Its Constitution” And Only Democrats Were Being Represented. [23:00] Howze: “Well I'll tell you I support the state of Jefferson because most of all I think every citizen, every resident of a state, of a county, of a city deserves a voice. They deserve the right to be heard and make the case when they feel like they're not being represented properly. And the state of Jefferson group has a great case for the fact that the state of California is not following its constitution. It's not representing its people adequately and the only people in this state that are receiving any representation are Bay Area and Southern California Democrats. And that's evidenced by the fact that you look at who runs our state in office they're all, it's San Francisco Bay Area right? […] [23:55] I mean this is what the joke is. You only get representation out of the Bay Area and Southern California anymore.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

### Howze Was Not Sure About Proposals To Split California Into More Than Two States. [24:00] Howze Was Not Sure About Proposals To Split California Into More Than Two States. Howze: “So I support the state of Jefferson because I feel like it's absolutely the right of the people in this state to ask to split the state if they're not being represented. So I fall behind that 100%. I think the other groups, I haven't quite seen their full proposals I think there's some issues with trying to split the state into three states or more, especially when they look at the split and you realize it's going to create three liberal states. Right, now instead of one liberal state it'll be three liberal states. That's not good for the entire country because last thing we need is four more liberal US senators, right? So I think of the ideas that I've seen so far so far only the state of Jefferson would make sense not only for the people of California but for the entire country as a whole.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

### Howze Said He Supported A National Campaign Fund Where Every Candidate Received Identical Funding

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Howze Said He Supported A National Campaign Fund Where Every Candidate Received Identical Funding. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support the regulation of indirect campaign contributions from corporations and unions,” Howze responded “Yes. I am a firm believer in a national campaign fund where every candidate receives identical funding. That would ensure candidates must stay tied to their districts for support rather than relying on huge donations from special interests and lobbyists to buy their wins.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday

Howze Was In Favor Of A National Voter ID And Making Election Day A National Holiday. [17:05] Howze: “I know I personally favor, like any other country in the world do, and that's implementation of a national voter ID and making Election Day a national holiday.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

Howze Said The Penalty for Voter Fraud Should Be The Loss Of All Rights As A US Citizen

Howze Said The Penalty for Voter Fraud Should Be The Loss Of All Rights As A US Citizen. “In addition, the sentence for convictions related to election fraud need serious teeth. Loss of all rights as a US citizen? No right to vote, own a gun, hold a passport, draw Social Security or Medicare ever should do it!” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 11/11/18]

Term Limits

Howze Supported Term Limits

Howze Supported Term Limits. [53:15] Howze: “And I firmly believe in term limits. I don't think there's any reason for anybody to stay more than three terms in Congress.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

Polling Places

Howze Said He Was Looking At “Investing In High Digital Video Cameras In Front Of Every Major Polling Place” To Employ Facial Recognition To Catch People Voting Multiple Times

Howze Said He Was Looking At “Investing In High Digital Video Cameras In Front Of Every Major Polling Place” To Employ Facial Recognition To Catch People Voting Multiple Times. [5:20] Howze: “Back to the voter fraud we're looking at really unique ways to stem the voter fraud. A big part of it for us is we're actually looking at investing in high digital video cameras in front of every major polling place in the district and employing facial recognition software to see if we can catch these people that are showing up at 3 or 4 or 5, 25 polling places in a day.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
### Energy Issues

#### Significant Findings

- *Howze said the biggest impediment to California building more dams and hydroelectric energy plants was the Democratic Party.*

### Hydroelectric Energy

**Howze Said The Biggest Impediment To California Building More Dams And Hydroelectric Energy Plants Was The Democratic Party**

Howze said the biggest impediment to California building more dams and hydroelectric energy plants was the Democratic Party. Howze: “Listen the biggest reason that we don’t build any new reservoirs in California is because the Democratic Party is beholden to the environmentalist lobby. We could build the best water storage in the world up in these canyons and could build a hydroelectric dam on every single one, we could provide water and power to fuel our economy. But Democrats in the state of California won’t even declare hydroelectric energy renewable energy. The biggest impediment that we face in California is the Democratic Party.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]
## Environmental Issues

### Significant Findings

- 2018: Howze said man’s impact on the environment ‘falls somewhere in between the global alarmists’ and ‘the people that say, ‘oh we have no effect whatsoever.’
- Howze did not support the Paris Climate Accords.
- Howze supported government funding for the development of renewable energy.
- Howze supported the federal regulation of greenhouse gas emissions.

### Climate Change

**2018: Howze Said Man’s Impact On The Environment “Falls Somewhere In Between The Global Alarmists” And “The People That Say, ‘Oh We Have No Effect Whatsoever’**

2018: Howze Said Man’s Impact On The Environment “Falls Somewhere In Between The Global Alarmists” And “The People That Say, ‘Oh We Have No Effect Whatsoever.’ [36:25] Howze: "I think there’s no question that man affects his environment, right? We do too much on the planet not to have some effect. Now I think that effect falls somewhere in between the global alarmists who say ‘we’re ending the planet tomorrow’ and the people that say ‘oh we have no effect whatsoever.’ The problem that we have is like the Paris Climate Accords. I support pulling out of the Paris Climate Accord because it’s a joke. It was a one-sided Accord to again make Americans because the rest of the world identifies us as the wealthiest country on earth to make Americans pay for the sins of the rest of the world. As long as China is unwilling to scale back its pollution which right now it's probably accounting for half and the entire world's pollution.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]


### Paris Climate Agreement

**Howze Did Not Support The Paris Climate Accords**

Howze Did Not Support The Paris Climate Accords. [58:40] Howze: “Look our climate has been changing for the last 20,000 years. Now that doesn't mean, that does not mean that good stewardship of our planet is not good for all of us. I think that's absolutely the case. But for one I will not stand behind radical ideas that destroy our economy, and rejoining the Paris Climate Accord only equals us paying for other countries who will do nothing to clean up their own environment.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

### Renewable Energy

**Howze Supported Government Funding For The Development Of Renewable Energy**
Howze Supported Government Funding For The Development Of Renewable Energy. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support government funding for the development of renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind, thermal),” Howze responded “Yes.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

Greenhouse Gasses

Howze Supported The Federal Regulation Of Greenhouse Gas Emissions. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support the federal regulation of greenhouse gas emissions,” Howze responded “Yes. Clean air and environment aren’t a political party issue - They are an american issue. I support reasonable standards, not overzealous regulations enacted by climate change fanatics that only serve to choke our economy.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]
Foreign Policy Issues

**Significant Findings**

✓ Howze said he disagreed with the US’s Middle East policy and had for 20 years because it was bankrupting the US.

✓ Howze did not support increasing American intervention in the Middle East beyond air support.

✓ Howze said that by 2023 Syria would probably not exist anymore and would be divided between Russia, Iran, and Turkey.

✓ Howze said President Trump was on the right track by leaving the Iran Deal.
  ✓ Howze said North Korea was proof that President Trump’s foreign policy strategy was working.

✓ Howze supported the killing of Qasem Soleimani and said the Iranians responded to the killing by launching missiles at US installations that were paid for by Barack Obama.

✓ Howze said Congress should work to take the war powers back from the president to limit the actions a president can take without congressional approval.

**Middle East Intervention**

**Howze Said He Disagreed With The US’s Middle East Policy And Had For 20 Years Because It Was Bankrupting The US**

Howze said he disagreed with the US’s Middle East policy and had for 20 years because it was bankrupting the US. [39:00] Howze: “You know the Syrian mission, I disagree with the US’s Middle East policy and I have for 20 years. That is a region that's been fighting since the beginning of time. Every occupying army that's ever walked in there ultimately gets thrown out and bankrupts himself in the process. The Soviet Union not Russia the Soviet Union bankrupted themselves in Afghanistan. They bankrupted themselves there and trying to keep up with the United States militarily. Here we are as the US and now Russia because they're no longer the Soviet Union interfering in the same region all over again. It's ridiculous. It's a huge expense of money. We send troops over there and while I think we need to fund the military and have top-flight weapons to defend ourselves the logistics of keeping ourselves in a foreign country and the toll it takes on our soldiers and the health care that they need following combat deployment which they deserve, it is bankrupting the United States of America.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

**Howze Did Not Support Increasing American Intervention In The Middle East Beyond Air Support**

Howze Did Not Support Increasing American Intervention In The Middle East Beyond Air Support. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support increased American intervention in Middle Eastern conflicts beyond air support,” Howze responded “No. The Middle East has been in turmoil for millennia. We should bring our troops home and focus on American energy independence.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]
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Howze Said That By 2023 Syria Would Probably Not Exist Anymore And Would Be divided Between Russia, Iran, And Turkey. [40:45] Howze: “Syria is not going to exist probably in five years. Syria is going to be divided between Russia, Iran and Turkey. You have three forces working in that country some of them overtly some of them behind the scenes especially Iran working to encircle Israel right. That country and al Assad isn't going to be there in five years. So what are we trying to achieve as the United States. Are we thinking we're slowing that process do we think we're going to push them out? Because you're not going to push out Russia or Iran without putting troops on the ground and physically going to war and pushing them out.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Iran

Howze Said President Trump Was On The Right Track By Leaving The Iran Deal

Howze Said President Trump Was On The Right Track By Leaving The Iran Deal. [1:05:15] Howze: “The Iran nuclear deal we should have pulled out of. They’re the number one state-sponsor of terror in the world. They have taken our money they're laughing at us. In the meantime they're still launching attacks against Israel and anybody else they want to out every foreign country in the Middle East. That pallet load of cash President Obama sent to them is being spent to kill our allies. Absolutely wrong. I think President Trump is on the right track by cutting that deal and trying to work something. Now that doesn't mean you just cut them off and ignore them. I think he now needs to negotiate a legitimate deal with them that cuts off their terror activities.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Said North Korea Was Proof That President Trump’s Foreign Policy Strategy Was Working.

Howze Said North Korea Was Proof That President Trump’s Foreign Policy Strategy Was Working. [1:05:55] Howze: “I think North Korea absolutely proves that the policy works. North Korea has pushed this country around since Bill Clinton. And what they did is every 10 years they’d saber rattle and we go there and give them a couple billion dollars to play like good children.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Howze Supported The Killing Of Qasem Soleimani And Said The Iranians Responded To The Killing By Launching Missiles At US Instillations That Were Paid For By Barack Obama

Howze Supported The Killing Of Qasem Soleimani And Said The Iranians Responded To The Killing By Launching Missiles At US Instillations That Were Paid For By Barack Obama. [6:45] Moderator: “Was President Trump’s order to take out Iranian terrorist leader Qasem Soleimani the right decision?” Howze: “Absolutely. Listen, I’m a parent. I understand the most basic concept. If I would have raised my three sons telling them ‘no, stop,’ ‘no stop,’ ‘please stop,’ ‘I’ll pay you to stop,’ you would have been run over as a parent. This is what we’ve done with Iran since 1979. Right? And today, the Iranians launched missiles at our military installations, and they were missiles that Barack Obama paid for. This has to stop. And I think our president sent a message that we are done. He not only sent a message to Iran that we are done, he sent a message to North Korea that we’re done. And I believe that Iran chose very poorly today. I think there’s going to be serious repercussions. But most importantly, we pray for the families and for our servicemembers that were over there right now.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

War Powers Act

Howze Said Congress Should Work To Take The War Powers Back From The President To Limit The Actions A President Can Take Without Congressional Approval
Howze Said Congress Should Work To Take The War Powers Back From The President To Limit The Actions A President Can Take Without Congressional Approval. [1:1:15] Howze: “I think that comes back to War Powers Act and stuff. And one of the things I think that as Congress we should really work to take that power back and make sure presidents only have pretty limited actions that they can take without congressional approval.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
### Significant Findings

- **2018:** Howze touted being a lifelong NRA member.
- Howze said him “having to every time [he] pulled an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week” was the “stupidest thing in the world.”
- Howze did not “generally support gun-control legislation” but said he would support “background checks with a mental health history” and “mandatory firearms training.”
- Howze said he believed when the Second Amendment “says ‘shall not be infringed,’ [it] means exactly that.”
- 2018: Howze said he would agree to federal background checks, waiting periods, and requiring firearm safety.
- Howze criticized Harder for voting against an amendment to gun legislation that would require notifying ICE when non-citizens try to buy a gun.
- Howze said he wanted to “place a moratorium on the state of California from enacting any other gun laws.”
- Howze said making it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will would make America safer.
- Howze was in favor of concealed carry reciprocity, saying it was an “unquestioned right we should have.”
- 2010: Howze had a concealed carry permit and received preferential treatment to get it.
- Howze said he supported Second Amendment sanctuary counties.

### NRA

#### 2018: Howze Touted Being A Lifelong NRA Member

2018: **Howze Touted Being A Lifelong NRA Member.** “The audience skewed older and, judging from the tone of the questions, a little liberal. They were polite, attentive and mostly quiet. They didn’t cheer many answers nor did they boo any, even when Ted Howze announced he was a proud life member of the NRA. We’d expect no less from Modesto. Polite.” [Modesto Bee, Mike Dunbar Column, 4/21/18]

**Howze Said He Was A “Pro-Second Amendment” Candidate.** [2:10] Howze: “I am a pro-Second Amendment life member of the NRA.” [Ted Howze OANN Interview, Vantage Toolbox, 12/16/19]

### Gun Purchasing Restrictions
**Howze Said Him “Having To Every Time [He] Pulled An AR-15 Out Of The Safe To Wonder If It’s Legal This Week” Was The “Stupidest Thing In The World”**

Howze said him “Having to every time [he] pull an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week” was the “stupidest thing in the world.” [22:00] Howze: “I hate having to every time I pull an AR-15 out of the safe to wonder if it’s legal this week or not. It’s the stupidest thing in the world and I’m a strong Second Amendment supporter.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Howze Did Not “Generally Support Gun-Control Legislation” But Said He Would Support “Background Checks With A Mental Health History” And “Mandatory Firearms Training”**

Howze did not “generally support gun-control legislation” but said he would support “background checks with a mental health history” and “mandatory firearms training.” When asked by Votesmart, “Do you generally support gun-control legislation,” Howze responded “No. I support our nation's Second Amendment right for law-abiding citizens to own any gun of their choosing to protect themselves and their families with. I do support background checks with a mental health history and mandatory firearms training prior to all initial gun purchases.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

**2018: Howze Said He Would Agree To Federal Background Checks, Waiting Periods, And Requiring Firearm Safety**

2018: Howze said he would agree to federal background checks, waiting periods, and requiring firearm safety if those on the “opposite side” stopped pretending Second Amendment rights didn’t exist, stopped calling for semi-automatic weapons bans, and over-reacting to shootings. “So how about both sides of the gun argument come to an agreement that leads to actual solutions? Those of us on the Pro 2A side will agree to federal background checks, including mental health backgrounds, waiting periods and required firearm safety courses prior to all first time firearm purchases. Those on the opposite side should agree to stop pretending like 2A rights don’t exist in the constitution, calling for the bans on semi-automatic guns and over reacting to every shooting by branding law abiding citizens as part of the problem.” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 3/25/18]

**Howze Criticized Harder For Voting Against An Amendment To Gun Legislation That Would Require Notifying ICE When Non-Citizens Try To Buy A Gun**

Howze criticized Harder for voting against an amendment to gun legislation that would require notifying ICE when non-citizens try to buy a gun. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “In the #CA10, where legal immigrant & Newman Police Cpl. #RonilSingh was just shot & murdered by a criminal alien MS-13 gang member, congressman @RepJoshHarder voted against an amendment to gun legislation that would require notifying @ICEgov when non-citizens try to buy a gun.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/2/19]
Howze Said He Wanted To “Place A Moratorium On The State Of California From Enacting Any Other Gun Laws.” [25:30] Howze: “I would want to place a moratorium on the state of California from enacting any other gun laws. And I would force them to come through the federal court system all the way up to the Supreme Court and I think the United States government should work against them to stop them from enacting any of those laws now that's absolutely an infringement on your Second Amendment rights.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Concealed Carry

Howze Said Making It Easier For Law-Abiding Citizens To Get Concealed Carry Permits At Will Would Make America Safer. [1:16:55] Howze: “Look I support the Second Amendment knowing that gun ownership by law-abiding citizens makes us a safer nation. It's a powerful deterrent to crime. And if you don't believe so just look at Mexico our neighbor to the south. They have one gun store in the entire country. Citizens are prohibited from owning guns. Yet they have three times the homicide rate as the United States by guns. Okay. Making more laws, gun control, is only control of law-abiding citizens. It doesn't affect criminals. If you wanted to make us a safer nation you'd make it easier for law-abiding citizens to get concealed carry permits at will. Look at the Texas shooting case. Good guy with a gun stop a bad guy with a gun. One shot, right?” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]
Howze Was In Favor Of Concealed Carry Reciprocity, Saying It Was An “Unquestioned Right We Should Have.” [11:00] Howze: “Oh I'm in favor of national CCW reciprocity. I think that we need a national standard so that we can eliminate all the infighting that we have between the states. I myself am a CCW holder here in the state of California. And I know it's frustrating when you want to drive across a state border you have to worry about locking up a gun because you just don't want to take the chance that you know have a misunderstanding and I think that's ridiculous. I think we're Americans and our right to carry and defend ourselves should not stop at state borders. I think you should have that right whenever you're standing on the soil of the United States of America. So I support it. I will vote for it and I think it's an unquestioned right we should have.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

2010: Howze Had A Concealed Carry Permit And Received Preferential Treatment To Get It

2010: Howze Had A Concealed Carry Permit And Received Preferential Treatment To Get It. “People in Turlock who want concealed weapon permits might consider running for office. Of the seven permits issued by Turlock police, two belong to City Council members. And while Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher don't feel they got preferential treatment, Police Chief Gary Hampton confirmed that they did. 'I do take into consideration people who hold political office,' Hampton said Wednesday […]. Howze and Spycher were elected to the City Council in November 2006, attended the same firearms course and received concealed weapon permits on the same day in October 2008. […] neither was aware that they have two of seven issued by Turlock police. […] Howze said, 'I'd always heard how tough (permits) were to get, so I never asked' before getting elected. With frequent contact after, 'it was convenient to ask,' he said, 'but I thought I'd have to go through the sheriff.' Howze said he 'had no idea whether it was seven or 700' permits issued by police.” [Modesto Bee, 4/9/10]

Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties

Howze Said He Supported Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties.

Howze Said He Supported Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties. [24:45] Howze: “When asked about Second Amendment sanctuary counties, Howze said “Yeah I would support that 100%. I would support people defending their constitutional right.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
Health Care Issues

**Significant Findings**

✓ Howze said he opposed the Republican health care law.

✓ Howze said he supported repealing the 2010 Affordable Care Act.

✓ Howze said Obamacare “was an unmitigated disaster.”

✓ Howze said Medicaid reimbursements to the states was “actually the greatest scam ever invented,” and that it was a money-making proposition to the states that expanded the program.

✓ Howze opposed eliminated categorical enrollment for Medicaid, saying that Medicaid “should be solely for the most needy in our society.”

✓ Howze said Medicaid should be a program solely responsible for poor children and disabled adults.

✓ Howze supported giving states block grants to fund Medicaid.

✓ In 2010, Howze supported a motion to strip health care benefits from elected officials in Turlock, including himself.

**American Health Care Act (AHCA)**

**Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Health Care Law**

Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Health Care Law. “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

**Affordable Care Act (ACA)**

**Howze Said He Supported Repealing The 2010 Affordable Care Act**

Howze Said He Supported Repealing The 2010 Affordable Care Act. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support repealing the 2010 Affordable Care Act (‘Obamacare”),” Howze responded “Yes. As a business owner, I watched as the healthcare premiums our company quadrupled under the ACA while employee benefits became less valuable with rising deductibles and co-pays. Obamacare was designed to fail and assure a government takeover of healthcare. There are better solutions!” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]
Howze Said Obamacare “Was An Unmitigated Disaster.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Obamacare was an unmitigated disaster for employers providing high quality health plans to their employees. Many #CA10 business owners have shared their stories which mirror my own.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/12/18]

Pre-Existing Conditions

Howze Said He Would “Support Any Plan That Covers Pre-Existing Conditions.” Howze: “I will support any plan that covers pre-existing conditions that increases transparency and competition to drive costs
down and removes any roadblock between patients and their doctors.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Medicare-For-All**

Howze Said Medicare For All Was Not The Answer To The Failure Of The Health Care System. [45:20]
Howze: “Look I have personal experience with the failure of the health care system in this country. And I'm telling you right now Medicare for all is not the answer. It is not the answer. Because when somebody is inserted between a patient and a doctor and making the decisions for them you're in the same position my late wife was in. Under Medicare for all there's only two ways to control cost and that is either to pay doctors less for providing services or provide fewer services. And if you don't think that's true go look at the VA system right now. We're talking about the number of veterans we've been helping through the VA system. It's a joke. Nobody deserves to have that kind of medical care. I propose we fix private healthcare systems.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Reforming Health Care**

2018: Howze Said He Would “Be Part Of The Solution In Making Health Care Available And Affordable To All American’s Without Busting Our Budget”

In 2012, my wife first began to exhibit problems with her health during exercise. Eventually, after multiple trips to her doctor she had an episode where she collapsed during a half marathon. For the next year we fought with a greedy insurance company that refused to approve additional diagnostic testing that she badly needed. Sadly she suddenly passed away in 2013, just 3 days before she was finally to receive the exercise echo-cardiogram we fought over a year for. […] What I do know is our system is broken and we have yet to find the best solution as a nation to foster a health care system that puts patients first. What I promise to do is to roll up my sleeves and be part of the solution in making health care available and affordable to all American’s (sic) without busting our budget.” [Ted Howze for Congress, 10/13/18]

Howze Called For Litigation Reform To Lower The Cost Of Healthcare

Howze Called For Litigation Reform To Lower The Cost Of Healthcare. [19:45] Howze: “We have to have litigation reform in this country right. We are going to have to take on the trial lawyers and we are going to have to stop these multi-million dollar malpractice suits. I'm in medicine I understand it's called the practice of medicine for a reason not the perfection of medicine. And we've got to get these crazy lawsuits under control so the doctors can perform at a reasonable cost and I think that's important.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Medicaid**

Howze Said Medicaid Reimbursements To The States Was “Actually The Greatest Scam Ever Invented,” And That It Was A Money-Making Proposition To The States That Expanded The Program

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This is why Medicaid has been expanding in every state at breakneck pace. Because the states realize it’s a money-making proposition.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

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Block Granting Medicaid Would Hurt Californians

Block Granting Medicaid Would Cut Federal Funding For MediCal. “Over 20% of Californians age 65 and over, approximately 2.6 million individuals, rely on Medi-Cal every year for necessary health care services. Block grants and per-capita cap proposals would cut federal funding for MediCal and remove longstanding federal protections, resulting in real-world harm to low-income older adults in California. Older adults could lose vital health care services. […] Fewer services could be available for older adults living at home. […] Older adults could be forced further into poverty due to health care costs. […] Older adults could experience increased risk of poor care.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

Older Adults Could Lose Vital Health Care Services. “Older adults could lose vital health care services. Current law requires certain low-income groups to receive Medi-Cal, but these mandatory eligibility categories could disappear under some cap proposals. Federal law now requires states to enroll anyone who is eligible for Medi-Cal, but that protection could be lost under a block grant. Without such federal requirements, California could limit coverage to a certain number of persons each year. Current law requires Medi-Cal to provide certain services such as hospital inpatient and outpatient services, and nursing home services. Under the cap proposals, however, California could exclude or cut even mandatory services.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

Cap Proposals Could Cut Funding And Oversight, Leading To Fewer Providers And Reduced Access. “Current law requires California to pay adequate rates to providers, and provides federal oversight to ensure
states follow through. California’s reimbursement to Medi-Cal providers is the third lowest in the country. Under cap proposals, however, funding and oversight would be cut, which likely would result in even lower provider rates, fewer participating providers, and reduced access for vulnerable low-income persons.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Fewer Services Could Be Available For Older Adults Living At Home.** “California has made much progress in helping older adults to remain living at home with programs like In-Home Supportive Services and Community Based Adult Services. Capped funding would put this progress at risk. California also uses Medicaid waivers to provide a range of services that enable older adults to remain living at home. Programs like the Multi-Purpose Senior Services Program and Nursing Home/Acute Hospital waiver provide personal care services, meal delivery, assistance for family caregivers, and home modifications. However, faced with reduced federal funding, California would likely reduce home-based services or shrink enrollment.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Older Adults Could Be Forced Further Into Poverty Due To Health Care Costs.** “Older adults could be forced further into poverty due to health care costs. Currently, Medi-Cal does not count certain items when deciding eligibility. If California could make its own rules, however, beneficiaries could be required to sell their home, car, wedding ring, or burial fund in order to receive Medi-Cal. Current law provides special financial protection for spouses of those persons who no longer can live independently. Without this protection, one person’s stay in a nursing home, or long-term need for personal assistance at home, could consign his or her spouse to ongoing poverty. Medi-Cal providers are now required to accept the Medi-Cal rate as payment in full. Without this protection, Medi-Cal beneficiaries could face unaffordable medical bills.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

**Older Adults Could Experience Increased Risk Of Poor Care.** “Older adults could experience increased risk of poor care. The Nursing Home Reform Law provides for specific services, requires around-the-clock nurse staffing and protects residents from abuse, neglect, or eviction, but these protections could be eliminated under cap proposals. Quality of care could suffer, exposing residents to an increased risk of infections, bedsores, and other negative and dangerous outcomes.” [Justice In Aging Fact Sheet, accessed 3/25/20]

### Municipal Employee Health Insurance

#### 2010: Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock

**Howze Supported A Motion Defunding Health Care For Elected Officials In Turlock.** “Motion by Councilmember Spycher, seconded by Councilmember Howze, to eliminate health care benefits and/or deferred compensation in-lieu of benefits, on a voluntary basis effective September 1, 2010, defund health care insurance for all elected officials in the future effective September 1, 2010, and directing staff to bring back a resolution within 30 days for consideration by Council.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 6/22/10]
Housing Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze said the first step to curing homelessness would be to re-empower law enforcement to enforce quality of life laws.

✓ 2007: On the Turlock City Council Howze opposed city funding for homeless shelters.

Homelessness

Howze Said The First Step To Curing Homelessness Would Be To Re-Empower Law Enforcement To Enforce Quality Of Life Laws

Howze said the first step to curing homelessness would be to re-empower law enforcement to enforce quality of life laws. [33:00] Howze: “Listen the approach that’s being taken towards homelessness is failing. It's failing because it's like trying to throw hundred-dollar bills on a bonfire to put the fire out. We are not solving the core issues. The core issues are drug addiction, alcohol addiction, mental illness. But we will not change behavior towards a group of people that are living a life of criminal vagrancy if there's no consequences to their actions. Not only are not only are we not putting consequences, we're building places for people to go clean shoot up with heroin in clean facilities. That's got to stop. The first step to curing homelessness is re-empowering our law enforcement and district attorneys to enforcing quality of life laws and then giving individuals an opportunity to enter diversionary programs.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

2007: On The Turlock City Council Howze Opposed City Funding For Homeless Shelters

Howze said he opposed Turlock funding homeless shelters because shelters funded with taxpayer dollars were subject to “few restrictions on whom is sheltered there.” [Modesto Bee, 9/18/07]

Howze said that city dollars should not be dedicated to homeless shelters, instead suggesting that the city direct federal dollars to frontline services for the homeless. “Businessmen, homeless people, the faith-based and social services will be called on to design a system for moving people off the street and into homes, the City Council decided Monday night. Whether the committee will unite a damaged city or turn into another layer of bureaucracy hinges on widespread participation, said two California State University, Stanislaus, professors who presented their findings on homelessness to the City Council […] Councilman Ted Howze said city dollars should not be dedicated to a shelter. If anything, the city can direct federal money to front-line services, he said. Councilman Kurt Spycher said the faith-based community should take over any type of shelter and the city should dedicate its dollars, federal or otherwise, to transitional housing programs.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Howze said he opposed Turlock funding homeless shelters because shelters funded with taxpayer dollars were subject to “few restrictions on whom is sheltered there” which meant the shelter could house paroled felons from neighboring communities. “Many Turlock residents have asked for a deeper explanation of why a majority of the City Council supports getting Turlock out of the role of homeless shelter provider. City leaders were informed in July that any shelter owned, operated or funded with taxpayer money is deemed a public facility subject to few restrictions on whom is sheltered there. This includes sheltering paroled felons sent here from other communities within Stanislaus County by state parole agents. The public facility designation applies even if the city owns the building and leases it to a non-profit group or if the city provides any operational funding to an outside group that owns its own facility. Any solution must involve collaborative efforts
between Turlock's faith-based and nonprofit organizations that own, fund and operate their own facilities.”
[Modesto Bee, 9/23/08]

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**The City Council Voted To Sell The Homeless Shelter**

The City Council Voted To Sell The Homeless Shelter. “The City Council voted to seek buyers for its former homeless shelter, ending its Tuesday night meeting with no clear solution to house the city's homeless this winter. Councilmen Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher and Vice Mayor Kurt Vander Weide voted to open the bidding process on the converted warehouse at 400 B St. Mayor John Lazar and Councilwoman Beverly Hatcher dissented. 'The city shouldn't be in the shelter business,' Howze said, noting his concern that a city-operated public shelter could be used to house people who have been paroled from prison.” [Modesto Bee, 8/27/08]
Infrastructure & Transportation Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze wanted to serve on the Infrastructure and Transportation Committee.

✓ Howze said he would kill the California bullet train immediately with a federal audit.

✓ 2007: Howze voted to increase city bus fares, in some cases by upwards of 70 percent, calling it a “necessary evil.”

✓ 2008: Howze voted for a plan that included a half-cent sales tax increase to fund roads and regional repairs.

✓ 2010: Howze supported a half-cent tax measure to pay for roads.

✓ 2018: Howze said although he opposed new taxes, while on the city council he “fought like a dog” to negotiate a new road tax because he was asked to.

✓ 2018: Howze said that during his time on the city council they expanded the police force, expanded the fire service, and did that without raising any local taxes.

✓ Howze said the California gas tax was unconstitutional in his opinion.

Infrastructure And Transportation Committee

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Bullet Train

Howze Said He Would Kill The California Bullet Train Immediately With A Federal Audit

Howze Said He Would Kill The California Bullet Train Immediately With A Federal Audit. [32:30] Howze: “I would kill the bullet train immediately. And I would kill it with a federal audit. […] Kill the bullet train project take all remaining funds and pour that into local commuter projects and that I support 100%.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

Bus Fare Increases

2007: Howze Voted To Increase City Bus Fares, In Some Cases By Upwards Of 70 Percent, Calling It A “Necessary Evil”
2007: Howze Voted to Increase City Bus Fares, In Some Cases By Upwards Of 70 Percent, Calling It A “Necessary Evil.” “The council raised city bus fares, in some cases by upwards of 70 percent. Starting Sept. 1, the 75-cent regular fare will go to $1.25; the 35-cent fare for seniors and the disabled will climb to 60 cents. Dial-a-ride rates will go from $1.15 or $1.70, depending on health and age, to a flat $2.50 for trips within the city and $3.50 for trips outside town. Elementary school children going to-and-from will be charged $6 a day. […] The city must collect 15 percent of the bus systems' operating costs from fares to maintain state funding, hence the raise, City Engineer Roger Fall said. ‘It's not to start a new service, not to expand a service, but to maintain what we have,’ Fall said. ‘We're actually reducing service, but more on that later.’ […] Councilman Ted Howze called the increases a 'necessary evil.'” [Modesto Bee, 7/25/07]

Transportation Taxes

2008: Howze Voted For A Plan That Included A Half-Cent Sales Tax Increase To Fund Roads And Regional Repairs

2008: Howze Was Supportive Of A Half-Cent Sales Tax Increase To Fund Roads And Regional Repairs. “Measure K was campaigned against heavily here in 2006, but with a new formula to kick dollars back to city government and a slender list of regional projects, the City Council will back a 2008 version of the half-percent sales tax measure, the council decided Tuesday. The new plan calls for a 20-year term for the tax, instead of 30 years, and would raise $700 million for Stanislaus County roads. […] How the $350 million in local money would be divided among the cities is the big question, said Councilman Ted Howze, the city's representative to StanCOG. StanCOG suggested an even distribution of the money in thirds by population, maintained road miles and sales tax. The City Council decided Tuesday that it's only interested if the formula is skewed 70 percent for sales tax, 20 percent for maintained miles and 10 percent for population, Howze said.” [Modesto Bee, 1/9/08]

Howze Voted For The Plan. “The southern corridor project was a major selling point to get Turlock's support, Howze said, and the city wanted a guarantee the funds wouldn't disappear if the project didn't materialize. StanCog agreed to require a four-fifths vote, up from two-thirds, among its 16 board members to revise the spending allocations for the corridor projects. Howze voted for the plan.” [Modesto Bee, 6/12/08]

Howze Said He Was Opposed To Additional Taxes, But He Would Let The Public Decide If They Wanted To Raise Taxes. “I'm fundamentally opposed to additional taxes, and I know (two other Turlock councilmen) are, too. That said, we've done the best job we could. I'm going to at least vote to allow the public to tax themselves to improve our roads.' -- Ted Howze, Turlock City Council” [Modesto Bee, 2/10/08]

Howze Opposed A Similar Tax In 2006

Howze Opposed A Similar Tax In 2006 Called “Measure K.” “Measure K has been hotly debated throughout Stanislaus County this election season. […] Jeremy Rocha, Kurt Spycher, William Hoyle, Ted Howze, Jeffrey Hillberg -- who hosted a town meeting against Measure K last month -- and Ingrid Balisha are against it. Opponents of Measure K insist that state and federal governments collect enough tax money to build, repair and maintain roads. In Turlock, some critics have said the money collected in the larger cities will be disproportionately funneled to smaller cities. Some have estimated that upwards of 80 percent of the $4 million to $6 million a year generated in Turlock would leave the city. […] Ted Howze: ‘Measure K would send 80 percent of the tax dollars generated inside Turlock outside of our city. Local government is best suited to meet needs at home.’” [Modesto Bee, 10/11/06]

Measure K Was A Half-Cent Sales Tax For Transportation Improvements. “Measure K, the half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements, needed 67 percent to pass and will get only about 58 percent.” [Modesto Bee, 11/8/06]
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2010: Howze Supported A Half-Cent Tax Measure To Pay For Roads

Howze went on to back Jackson, a city representative on the Stanislaus Council of Governments, which is considering another try at a half-cent sales tax measure to pay for roads. ‘Everyone knows I don't favor taxes,’ he said. ‘But the way the thing was set up, it would have been more than fair. I would be more than happy to work with you guys to make sure this thing comes out.’ Jackson responded, ‘I thank you, Ted. It's no fun to ask people for more tax money. But that's the way the game is played.’” [Modesto Bee 11/24/10]

2018: Howze Said Although He Opposed New Taxes, While On The City Council He “Fought Like A Dog” To Negotiate A New Road Tax Because He Was Asked To

Howze: “Listen I've held elected office and I have a track record. When I was a Turlock City Council member I put customer service for any member of our community above everything else. And in fact I know for a fact, the Bee just absolutely eviscerated me in an editorial one time because I was tapped by our Democrat mayor to go negotiate the best tax deal for Turlock and road tax. I don't favor new taxes. But I went and fought like a dog because it was what was asked for our city. And that's the way I'll serve all constituents. I will listen. I will provide customer service and it will be the priority of our district field office that we make sure anybody coming in asking for help gets help before they leave.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

Howze Said The California Gas Tax Was Unconstitutional In His Opinion

Howze: “How many of you guys hate the gas tax. That's absolutely unconstitutional in my opinion right. There was no vote on raising that tax.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
# Immigration & Border Issues

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✓ Howze said he did not have qualms with immigrants with work visas getting driver’s licenses, but if an immigrant with no work visa caused an accident they should be deported.

✓ Howze said he had been the victim of two unlicensed drivers from foreign countries.

✓ Howze said he was “firmly against illegal immigration” because it was a national security issue.

✓ Howze said he did not support requiring immigrants who are unlawfully present to return to their country of origin before becoming eligible for citizenship.

✓ Howze tweeted that migrations to America were being driven by “murderous drug lords, gangs, and political corruption,” and that it was an “invasion.”

✓ Howze called immigrants invaders.

✓ Howze argued that immigrants carried “Ebola, Zika, MERS, and SARS.”

✓ Howze: “I also believe that we need to stop spending money on non-American citizens.”

✓ Howze claimed Democrats put MS-13 above Americans and used undocumented immigrants to win elections.

✓ Howze said he was “completely in favor of legal immigration.”

✓ Howze said he opposed sanctuary states and would support legislation to have the federal government arrest the governor of a state for not enforcing the laws.

✓ Howze opposed California’s sanctuary state law.

✓ Howze: “I would introduce legislation in Congress allowing for federal indictment and prison sentences for elected officials who willingly pass sanctuary laws.”

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**CA-10 Statistics**

**In CA-10, 20 Percent Of Residents Were Foreign Born**

In California’s 10th Congressional District, Over 20 Percent Of Residents Were Foreign Born. [United States Census Bureau, accessed 5/3/19]

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Far-Right Ideology

Howze Said He Was To The “Right” Of Denham On Immigration

Howze: “The Only Issue That I’m Right Of Congressman Denham On Is Probably Immigration.” “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul. And while he supports President Donald Trump, he said, ‘I certainly would not consider President Trump a role model for my children nor for myself.’ ‘The only issue that I’m right of Congressman Denham on is probably immigration,’ Howze said.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

Modesto Bee: Howze Had A “Far-Right Stance On Immigration”

Modesto Bee: Howze Had A “Far-Right Stance On Immigration” And Opposed Amnesty. “He has a far-right stance on immigration, opposing amnesty for undocumented immigrants and insisting on border security such as a Mexican border wall, a mainstay of President Donald Trump’s 2016 campaign. ‘Most people feel (Denham) is selling out our president's strategy,’ Howze said. He thinks Denham wants support from moderates, including Democrats, more than he fears retribution from a lame-duck speaker; Ryan will retire in November.” [Modesto Bee, 5/26/18]

Amnesty

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Howze Said He “Will Not Stand For Amnesty.” [48:10] Howze: “I will not stand for amnesty. I do support legal immigration. I think we need to double the number of H-2A visas to get more agricultural workers in this country. And I think we need to offer them an expedited path to citizenship if they're willing to come to this country and work hard and stay out of trouble.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, 3/9/19]

Howze Said CA-10 Residents Didn’t Support Jeff Denham And Nancy Pelosi’s Plan To “Give Amnesty To 23 Million Illegal Aliens With No Border Wall”

Howze Said CA-10 Residents Didn’t Support Jeff Denham And Nancy Pelosi’s Plan To “Give Amnesty To 23 Million Illegal Aliens With No Border Wall, No End To Chain Migration, & No Immigration Reforms.” “Howze, a former Turlock city councilman, ran against Denham from the right, challenging the incumbent on his support for ‘Dreamers,’ undocumented immigrants who arrived in this country as minors. ‘Let's tell @RepJeffDenham & @NancyPelosi that residents of the #CA10 don't support their plan to give Amnesty to 23 million illegal aliens with no border wall, no end to chain migration & no immigration reforms,’ Howze said in a tweet last month.” [San Francisco Chronicle, 6/6/18]

Birthright Citizenship (14th Amendment)

Howze Said He Did Not Defend The Fourteenth Amendment “As An Absolute Right” And Said He Wanted To Eliminate Birthright Citizenship
Howze Said He Did Not Defend The Fourteenth Amendment “As An Absolute Right” And Said He Wanted To Eliminate Birthright Citizenship. [12:50] Howze: “I’ve had a lot of discussions recently with people about the meaning of the Fourteenth Amendment and you know birthright citizenship on American soil. You know a lot of people want to defend that as an absolute right. I don't defend it as an absolute right. You know the men who wrote the 14th amendment did it post-civil war to protect freed slaves that they wanted to not be denied citizenship in former Confederate States. And they wrote that amendment the author's themselves had said foreign people you know didn't apply to it. So I don't think that that applies. […] [14:20] I really would like to see us eliminate birthright citizenship give people a path to get legitimate work visas.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]


2018: Howze: “There Is No Valid Basis Under The 14th Amendment For The Practice Of Granting Citizenship To U.S. Born Children Of Foreign Nationals Illegally In America.” “There is no valid basis under the 14th Amendment for the practice of granting citizenship to U.S. born children of foreign nationals illegally in America. The 14th Amendment was clearly ratified in 1868 to protect the rights of native-born Black Americans, whose rights were being denied as recently-freed slaves. It was written in a manner so as to prevent state governments from ever denying citizenship to blacks born in the United States. But in 1868, the United States had no formal immigration policy, and the authors therefore saw no need to address immigration explicitly in the amendment. […] The correct interpretation of the 14th Amendment, according to its authors, is that an illegal alien mother is subject to the jurisdiction of her native country as is her baby. Automatic birthright citizenship is a policy that Congress should not only highly discourage but legislatively challenge until the courts decide the issue.” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 4/16/18]

Howze Wanted Courts To Investigate Ending Birthright Citizenship

Howze Called For Courts To Investigate Ending Birthright Citizenship. [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/5/19]

Ted Howze for Congress Mark,
I’d suggest we first ask the courts to examine it as written. The authors of the 14th amendment clearly stated it was written to guarantee citizenship to freed slaves and not the children of foreign nationals.

[Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 2/5/19]

Border Wall

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2018: Howze Said That Since He Wasn’t An Engineer He Didn’t Know If A Border Was “Feasible,” But If A Border Wall Was Feasible Then He Was “All For It.” [15:50] Howze: “I'm not an engineer. I don't know the best way to secure the border. I'm going to tell you I believe we need to secure it. If that's a wall across most of the border if that's a fence across some of it if that's you know electronic measures and drones and if it's boots on the ground in some areas it is what it is. You know I support securing our border in whatever manner that is necessary. And again, I haven't seen the plans, I'm not an engineer. I don't know you know if a wall is feasible, I'm all for it. If it's not I'm for whatever is necessary to get that done.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

DACA/Dreamers

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Howze Said To Create The DACA Program, Obama “Pulled An Unconstitutional Maneuver Through Executive Fiat.” [12:35] Howze: “Now as far as DACA and the Dreamers go, there's kind of a unique perspective there from the standpoint that you know Dreamers are young people that were brought here to this country by their parents. Now I was subject to my dad moving around quite a bit as I was a kid. And as a kid you had no choice, you went wherever your parents went. So you can kind of identify with these young people that fall under the class of Dreamers. The problem is President Obama pulled an unconstitutional maneuver through executive fiat and he created the DACA program in which he pitched to these Dreamers that if you're willing to come in, sign up, pay the fee, do all the right things that he was going to give you some kind of pathway to something, but no promises. So consequently we had nearly 800,000 Dreamers sign up and become DACA registrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

Howze Said He Would Freeze The Immigration Status Of DACA Registrants Until After The Borders Are Secured And Then They Would “Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship”

Howze Said He Would Freeze The Immigration Status Of DACA Registrants Until After The Borders Are Secured And The Immigration System Is Reformed. [13:30] Howze: “Now there's a difference between a Dreamer who's here in the country illegally because her parents brought him here and a DACA registrant who thought they were doing the right thing you know under our laws because they were legitimately trying to find a pathway to citizenship. So what I would do is I would take the DACA registrants and I would freeze their status. They wouldn't be eligible for deportation and I'd say you could stay in this country right now while we do two things. While we secure our borders and ports and while we reform immigration.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

After Those Two Things Were Done Howze Would Allow DACA Registrants “To Go To The End Of The Line To Earn Citizenship.” [14:05] Howze: “Because first of all, our current immigration process only benefits immigration attorneys. They're the ones making all the money and they're the one that's dragging this thing out for 15 or 20 years, and the government's backlogged. We live in an age as we're sitting here doing a podcast today we live in an age of technological revolution. We should be able to find a way technologically to reform our immigration system where we can get people through the system in five years or less. So I would secure our borders, I'd reform our immigration system and then once that's done I would allow the DACA registrants, the people that signed up and did the right thing, I would allow them to go to the end of the line to earn citizenship. But not until I get those other things done first.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

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**Howze Said Immigrants Here Illegally, Other Than The “800,000” DACA Recipients, Should Be Deported.** [15:20] Howze: “I would allow 800,000 people to get in the back of the line. Otherwise if you're in this country illegally you should be deported. Unless you're here on a legitimate work visa or you're already going through the citizenship process trying to do it the way you should have to leave the country. So my stance is pretty easy. I support legal immigration and would try to close our borders off and stem the tide of illegal immigrants.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Howze Said He Had “Repeatedly” Expressed Support For A Solution For Dreamers Who Signed Up For DACA To Become Citizens**

**Howze Said He Had “Repeatedly” Expressed Support For A Solution For Dreamers Who Signed Up For DACA To Become Citizens.** [14:50] Howze: “I have said repeatedly on the record on film I support a solution for the Dreamers who actually signed up under the provision of DACA. I’m a football coach. I believe the rules are the rules. When President Obama created the DACA program like it or not he put it out there and said if you come in and pay the fee, this is what we’re going to do with you. I think it is wrong for us to yank that back for the people who did what they thought was the right thing. For those that signed up under DACA, I would freeze their immigration status so they wouldn’t have to worry about being deported and I would allow them to get into line to earn citizenship just like anybody else trying to earn citizenship.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

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**Howze Said That Individuals Who Did Not Sign Up For DACA Should Have To Work Through The System “Just Like Anybody Else.”** [15:35] Howze: “If however you did not sign up under the provision of DACA you are in this country illegally juts like anybody else who has entered illegally and you are going to have to work your way through the system from beginning to end just like anybody else. I don’t think we can handpick who we provide priority status to just because you violated the law to enter the country. I would much rather see us have a merit-based immigration system than a first come first serve immigration system.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

**Howze Thought Dreamers Who Didn’t Register For DACA Were Likely Criminals And Should Not Be Eligible For Citizenship**

**Howze Thought Dreamers Who Didn’t Register For DACA Were Likely Criminals And Should Not Be Eligible For Citizenship.** “Howze said he believes that only those who registered for DACA should be eligible for citizenship. He said Dreamers who did not register should not be considered for a path to citizenship because they are likely criminals.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

**Driver’s Licenses & DUIs**

**Howze Said He Did Not Have Qualms With Immigrants With Work Visas Getting Driver’s Licenses, But If An Immigrant With No Work Visa Caused An Accident They Should Be Deported**

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and you cause an accident you should probably be arrested and deported instantly because you've committed a crime by being here not legally.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

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Sanctuary Cities & States

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Howze Said He Opposed Sanctuary States And Would Support Legislation To Have The Federal Government Arrest The Governor Of A State For Not Enforcing The Laws. [4:10] Howze: “Listen I am absolutely opposed to the sanctuary state status. And it breaks my heart because we were just in Newman the other night for the second remembrance service for Ronil Singh. Who was a young animal control officer when I was first seated on the Turlock city council. You look at the criminal that took his life who has fallen through the cracks, been deported come back, given sanctuary. We’re allowing criminals in this state to be protected by our elected politicians. I think at the federal level we have to hold them accountable. If that means that we have to have the federal government come in and arrest a governor of a state for not enforcing the laws, so be it. As a member of Congress, I would vote to pass that legislation in a heartbeat. We must secure our borders, protect our county, its sovereign rights, its citizens, and I will do that as your member of Congress.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Opposed California’s Sanctuary State Law

Howze Said He “Never Dreamed The Fight To End California’s #SB54 Sanctuary Law” “Would Become So Deeply Personal” For Him Until A Local Police Officer Was Killed By An Undocumented Immigrant. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “I never dreamed the fight to end California’s #SB54 sanctuary law and secure our borders would become so deeply personal for me. But, I never want to see another American citizen murdered by a criminal illegal alien like the one that took Ron Singh from his family forever.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/5/19]
SB 54 Disallowed Local Law Enforcement To Investigate Or Arrest People For Immigration Enforcement Purposes. “SB 54 is known as the California Values Act or by its moniker as the Sanctuary State bill. This is the bill that impacts law enforcement and, according to the United States Department of Justice, allegedly interferes with the ability of federal immigration authorities to carry out their jobs. State and local law enforcement are not allowed to investigate, interrogate, detain, detect, or arrest people for immigration enforcement purposes. No agency money or personnel can be used for these purposes. This would include but is not limited to, inquiring into an individual’s immigration status, detaining an individual based on a hold request, providing information regarding a person’s release date, or transferring an individual to immigration authorities unless allowed by a warrant.” [ABC 10, 12/28/18]

Howze: “I Would Introduce Legislation In Congress Allowing For Federal Indictment And Prison Sentences For Elected Officials Who Willingly Pass Sanctuary Laws”

**Immigration Reform**

**Howze Said He Was “Firmly Against Illegal Immigration” Because It Was A National Security Issue**

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Howze: “I am firmly against illegal immigration. And the reason being is it’s a national security issue. If we don’t know who’s coming across our borders or through our ports we open ourselves up, be it acts of terrorism. You know we are putting ourselves in danger as a country. We have enemies around the world and we need to keep those people out of our country.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Howze Said He Did Not Support Requiring Immigrants Who Were Unlawfully Present To Return To Their Country Of Origin Before Becoming Eligible For Citizenship**

Howze Said He Did Not Support Requiring Immigrants Who Were Unlawfully Present To Return To Their Country Of Origin Before Becoming Eligible For Citizenship. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support requiring immigrants who are unlawfully present to return to their country of origin before they are eligible for citizenship,” Howze responded “No. But I do support, as a condition of immigration reform, setting a firm deadline to apply for citizenship. After such time one would face permanent deportation without being eligible for future citizenship.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

**Howze Said He Was “Completely In Favor Of Legal Immigration”**

Howze Said He Was “Completely In Favor Of Legal Immigration.” [11:50] Howze: “Well first of all I'm completely in favor of legal immigration. We're a country of immigrants. You know all of our families immigrated here at some point or another. And I think over time the requirements have changed and stuff but we all have this kind of shared background of coming here legally at some point. And a lot of our ancestors came through Ellis Island.” [Ted Howze Interview by Forgotten Liberty Radio, YouTube, uploaded 5/28/18]

**Extreme Rhetoric**

**Howze Called Immigrants Invaders**

Howze Called Immigrants Coming Across The Southern Border A “Daily Invasion.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Fast forward to modern America where mass migrations are being driven northward from Central America by murderous drug lords, gangs and political corruption. We are witnessing a
daily invasion across our southern border while Democrats say the crisis is ‘manufactured.’” [Ted Howze, Twitter, Twitter, 1/16/19]

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Howze Complained Undocumented Immigrants Posed A Health Risk Because They Could Carry Diseases, Appearing To Warn Of “Ebola, Zika, MERS, And SARS.” According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “As the debate on illegal immigration rages on, consider this. I have spent the last 25 years working as a licensed veterinarian in the State of California. I’m routinely required by law to perform health exams and write Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) on livestock in order to obtain entry permits so that ANIMALS leaving California can legally enter other states or nations. […] But what about people who enter America illegally? The Centers for Disease Control specifically cites the likely potential for the cross-border movement of tuberculosis, measles, pertussis, rubella, hepatitis A, influenza, shigellosis and syphilis. […] Sadly, politicians have erected tougher barriers against the movement of animals across our borders than people. There is a crisis of potentially apocalyptic scale happening right now at our Southern Border. You’ve probably heard of Ebola, Zika, MERS, and SARS. Lassa Fever is spread by rat pee and poop and can cause you to bleed in lots of places and kill you.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, January 2019]

Howze: “I Also Believe That We Need To Stop Spending Money On Non-American Citizens”

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Howze Claimed Democrats Put MS-13 Above Americans And Used Undocumented Immigrants To Win Elections

Howze: “Democrats Used Illegal Aliens To Win California’s 2018 Congressional Elections.” According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “The truth comes out! Democrats used illegal aliens to win California’s 2018 Congressional elections. Wonder why they oppose securing our borders? Wonder why they are deathly silent about last weeks murder of Newman Police Officer Ronil Singh by a criminal illegal alien? Nancy Pelosi simply can’t risk offending the allies that just made her Speaker of the House again.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 1/4/19]

Howze Accused Democrats Of “Using Non-Citizen Ballot Harvesting Teams In CA.” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “@SpeakerPelosi spent $30 million on @joshua_harder to flip the #CA10 blue while using non-citizen ballot harvesting teams in CA. No wonder she believes border security is immoral. Nancy’s only belief is naked power by any means necessary!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 1/4/19]
LGBT Issues

Significant Findings
✓ Howze opposed taxpayers paying for the gender reassignment surgery of a prison inmate.

Gender Reassignment Surgery

Howze Opposed Taxpayers Paying For The Gender Reassignment Surgery Of A Prison Inmate. According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “Monday MADNESS..... A three judge panel of the 9th Circuit Court of appeals has unanimously ruled Idaho taxpayers MUST pay for the gender reassignment surgery of convicted pedophile Adree Edmo. This shouldn’t be a taxpayer responsibility. Let’s fix this!” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 8/26/19]
National Defense & Security Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze supported reducing defense spending to balance the budget.
✓ Howze supported using military force to prevent hostile governments from possessing a nuclear weapon.
✓ Howze said he was “firmly against illegal immigration” because it was a national security issue.

Defense Spending

Howze Supported Reducing Defense Spending To Balance The Budget

Howze Supported Reducing Defense Spending To Balance The Budget. When asked by Votesmart, “In order to balance the budget, do you support reducing defense spending,” Howze responded “Yes. America is a nation with the largest armed citizen militia in the world and has no reasonable fear of invasion by any foreign force. We are fully capable of projecting force through economic advantage, technologically superior weaponry and air power. We should bring our forces home, stay out of foreign conflicts, reduce the size of our military and invest in America's infrastructure needs. Military job reductions can be absorbed by construction job gains.” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]

Nuclear Weapons

Howze Supported Using Military Force To Prevent Hostile Governments From Possessing A Nuclear Weapon

**State & Local Issues**

### Significant Findings

- **Howze flip flopped on allowing big box stores in Turlock.**

- **2009: Howze supported canceling recreational swim sessions at Turlock and Pitman High Schools to cut costs.**

- **2009: Howze at first opposed using city money to remodel an arts center, but advocated spending $2.8 million of city money on refurbishing the local high school’s track and football field.**

- **2009: Howze voted to fund both the football field project and the arts center project.**

- **Howze said he would support the Del Porto water project if they could prove the community below them was safe.**

- **Howze said the biggest impediment to California building more dams and hydroelectric energy plants was the Democratic Party.**

- **Howze made misleading claims about a Turlock development project, taking credit for himself**
  - Howze claimed that a local development initiative, the Turlock Regional Industrial Project, was his “signature project” when it had actually been approved before he joined the city council.

- **2009: Howze voted with a unanimous city council to put the words “In God We Trust” and “We The People” on the walls of the council room.**

- **Howze supported contingency plans for conducting government business remotely on the Turlock City Council. It is unclear what his positions are on remote government in the era of COVID-19.**

### Big Box Stores

**Howze Flip Flopped On Allowing Big Box Stores In Turlock**

**Howze Voted In Favor Of Banning Large Discount Stores In Turlock To Protect Small Businesses, Calling Large Retailers A “No-Win Situation For Us”**

**Howze Voted In Favor Of Banning Large Discount Stores In Turlock To Protect Small Businesses, Calling Large Retailers A “No-Win Situation For Us.”** “The city Planning Commission on Thursday night endorsed a ban on certain large discount stores, including a ‘supercenter’ planned by Wal-Mart. After a hearing that packed its chamber, the commission voted 5-0 to urge the Turlock City Council to approve the ban. It would bar new or expanding discount stores that exceed 100,000 square feet and devote at least 5 per-cent of the space to groceries and other nontaxable items. Proponents said the action is needed because such a store would increase crosstown traffic and could force other grocery stores to shut down. ‘We are talking about taking pieces of the pie away from current businesses in our town, and that is a no-win situation for us,’ Commissioner Ted Howze said.” [Modesto Bee, 11/21/03]
**2006: Howze Supported A Wal-Mart In Turlock**

“Though this city has won its long-standing legal battle with America's largest retailer, many still are asking, ‘Is there room for a Super Wal-Mart in Turlock?’ A slim majority of candidates running for City Council say there is. Seven of the 13 council candidates who responded to a Bee questionnaire thought there is somewhere in the city for a retail supercenter. All agreed that a super retailer must pay its way when it comes to traffic and utility improvements. […] Ted Howze, Mary Jackson and Kurt Spycher thought some type of agreement could be worked out. […] Ted Howze: Supports it ‘but only if Wal-Mart cooperates … to find a suitable location. … The real fight with Wal-Mart has always been about Turlock's ability to properly plan its own development and not have a corporate giant tell us how to plan our city.’” [Modesto Bee, 10/10/06]

**Years Later, Howze Supported Allowing Big Box Stores To Increase Revenues And Stave Off Cuts To City Services**

“Like many municipalities across the state and nation, Turlock, Calif., is struggling to plug a sizable budget hole. So city officials are looking to court big-box retailers. It's not exactly a novel plan for ginning up jobs and sales tax revenue in a slow economy. But it's remarkable for Turlock considering that six years ago this city of 70,000 waged a successful campaign to block Wal-Mart Stores Inc. from building a proposed supercenter. Local residents were concerned about traffic, visual blight and harm to mom-and-pop businesses. But City Councilman Ted Howze said the biggest worry now was how to stave off deep cuts to city services. ‘Like every municipality, we're looking at ways of increasing revenues,’ said Howze, who wants to change zoning laws to allow the big guys in. ‘Every dollar is stretched thin.’” [Los Angeles Times, 10/18/10]

**Schools**

**2009: Howze Supported Canceling Recreational Swim Sessions At Turlock And Pitman High Schools To Cut Costs**

“The Turlock City Council on Tuesday night put off a decision to cancel recreational swim sessions at Turlock and Pitman high schools as a cost-cutting measure, giving potential donors time to save the programs. […] At risk are Monday-through-Friday sessions at both high schools; the city-owned Columbia Pool would remain open seven days a week. Councilwoman Mary Jackson said she was concerned about children looking for other places to swim if the pools aren't open. Councilman Ted Howze countered that the council needs to make big cuts to balance its budget. ‘Every action is tough,’ he said. ‘Since when did government become baby-sitters of people's kids? I think we're making excuses for not balancing our budgets.’ Jackson argued that the estimated savings of $18,000 wasn't worth it.” [Modesto Bee, 6/9/10]

**Letter to the Editor: Howze Then Allegedly Supported Spending $2.5 Million To Redevelop the Turlock High School Football Field**

“Turlock City Councilman Ted Howze has struck again! He proposes cutting all summer swim programs at the Turlock and Pitman high schools. He calls the current programs ‘the biggest money loser in the entire recreation department.’ He also disagreed with Councilwoman Mary Jackson that these pools afforded children a safe place to swim and recreate during our 105-degree summers. He wishes to force everybody to use Columbia Pool. This means that approximately 12,000 people will be jammed into the one pool available to our citizens. As Howze said, government is not a babysitter for other people's kids. An astounding statement from someone tasked to safeguard the local citizens. However, it must be noted that those other people's kids who run and play football have the
advantage of $2.5 million of redevelopment monies that Howze directed to Turlock High School. Apparently, some people's kids are worthier than others and at Howze's discretion.” [Modesto Bee, Letter to the Editor, 6/18/10]

2009: Howze At First Opposed Using City Money To Remodel An Arts Center…

2009: Howze At First Opposed Using City Money To Remodel An Arts Center. “[D]ozens of people gripped the podium and spoke fervently for rebuilding the Carnegie Arts Center. But the majority of the City Council, meeting as the Redevelopment Agency on Tuesday night, did not consider it a top contender for $10.4 million in redevelopment money. ‘Great impassioned pleas, I appreciate it,” Councilman Ted Howze told the audience. ‘It's either going to ... be a Carnegie project and nothing else or other projects.’ The city's most recent project list says the Carnegie would require $3 million in redevelopment money, with the rest coming from other sources. Howze has said he worries ongoing costs for the Carnegie would drain more redevelopment money. […] LaVelle put the conflict between the Turlock High stadium project and the Carnegie on the record when he confronted Howze last week, claiming Howze offered $2 million of the city's redevelopment money to remodel the stadium. LaVelle said he worried the money would come at the expense of the Carnegie.” [Modesto Bee, 5/6/09]

The Final Plan To Fund The Arts Center Passed Unanimously, Meaning Howze Voted To Fund It

The Final Plan To Fund The Arts Center Passed Unanimously, Meaning Howze Voted To Fund It. “Congratulations to the Turlock City Council for passing the construction of the Carnegie Arts Center by 5-0 vote. After over 10 years of squabbling and turf battles between the city and the arts community, this council set up a subcommittee of Mayor John Lazar and Councilwoman Amy Bublak to develop a Carnegie concept that all members of the council could accept and support. Bublak took the lead in working with the Arts Foundation to develop an agreement whereby the city would build the facility using RDA funds but no provide operating funds. The foundation agreed to annually fund the operating costs. Bublak also made sure the new facility was more than an arts center, insisting the building had the capability to serve as a youth center. The agreement allowed the more conservative members of the council, Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher, to vote for the project, proving if an idea has merit everyone can support it.” [Modesto Bee, Letter to the Editor, 4/19/10]

… But Howze Advocated Spending $2.8 Million Of City Money On Refurbishing The Local High School’s Track And Football Field

But Howze Championed Using City Funds To Redevelop The High School’s Track. “There's no doubt that football field and track at Turlock High School show their age -- nearly 60 years -- and need significant upgrades. But should the city of Turlock spend $2.8 million of its limited redevelopment money -- by law supposed to be aimed at eradicating physical and economic blight -- to repair them? The City Council voted last week to do precisely that, and the Turlock Unified School District board tonight will talk about putting the project on a fast pace, with the goal of trying to get it done by the start of the 2010 football season. While it appears to be a legal expenditure, we don't think the stadium project meets the spirit of California's re-development law -- or the city's stated mission for its redevelopment (printed here). City Councilman Ted Howze championed this project and eventually won support from three of his council colleagues at last week's meeting. Mayor John Lazar could not vote because he owns property near the high school.” [Modesto Bee, Editorial, 11/17/09]

Howze Argued That The Football Stadium Would Increase Tourism In Turlock. “The council made the stadium project politically palatable by keeping on the funding short list $3 million toward rebuilding the downtown Carnegie Arts Center, which was badly damaged by fire in 2005. Earlier in the summer, it appeared that the arts center and the athletic field would be competing with each other. Howze argues that the improved football stadium, with a synthetic field and year-round traffic, has the potential to increase tourism in Turlock. We're skeptical at best.” [Modesto Bee, Editorial, 11/17/09]

Howze Wrote A Letter To The Editor In Support Of The Stadium, Saying It Would Generate Tax Revenue. “The collaborative effort between the Turlock City Council, acting as the Redevelopment Agency, and the Turlock
Unified School District to renovate Joe Debely Stadium is a visionary project, a project which will provide an opportunity for two public agencies to work together for the benefit of our entire community in a number of ways which neither agency could currently achieve alone. [...] These are events that stand to generate significant transient occupancy tax revenue from visiting hotel guests who will also generate significant sales tax dollars while in staying in Turlock. These new sources of revenue represent a major benefit to the city and its residents. Most important, the project would have no ongoing operation or maintenance costs to the city.” [Modesto Bee, Letter to the Editor, 11/19/09]

The School Board President Confronted Howze Over Rumors The Expansion Would Come At The Cost Of Redeveloping The Arts Center. “School board President Timm LaVelle confronted Councilman Ted Howze […] claiming Howze repeatedly has offered $2 million of the city's redevelopment money to remodel Turlock High School's aging stadium. LaVelle said he has heard 'many rumors and many comments' that the money will come at the expense of remodeling the historic Carnegie Arts Center […]. LaVelle said Howze met with Superintendent Sonny Da Marto three weeks ago and alluded to the fact he had the ‘necessary support to make this happen.’ ‘Mr. Howze said, 'Tell Timm this is for real,'” LaVelle said after the meeting. Howze responded brusquely, calling LaVelle's comments 'a bunch of bull.' ‘Cute stunt,’ Howze told LaVelle, ‘to get up and spread a pack of baloney.’ […] Howze said he had no desire to ‘kill’ the Carnegie project, but would put higher priority on funding projects that don't require ongoing operation and maintenance costs.” [Modesto Bee, 4/29/10]

The Executive Director Of The California Redevelopment Association Said That The Question Of Whether The New Track Would Help People Was “Not Exactly Black And White.” “After the lawsuit, the contentious meetings and the struggle over the money, the issue of the city paying for a re-furbished track and field at Turlock High School comes down to one question: Does it help people? ‘It's not exactly black and white,’ said John Shirey, executive director of the California Redevelopment Association, a nonprofit trade group.” [Modesto Bee, 2/6/10]

Howze Said That He Was “Unwavering In His Support” For The Project. “The city and the school district will have a joint-use policy for the new field; Santa Monica has such an agreement for its elementary schools, Maez said. ‘The city basically takes over our fields at night,’ she said. Turlock has a similar agreement with the city: those opposed to the stadium upgrade cite concerns that it will attract more use and bigger crowds to the residential area where the high school sits. Howze pointed out that the field already is available for other groups to use, and that he has talked with people who live nearby about ‘how the stadium could be a better neighbor.’ Howze said he is unwavering in his support for the project.” [Modesto Bee, 2/6/10]

A Citizens Group Later Sued The City And The School District Over The Stadium Improvement Project. “A citizens group is suing the city and the school district over the project to improve Turlock High School's Joe Debely Stadium. A group of neighbors represented by Modesto attorney Richard Harriman filed the lawsuit in Stanislaus County Superior Court last week. […] The lawsuit, brought by the Turlock Citizens Coalition — Dana Vaughan, Lynn Gaiser-Sarraille and Michael Burtch — names council members Amy Bublak, Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher as defendants. It does not name Mayor John Lazar and Councilwoman Mary Jackson; the lawsuit erroneously says Lazar voted against the project. Lazar recused himself from considering the proposal because he owns property nearby; Jackson was the lone vote against it. […] The lawsuit accuses council members of ‘failing to proceed in a manner according to law’ and says their findings in approving the project ‘were not supported by substantial credible evidence.”’ [Modesto Bee, 1/1/10]

Redevelopment Money Was Typically Spent On Efforts To Increase Affordable Housing, Ease Blight, Or Raise Tax Income But It Was Not Unprecedented To Spend Money On Projects Like The Stadium. “A city's redevelopment money typically is spent on efforts to increase affordable housing, ease blight or raise tax income. However, it's not unprecedented to spend money on projects like the Turlock proposal: the city of Santa Monica this year started a joint civic center project with a school district that includes a stadium upgrade.” [Modesto Bee, 1/1/10]
The Citizen Group’s Attorney Said The Project Was a Rush Job Aimed At Avoiding A Law Taking Effect That Would Have Made The Stadium Project Illegal. “Harriman called the Debely project a rush job, aimed at avoiding a law taking effect today requiring that RDA money be spent within a city's redevelopment area. Turlock High is outside the city's designated redevelopment area. ‘The way it looks to me after looking at the documents and the like is that the city of Turlock and the RDA and the school district are being driven by this rush to get the money transferred and earmarked and allocated ... to circumvent the (new law's) prohibition against spending the money the way they're doing it,’ Harriman said.” [Modesto Bee, 1/1/10]

Howze Denied That Claim. “Howze, a proponent of the project, denied that was the case, saying the effort was 16 months in the making. ‘When I was first approached about this project I told (constituents) to their faces I didn't think it was a project that could be done with RDA money,’ he said. ‘I did what you should do for any constituent; I came back and engaged city staff on it.’” [Modesto Bee, 1/1/10]

Howze Claimed The Lawsuit Was Politically Motivated. “Howze said the lawsuit is politically motivated. ‘I think it's clear to everyone involved that council member Jackson along with her best friend Dana Vaughan and Democratic Central Committee Chair Michael Burtch are trying to subvert the legal authority of two elected bodies by corruptly using the courts system for purely political motives,’ he said. As for what those motives are, ‘I can't speak to what drives them.’ Jackson refuted Howze's claim. ‘I disagree with council member Howze's comments, as do most of my constituents,’ she said. ‘This is a matter for the courts to decide and I wish Howze would get his facts straight before he speaks out.’ The lawsuit seeks an administrative stay to prevent the district from spending the money.” [Modesto Bee, 1/1/10]

The Citizens Group Later Dropped The Claim When They Realized They Would Not Win. “A residents' group dropped its lawsuit against the city over paying for improvements at Turlock High School's stadium. Attorney Richard Harriman, who represented the plaintiffs, said the decision to seek dismissal Tuesday came when they realized they couldn't win. The lawsuit claimed the City Council, acting as the redevelopment agency, inappropriately voted in December to spend $2.8 million to install an all-weather track and field at Joe Debely Stadium. ‘We're delighted that the lawsuit was dismissed with prejudice, meaning it can't be brought back,’ City Manager Roy Wasden said. ‘Now we move forward.’ The lawsuit, filed in December by the Turlock Citizens Coalition — Dana Vaughan, Lynn Gaiser-Sarraille and Michael Burtch — named council members Amy Bublak, Ted Howze and Kurt Spycher as defendants.” [Modesto Bee, 5/19/10]

The Lawsuit Failed Because It Erroneously Claimed Howze Cast The Deciding Vote And Had A Conflict Of Interest, But He Did Not Cast The Deciding Vote. “It did not name Mayor John Lazar or Councilwoman Mary Jackson; the lawsuit erroneously said Lazar voted against the project. Lazar recused himself from considering the proposal because he owns property nearby. Jackson cast the lone vote against it. Harriman said once he realized that Lazar didn't vote, the plaintiffs' claim that Howze — who sits on the board of a youth football league that will use the stadium — had a conflict of interest lost steam because his wasn't the deciding vote. Also, ‘While Councilman Howze clearly had a common-law conflict of interest, we could find no evidence he received financial remuneration sitting on a volunteer board,’ Harriman said. Howze said that's what he's been telling them all along.” [Modesto Bee, 5/19/10]

Howze Said He Was “Extremely Pleased” The “Frivolous” Lawsuit Was Dropped. “I'm extremely pleased to see that this frivolous, politically motivated lawsuit driven by Councilmember Jackson and her close political allies on the Democratic Central Committee has been dropped,’ he said Tuesday. ‘The sad part is they chose to go forward with a frivolous lawsuit when they knew from the very beginning that they had no grounds.’” [Modesto Bee, 5/19/10]

2020: The Court Records Concerning The Case Were Destroyed
2020: The Court Records Concerning The Case Were Destroyed. According to the Stanislaus County Superior Court, the records for *Turlock Citizens vs. City of Turlock* were destroyed. [Stanislaus County Superior Court, accessed 2/28/20]

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**Water Issues**

**Howze Said He Would Support The Del Porto Water Project If They Could Prove The Community Below Them Was Safe**

Howze Said He Would Support The Del Porto Water Project If They Could Prove The Community Below Them Was Safe. [54:10] Howze: “We have to have water. I think the del Porto project is a, first of all it's a private project and I think it faces some hurdles because of the environmental impact reports. I think once they get through that if they can prove they can stand up and the community of Patterson is safe below them then it's a great project.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Howze Claimed A City Development Initiative Was His “Signature Plan,” But It Was Approved Before He Joined The City Council**

**Howze Took Credit For The Turlock Westside Industrial Specific Plan Which Was Responsible For Over 500 Jobs In The Turlock Area…**

2018: Howze Took Credit For The Turlock Westside Industrial Specific Plan. [47:45] Howze: “If I never serve an elected office another day I will still hold a tremendous amount of pride for our committee for this is what is now tagged as the Turlock Regional Industrial Park. For years Turlock held this WISP idea, Westside Industrial Specific Plan. It was a pie in the sky dream to develop industry out on the west side but there was no money for it. You can't convince a major manufacturer to come in and pay for all the infrastructure, bond it and then tell them we'll pay you back over 25 years as the next, nobody wants to be that first guy all right. So I identified through two allocations from redevelopment money the monies to lay all that infrastructure into the westside. It was supported by my fellow Republican council members, the projects were done and anybody can see the growth on the west side now.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

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2020: Howze Claimed That The Turlock Regional Industrial Project Was His “Signature Project” During His Service On The Planning Commission And City Council. “Ted is a conservative who served the valley community of Turlock as a Planning Commissioner, City Councilman, Stanislaus Council of Governments representative, Vice-Mayor and budget committee leader. […] Ted’s signature project, Turlock’s Regional Industrial Park, has created hundreds of new high-paying jobs for the region from employers like Blue Diamond Growers, Valley Milk, Hilmar Cheese, US Cold Storage, Sensient Foods, Foster Farms and Cozy Shack.” [Ted Howze for Congress 2020, accessed 4/14/20]
### Separation Of Church And State

#### 2009: Howze Voted With A Unanimous City Council To Put The Words “In God We Trust” And “We The People” On The Walls Of The Council Room

2009: Howze Voted With A Unanimous City Council To Put The Words “In God We Trust” And “We The People” On The Walls Of The Council Room. “The City Council soon will conduct business with the words ‘In God We Trust’ inscribed on a wall behind the council dais. The council voted 5-0 to place those words behind them and ‘We The People’ [...] on the front of the podium used by the public to address the council. Councilman Kurt Spycher will pay for the cost to put ‘In God We Trust’ on the wall, and Councilman Ted Howze will pay for ‘We The People.’ Before the unanimous council vote, Councilwoman Mary Jackson asked whether the city should have the issue reviewed by a constitutional law lawyer before proceeding. City Attorney Phaedra Norton replied there is a precedent for local governments placing ‘In God We Trust’ in council chambers, saying the motto can be found in cities across the nation and in the U.S. Supreme Court.” [Modesto Bee, 12/9/10]

Howze Said Atheists “Should Have A Good Time Laughing At [Their] Foolishness” “Councilman Ted Howze was more blunt: ‘If you're an atheist, if you don't believe in a God, you should have a good time laughing at our foolishness,’ he said. He said he hopes the Freedom From Religion Foundation will ‘respect Turlock and go away in peace when this is over.’” [9/23/09]

### Remote Government & Telework

#### 2009: Howze Advocated For A City Council Teleconferencing Plan To Be Put In Place For Emergencies

2009: Howze Advocated For A City Council Teleconferencing Plan To Be Put In Place For Emergencies. “City Attorney Phaedra Norton provided a staff report on the request to adopt a policy for teleconferencing at City Council meetings. Councilmembers discussed options for teleconferencing. Mayor Lazar asked for public comment. No one spoke. Councilmembers discussed options for teleconferencing. Councilmember Howze supported Option C based on the individual having to meet all statutory requirements in A & B and meet the definition of the Brown Act that it is an ‘emergency’ situation. [...] Resolution No. 2009-073 Adopting a Policy for Teleconferencing at City Council Meetings was introduced by Councilmember Howze.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 4/28/09]
Seniors’ Issues

**Significant Findings**

- 2019: 53,479 residents of California’s 10th District received some Medicare benefits.
- Howze said Medicare was a nightmare and that it needed to be reformed.
  - Howze said “We’re going to have to look at some tough fixes” like “income indexing” and “raising the qualification ages.”
- Howze said Medicare should be a program solely responsible for seniors.
- 2019: Howze said he would protect Medicare.
- 2018: 120,224 residents of California’s 10th District received some Social Security benefits.
- Howze said the three “easiest” fixes to Social Security would be raising the cap, raising the retirement age, and implementing means testing.
- Howze said “America is headed on a path of bankruptcy” and talked about revising Social Security and other “entitlements.”
- Howze called for increasing the age for Social Security recipients to 70.
- Howze said if we don’t get the federal budget under control, “we are going to trigger in the next decade automatic spending cuts to Social Security and Medicare.”

**Medicare**

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**Howze Said Medicare Was A Nightmare And That It Needed To Be Reformed**

Howze Said Medicare Was A Nightmare And That It Needed To Be Reformed. [28:00] Howze: “Medicare is a nightmare. Okay Medicare is funded by the payroll tax. It’s never been enough to cover all the people going into the Medicare system. We now see with the number of retirees that Medicare is outpacing the growth of GDP by about 19%. Over the next two years that program is either going to be the only social safety net program we offer at the, you know, cancellation of the rest or we're going to have to reform it. So you know and that that's just Medicare Part A. Part B and D there's never been a dedicated revenue stream to. Us as the tax payers you know we ask the retirees to cover 25% of Part B and D costs, taxpayers just pick up 75% of those costs out of the general fund. We can't continue to do that.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said “We’re Going To Have To Look At Some Tough Fixes” Like “Income Indexing” And “Raising The Qualification Ages” For Medicare
Howze Said “We’re Going To Have To Look At Some Tough Fixes” Like “Income Indexing” And “Raising The Qualification Ages” For Medicare. [28:50] Howze: “So again just like Social Security we're going to have to look at some tough fixes [for Medicare] that look at things like income indexing. At you know raising the qualification ages. All things that we are going to have to engage every group and say where is our happy medium for caring for our elderly seniors, what are we trying to achieve in the program as far as a safety net for those in the most likelihood to be in poverty versus you know the rest of society. And then Medicaid has been such a mismanaged program it's ridiculous.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said Medicare Should Be A Program Solely Responsible For Seniors

Howze Said Medicare Should Be A Program Solely Responsible For Seniors. [30:45] Howze: “I think we should make all seniors enrolled in Medicare at the federal level and make that program solely responsible for seniors. It would get them under one umbrella, one group dealing with the issues and being able to deal with our elderly on a national level.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

2019: Howze Said He Would Protect Medicare

2019: Howze Said He Would Protect Medicare. In a YouTube ad for his campaign, Howze said, “I've worn a lot of boots in my life. Work boots, cowboy boots, even firefighters boots. And I'm not alone. We work hard here in the Central Valley, but the cost of living just keeps going up. Nancy Pelosi and Josh Harder, their DC games won't secure our border, lower our cost of living, or protect Medicare. I will. And if you ask me, Congress needs a big boot in the --. I'm Dr. Ted Howze and I approve this message.” [“Boots” Howze ad, YouTube, 1/6/20]

Social Security

2018: 120,224 Residents Of California’s 10th District Received Some Social Security Benefits

2018: 120,224 Residents Of California’s 10th District Received Social Security Benefits Worth Nearly $155 Million. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, 2018]

In CA-10, Social Security Beneficiaries Included 86,947 Seniors; 81,751 Were Retirees. Of the 120,224 Social Security beneficiaries in California's 10th District, 86,947 were aged 65 or older; 81,751 were retirees. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, 2018]

Howze Said The Three “Easiest” Fixes To Social Security Would Be Raising The Cap, Raising The Retirement Age, And Implementing Means Testing

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Howze Said Another Of The Easiest Fixes Would Be Raising The Retirement Age To 70

Howze Said Another Of The Easiest Fixes Would Be Raising The Retirement Age To 70. [26:40] Howze: “I think number two would be raising the retirement age. We have rising life expectancies. When Social Security was first conceived we didn't have the 15 or 17 year longer life expectancies that we have now. I think the solution to that is to not just raise it overnight from you know 65 to 70. I think the probably the easier solution is raise it incrementally. You know we'll raise the retirement age by three months every year or two months every year. And we do that over time until we reach the retirement age of 70.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said The Other Easiest Fix Would Be Means Testing

Howze Said The Other Easiest Fix Would Be Means Testing. [27:15] Howze: “And I think lastly is means-testing. Yes it's our money and we paid it in but Bill Gates and Warren Buffett aren't going to miss a Social Security check. So I think you know we keep saying we want to ask the wealthy to do more. That's the ultimate case because we're really trying to protect our poor seniors in society. It's a social safety net. So I think there is a case to say you know that we set the boundaries that our top 1% of retirees or top 3% or whatever we need that cutoff to be aren't going to receive their Social Security benefits. I know at the age of 51 I'm probably never going to receive a dime from Social Security and that's just the way it is right. So I think that's the social security issue and that again that's the easiest to fix.” [Ted Howze Interview by 209 Headlines Podcast, YouTube, uploaded 4/17/18]

Howze Said “America Is Headed On A Path Of Bankruptcy” And Talked About Revising Social Security And Other “Entitlements”

Howze Said “America Is Headed On A Path Of Bankruptcy” And Talked About Revising Social Security And Other “Entitlements.” “Ted Howze, the only Republican at Wednesday's event, said, ‘America is headed on a path of bankruptcy,’ and talked about revising Social Security and other ‘entitlements.’ Denham didn't attend the forum, hosted by the League of Women Voters of Stanislaus County at Modesto's Tenth Street Place. His name appeared on a placard in front of an empty chair, just like Monday's well-attended debate at the Salida library, hosted by the California Alliance for Retired Americans (Howze missed that one too).” [Modesto Bee, 4/18/18]

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Howze Said If We Don’t Get The Federal Budget Under Control “We Are Going To Trigger In The Next Decade Automatic Spending Cuts To Social Security And Medicare”

Howze Said If We Don’t Get The Federal Budget Under Control “We Are Going To Trigger In The Next Decade Automatic Spending Cuts To Social Security And Medicare.” [17:30] Howze: “If you don't get the budget under control we are going to trigger in the next decade automatic spending cuts to Social Security and Medicare.” [Ted Howze 2018 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
Tax Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze supported the 2017 Republican tax bill.

✓ ...but Howze later said he would not have voted for the Republican tax bill.

✓ ...and Howze later shared an op-ed promoting the 2017 tax bill.

✓ Howze said he did not support an income tax increase on any tax bracket.

✓ Howze said he supported lowering corporate taxes.

2017 Republican Tax Bill

Howze Supported The 2017 Republican Tax Bill

March 2018: Howze Said “Our Employees Received Bonuses, Increased 401k Contributions And Are Having Less Money Taken From Their Paychecks As A Result Of Tax Reform”

Howze said “Our Employees Received Bonuses, Increased 401k Contributions And Are Having Less Money Taken From Their Paychecks As A Result Of Tax Reform” According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “Lower taxes & reduced regulatory burdens serve to unshackle the economic might of America’s small businesses! Our employees received bonuses, increased 401K contributions and are having less money taken from their paychecks as a result of tax reform. Let’s cut payroll tax next!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/12/18]

[Ted Howze, Twitter, 3/12/18]
April 2018: Howze Didn’t “Hate” The Republican Tax Bill

Howze Didn’t “Hate” The Republican Tax Bill. “Howze, a conservative, chose his words carefully as he broke from the pack on various issues like gun control (‘We don't need to infringe on law-abiding gun owners’) and accepting more refugees from war-torn nations, suggesting screening for ‘young men of fighting age coming here as individuals.’ And he was the only debater who doesn't hate the tax reform narrowly passed by Congress, with a ‘yes’ vote from Denham, in December.” [Modesto Bee, 4/18/18]

…But Howze Later Said He Would Not Have Voted For The Republican Tax Bill…

June 2018: Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Tax Bill And Complained About Spending That Would “Economically Enslave Our Children” Under Republican Leadership

Howze Said He Opposed The Republican Tax Bill. “Howze said he would not have voted for the Republican bill to repeal the 2010 health care law, nor the GOP tax overhaul.” [Roll Call, 6/7/18]

…And Howze Later Shared An Op-Ed Promoting The 2017 Tax Bill

Howze Retweeted A House GOP Tweet Sharing An Op-Ed Promoting The 2017 Republican Tax Bill. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze retweeted a House GOP tweet sharing an op-ed promoting the 2017 Republican tax bill as a plan that was “helping Americans keep more of their own money.” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 2/20/19]

Federal Income Tax

Howze Said He Did Not Support An Income Tax Increase On Any Tax Bracket

Corporate Taxes

Howze Said He Supported Lowering Corporate Taxes

Howze Said He Supported Lowering Corporate Taxes. When asked by Votesmart, “Do you support lowering corporate taxes as a means of promoting economic growth,” Howze responded “Yes. Lowering corporate taxes ensures our companies stay in America, invest in growth and become more profitable and valuable in retirement accounts held by a majority of American's (sic).” [Ted Howze Votesmart profile, accessed 3/4/20]
Trade & Outsourcing Issues

Significant Findings

✓ Howze supported USMCA.
✓ Howze opposed Trump’s tariffs.

USMCA

Howze Supported USMCA

Howze Supported USMCA. [12:15] Howze: “As somebody who works in the dairy industry and is supported mostly by dairy farmers and local tree farmers, I will tell you right now If I didn’t support USMCA you would probably find me hanging from an almond tree somewhere around Oakdale. And I will tell you, people are happy to see this done. Our farmers went through some pain fighting through this. I think they’re standing solidly behind President Trump’s negotiating skills now. I know that Democrats held up USMCA for political reasons number one, and number two because unions put a tremendous amount of pressure on them to negotiate union friendly deals within USMCA. It finally got passed because impeachment embarrassed them into it. They had to have something to come home and talk about over the Christmas break. It got done and then they tried to take credit for it. It’s a joke. […] If it’s still hanging out when we get there I will absolutely support its ratification.” [CA-10 Republican Debate Part 2, Vantage Toolbox, 1/7/20]

Howze Supported USMCA. According to Howze’s official Twitter account, Howze tweeted “It’s time for @RepJoshHarder to tell @SpeakerPelosi to stop making excuses that are hurting #CA10 farm families. Time to put people over politics! Pass #USMCA NOW!” [Ted Howze, Twitter, 9/10/19]
Howze Opposed Trump’s Tariffs

**Howze Acknowledged Trump’s Tariffs Would “Undoubtedly Hurt California Farmers.”** According to Howze’s official Facebook account, Howze posted “Hi Eric! As a fiscally conservative Republican I do support the vast majority of the President’s policy agenda. I don’t support the idea of tariffs which will undoubtedly hurt California Farmers.” [Ted Howze for Congress, Facebook, 4/2/18]
Veterans & Military Family Issues

**Significant Findings**

- Howze wanted to serve on the Veterans’ Affairs Committee.
- Howze said he would propose legislation called the Accountability to Veterans Act.
- 2018: Howze proposed a plan to create a new veterans small business administration loan bank to loan veterans up to $1 million at 3 percent interest.
- Howze said he thought “we need to stop specialty services in MediCal” and that some of that money should go to the VA to help veterans with mental health issues.

**Veterans’ Affairs Committee**

**Howze Wanted To Serve On The Veterans’ Affairs Committee**

Howze Wanted To Serve On The Veterans’ Affairs Committee. When asked what committees he would want to be on in Congress, Howze said [27:50] “I'll tell you number one for me would be agriculture because I'm an ag guy. I work in the industry I understand it well. I have the ties that understand how important it is to this district right. High-tech agricultural processing is one of the biggest futures we have in the ability to ship our products that we can only grow here all over the world. It's one of our biggest economic ties. I would like to be on Veterans’ Affairs. […] And I've seen the devastating effects of the shortcomings of spending on our veterans after they come back from war. To me I would love to be on that committee and serve the veterans who have served us.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]

**Accountability To Veterans Act**

**Howze Said He Would Propose Legislation Called The Accountability To Veterans Act**

Howze Said He Would Propose Legislation Called The Accountability To Veterans Act. [1:06:30] Howze: “Listen I've spent a lot of time with veterans over the last year talking about their needs and one of the things I will propose is legislation called the Accountability to Veterans Act. In this valley we have a high percentage of our population that enlist in the military. I've coached thousands of kids in small towns in the Central Valley and their only path for a lot of them is go into the military. We should fund high concentration of veteran areas higher than we do very low concentration areas.” [CA-10 Congressional Debate, YouTube, 1/22/20]

**Veterans’ Administration**

**2018: Howze Proposed A Plan To Create A New Veterans Small Business Administration Loan Bank To Loan Veterans Up To $1 Million At 3 Percent Interest**

2018: Howze Proposed A Plan To Create A New Veterans Small Business Administration Loan Bank To Loan Veterans Up To $1 Million At 3 Percent Interest. “I am proposing Congress create a new Veterans Small Business Administration Loan Bank that would loan veterans with a qualified business plan up to one million dollars at 3 percent interest to start a new business plus a $6800 annual Federal tax credit for each veteran employee working a full year at the company. That is a major incentive above current VA loan programs that currently only
offer up to $350K at 2.5% - 4.75% over prime rate with no tax credits. No saavy (sic) business person pays above prime rate and our veteran's deserve better!” [Ted Howze campaign website via Archive, 5/20/18]

Howze Said He Thought “We Need To Stop Specialty Services In MediCal” And That Some Of That Money Should Go To The VA To Help Veterans With Mental Health Issues

Howze Said He Thought “We Need To Stop Specialty Services In MediCal” And That Some Of That Money Should Go To The VA To Help Veterans With Mental Health Issues. [24:40] Howze: “I think we need to stop specialty services in MediCal and we need to go back to providing basic services and some of those basic services we have to expand is mental health and drug addiction treatment. And especially some of that money needs to be piped into the VA and we've got to start helping our soldiers that are coming back from foreign wars and falling apart. Our suicide rate among veterans is appalling and that's because we're not giving in the mental health are that they need.” [Ted Howze 2020 campaign speech to California Valley Patriots, accessed 3/6/20]
Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures

2019 – Federal Personal Financial Disclosure

Net Worth

2019: Ted Howze Had An Estimated Net Worth Between $4,497,022 And $9,230,000


Earned Income

2019: Ted Howze Reported $60,000 In Earned Income

2019: Ted Howze Reported $60,000 In Earned Income From Mid Valley Large Animal Service And Saint Mary’s High School. [Ted Howze 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed 8/26/19]

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Assets & Unearned Income

2019: Ted Howze Reported Between $115,009 And $380,000 In Unearned Income


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Earned Income

2018: Ted Howze Reported $111,748 In Earned Income


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[Ted Howze 2018 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed 8/26/19]

Assets & Unearned Income

2018: Ted Howze Reported Between $155,011 And $515,000 In Unearned Income

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[Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]
Howze Had Between $100,001 And $1,000,000 In Bank Of America Stock. [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

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[Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

Howze Income, Loans, & Business Positions

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Mid Valley Large Animal Service

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Mid Valley Large Animal Service. [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Sierra View Animal Health

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Sierra View Animal Health. [Ted Howze 2010 California Form 700, filed 3/15/11]

2009 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

Howze Stocks, Bonds, And Other Interests

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[Ted Howze 2009 California Form 700, filed 2/25/10]

Howze Had Between $100,001 And $1,000,000 In Pfizer Stock

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Howze Had Between $10,001 And $10,000 In Bank Of America Stock
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[Ted Howze 2008 California Form 700, filed 3/18/09]

Howze Income, Loans, & Business Positions

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Managing Partner Of Mid Valley Large Animal Service

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Managing Partner Of Mid Valley Large Animal Service. [Ted Howze 2009 California Form 700, filed 2/25/10]

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Howze Farms For The Sale Of Agricultural Products

Howze Earned Over $100,000 As The Owner Of Howze Farms For The Sale Of Agricultural Products. [Ted Howze 2009 California Form 700, filed 2/25/10]

As Of 2020 Howze Farms Was Suspended. [California Secretary of State, accessed 3/4/20]

2008 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

Howze Stocks, Bonds, And Other Interests

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[Ted Howze 2008 California Form 700, filed 3/18/09]

Howze Had Between $100,001 And $1,000,000 In Pfizer Stock
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[Ted Howze 2008 California Form 700, filed 3/18/09]

As Of 2020 Mid Cal Veterinary, Inc. Was Dissolved. [California Secretary of State, accessed 3/4/20]

## Howze Income, Loans, & Business Positions

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## 2007 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

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[Ted Howze 2007 California Form 700, filed 3/30/08]

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### Howze Income, Loans, & Business Positions

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### 2006 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

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2003 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

Howze Stocks, Bonds, And Other Interests
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2002 – California Form 700 – Statement Of Economic Interests

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Appendix II – Campaign Finance

Items of Interest

✓ Ted Howze’s campaigns raised $1,028,020 and spent $855,880.

✓ Howze loaned his campaigns $591,000 between 2018 and 2020.

✓ Howze spent “close to $80,000” in his unsuccessful 2004 county supervisor campaign.

✓ There is some evidence that Howze’s local political allies have actively contributed to his campaign for Congress, including one individual that Howze appointed to the Turlock Planning Commission in 2009.

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Ted Howze’s Campaigns Raised $1,028,020 And Spent $855,880

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* As of February 12, 2020

[2018 FEC Committee Candidate and Committee Viewer, accessed 3/2/20; 2020 FEC Committee Candidate and Committee Viewer, accessed 3/2/20]

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Ted Howze’s 2020 Campaign Committee Received 53% Of His Contributions From Individual Contributors, 45% From Loans From Howze, And 0% From PACs

Source Of Ted Howze 2020 Congressional Campaign Committee Funds

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[2020 FEC Committee Candidate and Committee Viewer, accessed 3/2/20]

2020: Ted Howze’s Campaign Committee Received $1,500 In PAC Contributions From Business PACs

Source Of Ted Howze Congressional Campaign Committee PAC Contributions

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[OpenSecrets, accessed 3/2/20]

Top Overall Industries

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**An Individual That Howze Appointed To The Turlock Planning Commission Later Contributed The Legal Maximums To Howze’s Campaign**

1/13/09: Howze Appointed Aben Williams To The Turlock Planning Commission. “Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Spycher, appointing and to Nick Hackler and Aben Williams to the Planning Commission to fill unexpired terms expiring December 31, 2009.” [City of Turlock, City Council Minutes, 1/13/09]

5/13/19: Williams Contributed $5,600 To Howze’s Campaign, Contributing The Legal Maximum To Both The General And Primary Election Funds. [FEC, accessed 4/14/20]

**A Fellow City Councilmember’s Wife Contributed To Howze’s Congressional Campaign**

2007-2010: Kurt Spycher Was A Member Of The Turlock City Council. [City of Turlock, City Council Agenda, 1/9/07, 12/14/10]

2019: Shirley Spycher Contributed $2,000 To Howze’s Campaign. [FEC, accessed 4/15/20]

Shirley Spycher Was Kurt Spycher’s Wife. “We can’t think of a more qualified, experienced and prepared person to become our next sheriff. On June 5, we encourage everyone to support Jeff Dirkse. Kurt and Shirley Spycher, Turlock.” [Kurt and Shirley Spycher Letter to the Editor, Modesto Bee, accessed 4/15/20]
## 2006-2010 Turlock City Council Campaign Finance

### 2006

**Ted Howze Filed To Run For Turlock City Council On August 8, 2006**

**Ted Howze Filed To Run For Turlock City Council On August 8, 2006.** [Ted Howze California Form 501, filed 8/8/06]

**Howze’s Campaign Committee, Friends Of Ted Howze, Was Established On August 6, 2006**

**Howze’s Campaign Committee, Friends Of Ted Howze, Was Established On August 6, 2006.** The treasurer for Friends of Ted Howze was his wife, Sharon Howze. [Ted Howze California Form 410, filed 8/6/06]

**Howze Received $30,691 In Contributions And Spent $24,215.72**

**Howze Received $30,691 In Contributions And Spent $24,215.72.** [Ted Howze California Form 460, filed 1/22/07; 10/13/06; 10/1/06; 8/6/06]

**Howze Loaned His Campaign $20,000**

**Howze Loaned His Campaign $20,000.** [Ted Howze California Form 460, filed 1/22/07]

**Howze Donated $7,891 To His Campaign**

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**Howze Paid AutomatedCalling.com $1,473.15 For “Firefighter Calls”**

**Howze Paid AutomatedCalling.com $1,473.15 For “Firefighter Calls.”** [Ted Howze California Form 460, filed 1/22/07]

**Howze Had A Year-End Balance Of $3,675.28**

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### 2007

**Howze Received $0 In Contributions And Spent $0**

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2004 County Supervisor Campaign
Howze Spent “Close To $80,000” In His Unsuccessful 2004 County Supervisor Campaign.

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As of 3/3/20, the DCCC has a public records request outstanding for these records.
## 2020 Election

Updated as of February 2020

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### Howze For Congress

#### “Are You Ready?”

Transcript:

Howze: “Are you ready to vote for someone that supports border security? That will work to reduce our cost of living and will challenge the DC special interests? This is Dr. Ted Howze, Republican candidate for Congress. I was raised on Central Valley farms by working-class parents and I'm proud of putting myself through school by working as a firefighter and EMT. For the last 25 years I've served our Valley dairy farmers as a large animal veterinarian while also being actively involved in our local community where I've been both a city council member and high school football coach. I'm a conservative, not a career politician or lobbyist. And telling it like it is will always be my first responsibility to you. I'm running for Congress against Gavin Newsom and Nancy Pelosi's top lieutenant: Josh Harder. Because Newsom Pelosi and Harder don't represent our values at all. I'm running to represent you and to protect our Valley for future generations. I'm ready to stand up to the challenges ahead, how about you? Are you ready to join the fight? Go to TedHowze.com and join team Ted today. This is Ted Howze and I approve this message.”

Narrator: “Paid for by Ted Howze for Congress 2020.”

#### “Boots”

Transcript:

Howze: “I've worn a lot of boots in my life. Work boots, cowboy boots, even firefighters boots. And I'm not alone. We work hard here in the Central Valley, but the cost of living just keeps going up. Nancy Pelosi and Josh Harder,
their DC games won't secure our border, lower our cost of living, or protect Medicare. I will. And if you ask me, Congress needs a big boot in the --. I'm Dr. Ted Howze and I approve this message.”

“Sam’s Story”

Transcript:

Narrator: “Captain Sam Satariano flew bravely during World War II.

Unknown: “Were you scared”

Satariano: “Scared, that isn’t even a word for it.”

Narrator: “Oftentimes surrounded by enemy planes.”

Satariano: Unknown

Narrator: “He says he always pushed aside his own pain and sorrow.”

Satariano: “23 of us, only five of us come home. All my buddies went down.”

Narrator: “And now still rolling at a hundred years old he still endures. “

Satariano: “I'm feeling good but aches and pains.”

Narrator: “Earlier this year the centenarians sought help from the Modesto Veterans Affairs Office. He says he was told he'd have to wait six months before he could see a doctor.”

Satariano: “Oh my arms really ached I’ll tell you.”

Narrator: “His pain persisted but so did his drive to find help.”

Duke Cooper: “Sam's 100 and with all due respect to Sam he may not be here in August.”

Narrator: “He connected with Duke Cooper the founder and CEO of American Veterans First, a river bank nonprofit organization that helps veterans. Cooper says they could not afford to wait and contacted congressional candidate Dr. Ted Howze.”

Howze: “My goal in this whole thing was really to see Sam get the care he needed and continue to live a happy life.”

Narrator: “Through Dr. Howze, Satariano got private medical care.”

Satariano: “Oh wonderful having somebody help us.”

Narrator: “While Satariano is fortunate Cooper says there are so many veterans who still need care. A VA representative tells Fox 40 retaining doctors in Modesto has been a challenge.”

Duke Cooper: “There needs to be more education from the VA. The government spends a lot of money in a lot of different areas. How about spending some on our veterans.”

Narrator: “Cooper says veterans deserve medical care as they have lived through wars, sacrifices, and heartbreaks.”
Satariano: “It was rough I’ll tell you.”
Appendix IV – City Council Records

Turlock City Council

Attendance Record

The following is a summary of Howze’s attendance record on the Turlock City Council. The meetings for which minutes are not available online are omitted.

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-Resolution No. 2008-066 Confirming the Benefit Assessment Report and levying assessments for the Cottage Park Landscaping, Lighting, and Street Maintenance Benefit Assessment District, Subdivision Project No.: 0678.

-Resolution No. 2008-067 Appropriating $121,005 from Capital Facility Fee (Transportation) fund reserves to account number 175/776-07-61 “Hawkeye Shopping Center Reimbursement,” to be funded with current and future CFF Transportation fees was introduced by Councilmember Howze

-Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Hatcher, Declaring Four Seasons and Ferreira Ranch Parks complete in accordance with the City of Turlock Parks Master Plan dated July 1995 and revised September 2003. Motion carried

-Requested a resolution opposing the recall election of Senator Jeff Denham.

-Motion appointing William Sweet to Stanislaus County Airport Advisory Committee. Carried unanimously.
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<td>-Motion appointing John Arellano to State Route 99/165 Project Study Report/Citizen Advisor Committee. Carried unanimously</td>
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<td>-Voting in favor of resolution opposing recall election. Resolution failed 2-3</td>
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<td>-Motion by Councilmember Howze, Approving an agreement with WLC Architects of Rancho Cucamonga, California for $4,567,162 for Architectural Design and Construction Management “Multi-Prime” Services for Project No. 0804, “Public Safety Facility”. Motion carried with Councilmember Hatcher absent.</td>
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<td>-Spoke in favor of opposing recall election for Jeff Denham.</td>
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$6,144,300 with Auburn Constructors of Sacramento, California, for City Project No. 6974, “Reservoirs and Pump Stations.” Motion carried unanimously.
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<td>- Motion to award $329,376.80 for City Project no. 0818 &quot;2007-2008 Prop 42 Overlays&quot; to George Reed Inc, of Modesto. Motion Carried.</td>
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<td>- Appropriating $395,220 to account number 134/720-07-23 “2007-08 Prop 42 &amp; Prop 1B Overlays” (Presumably George Reed Inc)</td>
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<td>- Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide, Approving an addendum to the agreement increasing Carollo Engineers project scope and compensation in the amount of $876,200, for a total of $1,574,776, for design and construction services for two water storage tanks, City Project No. 6974, “Water Storage Tanks”.</td>
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<td>- Appropriating $4,567,162 to account number 175/777-07-06 “New Public Safety Facility” to fund agreement with WLC Architects for architectural design and construction management services was introduced by Councilmember Howze. Motion carried</td>
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<td>Motion by Councilmember Howze, Approving Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with Carollo Engineers increasing the total compensation by $1,878,100 to a new total of $2,932,100 to include increasing the project scope by adding updating the design documents and performing construction management services for the Harding Drain wastewater discharge line extending to the San Joaquin River, City Project No. 6859, “WQC Discharge Facilities.” Motion carried unanimously.</td>
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<td>Voted against reinstating funding for Arts Commission. Requested presentation by Miracle League at next meeting.</td>
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<td>Motion by Councilmember Howze, Approving a Service Agreement in an amount not to exceed $1,500,000 with Omni-Means for preparation of a Project Study Report (PSR) and Plans and Specifications and Estimates (PS&amp;E) for the modifications of the State Route 99 Interchanges at Fulkerth Road, City Project No. 0828. Motion carried unanimously.</td>
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<td>-Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Spycher, Approving a reimbursement agreement by and between the City of Turlock and US Cold Storage of California for the construction of backbone infrastructure improvements as defined in the Westside Industrial Project</td>
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- Motion to assess properties for abatement costs and establish liens for payment. Motion carried.

- Resolution No. 2008-150 Approving the purchase of .52 acres located along Highway 99 and Fulkert Road for the purpose of acquiring the third of four parcels needed to develop the interchange improvements to serve the Westside Industrial Specific Plan area was introduced by Councilmember Howze. Motion carried.
-MOTION DENYING PERMIT FOR COLD WEATHER HOMELESS SHELTER. Motion carried. Howze further spoke against continued use of another facility in the interim.

-Motion appointing Vander Weide as Turlock Rep to League of California Cities.

-Motion changing zoning to allow for shopping center. (changed from industrial to commercial). Motion carried

Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Spycher, Awarding bid and approving an agreement in the amount of $249,739.08 with Gas Equipment Systems, Inc. of Rancho Cucamonga, California, for City Project No. 0681, “CNG Slow Fill Station.” Motion carried

-Howze stated that he did not find it necessary for a paid negotiator for labor contracts
- Motion to use Transpo tax to pay Chamber of Commerce taxes. Motion carried.

- Motion regarding city hall parking.

- Motion to look for other option for homelessness, including "partnering with other cities, providing hotel voucher, and erecting a tent city similar to what the military does." Motion carried.

- Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide, Authorizing Contract Change Order No. 4 in the amount of $69,548 with Overaa Construction, for City Project 0669, "Tertiary Filters 7 & 8." Motion carried unanimously.

- Motion by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Vander Weide to defer consideration of who will serve as Chief Labor Negotiator until the state budget is adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

- Motion by Councilmember Howze, Awarding bid and approving an agreement in the amount of $436,327.85 with Teichert Construction, Inc. of Turlock, California, for City

- Supported waiving confidentiality in report on B Street shelter

- Council heard complaint from resident on Kay Drive complaining of vandalism and illegal fireworks
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| 9/9/2008   | Link                                                                                    | YES                                                                                             | Project No. 0719, “Fire Station No. 1 Parking Lot.” Motion carried unanimously.  
-Resolution No. 2008-187 Appropriating $600,000 to account number 175/779-02-02 “Fire Station Renovation” for construction and engineering costs to be funded via a transfer from the City’s Redevelopment Agency was introduced by Councilmember Howze. Carried unanimously. |
|            | Link                                                                                    | YES                                                                                             | -Motion to create committee to develop voucher guidelines for homelessness.  
-Motion Appropriating $239,900 for SWAT vehicles  
-Suggested using public safety fund for SWAT vehicles |
| 9/23/2008  | Link                                                                                    | YES                                                                                             | -Motion approving environmental report for water storage tanks  
-Motion to direct staff to research how to repay CDBG funds that were used to purchase B Street and place disposition of B Street on next meeting calendar. |
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<td>- Supporting the Turlock Police Department’s Action Plan designed to assist the residents of Kay Circle and Veeck Drive with restoring peace and tranquility to their neighborhood</td>
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- Approving merger of Arts Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission. Advocated for lower salary for Department Head.
- Approving unspent sewer bonds, to fund Carollo Engineers contract for City Project No. 6859, “WQC Discharge Facilities.”
- Approving amendment to firefighters MOU
- Denying request to redirect rent from “Crown Castle Wireless” to be paid back to Crown Castle itself
- Approving change to code requested by Police chief concerning alcohol permitting. Howze amended so that council was final appeals body for Alcohol Control Board decisions
- Reappointing Soraya Fregosi to the Planning Commission
- Resolution No. 2008-238 Assessing properties for abatement costs and establishing a lien for payment was introduced by Councilmember Howze, seconded by Councilmember Spycher, and carried unanimously.
- Called for reappraisal after City received no bids for R street
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- Appropriating $3,867,476 transfer to EMJ Construction to fund Carnegie Reconstruction. Howze did not move to approve the original bid.

- Moved to fund the Turlock Irrigation district $12,553 for the Carnegie project

- Appropriate $20,000 for traffic study

- Approve capital facility fee

- Approve new CDBG procedures

- Authorize staff to draw up plan to spend $260,000 for consultant costs on Morgan Ranch Master Plan

- Approve 2009/10 Federal Transit Authority Project list

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