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NEWSLETTER



Interim President Miller T. Rodgers

THE ILLINOIS ALLIANCE IS IN THE FIGHT



The Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans was proud to support several actions in March to protect Medicaid, Medicare, and Social Security.

Our members joined Congressman Sorensen from IL 17th District in Rockford Illinois to demand no cuts to Social Security and no office closures! We joined the Congressman again in Iowa for a Town Hall where their rep, Mary Meeks refuses to show up.

Illinois Alliance members also joined Governor JB Pritzker and Caring Across Generations in Peoria Illinois for a Town Hall on Medicaid. Congressman LaHood was invited, but did not attend.

Our Executive Director, Krystle Able was also a panelist at a Town Hall in Jacksonville, Illinois where IL Congresswoman Mary Miller was invited, but did not attend or respond to the request.





TAKE ACTION



The Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans members have been participating in rallies, town halls, and phonebanking to make sure our members of Congress know we want them to keep their hands off Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, SNAP, and our unions.

The next big day of action will take place on Tax Day April 15th

Southern Illinois Rally

Date: Tuesday, April 15th

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Carbondale City Hall

RSVP Link: <https://actionnetwork.org/events/tax-day-no-cuts-to-our-communities-rally/>

 **Join us to demand a budget that puts people first!**

 **No more tax breaks for billionaires—fund our communities!**

 **Protect Medicaid, Social Security, and essential services!**

 **Invest in schools, not corporate handouts!**

 **Featuring community speakers, union leaders, educators, and YOU!**

Let's make it clear: Our tax dollars should work for us—not the ultra-rich.

We are currently also working on planning a Rally in Jacksonville, Illinois on April 15th! More details to come!



**Central Illinois Protect Medicaid
Action in Normal, Illinois**

Date: Monday, April 21st.

**Hosted By: Alliance for Community
Services**

**Time: 12 pm Gather, 12:30 Action in
Front of Congressman Darin LaHood's
Office**

**Location: Gathering at Uptown Station
(Amtrak Station) Outside Plaza at 11
Uptown Circle. Parking Garage
Attached.**

**LaHood's Office 108 E Beaufort,
Uptown Normal Illinois.**



IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND DOGE'S ATTEMPTS TO DISMANTLE THE SSA, WE HAVE A GREAT WAY TO FIGHT BACK - FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME!

JOIN OUR VIRTUAL "STOP THE STEAL - SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY" PHONE BANKS EVERY OTHER THURSDAY FROM 2 TO 4 ET.

HELP US EDUCATE RETIREE ACTIVISTS ABOUT ELON MUSK'S ATTACKS ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND GIVE THEM THE INFORMATION THEY NEED TO CALL THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

NO PHONE BANKING EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED - ALLIANCE STAFF WILL BE ON HAND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AND GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE PROCESS. JOIN US TO HELP FIGHT BACK AND PROTECT THE MILLIONS OF SENIORS WHO RELY ON SOCIAL SECURITY!

REGISTER FOR THE PHONE BANK HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.MOBILIZE.US/ALLIANCEFORRETIREDAMERICANS/EVENT/773079/](https://www.mobilize.us/allianceforretiredamericans/event/773079/)

JOIN THE MOVEMENT BECOME A MEMBER

COMMUNITY ADVOCACY NETWORK (CAN)

The Community Advocacy Network (CAN) is the community and individual membership program of the Alliance for Retired Americans. CAN members, in partnership with sponsoring organizations of the Alliance, work to ensure that all seniors and retirees can live a life of dignity and retirement security.

The CAN program is the mechanism to bring non-union members and individual union members together into the advocacy programs of the Alliance. Our focus is to protect and expand Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and pensions, to provide retirement security on the Federal level; as well as affordable healthcare, aging in place, worker's rights, pensions, and more in Illinois.

Membership Definition: A CAN member is an individual who pays their own dues to the Illinois Alliance and is not a member of a participating sponsoring organization

CAN is designed to give a voice to the individual members of the Alliance, and provide a mechanism to reach out to other individuals and community based organizations. Through this outreach, new individual members and activists can become members of the Alliance.



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AMERICANS CAN NETWORK
TODAY FOR A DONATION
OF \$10 PER YEAR**

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