

The Disastrous Impact Of The GOP Default on America Act

Congressional Republicans threatened to throw our economy into default in an effort to impose devastating cuts that would have hurt veterans, raised costs for hardworking families, and hindered economic growth.

In the face of a potential catastrophic default, Reps. Schweikert and Ciscomani sided with billionaires and corporate interests over everyday Arizonans. In April, they voted for the "Default on America Act" – a bill that would have a harmful impact on working families, including cuts that would have:

Raised Costs for Families

- Eliminated 7,500 Preschool and Child Care Slots in Arizona. The "Default on America Act" would have meant 3,300 children in Arizona would lose access to Head Start slots and 4,200 children would lose access to child care.
- Stripped Nutrition Food Assistance from 32,000 Women, Infants, and Children in Arizona.
- Raised Housing Costs for 5,300 Arizonans.

Harmed Seniors, Older Arizonans, and Veterans

- Threatened Medical Care for 186,100 Arizona Veterans.
- Worsened Social Security and Medicare Assistance Wait Times for 1.5 million Arizona Seniors and People with Disabilities.
- Jeopardized Food Assistance for 17,000 Older Adults in Arizona.

Jeopardized Health Coverage and Access to Care

- Jeopardized Health Coverage and Access to Care for 597,000 Arizonans.
- Cut access to health centers that support Arizonans living in rural communities.

...all while endangering new Arizona jobs, protecting rich tax cheats, and giving billions in tax breaks to big corporations.