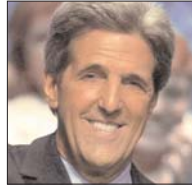


GOT ISSUES? SO DO THEY...

Presidential Candidates

Senatorial candidates



War

Says he will bring troops home when Iraq can defend itself and is a free nation. Wants Congress to **renew the Patriot Act**, which gives the government power to monitor citizens suspected of terrorism.

Says he will expand Army by 40,000 troops, strengthen intelligence agency, make Afghanistan a priority again, freeze the assets of anyone financing terrorism and **make homeland security a priority**.

Opposed the war in Iraq, but says he understands that it is now an American commitment. Says we must **maintain a strong military presence** while encouraging the interim government to hold elections as soon as

Suggests a **"moral commitment" to foreign policy**. Believes President Bush made responsible decisions in Iraq based on the information he had. Says America has a right to protection at home and a duty to protect

Health care

Proposes a **tax credit for low-income** Americans and people owning small businesses. Plans to launch \$1 billion campaign for health care for **children**.

Wants to **extend health care coverage** to 95 percent of Americans and cut up to \$1,000 from family premiums. He supports **health care for every child**.

Proposes health plan that **covers every child** in America, allows those near **retirement to buy into Medicare**, and ensures **coverage for those losing jobs** through no fault of their own. Sponsored a bill to protect the uninsured from

Wants to set up **tax-deductible medical savings accounts** in combination with **catastrophic insurance** that would guarantee people against major liability. Supports importing cheaper drugs from Canada and Europe. Does not believe in gov-

Jobs

Wants to commit **\$500 million** to jobs in the 21st century. Will educate and train American workers in schools and community

Believes in **creating more high-paying jobs** for American workers. Supports **new technology** that requires a **bigger skilled labor force**.

Economic stimulus comes from putting **every American back to work**. Would **take away incentives** that encourage corporations to move jobs overseas and increase research and development funding to create new job

Businesses create jobs, not the government. Keyes plans to **create a friendly business environment** that will help create new jobs, while lowering taxes, limiting regulation and trade policies that **preserve**

Education

Favors federally funded vouchers to help parents afford private schools, **supports No Child Left Behind Act**, which funds public schools.

Plans to establish funding with the National Education Trust Fund for schools in need. Wants to **reform No Child Left Behind Act**.

Proposes **national teaching academies** to add 25,000 new teachers to impoverished school districts; and plans to set up **loan programs for deserving college students** who might not otherwise attend.

Wants parents to be able to choose the schools their children attend. Does not believe in affirmative action or quotas. Supports **students' freedom to exercise religion** in private and public life.

Taxes

Over the course of his presidency, Bush passed **three tax cuts** that now he wants to make permanent.

Proposes to **cut middle-class taxes** to raise middle-class incomes and **cut taxes from businesses that create new United States jobs**. Plans to **cut the deficit in half**.

Supports tax relief for working families and wrote legislation that cut Illinois's welfare rolls. Suggests **tax incentives** for companies that create quality jobs and provide benefits such as affordable health care and retirement security.

Wants to **replace income tax with national sales tax**. Believes that by implementing income tax, we have given the government control of our money. In the national sales tax, the amount people are taxed would be based on their spending habits.

Abortion

Opposes abortion except in rape and incest cases. Signed law in 2003 to ban late-term abortions.

Supports abortion rights; says he will elect abortion-rights judges.

Will protect a woman's right to choose and **believes abortions should be legally available** in accordance with Roe v. Wade

Opposes abortion, says he agrees with the Declaration of Independence that all are created equal and human beings cannot decide who is human and who is not.

Gay

Opposes gay marriage; he wants Congress to amend constitution to define marriage as only between a man and woman.

Voted against ban on gay marriage, but **believes that marriage should be between a man and a woman**.

Opposed to gay marriage but believes in civil unions as a policy. Believes amending the Constitution is necessary.

Opposed to gay marriage because he says God's plan includes procreation. Believes marriage would abandon the moral mentality that is necessary for a decent family life.

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