



ron paul's **FREEDOM PRINCIPLES**

RIGHTS BELONG TO INDIVIDUALS, NOT GROUPS.

PROPERTY SHOULD BE OWNED BY PEOPLE,
NOT GOVERNMENT.

ALL VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS SHOULD BE
PERMISSIBLE——ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL.

THE GOVERNMENT'S MONETARY ROLE IS TO
MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY OF THE MONETARY UNIT,
NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN FRAUD.

GOVERNMENT EXISTS TO PROTECT LIBERTY,
NOT TO REDISTRIBUTE WEALTH OR TO GRANT
SPECIAL PRIVILEGES.

THE LIVES AND ACTIONS OF PEOPLE ARE THEIR
OWN RESPONSIBILITY, NOT THE GOVERNMENT'S.

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ron paul **ON THE ISSUES**

DEBT AND TAXES

Working Americans like lower taxes. So do I. Lower taxes benefit all of us, creating jobs and allowing us to make more decisions for ourselves about our lives.

AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY

So called free trade deals and world governmental organizations like the International Criminal Court (ICC), NAFTA, GATT, WTO, and CAFTA are a threat to our independence as a nation.

BORDER SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION

The talk must stop. We must secure our borders now. A nation without secure borders is no nation at all. It makes no sense to fight terrorists abroad when our own front door is left unlocked.

PRIVACY AND PERSONAL LIBERTY

The biggest threat to your privacy is the government. We must drastically limit the ability of government to collect and store data regarding citizens' personal matters.

WAR AND FOREIGN POLICY

The war in Iraq was sold to us with false information. The area is more dangerous now than when we entered it. We destroyed a regime hated by our direct enemies, the jihadists, and created thousands of new recruits for them.

PROPERTY RIGHTS AND EMINENT DOMAIN

We must stop special interests from violating property rights and literally driving families from their homes, farms and ranches.

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Border Security and Immigration Reform

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1. **Physically secure our borders and coastlines.** We must do whatever it takes to control entry into our country before we undertake complicated immigration reform proposals.

2. **Enforce visa rules.** Immigration officials must track visa holders and deport anyone who overstays their visa or otherwise violates U.S. law. This is especially important when we recall that a number of 9/11 terrorists had expired visas.

3. **No amnesty.** Estimates suggest that 10 to 20 million people are in our country illegally. That's a lot of people to reward for breaking our laws.

4. **No welfare for illegal aliens.** Americans have welcomed immigrants who seek opportunity, work hard, and play by the rules. But taxpayers should not pay for illegal immigrants who use hospitals, clinics, schools, roads, and social services.

5. **End birthright citizenship.** As long as illegal immigrants know their children born here will be citizens, the incentive to enter the U.S. illegally will remain strong.

6. **Pass true immigration reform.** The current system is incoherent and unfair. But current reform proposals would allow up to 60 million more immigrants into our country, according to the Heritage Foundation. This is insanity. Legal immigrants from all countries should face the same rules and waiting periods.

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"War, and the threat of war, are big government's best friend. Liberals support big government social programs, and conservatives support big government war policies, thus satisfying two major special interest groups. And when push comes to shove, the two groups cooperate and support big government across the board—always at the expense of personal liberty. Both sides pay lip service to freedom, but neither stands against the welfare-warfare state and its promises of unlimited entitlements and endless war."

—Ron Paul

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ron paul **ON THE RECORD**

He has never voted to raise taxes.

He has never voted for an unbalanced budget.

He has never voted for a federal restriction on gun ownership.

He has never voted to raise congressional pay.

He has never taken a government-paid junket.

He has never voted to increase the power of the executive branch.

He voted against the Patriot Act.

He voted against regulating the Internet.

He voted against the Iraq war.

He does not participate in the lucrative congressional pension program.

He returns a portion of his annual congressional office budget to the U.S. treasury every year.

Congressman Paul introduces numerous pieces of substantive legislation each year, probably more than any single member of Congress.

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