



Dear neighbor,

This week in Washington has been one of continued chaos. House Republicans pushed through a **funding bill** that handed over Congress' power of the purse to the executive branch, diverting taxpayer dollars to a slush fund for Trump and Musk to access with no oversight. Rather than engaging in responsible governance, Republicans have chosen to cede authority and leave critical programs - like veterans' healthcare, public health initiatives, and support for small businesses - at the mercy of a corrupt partisan administration. Meanwhile, GOP dysfunction makes it clear that their priorities lie with billionaires and not the American people.

In addition, my office held a successful **constituent resource fair** in Franklin Township.

Next week, I'll be attending a **town hall** in Pleasantville, NJ, that also invited Congressman Jeff Van Drew to explain his votes to cut Medicaid, veterans health funds, and other important programs.

My Vote Against the Republican Funding Bill that Cuts Services

This week, I voted against the GOP's funding resolution that amounts to an unregulated slush fund for President Trump and Elon Musk. It cuts veterans benefits, it cuts housing, and it puts Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid at risk.

This vote was about handing over even more power from the people's representatives to President Trump. It absolves Congressional Republicans of the responsibility of governing. It tells Donald Trump, 'Do whatever you feel is right, the needs of my constituents be damned.' It is truly a pathetic yielding of power from Congress to the President.

We already know Trump and Musk want to cut or even eliminate Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. Handing them more control of government funding puts our seniors, children, and disabled Americans at serious risk.

I instead endorsed Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro's (CT-03) short-term continuing resolution to allow Congress to get back to work negotiating and passing funding bills that invest in America's families and future and ensure the American people have a say in how federal funding is allocated.

Passport Clinic

Need assistance applying for or renewing your passport?

My office will be at the Princeton Municipal Building on Wednesday, March 19th from 2-6 to assist you.

Staff will be on hand to help you apply for a passport, renew an expired passport, and even get your passport photo taken.

Franklin Township Constituent Resource Fair

This week, my office held a resource fair for constituents at the Franklin Township Community Senior Center. Many of you stopped by for help with Veterans Housing and Benefits, Tax preparation questions, educational resources, health resources, and more. If you weren't able to make it to this event, you can call our District Office at (609) 883-0026 or stop by my district office in Ewing, weekdays from 9AM-5PM.



Town Hall with Jeff Van Drew?

On Monday, March 17th, I'll be attending a town hall at 6PM at The WinSan Center at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Pleasantville, NJ. The organizers have also invited Congressman Jeff Van Drew to explain his votes to cut Medicaid, veterans health funds, and other vital programs. I hope Congressman Van Drew attends because all New Jerseyans deserve to understand their representative's votes.

An Open Letter

On Saturday, Mahmoud Khalil, a legal permanent resident, was abducted — taken from his home without a judicial warrant. The case of Mahmoud Khalil should outrage everyone who values our fundamental right to free speech. Whether or not you agree with Khalil's political views, it should alarm each of us that his freedom of speech can be snuffed out solely because it is at odds with the official position of the President or the Federal Government.

In violating Mahmoud Khalil's right to free speech and trampling his civil liberties, the President reveals his willingness to attack us all. I joined 103 of my colleagues in [demanding answers](#) from Secretaries Noem and Rubio. I also penned an open letter about the need to defend the freedom of speech. It can be viewed [here](#).



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