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**To:** Interested Parties  
**From:** Data for Progress  
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**Re:** Polling on Economic Freedoms

Proposed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1944, the concept of an Economic Bill of Rights has deep roots in American history and would protect the right to a job, housing, education, safety, healthcare, unionization, and basic banking services.

From March 22-24, Data for Progress conducted a [survey](#) of 1,194 national likely voters that reveals strong voter support for an Economic Bill of Rights and related policy proposals. **Over two-thirds of voters (69 percent) support an Economic Bill of Rights**, including just over half of Republicans (51 percent).

Here are some key findings from our polling:

- **A majority of voters (87 percent) support a right to healthcare** — including 82% of Republicans.
  - When asked specifically about expanding Medicare to all Americans, Republicans oppose the proposal by a -29-point margin. **However, a majority of voters overall (56 percent) still express support for expanding Medicare to all.**
- **Nearly three-quarters of voters (74 percent) support a federal program that would guarantee paid work opportunities for all Americans.** A federal jobs guarantee would protect the right to a job, ensuring every American has a decent-paying job.
- **Voters support the right to education by a +78-point margin.** More voters support the right to a preschool education (81 percent) than the right to a college education (72 percent), but **both proposals garner majority support from voters across party lines.**
- A bipartisan majority of voters (72 percent) support **building enough housing stock for all Americans**, ensuring everyone has a place to live.
- By a +33-point margin, voters also support **providing no-cost bank accounts through the U.S. Postal Service** to protect the right to banking services.

Data for Progress polling finds wide support for an Economic Bill of Rights, with voters across party lines supporting proposals to ensure all Americans have a decent standard of living, human dignity, and economic opportunity.