

# The Solution

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# I. Energy

Question:

- What is the best path to an alternative energy future for the United States?

Statement:

- Alternative Energy is the only way of the future, but the time of transition is of the most importance. You can not “Cold-Turkey” your way to any new way of life. One would only be naive to think Nuclear Power is not going to be a critical factor to a balanced transition.

Solution:

- Nuclear Regulatory Commission will choose the ten most critical nuclear power plants to the U.S. power grid. At these locations we build state of the art, NRC approved AP1000 reactors; simultaneously decommission existing plants at specific identified locations. The other remaining nuclear plants around the country will be closed and decommissioned. This will ensure a safe, reliable, sustainable, and most of all affordable alternative power, thus eliminating the dependency on nuclear, which will serve as a back-up resource to alternative power.

Benefits:

- Tens of thousands of jobs at all levels and spread to all regions of the U.S.
- Ten reactors at 12 billion apiece would bring 120 billion dollars to the U.S. economy.
- Jobs that can last 40 years.
- All archaic existing reactors shut down—a sure win overall to the environment.
- Americans can be assured affordable electricity for decades to come.
- We have now made America a safer place to live.

## II. North American Infrastructure

Question:

- How does the United States government rebuild and finance the collapsing infrastructure of all 50 states ?

Statement:

- The United States infrastructure is like an automobile engine. When the parts start failing, no matter how small, it only leads to engine failure. Our engine is so old, the entire system has to be overhauled that a temporary band-aide cannot fix.

Solution:

- The United States government offers Tim Cook, CEO of Apple a tax opportunity to bring in their two hundred billion cash assets into the American economy.
- Structure of the Tax Break:
  - 15% state tax to federal government
  - 10% to start a new division of Apple, called Apple-Corp Civil! Apple-Corp Civil would retain control of this 10%.
  - States could then apply for funding for infrastructure directly from Apple-Corp.
  - Apple in return has full design, engineering and budget control over projects.
  - The states would be responsible for the construction of all projects using their own union work force.

Benefits:

- Tens of thousands of jobs created in all skill levels and regions of the U.S.
- State of the art future for the U.S, taking us truly into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- The largest company in the world brings its money home; Apple will grow even larger overnight bringing more taxes and employment for long-term return.
- No more state dependency on the federal government for allocations and big government conditions.

### III. Education

#### Question:

- How does the United States redefine the way we educate the ever-growing population Worldwide ?

#### Statement:

- No matter how we educate a student academically, we need programs that address social assimilation to address the multicultural future of the U.S. and the world.

#### Solution:

- The United States will create an International High School (IHS).
  - The government would allow any country we already support with monetary aid, and the right to offer its citizens the ability to send their children between the ages of 12-14 to a 4-year IHS.

#### Structure:

- Use closed military bases to house IHS facilities
- Hire teaching faculty
- Curriculum planning and development to produce a vetted international curriculum with learning outcomes and assessment.
  - Each student would take one year of English language immersion, in combination with established IHS approved curriculum
  - Graduation cash stipends for duties performed during four-year program.
  - Free tuition for qualified American students.
  - International students will return to their home countries following graduation.

#### Funding:

- Funding for IHS is probably the easiest of all to fund; earmark educational costs as part of the overall aid package for targeted countries; the current aid process is broken and education needs to become part of the funding programs for international aid.

#### Benefits:

- Create thousands of jobs in all skill levels and regions of country; most of the military bases are located in rural communities and this program will help stabilize devastated and poor regions in the U.S.
- Keeps our government lands open and functional.

- Creation of new civil service positions.
- IHC programs will offer a neutral zone in an age where social assimilation occurs naturally in a structured and educational environment.
- Students are exposed to “First-hand Democracy”—“It’s not a word, it’s an experience!”
- Provides a safe and secure zone for children to learn away from the turmoil of the World.
- Promotes practical curriculum that includes health education focused on nutrition, physical health, and dental care as a mechanism to circumvent overall world health issues.

## IV. Gun Control

Question:

- How to make effective gun laws that protect the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment and at the same time grant and protect human life?

Statement:

- The simple fact is that no law can replace the lethal ramifications of gun violence or replace the loss of life and impact on families and communities.

Solution in Two Parts:

- Part 1: The federal government allows a citizen, who passes all of the established criteria, including fingerprinting and a DNA sample, the right to carry a concealed weapon.
- Part 2: The federal government gun law enforcement would prosecute violators with a 10-year minimum sentence and enforce it with maximum effort; minors violating the law will serve in a paid work program for up to ten years.

Benefits:

- Secures U.S. citizens the right of self-protection.
- Puts the time before the crime!
- NRA will have no problem supporting these changes.

## V. Immigration

Question:

- How does the United States government handle the ever growing, uncountable, and undocumented population?

Statement:

- Trying to deport an unseen group of people spread throughout the 50 states is an impossible task, even for the most optimistic.

Solution:

- The federal government has to change the penalty for crossing the border illegally from a misdemeanor back to a felony; but allow all undocumented persons a chance to register.

Structure

- 90 days to register
- DNA and fingerprinting requirement
- Verified legal address
- Documented persons will receive a government issued registration card
- After 7 years, citizenship will be granted as determined by immigration law.

Benefits:

- U.S. has enforceable border laws
- Provides Immigration control back to the states and local government
- U.S. now has accurate statistics on the population
- Creates a legal employee for employers' who depend on a foreign labor force.
- Newly documented foreign employee pays taxes, and previously government funded programs for undocumented workers end.
- The most important benefit, I feel, will be the empowerment of legal residents to report criminal activity in gang infested neighborhoods, and no longer fear reprisal with new enforcement of deportation!



## vi. Employment

See all 5 previous categories