



WAYS AND MEANS

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Blueprint Basics

Q: What is the Blueprint?

- This Blueprint is a detailed, credible plan to help hardworking taxpayers and their families. It will deliver three important goals:
 - *Growth* – bold reforms will increase paychecks, grow local businesses, and expand our economy.
 - *Simplicity* – by simplifying the broken tax code, most Americans can file their taxes on a form as simple as a postcard.
 - *Service* – we will redesign the IRS to be an agency focused on customer service.

Q: What is the next step? Is this an actual bill?

- This Blueprint is just the beginning of the conversation – not the end. It incorporates ideas from so many Americans – but we need to hear from more people at home and across the country.
- We’re going to talk to people about our plan and get their feedback.
- Next, we’re going to get to work on turning this plan into commonsense, fiscally responsible legislation that we will move in 2017.

Q: How does the Blueprint help hardworking taxpayers and families?

- First, the Blueprint dramatically simplifies our tax code. Most Americans will be able to pay their taxes using a form so simple it could fit on a postcard.
- Second, by cutting taxes and eliminating some of the most damaging effects of our current tax code, the Blueprint will help grow our economy. That means more jobs, bigger paychecks, and more opportunity for Americans of all walks of life.

Q: How does the Blueprint grow the economy?

- This Blueprint creates a tax code that makes it easier for our economy to grow. We know that lowering tax rates for small businesses, modernizing our outdated international tax code, letting local businesses fully expense their equipment, and leveling the playing field for our manufacturers all will help grow our economy.
- There aren't any perfect ways to tax – but there are proven ways to reform the tax code to grow our economy – and that's what's included in this plan.

Q: What will the Blueprint cost taxpayers?

- The Blueprint is a fiscally responsible replacement to today's broken tax code that will grow our economy without adding to the deficit.

