



## BARACK OBAMA AND JOE BIDEN: WORKING FOR NEVADA'S ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY

**Lower Health Costs and Increase Access:** There are 2.2 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) without health insurance and nearly 12 percent of Asian American and Pacific Islander children are uninsured. Barack Obama and Joe Biden are committed to signing health legislation by the end of their first term in office that ensures all Americans have high-quality, affordable health care coverage. Their plan will save a typical American family up to \$2,500 every year on medical expenditures by providing affordable, comprehensive, and portable health coverage for every American; modernizing the U.S. health care system to contain spiraling health care costs and improve quality of patient care; promoting prevention; and strengthening public health to prevent disease and protect against natural and man-made disasters

**Reforming Immigration and Supporting AAPI Families:** AAPI families have some of the longest immigration backlogs. In the most recent immigration debate on the U.S. Senate floor, Barack Obama fought to improve and pass a comprehensive bill. He introduced amendments to emphasize keeping immigrant families together. Obama will revive comprehensive reform in his first year to secure our borders, fix a broken immigration bureaucracy and put the 12 million undocumented immigrants on a responsible road to legalization.

**Make College More Affordable:** Barack Obama and Joe Biden will make college affordable for all Americans by creating a new American Opportunity Tax Credit. This fully refundable credit will provide \$4,000 a year for college tuition. The credit will cover the cost of tuition at the average public college or university. And by making the tax credit fully refundable, this credit will help low-income families that need it the most. Barack Obama and Joe Biden will also ensure that the tax credit is available to families at the time of enrollment by using prior year's tax data to deliver the credit at the time tuition is due, rather than a year or more later when tax returns are filed. Recipients of this credit will be required to conduct 100 hours of public service a year, either during the school year or over the summer months.

**Strategy for Ending the War and Achieving Success in Iraq:** Immediately upon taking office, Obama will give his military commanders a new mission: ending the war. The redeployment of our troops will be responsible and phased, directed by commanders on the ground and done in consultation with the Iraqi government. Obama will not build permanent bases in Iraq. During our redeployment, Obama will launch aggressive initiatives to press for reconciliation within Iraq, to achieve a new regional compact stability in the Middle East, and to address Iraq's humanitarian crisis.

**Reestablish U.S. Moral Leadership:** Barack Obama and Joe Biden will restore America's standing, reputation, and authority in the world by respecting civil liberties, ending torture, restoring habeas corpus, making the U.S. electoral processes fair and transparent, and fighting corruption at home. Obama also has a strong record against racial profiling, cosponsoring the End Racial Profiling Act, which defined racial profiling and prohibited law enforcement from using race or ethnicity as a basis for routine or spontaneous law enforcement. As a state senator, Obama passed tough legislation that made hate crimes and conspiracy to commit them against the law.

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