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We asked kids nationwide to submit their economic advice to @POTUS using 280 characters or less. Here's what they had to say...





Brooklann, 3rd grade

Dear President Trump, We need more jobs so we can buy more food, water and home goods. We need to make jobs available for people who are poor. When people have jobs they have money to spend which helps economic development.



Ethan, 3rd grade

The economic advice that I would give to the President of the United States would be to give out free scholarships so people could go to college and get a good education to get jobs. Then, they could pay taxes to help schools and roads get better.



Madeline, 4th grade

I would tell them to focus on taking care of America's sick people so they can survive and be happy. Helping the sick people get better will help them be able to go to work and support their families which will improve communities.



Reagan, 4th grade

You should make more schools and places that poor people can afford. If they can get an education and have a healthy life full of good choices that are available to them, it will make the country as a whole better.



Trinity, 1st grade

Help make more house for people to live.



Lucy, 4th grade

Share! I shared yellow paint with sister this morning. She make it icky green; I kept mine nice yellow. We were both happy, mom too. If rich people don't share with poor people it rips apart our country. Please take my sharing advice so people won't throw peaches at you.



James, 4th grade

My advice for the president of the United States would be give all the money to create more programs for people. To have jobs be schooled and have a house so they can live a normal life like other people.



Ashlyn, 4th grade

My economic advice to the president of the United States would be to give money to the poor so they can get food, more clothes, homes, cars and to get into school so they can get an education.



Karissa, 4th grade

My economic advice to the president of the US would be to invest in giving money to hospitals because not everyone can afford to go to the hospital and some people can't afford the surgery that they need. This is my economic advice to the President of the US.



Kaida, 4th grade

My advice is to lift tariffs against goods imported from China because they hurt US citizens more than help them. Tariffs cause a domino effect--prices go up so people buy less, companies sell less, in result, companies go out of business and people may lose jobs.



Jalena, 4th grade

My economic advice to the president of the United States would be to lower bills for the families that can't afford things.



Rory, 4th grade

My economic advice to the president of the United States would be to give to the poor. I know y'all have a machine that makes money. Give it to the poor. All states should be equal. People die because they have no money.



Edward, 5th grade

I think the president should give free healthcare to families who need it. I speak from personal experience. I sadly had cancer for 3 years. It was tough on my family, but we had Obamacare. I think our new president should do the same as the last.



Audrick, 5th grade

I think you should stick to trying to get 250,000 jobs so more Americans can provide for their families. When it comes to immigration, make it easier on the legal side and harder on the illegal side. This will be a big boost for the economy.



Benjamin, 7th grade

Citizens that go to college aren't able to make very much money because of their amount of loan interest. That means money that can help businesses and people is going to waste. And it stunts the economy in more ways I'm allowed to write. Colleges should be less expensive.



Masan, 8th grade

My economic advice to the president would be to lower the military funding down to at least 50% and give science, agriculture, and veterans benefits more than what it is now. This would help with newer medication, more crops, and veterans can have better healthcare.



Rachel, 5th grade

My advice to POTUS is to reduce healthcare cost to grow our economy. Skyrocketing healthcare cost is harming our economy and has become a major contributor to national debt. We need to control drug costs, limit medical malpractice lawsuits, and provide basic healthcare to everyone.



Elliot, 6th grade

Dear President Trump, I think you should help some people living on the street and help them have a better life just because they messed up once doesn't mean they will mess up again.



Abby, 5th grade

I would say, use less plastic. Economy means the use of resources. Plastic is the most used resource. When we use more plastic, the more that gets into the ocean. When it gets in the water, animals start eating it. Some countries have banned plastic items. Manatees are dying cause of plastic waste we throw in the ocean.



Parker, 5th grade

Mr. President, please work on balancing the budget because I don't want to pay the debt when I'm older. Please fix social security so it will be there when I retire. Also, work on fixing our broken roads and bridges. Finally, continue cleaning up crime in our cities. Thank you Mr. President.



Simon, 7th grade

I would tell the President to decrease economic regulations on businesses and lower corporate tax rate. This would allow small and big businesses to keep more of their earnings and allow them to raise wages. This would give every day Americans more disposable income increasing spending and thus increase tax revenue.



Jeremiah, 8th grade

Raise minimum wage. With an estimated 43.1 million people in poverty and 39.6 million getting by on food stamps, a slight raise in minimum raise would do much to improve the lives of the impoverished and increase workforce and the gross national income.



Finley, 8th grade

President Trump should lower corporate tax rates which would lead to wage growth and therefore create more jobs in American since companies have more money to invest. High corporate tax rates moves businesses overseas and leads to unemployment.



Tatiana, 8th grade

I think he should invest in ensuring that all families have access to free universal healthcare. Persuading Congress in proposing policies in favor of universal healthcare will solve the problem of the uninsured Americans. Healthcare ought to be a human right, not a political tool to gain votes.



Lily, 6th grade

The advice I would give to the President is to raise taxes so we can balance our budget.



Parker, 7th grade

I believe that the US economy should have a more strict enforcement on gun control and how they are used. For example, school and mass shootings could happen at any moment, at any place. But if the US passed gun laws that would actually reduce the violence in shootings.



Ashley, 8th grade

The president should fix student loan debt which will alleviate economic problems the United States currently face. This debt is negatively affecting the countries debt. One way to lower this \$1.4 trillion debt is to reduce the loan interest rates to less than 2%.



Anthony, 6th grade

Currently, the US is \$21.5 trillion in debt. I think our president should raise the income tax by 1%. This means people will pay \$1,000 more a year. Since there are 130 million people working fulltime, this will give \$130 billion to the government to help the debt.



Pei Chao, 12th grade

Impoverished families should receive vouchers to move to neighborhoods with better opportunities. Research by Harvard economists on Moving to Opportunity, an experiment where this system was implemented, show that children who moved earned more as adults than those who did not since geographic mobility provides access to greater social capital.



Annelisa, 12th grade

In order to rein in what many economists label as overheating economy, I would recommend to the President enacting contradictory demand-side fiscal policy by raising taxes. An increase in taxes would reduce disposable income for consumers, thus decreasing consumption and shifting the demand curve leftward, closing the expansionary gap.



Musaid, 11th grade

My advice is simple: keep the government out of the market, reject socialist failures of policies, and realize that the less federal intervention, the better. And, for God's sake, don't drag us into tariff-trade wars. C'mon use that businessman power you got Mr. President.



Karen, 11th grade

My advice is for the Trump administration to stop isolating America from international trade deals, like NATO. Most economists agree that specialization—countries providing a small number of goods well, and trading with other countries for others - is best for all countries. International trade is where specialization thrives.



Lydia, 12th grade

If I could give the president economic advice, I would tell him to mandate that all public students take off-campus lunches every day. This would cause an economic boom in restaurants around America and decrease the cost of foods in schools. This would be great for the American economy.



Zahara, 12th grade

Dear POTUS, In 2017, 1% of a \$4.2 trillion budget (\$51 billion) went towards the environment and energy. With the rise of global warming, pollution and resource depletion, we should focus on preserving and healing our environment to continue generations and help America be a better place.



Caitlin, 12th grade

Trump should focus on producing capital goods to promote future growth, in addition to this he should also spend less on the budget for the military and more on healthcare. I also think he should not reduce subsidies for student loans considering how many people are stuck with huge student debt.



Kelly, 11th grade

I would give President Trump the advice to decrease the amount of money used in the military to put more money towards education and healthcare to increase the overall living quality of US citizens.



Mika, 12th grade

As a student with 4 weeks of economics class under my belt, my advice for the PTOUS would be to lower domestic business taxes and increase government subsidies of American industries such as coal and steel which have long been overlooked and neglected in favor of globalism.



Therese, 11th grade

Instead of bringing back coal jobs, which are dangerous to workers and the environment, you should create new, modern jobs that are more environmentally clean. Advise those who invest offshore to stimulate the economy more by spending their money on American made products. Expand the trade between countries; no trade war.



Maliha, 11th grade

If I were to give economic advice to the President of the United States, I would encourage him to negotiate more economically advantageous trade treaties with foreign nations. For example, we should try to avoid trade war with China and extraneous tariffs on Mexican imports (especially on avocados). 🥑🥑🥑



Vaani, 11th grade

Economic prosperity will come in the future only if our citizens are well educated. Funds should go towards bettering education opportunities for children that live in low income communities. If these kids are given opportunities, they will receive better education and fuel our future economy.



Maddie, 6th grade

My economic advice is to pay teachers more which could help more young people decide to teach. Students would get better educated. Students will be able to get good jobs and help the economy.