

COMPACT WITH TEXAS SENIORS

Texas has built a brighter and more prosperous future for all Texans. But none are more important than our seniors who have made this state the greatest in the nation. After years of working their way to a well-deserved retirement, our seniors shouldn't struggle to make ends meet. We have a responsibility to protect them from the heavy hand of government.

Governor Abbott pledges to make a Compact with our seniors to provide additional property tax relief, reduce state fees, increase penalties for those who prey on them and expand information services to raise awareness about the state and local services offered to senior citizens.

REDUCING PROPERTY TAXES FOR SENIORS

Automatically enroll all senior homeowners for the additional \$10,000 homestead exemption on school property taxes.

Texas seniors are eligible to receive property tax relief on their homes, but not all of them do it. Texas seniors can apply for an additional \$10,000 homestead tax exemption on top of the current homestead exemption provided to all property owners. Under Governor Abbott's Compact with Seniors, the state would automatically enroll all senior homeowners for this additional \$10,000 homestead exemption on school property taxes.

Freeze county property taxes at the current level for seniors.

Texas seniors already have a school district property tax freeze. Under the Compact, Texas seniors would be eligible for a county property tax freeze, capping the county tax at the current level for the rest of their life.

CURTAILING CRIME AGAINST SENIOR CITIZENS

With rising fraud and elder abuse cases, Governor Abbott is proposing that we increase penalties for crimes committed against seniors. He's also proposing giving the Texas Attorney General's office new authority to pursue and prosecute criminals who prey on our senior citizens.

REDUCING STATE FEES FOR TEXAS SENIORS

Some Texas seniors cannot afford state fees like vehicle registration fees and hunting and fishing license fees. Governor Abbott pledges to reduce or eliminate these state fees and provide a website for a one stop shop for Texas senior discounts by state and local government.

INCREASE INFORMATION ON LOCAL SERVICES

Many Texas seniors are not aware of the various programs and services Texas offers. Under the Compact with Seniors, Texas would expand the state's 2-1-1 hotline to increase information about the various state and local services that are provided to Texas seniors.

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