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# March to Common Ground

## BIPARTISAN COVID RELIEF FRAMEWORK



## Overview

- ◇ Having seen no progress on a new COVID-19 relief package in four months, and in recognition of Americans' increasing suffering, the Problem Solvers Caucus (PSC) has developed a comprehensive, bipartisan framework to meet the nation's needs for the next 6-12 months, that can pass both chambers of Congress and be signed into law by the President.
- ◇ **Our objective is to inspire negotiators to return to the table.**
- ◇ The framework was developed by a PSC working group that spent six weeks listening to constituents throughout the country, and was developed through robust debate, deliberation and conversation among caucus members and key stakeholders.
- ◇ The framework has been approved for endorsement by over 75% of the PSC membership, consisting of 25 House Democrats and 25 House Republicans.
- ◇ The PSC is committed to demonstrating cooperative, bipartisan leadership at a time our country needs it most.



## Testing and Healthcare \$100 b

### Problem

- ◇ The covid-19 virus continues to spread through the country. Reducing transmission through rapid and reliable testing and tracing, and ensuring quality treatment for all those effected must be our foremost priority to limit human and economic suffering and get our country back on the road to recovery.

### Solution

- ◇ \$25 billion for testing and contact tracing
- ◇ \$30 billion for healthcare provider support including but not limited to tele-health expansion
- ◇ \$45 billion forgiveness of Medicare loans to providers (not to reduce Medicare Trust Fund)