

As we draw near to the close of 2011 the economy continues to be unstable in the U.S. and across the globe. It seems that nearly every economic indicator globally points to a stagnant economic growth. Here in the U.S. we are struggling with getting our house in order. Our Congressional representatives seem incapable of dealing with the need to reduce our debt and balance our spending with revenue. Unfortunately it seems that much of the discussion about how to begin to deal with the deficit centers around modifying Social Security and Medicare... all of which affects seniors and retirees. Seniors and retirees are already affected more than any other group as their earned pensions, savings and health benefits have been under attack. These assets and earned benefits have been shrinking due to the economic downturn, instability in the investment markets, reductions in health care benefits and the significant increase in the cost of health care.

As we enter 2012, it is even more important for retirees to be activists, educating themselves about what is being proposed and how it affects their pensions, healthcare benefits and overall economic well-being. This is a critical time in our country and retirees must become advocates for the protection of the benefits they earned while working for so many years.

The NCRO's mission is to protect pensions and benefits of the Chrysler salaried retirees. We are working on your behalf to protect those benefits that you earned. In order to be effective, we need your continued support through your dues and your actions. It is important for us to have as many members as possible because the more members we represent the louder our voice is with those we lobby. We urge you to continue to support the NCRO by submitting your dues for 2012. We need to band together now more than ever to protect the benefits we earned.

Thanking you in advance...

Sincerely,

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