

TO: Interested Parties  
FROM: Susie Lee for Congress  
DATE: April 28, 2026  
SUBJECT: Campaign Memo Pre-General 2026

Voters need to know that as tariffs raise costs, sweeping cuts to health care continue to make it unaffordable, and a \$1 billion a day war in Iran spikes gas prices; Susie Lee is putting her reputation as a bipartisan problem solver to work. She's getting real results to create good paying jobs and put more money in the pockets of Nevada families. Voters should see ads on broadcast, cable, streaming, and digital districtwide as well as read mail about the fact that:

- Susie supports putting more money in your wallet by making tips 100% tax exempt
- Susie has voted to end the tariffs that are driving up costs on everyday items like groceries and car repairs
- Susie wants to lower health care costs by extending ACA tax credits that kept premiums affordable
- Susie is standing up to corporate landlords who are making housing in Southern Nevada unaffordable and is working with Republicans and Democrats to open up land and cut red tape to build more lower cost housing

Hispanic and AAPI voters need even more repetitions of the above, especially focusing on the cost of groceries and rent. This outreach should include local constituency newspapers and on radio stations, including streaming audio.

Backup:

**Tariffs raise costs, sweeping cuts to healthcare continue to make it unaffordable, and a \$1 billion a day war in Iran spikes gas prices.**

- Fox 5: Tariffs drive up grocery prices, squeeze independent stores
  - <https://www.fox5vegas.com/2026/04/14/tariffs-drive-up-grocery-prices-squeeze-independent-stores/>
- KTNV: Las Vegas business owner says tariffs and overseas conflicts are driving up costs for her local brand
  - <https://www.ktnv.com/news/las-vegas-business-owner-says-tariffs-and-overseas-conflicts-are-driving-up-costs-for-her-local-brand>
- Las Vegas Sun, Tariffs take toll on Las Vegas coffee industry despite Trump rollback
  - <https://lasvegassun.com/news/2025/nov/16/tariffs-take-toll-on-las-vegas-coffee-industry-des/>

- KLAS: Las Vegas gas prices keep going up; cost to Nevada consumers estimated at \$83 million
  - <https://www.8newsnow.com/news/local-news/las-vegas-gas-prices-keep-going-up-cost-to-nevada-consumers-estimated-at-83-million/>
- KTNV: Locals feel pain at the pump as average gas price nears \$5 per gallon in Las Vegas
  - <https://www.ktnv.com/neighborhoods/northwest-las-vegas/locals-feel-pain-at-the-pump-as-average-gas-price-nears-5-per-gallon-in-las-vegas>
- Las Vegas Review Journal: Las Vegas Valley gas prices hit highest level since October 2023
  - <https://www.reviewjournal.com/business/energy/las-vegas-gas-hits-5-per-gallon-and-rising-as-iran-war-wages-on-3728253/>
- KLAS: Las Vegas average gas price hits \$5, up about \$1.35 since beginning of March
  - <https://www.8newsnow.com/news/local-news/las-vegas-average-gas-prices-hits-5-up-about-1-35-since-beginning-of-march/>
- Fortune: Trump's Iran war is costing American taxpayers \$1 billion a day as the national debt spirals out of control
  - <https://fortune.com/2026/03/11/daily-tab-iran-war-debt-crisis/>
- New York Times: Iran War Has Drained U.S. Supplies of Critical, Costly Weapons
  - [https://www.nytimes.com/2026/04/23/us/politics/iran-war-cost-military.html#:~:text=White%20House%20officials%20have%20refused,used%20\\$5.6%20billion%20of%20munitions.](https://www.nytimes.com/2026/04/23/us/politics/iran-war-cost-military.html#:~:text=White%20House%20officials%20have%20refused,used%20$5.6%20billion%20of%20munitions.)
- Protect Our Care: Republicans Follow Through on Their Plan to Hike Costs and Strip Americans of Their Health Care
  - <https://www.protectourcare.org/republicans-follow-through-on-their-plan-to-hike-costs-and-strip-americans-of-their-health-care/>
- Center for American Progress: House Republicans' Big, 'Beautiful' Bill Would Make Health Care More Expensive for Americans With Medicare and Other Insurance
  - <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/house-republicans-big-beautiful-bill-would-make-health-care-more-expensive-for-americans-with-medicare-and-other-insurance/>
- Center on Budget and Policy Priorities: Trump Administration, Congressional Republicans Are Worsening Affordability Challenges in Many Ways
  - <https://www.cbpp.org/research/poverty-and-inequality/trump-administration-congressional-republicans-are-worsening#:~:text=Housing,well%20as%20prospective%20home%20buyers.>
- New York Times: Despite Trump's Claims, Grocery Prices Are Rising
  - <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/14/business/food-prices-tariffs-trump.html>

**Susie has voted to end the tariffs that are driving up costs on everyday items like groceries and car repairs.**

- Office of the Clerk, US House of Representatives: Roll Call 65 | Bill Number: [H. J. Res. 72](#)
  - <https://www.congress.gov/votes/house/119-2/65>

**Susie supports putting more money in your wallet by making tips 100% tax exempt**

- Congresswoman Lee Joins Bipartisan No Tax on Tips Act
  - <https://susielee.house.gov/media/press-releases/congresswoman-lee-joins-bipartisan-no-tax-tips-act>
- H.R.8941 - No Tax on Tips Act 118th Congress (2023-2024)
  - <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/8941/cosponsors>

**Susie wants to lower health care costs by extending ACA tax credits that kept premiums affordable.**

- Las Vegas Sun: Nevada's Lee spearheads Democratic push in House to save ACA credits
  - <https://lasvegassun.com/news/2025/sep/19/nevadas-lee-spearheads-democratic-push-in-house-to/>
- KSNV: ACA subsidies face expiration as insurance rates rise
  - <https://news3lv.com/news/local/aca-subsidies-face-expiration-as-insurance-rates-rise>
- Nevada Current: Lee warns of 'debilitating' health insurance premium hikes if Trump gets his way
  - <https://nevadacurrent.com/2025/09/26/lee-warns-of-debilitating-health-insurance-premium-hikes-if-trump-gets-his-way/>

**Susie is standing up to corporate landlords who are making housing in Southern Nevada unaffordable and is working with Republicans and Democrats to open up land and cut red tape to build more lower cost housing.**

- KLAS: Rep. Susie Lee pushes housing overhaul benefiting Nevada
  - <https://www.8newsnow.com/news/local-news/rep-susie-lee-pushes-housing-overhaul-benefiting-nevada/>
- The Nevada Independent: Lombardo endorses Susie Lee's lands proposal in rare support for Democrat-led initiative

- <https://thenevadaindependent.com/article/lombardo-endorses-susie-lees-lands-proposal-in-rare-support-for-democrat-led-initiative>
- Vegas PBS: Rep. Susie Lee on Affordability for Nevadans
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwWhSvX8pwY>
- Las Vegas Sun: Nevada's congressional Democrats slam Trump tariffs over tourism toll, housing costs
  - <https://lasvegassun.com/news/2025/jun/04/nevadas-congressional-democrats-slam-trump-tariffs/>
- KSNV: "A commonsense way to cut government red tape" and accelerate housing development
  - <https://news3lv.com/news/local/one-less-hurdle-for-housing-development-decades-of-unraveling-to-go>
- Las Vegas Review Journal: This company is likely the second largest homeowner in the Las Vegas Valley
  - <https://www.reviewjournal.com/business/housing/this-company-is-likely-the-second-largest-homeowner-in-the-las-vegas-valley-3427264/>