

Dear friend,

Fighting against the out-of-control size and scope of the federal government has been one of my biggest priorities since I first was elected to Congress. The growing number of unelected bureaucrats and federal agencies has led to more government corruption and incompetence which directly impacts millions of Americans. This is the root of almost every problem that we face today as a nation whether it is illegal immigration, the failures at the VA, or environmental issues: Federal agencies are too big to function effectively or efficiently and are too easily abused for political gain with zero accountability. The solution is to shrink the size of the federal government through the "Power of the Purse" and give the power back to the states where it belongs.

So imagine my frustration this past week when I read this headline:

PORN, WEED, DUIs ALL IN A DAY'S ANONYMOUS 'WORK' AT EPA

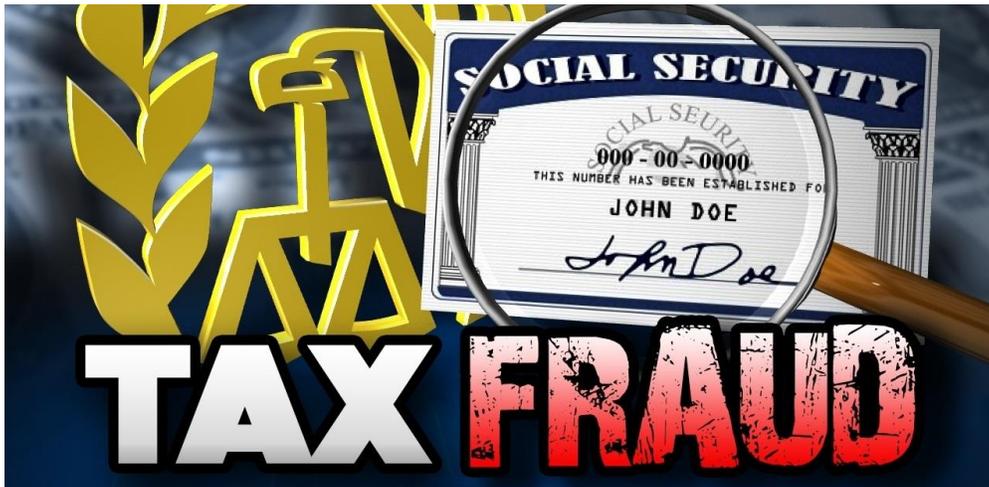
[The Daily Caller reported](#) that "the EPA Office of Inspector General (IG) investigated dozens of EPA employees between April 2014 and September 2015, but didn't include the names of even the most serious offenders in [three reports summarizing employee integrity cases released this week](#). The EPA allowed most of the employees involved to retire with full pensions, or suspended them for a few days or weeks... Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) employees watched porn on the job, stole government equipment — selling it for quick cash — and drove under the influence while on the clock, but Americans who fund their salaries will likely never know their names."

The employee integrity cases further corroborate a culture of corruption at this lawless agency. This collection of porn addicts, office thieves and drunk drivers are not fit to run for dogcatcher much less manage a federal agency. If EPA employees would have been doing their jobs instead of watching porn, they might have reported sooner that the water in Flint, Michigan was poisoned.



Sadly, this type of vile behavior has become the status quo under the leadership of Administrator Gina McCarthy who has on numerous occasions broke the law by lying to Congress in order to force overreaching regulations down our throats. This lawlessness will continue until someone is held accountable and punished. That is why I have led the way in [calling for impeachment proceedings](#) to begin immediately for Gina McCarthy. For too long, government bureaucrats have been immune to the laws that everyone else must follow and that must end now before the EPA does any more damage to our country.

TAX SEASON IS FRAUD SEASON



As I'm sure you're aware, tax season is once again upon us. What you may not know is that there are many online scammers, criminals and con artists representing themselves online as legitimate enterprises that are in fact out in force to steal your identity and file fraudulent tax returns in your name. It's estimated that online scammers have robbed taxpayers of an estimated \$21 billion dollars, and they continue to grow more sophisticated and aggressive in their tactics. Be extremely careful this year as you file, and to learn more how to avoid scams and not be a victim of this growing criminal

enterprise and I suggest you read through this [FACT SHEET](#) to help you stay safe online. Taxes are no fun to begin with; don't let it be even worse by falling prey to fraud!

PARKER STUDENT IS HEADING TO WEST POINT

I want to wish my sincerest congratulations to Kyle Velez of Parker, Arizona on accepting his appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point! Kyle is an incredibly accomplished young man and represents the very best of Arizona. I am confident that he will do great things in his career. Click [HERE](#) or on the picture below to read more about Kyle.

(From the Parker Pioneer) "Velez has held leadership roles in his years at Parker High. He was appointed to the Governor's Youth Commission for two years. He is currently Student Body President and a member of the National Honor Society. He was co-captain of the varsity football team during their 2015 season."



PICTURES FROM THE ROAD

Had another great turnout in Buckeye, Arizona for Congress, Cops and Coffee! Big thanks to all our law enforcement officers for coming out last Thursday.



There was a huge crowd for the ribbon cutting and Grand Opening Ceremony for the Mayo Clinic Building – Phoenix Campus this past Thursday night. This facility is home to the new Mayo Clinic Proton Beam Therapy Program — the first such cancer treatment program in the Southwest. Learn more [HERE](#).



As a dentist for more than 25 years, I have a special place in my heart for speaking with dental related groups like the Superstition Springs Endodontics and East Valley Periodontics. We had a great discussion about how reforms to dental care can be a model for fixing our national healthcare system.



I had a great conversation with Pinal Partnership this past week about developing solutions that will help Pinal country continue to be the fastest growing county in Arizona.

Pinal Partnership was formed in 2005 to bring together all the people and ideas that will ultimately lead Pinal County to its full potential. Learn more [HERE](#).





On Thursday, I met with folks from Cactus and Pine GCSA at the Apache Sun Golf Course. The Cactus and Pine GCSA is the Arizona Affiliated Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. Learn more [HERE](#).



PARENTS: LET YOUR KIDS GET CREATIVE THIS EASTER SEASON



The poster features a green background with a subtle pattern of Easter eggs. At the top, a blue oval contains the text "2016 EASTER CARD COMPETITION" in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the text "sponsored by:" is written in a white, cursive font. To the left is a child's drawing of a white rabbit. To the right is a photograph of Congressman Paul Gosar wearing bunny ears. Below the sponsorship text, "CONGRESSMAN PAUL GOSAR" is written in large, bold, blue letters, with "ARIZONA'S 4TH DISTRICT" in a red box below it. A central section with a purple background contains the text "LET YOUR CHILD GET CREATIVE THIS EASTER SEASON!" in red, followed by details about the competition: "Open to all children 13 years old and younger. Submissions should be free-hand art celebrating Easter. Entries on paper no larger than 8.5"x11". DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MONDAY MARCH 7th. Winners will be announced in April." Below this is contact information: "Submit entries via email to Teresa.Martinez@mail.house.gov or via mail to: Congressman Paul Gosar 6499 S. Kings Ranch Road #4 Gold Canyon, AZ 85118". To the right is a photo of Congressman Gosar presenting a certificate to a young girl. The bottom section has a green background with a row of colorful Easter eggs at the bottom. It contains the text "FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (480) 882-2697 OR VISIT GOSAR.HOUSE.GOV" in red. A child's drawing of a rabbit and eggs is on the left, and the "GOSAR AZ 04" logo is on the right.

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Join Congressman Paul Gosar & Arizona law enforcement officers for a cup of coffee & a great discussion about today's important issues.

BUCKEYE, AZ - FEBRUARY 18

8:30-9:30AM PALO VERDE EDUCATION CENTER

WICKENBURG, AZ - FEBRUARY 22

9:00-10:00AM CHAPARRAL HOMEMADE ICE CREAM

MORE INFO AT WWW.GOSAR.HOUSE.GOV

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CONGRESSMAN
PAUL GOSAR

Will be hosting a

**SMALL BUSINESS
ROUNDTABLE
IN WICKENBURG, AZ**

**MONDAY FEBRUARY 22ND
1:30-2:30PM
WICKENBURG TOWN HALL BUILDING
155 N. TEGNER STREET WICKENBURG, AZ**

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND**



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will be holding
OFFICE HOURS
in

YUMA, ARIZONA

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23rd
2:00 – 4:00 PM

One City Plaza - Yuma, AZ 85364

Meet with Rep. Gosar's Staff

- Raise any concern you may have about federal and state topics
- Get to know the Congressman's staff

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- Social Security Administration
- Department of Veterans Affairs
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- Internal Revenue Service

And more!



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I bet you didn't know that I am on [Instagram](#)! That is the only place to see all the behind the scenes photos of everything happening on Capitol Hill.

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter @RepGosar, through Facebook at Representative Paul Gosar or on Instagram at RepGosar.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S
Member of Congress



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