

Gonzales Challenges CA-47 Opponents on Rising Costs, Failing Affordability, and California's Middle-Class Exodus

As voters head to the polls, Gonzales unveils expanded affordability platform targeting energy costs, healthcare, housing, and middle-class economic pressure

SANTA ANA, CA, UNITED STATES, June 2, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- On Election Day, congressional candidate [Christopher Gonzales](#) is calling on voters across California's 47th Congressional District to reject what the campaign describes as "years of political excuses and economic decline" as families continue leaving California over rising costs, housing affordability, taxes, insurance premiums, and shrinking economic opportunity. Gonzales challenges his opponents who are defending California's rising costs as families, workers, and businesses continue leaving the state. Calls on voters to reject the status quo.



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for U.S. CONGRESS 2026

CALIFORNIA'S AFFORDABILITY CRISIS
HIGHER COSTS. FEWER OPPORTUNITIES. FAMILIES LEAVING.

THE LAST 4 YEARS:

- ENERGY COSTS**
Electricity prices have surged nearly 50%. **UP 49%**
- HEALTHCARE COSTS**
Health insurance premiums continue to outpace inflation. **UP 28%**
- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**
We're not preparing the next generation for good-paying jobs.
- ECONOMIC GROWTH**
Overregulation, high taxes and inflation are driving businesses and jobs out of California.

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ARE LEAVING.
Families, retirees and businesses are fleeing high costs, heavy taxes and failed policies.

CHRISTOPHER GONZALES' SOLUTIONS

- LOWER ENERGY COSTS**
Expand reliable energy production, modernize infrastructure and out regulatory red tape to bring costs down.
- AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE**
Increase competition, improve transparency and reduce costs so families and seniors can get the care they deserve.
- BUILD OUR WORKFORCE**
Invest in vocational training, skilled trades and education partnerships to create high-paying career opportunities.
- GROW OUR ECONOMY**
Cut taxes for small businesses, reduce regulations and attract investment to create jobs and restore prosperity.

IT'S TIME FOR REAL SOLUTIONS.
IT'S TIME TO PUT CALIFORNIA FAMILIES FIRST.

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[Gonzales today expanded his "Middle-Class Survival Agenda,"](#) unveiling additional policy proposals tied to energy costs, healthcare affordability, workforce development, and long-term economic growth while directly challenging opponents who defend the policies many voters blame for California's affordability crisis.

California families are being crushed by rising electricity and fuel costs driven by years of failed energy policies, infrastructure strain, and growing regulatory burdens. The campaign supports expanding reliable domestic energy production, modernizing infrastructure, and reducing

unnecessary regulations that contribute to soaring utility bills across California. "Affordable and dependable energy is essential to restoring economic stability," Gonzales said.

"Today, voters have a choice," Gonzales said. "They can continue rewarding politicians who keep telling families to accept higher costs, higher taxes, and lower expectations... or they can vote for leadership willing to confront the affordability crisis head-on."

The campaign's expanded economic platform includes proposals aimed at lowering energy costs through domestic production expansion, infrastructure modernization, and regulatory reform that Gonzales says has contributed to soaring utility bills and fuel prices across California.

On healthcare affordability, Gonzales proposed increasing competition, expanding pricing transparency, reducing administrative overhead, and improving access to affordable healthcare options for working families, retirees, and small business owners struggling with escalating premiums and out-of-pocket costs.

The campaign also outlined workforce development initiatives. "Not every successful career path requires massive student debt," Gonzales said. "California needs to start investing again in skilled workers, trades, manufacturing, and industries that create long-term economic stability for families. We need policies that create opportunity... not dependence."

As part of the campaign's economic growth platform, Gonzales also called for targeted tax relief for small businesses, reducing regulatory delays impacting housing development and infrastructure projects, restoring supporting policies aimed at attracting investment, restoring a business climate, and job creation back into Orange County communities.

The campaign argues that years of inflation, rising taxes, insurance increases, housing shortages, and expanding regulatory costs have created mounting financial pressure on middle-class households throughout Orange County.

"California's soaring costs are forcing families, retirees, and businesses to leave the very communities they helped build," Gonzales said. "If my opponents believe the current direction is working, they should explain to voters why so many families can no longer afford to stay here. This election is about whether we continue accepting decline as normal or begin rebuilding a stronger future for working families."

Gonzales also renewed his [support](#) for capping consumer credit card interest rates at 10%, contrasting current rates approaching 30%. "If politicians think families struggling with inflation should keep paying 25% to 30% interest rates while corporations post record profits, they should say so publicly," Gonzales said.

The campaign said today's election represents a broader referendum on affordability, economic opportunity, and whether California remains a place where working families can realistically

achieve long-term stability and homeownership.

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