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CRFB Announces “Voices of America” Video Contest Tell Washington Budget Experts How to Fix Our Fiscal House January 19, 2011

The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget's (CRFB) Fiscal Roadmap Project is pleased to announce the launch of the “Voices of America” video contest for people across the country to tell the budget experts in Washington, DC their ideas on ways to fix America's fiscal house.

The contest was created to broaden the national conversation over our national debt problem. The debt of the United States government just topped \$14 trillion, and as a share of the economy, it is at its highest point since just after World War II. Going forward, if our budget policies are not changed, our debt will soar as the gap between what the government spends and the taxes it collects continues to widen.

Despite growing concern among Americans that we must tackle our fiscal challenges, there is a real risk that nothing will be done because our lawmakers may not be able to agree on how to move forward.

So we would like to hear from you. CRFB urges you to submit a video on your view of America's fiscal crisis and how you would fix it. Talk to your family. Talk to your neighbors. Talk to your friends. And tell us what you find.

The video contest begins today and will close on February 21 at midnight.

The top 2 winners will receive \$1,000 each, their videos will be shown at a March budget expert event in Washington DC, and their videos will be featured on the CRFB website. The top 10 videos (including the top 2 winners) will be posted on the CRFB contest website.

To learn more about the contest, judging criteria, rules, and submission information, visit the contest website at <http://crfb.org/voices-america-video-contest>.