

To: Up to Us Competition Early Bird Review

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We are writing to introduce the prototype of our policy brief. Our focus area is climate change and how we plan to alleviate the climate change crisis and its harmful impacts. We will do this by decreasing pollutants by making investments. Some from the federal budget, education, military, other federal mandatory spending, and of course investors. The use of electric cars instead of burning fossil fuels, the use solar panels, promote the planting of trees and recycling would help in this process. We can promote these through incentives such as tax write offs, lowering EV charging fees compared to gas prices, et cetera.

By alleviating the growing issue of climate change, it would allow for those who work outdoors in currently harsh conditions to be more efficient and productive by improving work conditions. This in turn would also help the nation's economic growth and improve agricultural productivity through weather conditions and labor productivity.

As of now, climate change is not considered a priority in comparison to other federal spending programs. It should be considered one of our priorities being that climate change affects various categories such as the economy, labor, agriculture, health, and more. Climate change is no longer an if and when issue, it is a now issue.