

Q: What are the most pressing challenges facing Arizona businesses today? What are your solutions to this problem?

A:

Martin Luther King Jr once said "...the simplest approach will prove to be the most effective—the solution to poverty is to abolish it directly by a now widely discussed measure: the guaranteed income."

My Billy's Solar Dividends plan may not be a path to fund a guaranteed income for too long given that it eventually makes electricity free, but it would be a most promising start. The current economic recession has ravaged local businesses and the working class while large corporations have seen record profits. I find this current economic disposition of regular working people unfair and heartbreaking. My Billy's Solar Dividends plan will see that money circulates within our economy at warp speed by putting \$500 per month into the pockets of all Arizonans using national and international sales of Arizona solar and geothermal energy to fund these payouts. If elected, I aim to utilize 30% of one fiscal year's state budget to set up this clean energy apparatus, which would translate to about \$13 billion, cutting through the legislature's obstructionism on net metering, a monumental investment for an even more monumental payoff with Arizonans getting substantially paid right before the unlimited nature of solar devalues energy prices leading to no more electricity bills.

Q: If endorsed by the Chandler Chamber, what does your engagement plan look like with the Chamber and Arizona businesses following the election?

A: *Should I earn the Chandler Chamber's endorsement and secure the governorship, I will dedicate many of my months in office working with the Chamber and Chandler businesses to establish their connection to the new state solar energy apparatus. To motivate cooperation with the Billy Solar Dividends program, I will reward all businesses with energy bill exemptions immediately once solar panels are installed on their properties by the state. My plan eventually makes electricity free for all but I find it necessary to reward team players in the world of business with a head-start on receiving free electricity.*

Q: The education and skills gap in Arizona has caused a large number of individuals in the workforce who lack the job skills to meet the needs of Arizona businesses. How will you increase investment in youth and adult education, training, and employment services to meet these needs?

A: *Economic conditions for Arizona youths and adults play a major role in job performance decline. In my studies of human behavior, I've learned that happiness and security regularly motivate drive and ambition. Under a Pounds administration, training resources for essential workers will be added and expanded, though my Billy's Solar Dividends plan will likely do most of the heavy lifting in getting all working class Arizonans financially secure and driven to furthering careers without the burdening obstacle of facing as many economic losses or as many fears of outright impoverishment.*