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Building an Economy for All

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America can build a growing, innovative economy with opportunities for all. In a new report, Jacob Hacker and Nate Loewentheil explain how growth, social security, and democracy flourish together – and contrast their approach to the GOP recipe for austerity.

Read Hacker and Loewentheil's new report *Prosperity Economics: Building an Economy for All* at www.prosperityforamerica.org – and learn more about the alliance of groups mobilizing to encourage a national conversation about this plan. The highlights of Hacker and Loewentheil's report are captured in [their SSN brief on building an economy for all](#). Their plan offers a way forward that contrasts sharply with the tax increases and benefit cuts for most Americans favored by GOP presidential contender Mitt Romney and his running mate Paul Ryan. [The Ryan Republican Budget: A Blueprint for Permanent Austerity](#) is analyzed in an SSN brief co-authored by Hacker and [Paul Pierson](#) of the University of California at Berkeley.

See Nate Loewentheil's profile [here](#). Learn more about [Jacob Hacker](#) and his influential work on health reform and the politics of rising inequality in the United States. Find links to his many appearances in the media – including a [Bill Moyers interview with Jacob Hacker and Paul Pierson](#). Read the provocative brief by Hacker and Pierson on [How Washington Has Made the Rich Richer – And Abandoned the Middle Class](#).

At Yale University, Hacker is the Director of the Institution for Social and Policy Studies. Learn more about this center and its programs [here](#).

Hacker and Yale sociologist [Christopher Wildeman](#) are the co-directors of the SSN New Haven regional network.