

# WHERE CANDIDATES STAND

## U.S. SENATE: PENNSYLVANIA

### Quick Facts About Pennsylvania

- 27th hungriest state
- 1 in 8 people lives below the poverty line
- 1 in 5 children lives in poverty

**Early Voting:** none

**Election Day:** November 8



**Pat Toomey, Republican**  
Incumbent



**Katie McGinty, Democrat**  
Challenger, currently chief of staff to Gov. Tom Wolf

### Issues

1. Poverty	Opposed permanent improvements to refundable tax credits for low-income working families (EITC and CTC) <sup>1</sup>	<i>No public stance on improving and expanding refundable tax credits for low-income working families (EITC and CTC)</i>
2. Wages/jobs	Opposed the Minimum Wage Fairness Act <sup>2</sup>	Supports raising the minimum wage <sup>3</sup>
3. U.S. hunger	Supported cuts to SNAP (formerly known as food stamps) that would have kicked 2 million people off the program <sup>4</sup>	Supports strengthening the social safety net <sup>5</sup>

### Where does Bread stand?

Bread for the World supports effective policies that promote help and opportunity for people who struggle with hunger and poverty. In 2017, Congress must do its part to put our nation and the world on track to end hunger by 2030. This means:

1. Improving and expanding refundable tax credits for low-income working families (earned income and child tax credits)
2. Raising the minimum wage and expanding job benefits, such as paid sick and family leave
3. Creating jobs, investing in people, removing obstacles to earning a living, and strengthening safety nets, including SNAP, WIC and Medicaid.

**For more information on Bread's Election Platform, visit [www.votingrecord.org](http://www.votingrecord.org)**

<sup>1</sup>Voted "Nay" on Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016 and the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act of 2015

<sup>2</sup>Voted "Nay" on S. 2223, the Minimum Wage Fairness Act

<sup>3</sup><http://katiemcginty.com/mcginty-time-raise-federal-minimum-wage/>

<sup>4</sup>Voted "Yea" on Roberts Amendment (#948) to the Senate Farm Bill (S. 954)

<sup>5</sup><http://katiemcginty.com/icymi-katie-mcginty-may-return-washington-u-s-senate-bid/>

\*\*Third party candidates considered if polling at 15% or higher