Ideas, roundtables, and reports only go so far. The hard work of impacting the federal policy debate requires action on the ground. That’s why the Bipartisan Policy Center Advocacy Network (BPCAN) works directly with Congress and the administration—translating BPC projects into workable proposals and finding common ground between Democrats and Republicans. BPCAN pairs the substantive analysis of BPC with strong advocacy efforts and strategic engagement with policymakers.

In 2013, BPCAN conducted three major advocacy campaigns in health, energy, and housing, and established a presence in immigration and financial services. Plus, BPCAN maintained its extensive and respected work on the fiscal challenges facing the nation, with a special focus on the debt ceiling and the sequester.

I appreciate what [BPC does] to promote policies to increase America’s competitiveness in the global economy.”
—Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR)

The Bipartisan Policy Center has been in the forefront of the housing policy discussion, identifying solutions, like the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, that help ensure our nation has an adequate supply of affordable housing.”
—Representative Pat Tiberi (R-OH)
In the legislative mix:

- **Housing Policy:** Senators Mark Warner (D-VA) and Bob Corker (R-TN) introduced legislation to reform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac that mirrors BPC’s Housing Commission recommendations.

- **Health Care:** Project leaders were invited to brief 20 senators on BPC’s Health Care Cost Containment Initiative (HCCI) policy recommendations.

- **Iran:** Key foreign policy leaders in the Senate, including Senators Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and Mark Kirk (R-IL), have incorporated BPC proposals into Iran sanctions legislation.

- **Debt Ceiling:** BPC remains an influential voice on the impacts of the debt ceiling, hosting dozens of meetings and briefings for members and staff.


- **Governors’ Caucus:** BPCAN collaborated with former governors currently serving in the Senate to form a new Governors’ Caucus. BPCAN supports the activities of the caucus, providing policy briefings on topics like workforce development and improvements to the budget process.
2013 BPCAN ADVOCACY: A SNAPSHOT

- **522** Meetings with Congressional Offices
- **50+** Technical Assistance Provided to Congressional Offices
- **23** Meetings with House Leadership Offices
- **20** Members who Spoke at BPC-Sponsored Events
- **11** Congressional Committee Testimonies
- **24** Comments, Letters, and Public Statements
- **84** Committee and Caucus Briefings
- **17** Meetings with Senate Leadership Offices