Think Tanks Present Policy Proposals to President-elect Obama

*PolicyArchive.org launches a new collection of presidential transition papers for President-elect Obama with policy solutions for the next administration from major think tanks across the country.*

LOS ANGELES, Calif. – (PR Newswire) – November 11, 2008 – PolicyArchive.org, the leading digital repository of public policy research developed by the Center for Governmental Studies (CGS) and Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) University Library, has just launched a new online collection of presidential transition papers called Presidential Advisory ’08. Featuring policy recommendations from over 20 think tanks for President-elect Obama’s upcoming administration, the collection is a free resource for the public.

The collection emphasizes policy issues that currently dominate the national dialogue, including the economy, education, energy, foreign policy, healthcare, media and national security. Think tanks from across the political spectrum have contributed their proposals to this collection, including Better World Campaign, Brookings, Common Cause, Center for American Progress, Center for the Study of the Presidency, National Center for Policy Analysis and Urban Institute.

“Presidential Advisory ’08 is an important resource for all citizens. It will help shape the new direction of our nation’s policies and relationships,” says Tracy Westen, the CEO for CGS.

Presidential Advisory ’08 is an important website for policymakers, researchers and the public. As a part of PolicyArchive, the Advisory utilizes a specialized search engine that allows users to look for policy papers based on topic areas, author, title and keyword. Its indexing capabilities offer one of the most innovative implementations of digital archiving in the country.

Currently, there are 40 policy papers in the collection, but new reports will continue to be added through inauguration. Interested organizations may contact PolicyArchive to contribute their research.

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