Keeping seniors healthy and independent has been of key importance to Rep. Slaughter when she strongly supported reauthorization of the Older Americans Act to allow programs like Retired Seniors Volunteer Program (RSVP), Foster Grandparents, and senior employment to continue uninterrupted. She has fought to shield nutrition programs like Meals on Wheels from cuts and called on the President to fully fund the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to assist the elderly and low-income families with winter heating costs. Rep. Slaughter has been at the forefront of efforts to preserve these programs for current and future retirees.

Social Security and Medicare are among the most successful programs our country has undertaken. Older Americans have worked hard and sacrificed themselves to ensure a better, stronger country for future generations. These programs are a measure of what Americans truly value, and who we are as a nation. Rep. Slaughter will continue to take a leading role to improve—rather than undermine—Social Security and Medicare.