

Democratic Radio "The Real State of Our State"

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Gov. Walker painted a rosy picture last week, but we don't want to see Republicans continuing huge tax giveaways to millionaires. It's time for everyone to get a fair shot.



MADISON – Today Assistant Assembly Democratic Leader **Dianne Hesselbein** (D-Middleton) offered the Democratic Weekly Radio Address on the State of the State:

"Governor Walker delivered his State of the State address last week where he painted a glowing picture of where Wisconsin is heading. Unfortunately, it's clear the state of our state is not as strong as it should be," Rep. Hesselbein said. "Everyone deserves a fair shot at getting ahead in Wisconsin. Our middle class needs help and that's what Democrats will prioritize over the next two years."

The audio file of this week's address can be found [here](#), and the video can be found [here](#) or below.

A written transcript of the address is below:

"Hi, I'm Representative Dianne Hesselbein with this week's Democratic Radio Address.

"Governor Walker delivered his State of the State address last week where he painted a glowing picture of where Wisconsin is heading. Unfortunately, it's clear the state of our state is not as strong as it should be. His rhetoric is ringing hollow for too many in our state.

"As we gear up for the introduction of the 2017 state budget, Democrats will be traveling the state listening to taxpayers and sharing our proactive agenda for Wisconsin's working families. Our priorities are investing in our public K-12 schools, colleges and universities to develop our workforce; increasing need-based financial aid to keep college costs down for working families, especially in our technical and two-year colleges; finding a sustainable solution to our transportation funding shortfall; and ensuring Wisconsin is protecting the dignity and health of

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our state's aging veterans who sacrificed so much for our country.

"What we don't want to see are Republicans continuing huge tax giveaways to millionaires. There is no reason Wisconsin should give 11 millionaires \$21 million in tax giveaways. We also don't want to see money funneled away from our neighborhood public schools and towards private schools with no accountability.

"We are advocating for a fair agenda for Wisconsin's working class. Everyone deserves a fair shot at getting ahead in Wisconsin. Our middle class needs help and that's what Democrats will prioritize over the next two years. We hope to see you in your community on Main St, in a cafe or restaurant in the weeks and months to come."