# bobcorker: *the right kind of change for tennessee*

## Promoting Economic Growth to Create Good Paying Jobs

Bob Corker believes in the power of economic growth to create good paying jobs and a good standard of living for all our families. Bob supports free market solutions, low taxes, innovation, and taking bold steps to reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

## Small Government – Leaner Budgets

Bob Corker knows we have to get control of our federal budget by reducing the cost of government and learning to be more efficient with the taxpayers' hard-earned dollars. Bob supports providing the President with a line-item veto to help balance the budget and keep spending under control. And Bob will not be beholden to special interests and will always put Tennesseans first.

## Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Heath Care

Bob Corker will work to make health care more affordable and more accessible. Bob believes it is important to reduce the cost of prescription drugs and to use the tools of information technology to bring down the costs of health care services. Bob supports utilizing health savings accounts and association health plans, and increasing individuals' ability to deduct the cost of health insurance. Additionally, Bob supports malpractice tort reform so that health care is more accessible and affordable for all Tennesseans, particularly those in the rural parts of our state.

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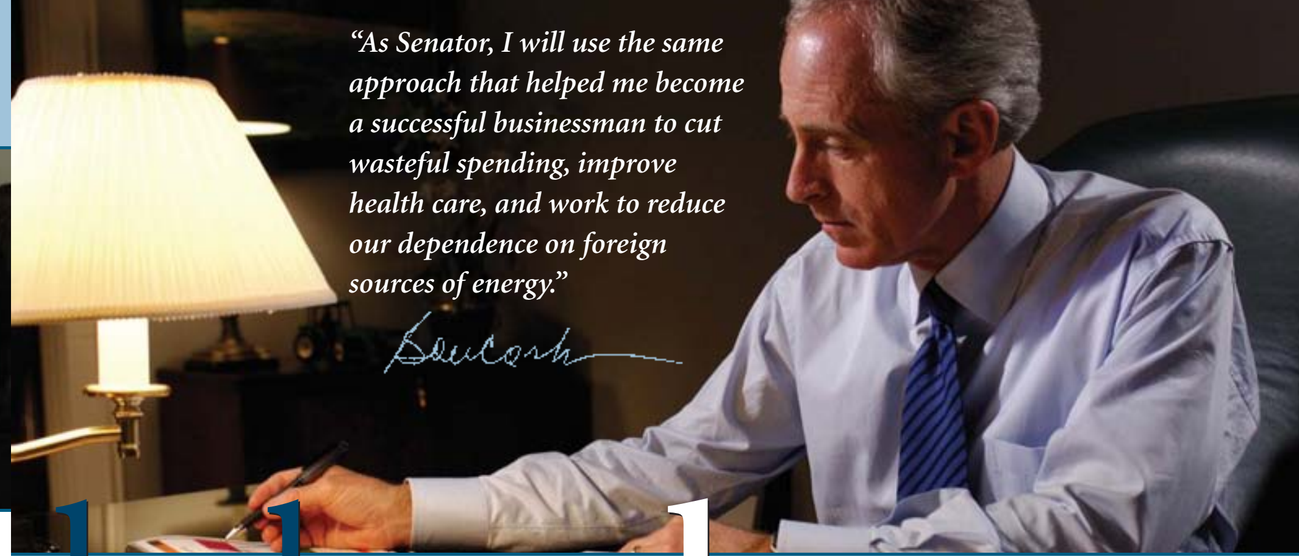


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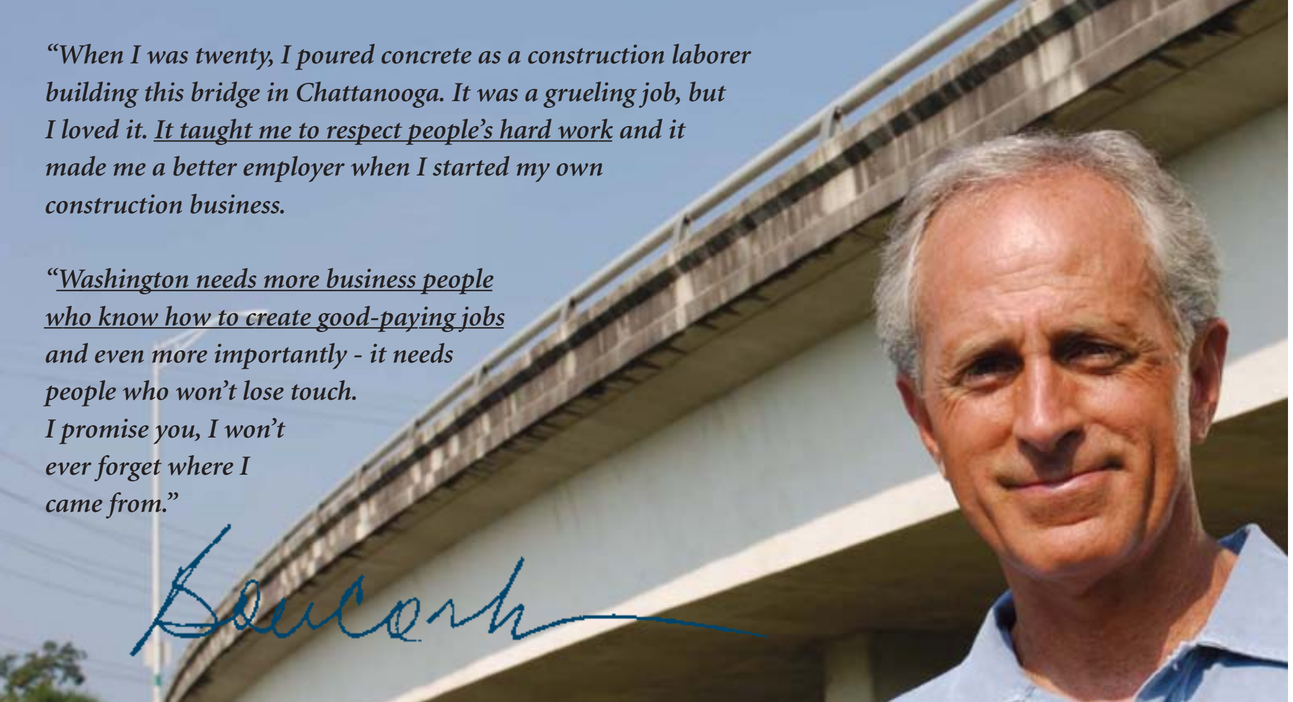

*"When I was twenty, I poured concrete as a construction laborer building this bridge in Chattanooga. It was a grueling job, but I loved it. It taught me to respect people's hard work and it made me a better employer when I started my own construction business.*

*"Washington needs more business people who know how to create good-paying jobs and even more importantly - it needs people who won't lose touch. I promise you, I won't ever forget where I came from."*

Bob Corker

# a businessman's approach...

**In 1995, Bob Corker was appointed Commissioner of Finance & Administration** for the State of Tennessee, the most influential appointed position in state government. As Commissioner, Bob put families first and applied Tennessee values to help move almost 40,000 Tennesseans off welfare and into jobs and tightened the state's budget – all while rejecting any notion of an income tax or any tax increase.

## Bringing Jobs to Tennessee

As Mayor of Chattanooga, Bob Corker achieved real results by using conservative free market principles. Bob transformed Chattanooga, aggressively pursuing economic growth, which caused over $2 billion of investment into the city.

## Improving Education

Bob Corker succeeded in improving the city's nine worst-performing schools by giving merit pay bonuses to teachers who were willing to take on tough challenges. By using the tools of the free market to bring talented educators into failing schools, those schools showed more improvement than any others in the city.

## Cutting Waste and Keeping Taxes Low

As Mayor, Bob Corker cut 250 positions from city government, the budget was balanced, and now property tax rates in Chattanooga are the lowest since the 1950's.

## Leading the Way on Clean Energy

Thanks to Bob Corker, Chattanooga was the first city to use an experimental hydrogen fuel cell that is now plugged into the power grid. This emerging technology has tremendous potential to increase domestic energy production and create jobs right here in Tennessee.