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4 Experts Available for Timely Analysis on Debt Ceiling Crisis

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As the debt ceiling standoff continues, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) is releasing new budget projections today, which will provide insight on when the United States may default on its payment obligations if the federal borrowing limit is not raised.

For reporters covering the U.S. deficit and its impact on the economy, the following university-based experts are available to provide commentary and analysis.

DANIEL ALPERT

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Alpert is a co-creator of the United States Private Sector Job Quality Index, an economic metric that measures of higher wage versus lower wage private sector jobs (currently administered by the University of Buffalo, where Alpert is also a member of the adjunct faculty), and the author of The Age of Oversupply: Confronting the Greatest Challenge to the Global Economy as well as numerous white papers. Among many other organizational affiliations, Alpert is an adviser to the Coalition for a Prosperous America and a founder of the World Economic Roundtable program.

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Howard is the Pamela C. Harriman Professor of Government and Public Policy at the College of William & Mary. He has written extensively about the history and politics of U.S. social policy. Howard's latest book is Who Cares: The Social Safety Net in America. He is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance and the Scholars Strategy Network. He earned his PhD in Political Science from MIT.

RYAN LAROCHELLE

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LaRochelle has published widely on issues related to the American safety net, social welfare policy, and the history of the US welfare state. His scholarly research has been published in *Studies in American Political Development,* the *Journal of Policy History,* the *Forum,* and the *Maine Policy Review,* and he has written for popular outlets including the *Washington Post,* the *Washington Monthly,* and several local newspapers in Maine.

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White has authored dozens of articles on federal budgeting, and testified most recently to Congress about budget process reform in May of 2018. In 2014 he was honored with the Aaron Wildavsky Award for lifetime scholarly achievement from the Association for Budgeting & Financial Management.