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Don Boyd
Don is Co-Director of the State and Local Government Finance Project at Rockefeller College, SUNY Albany, and a consultant, Open Source Policy Center.

Continued work on university and consulting projects:
- Analysis of pension model risk associated with Economic Scenario Generators, for the Society of Actuaries.
- Analysis of revenue needs, options, and forecasting approaches for a major public transportation authority; extended the contract for an additional year.
- Coordinated work and activities of a working group of experts on domestic migration in the New York City area.
- Continuing work for the Pew Charitable Trusts related to emerging risks for state government budgets.
- Co-PI on a new foundation-funded project to examine impact of legacy costs such as pensions, retiree health care, and debt on rural school districts with declining enrollment.

Max Ghenis

Max is co-founder of PolicyEngine and a core maintainer of their open source projects, including the `policyengine-us` tax-benefit microsimulation model.

- Received the [Savings and Retirement Foundation](#)'s 2023 Robert Corrin award for a [paper](#) on the Inflation Reduction Act's clean vehicle tax credits.
- [Published an analysis](#) of an individualized EITC proposal using PolicyEngine.
- Presented at a pair of panels on benefit cliffs hosted by the DC Guaranteed Income Coalition.

Matthew Jensen

Matthew is a Principal with the Open Research Group focussed on public policy and information security.

- Published an [article](#) in *Tax Notes* documenting IRS noncompliance with its disclosure reporting requirements and the implications for information security oversight.

Jonathan Pycroft

Jon is an economic modeler and public finance economist based in Seville, Spain. He has experience building and working with computable general equilibrium models, overlapping generations models, and microsimulation models of tax and pension policies in Europe and Africa.

- Presented to the European Commission Fiscal Policy Analysis Seminar about heterogeneous agent overlapping generation models.