

VICTORY IS OURS

Bread & Roses Community Fund makes real change happen. Here are some of the accomplishments that Bread & Roses trainings and grants have helped make possible over the last four decades.

1970



Black Panther Party of Philadelphia

Built power for black communities by serving free breakfasts and opening a free medical clinic

1979



Disabled in Action

Forced SEPTA to purchase its first wheelchair-accessible bus

1980

Tenants' Action Group

Made it illegal for landlords to discriminate on the basis of marital status, age, source of income, or presence of children

1981

Philadelphia Area Project on Occupational Safety & Health (PHILAPOSH)

Passed the right-to-know ordinance that required that citizens be told what toxic chemicals they are exposed to

1982



Kensington Joint Action Council
Moved 500 families into abandoned houses then negotiated with the city to grant deeds to new occupants

1982

Lesbian and Gay Task Force

Won an amendment to the Fair Practices Act to stop discrimination based on sexual orientation in jobs and housing in Philadelphia County

1985



Committee for Dignity and Fairness for the Homeless

Started the nation's first job-training and placement program for homeless men and women

1987

Eastern North Philadelphia Coalition

Challenged Fidelity Bank under the Community Reinvestment Act for not providing credit to low-income neighborhoods and forced them to lend more than \$50 million for neighborhood improvements

1989

Consumers Education and Protective Association (CEPA)

Campaigned against a proposed \$49 million rate increase by Philadelphia Gas Works and won a \$2 million rate reduction instead

1991



AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP) of Philadelphia

Started a syringe exchange which led to a 70% decrease in new HIV infections among intravenous drug users over 10 years

1994



Police-Barrio Relations Project

Together with NAACP and ACLU, filed suit against the police department that led to creation of a formal civilian oversight group

1995

Elizabeth Blackwell Health Center for Women

Won the repeal of a state law that required women to report to police before seeking an abortion resulting from rape or incest

1998



Center for Lesbian and Gay Law and Public Policy

Organized a three year campaign that resulted in a city law **giving lesbians and gay men the right to domestic partnerships**

2000



Students Against Sweatshops

Won commitments from administrations at six area colleges and universities to stop selling products made in sweatshops

2005

Community/Labor Refinery Tracking Committee

Won two suits that forced Sunoco to invest millions in pollution control equipment that **reduced refinery emissions by over 50%**

2005



Women's Community Revitalization Project

Convened an alliance that created the Philadelphia Housing Trust Fund, which allocated **\$12 million for affordable housing every year**

2006



Philadelphia Unemployment Project (PUP)

Built and led a statewide coalition to **raise the state minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.15**

2007



Youth United for Change (YUC)

Forced the school district to replace overcrowded Kensington High School with smaller schools, including the new Creative & Performing Arts High School

2009



Philly Community Access Coalition (PhillyCAM)

Won nearly \$3 million from Comcast to create a **public access television channel** and media program that provides access to equipment and training to make and broadcast non-commercial programs

2010



Asian Americans United

Facilitated students in organizing against 2009 attacks on Asian students at South Philadelphia High School, resulting in a Justice Department investigation and two successful lawsuits

2011

Campaign for Working Families

Pressured City Council and won an amendment to the city's living wage law that **guarantees earned sick days for workers of city contractor companies**

2011



New Sanctuary Movement

Moved the city of Philadelphia to end an agreement with federal Immigrations and Customs Enforcement that facilitated deportation of immigrant crime witnesses and victims

2013 and beyond

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With your help, Bread & Roses will continue to fund and support essential grassroots work that achieves concrete social change victories in the Delaware Valley.

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