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Bread & Roses Community Fund makes real change happen. Here are a small number of the accomplishments that Bread & Roses grants have helped make possible over the years.

2020-

Philly Thrive won permanent closure of the toxic and dangerous refinery complex in South Philadelphia.



2018-

Juntos, VietLead, Asian
Americans United, and New
Sanctuary Movement
successfully demanded an
end to the City of
Philadelphia's harmful
practice of sharing arrest

2017-

records with ICE.

A coalition including 215 People's Alliance, UrbEd, POWER, Caucus of Working Educators, Asian Americans United, Media Mobilizing Project, and VietLead won an end to 18 years of state control of Philadelphia's school system.

2014-

Campaign to Take Back Vacant Land won a bill creating a land bank for Philadelphia's vacant properties.



2011

Taxi Workers Alliance
successfully urged
the Philadelphia Parking
Authority to put accessible
taxis into service.

Disabled In Action and

2010-

After decades of organizing work, **ACT UP Philadelphia** and allies successfully pressured the federal government to lift its ban on federal funding for needle exchange.

2008-

Philadelphia ACORN won the successful passage of Philadelphia's first inclusionary zoning legislation to increase the availability of affordable housing.

2005-

Women's Community Revitalization Project organized to create the Philadelphia Housing Trust Fund, which allocated \$12 million for affordable housing every year.

-2019

Pennsylvania Domestic Workers Alliance won a domestic workers' bill of rights which guaranteed some of the strongest protections for domestic workers in the nation.



-2018

New Sanctuary Movement, POWER, Philadelphia Student Union, Taxi Workers Alliance, Jobs with Justice, and JUNTOS won a campaign for legislation mandating that businesses in Philadelphia with 10 or more employees provide paid sick leave.

-2015

Prison Radio overturned the Pennsylvania Revictimization Relief Act, which censored freedom of speech for incarcerated people.

-2013

A coalition including Juntos and 1 Love Movement successfully pressured City Council to adopt a resolution on comprehensive immigration reform.



-2010

Asian Americans United organized against attacks on Asian students at South Philadelphia High School, resulting in a Justice Department investigation and a settlement in which the school agreed to address anti-immigrant violence.

-2009

PhillyCAM won nearly \$3 million from Comcast to create a public access television channel and media program.

-2006

Philadelphia Unemployment Project led a successful statewide coalition to raise the minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.15.





2000-

Students Against Sweatshops

won commitments from six area colleges and universities to stop selling products made in sweatshops.

-1999

-2005

El Comité de Apovo a los **Trabajadores Agrícolas** (CATA) won union recognition for hundreds of agricultural workers in southeastern PA.



1998

Center for Lesbian and Gay Law and Public Policy

organized a three-year campaign that won legislation giving same-sex couples the right to domestic partnership.

-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.

Community/Labor Refinery Tracking Committee won two lawsuits

that forced Sunoco to reduce refinery emissions by over 50%.

ACT UP Philadelphia started a syringe exchange which led to a 70% decrease in new HIV infections among intravenous drug users over 10 years.

-1989

Consumer Education and Protective Association campaigned against a proposed \$49 million rate increase by Philadelphia Gas Works and won a \$2 million reduction instead.

1987 [.]

Eastern North Philadelphia Coalition challenged Fidelity Bank for not providing credit to low-income neighborhoods and forced them to lend over \$50 million for neighborhood improvements.

1985 **Committee for Dignity and**

Fairness for the Homeless started the nation's first homeless job-training and placement program.

-1986

Philly Affirmative Action Coalition won a bill that required citycontracted vendors, construction, and suppliers to reserve work for women- and minority-owned businesses.

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.

·1983

Philadelphia Jobs for Peace passed a referendum to reduce military spending and direct federal funds towards job creation and social programs.

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.

-1982

Kensington Joint Action Council moved 500 families into abandoned

houses and then negotiated with the city to grant them deeds.



5,000 people marched against sexual, relationship, and domestic violence in the nation's first documented Take Back the Night event.

1979

Disabled in Action forced SEPTA to purchase its first wheelchair-accessible bus.

1970 ·

Black Panther Party of Philadelphia built power for black communities by serving free breakfasts and opening a free medical clinic.

·1973

Prisoners' Rights Council won the right of pre-trial detainees in Philadelphia to register and vote.





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