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Progress REPORT winter 2019

*Serving the 4th District in Mount Airy, Germantown, Chestnut Hill, West Oak Lane, Cheltenham, Springfield, Jenkintown, Rockledge and Abington*

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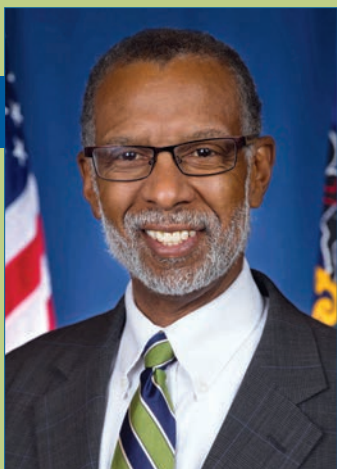
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## PROVIDING SAFETY IN PUBLIC HOUSING

For victims  
of domestic &  
sexual violence

*Senator Haywood joined advocacy organizations, Senators Camera Bartolotta, Judy Schwank, and Jim Brewster and Governor Wolf for the signing of Act 148 of 2018 into law, providing emergency transfers for survivors of domestic and sexual violence who live in public housing.*





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## Participation is POWER



*Dear Neighbor,*

**T**hank you for your support during my first term serving as your State Senator. I have learned a great deal in four years. First, the legislative process is slow, there are many obstacles, timing is critical, and passing legislation can take many years. Second, citizens organized in statewide coalitions can get legislation passed. Medical marijuana, disarming those with a Protection From Abuse Order against them, and relocating victims of domestic and sexual violence in public housing are all the results of statewide citizen advocacy. Third, bipartisanship does exist and in fact, 80 percent of votes on legislation in the Senate are unanimous. On many issues, we agree across party lines. Finally, as it has been said, “he who can please everyone has not been born.”

I am optimistic that change can continue to happen in Harrisburg with your help. Some of the priorities my office will focus on this term are: raising the minimum wage and reducing poverty pay, creating a severance tax on natural gas drillers, and certification for those who serve as legal guardians.

I look forward to continuing to make Harrisburg work for us and lead in community improvement initiatives in both Philadelphia and Montgomery Counties. Please join me in these efforts through increased citizen advocacy and activism.

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Senator – 4th Senatorial District

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# 4 YEARS IN PHILADELPHIA & MONTCO

Community leader and Law-maker are two roles of a State Senator. As a State Senator who is responsible for both Philadelphia and Montgomery counties, my office is engaged throughout the year in each county. We have seen improvements in each county:

In Philadelphia, we launched the Reading Revolution in 2015 which has grown to aid over 700 children build stronger literacy levels and keep them on track during the school year. Our Back to School Celebration grew from this initiative three years ago. Watching the excitement of hundreds of children as they witness the landing and take-off of the helicopter is one of the most special moments. We also hosted a youth forum to hear concerns about violence in the community. There, youth

expressed a need for mentoring. Last year we held our first annual Mentoring Conference to provide support for mentoring organizations in the city. We have since partnered with the Urban Affairs Coalition to create a Mentoring Collaborative which will fund mentoring organizations to support youth.

In Montgomery County, we held a hearing at Arcadia University on excessive testing of students in public schools.

We heard the concerns of residents affected by water contamination from nearby Willow

Grove Naval Base and acted by sending a cease and desist letter to the EPA and Phyllis Bayer, Assistant Secretary of the Navy.



obtained **Funding for Youth Mentoring Programs** with **\$100k** managed by the Urban Affairs Coalition

held **Telephone Townhalls** with **over 10,000 Residents**



We have attended community meetings, met with Aqua America to tour their water treatment facility, proposed and supported legislation to reduce the levels of PFOA and PFOS to five parts per trillion.

provided **Summer Reading Programs** for over **700 Elementary Children**



successfully advocated for **\$7.6 Million to Remove Lead in Philly Schools** and got Legislation Passed **Requiring All School Districts Test for Lead in Water or Hold a Public Hearing on the Topic**



served over **10,000 Constituents** in the **Fourth District**



held Hearings on **Nursing Homes, standardized Testing of Students, and Independent Investigations of Police Involved Shootings**



## BY THE NUMBERS

- Interns: 37
- E-news Subscribers: 8,175
- Social Media Reach: 1,001,448
- Grants to District: \$15,588,278

# FOUR 4 YEARS IN HARRISBURG

**M**y first term had many highlights, I will share a few in this brief report.

In my first year, energy was focused on the effort to protect Pennsylvania's Constitution from abuse related to the removal of Attorney General Kathleen Kane. This was controversial, but correct.

 **obtained \$400,000 for Retirees in Need of Home Repairs**

In year two, we approved affordable housing funding. To

date, over \$78 million dollars have been released. These funds are used to repair homes and create new housing in the Commonwealth.

In my third year, we introduced the Private Retirement Savings Plan, bipartisan legislation co-sponsored by Senator Pat Browne. The plan allows savings through a state managed plan. Our efforts were supported by State Treasurer Joe Torsella and Governor Tom Wolf and aimed at helping more

than 2.1 million Pennsylvanians who do not have workplace retirement savings plans.

In our fourth year, we achieved some key legislative

*adopted a*  
**No-Gifts Policy in My Office**



*got* **Legislation Passed to Require the Relocation of Domestic Violence Victims in Public Housing**



victories with the signing of domestic violence bills into law: the relocation of domestic and sexual violence victims in public housing, and disarming domestic abuse perpetrators with a final Protection From Abuse Order filed against them.

*a Leading Advocate for Passing Legislation*  
**Requiring Protection From Abuse Violators to Relinquish Firearms Within 24 Hours**



In the new term, please join me in supporting legislation that will benefit all residents in our state.

*installed a* **Permanent African American Trailblazers Exhibit in the State Capitol**



## RAISE THE WAGE

**IT'S TIME TO PUT RAISING PAY FIRST.**

There is a hard-working resident of Montgomery County that earns \$8 per hour and is raising a child. They receive public assistance because they are stuck in poverty from low pay. Philabundance has reported that 6 in 10 people who receive food assistance from their organization have a working person in the household. Poverty pay is wrong and now is the time to end it. Over one million Pennsylvanians are in poverty pay jobs because of Harrisburg's inaction. Costs of goods and living have increased steadily each year, but the minimum wage has stayed at the same rate since 2009. Neighborhood stores are robbed of consumer spending. Parents working two jobs can't read to their children at night or spend quality time with their families. Our communities are at risk from low pay. There are so many benefits to raising the minimum wage. We are falling behind all neighboring states. It's time to make raising the minimum wage a priority in Harrisburg. It's time to put raising pay first.

**ARKANSAS VS. PA ON WAGES**

**CURRENTLY: AR-\$8.50/hr. • PA-\$7.25**

**By 2021, AR will raise their min. wage to \$11/hr., almost 70% of the median income**



# ART IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD OVER THE YEARS



*Senator Haywood celebrated residents receiving unclaimed property from his Financial Freedom event with PA Treasurer Joe Torsella in Abington, April 2018.*

*Children from Dorothy Emmanuel Recreation Center posed for a photo with Senator Haywood and his wife Julie for the Reading Revolution Summer Camp Closing Ceremony in Mt. Airy, August 2015.*



*Senator Haywood viewed the artwork on display for Souls Shot: Portraits of Victims of Gun Violence at the Capitol Building in Harrisburg, August 2018.*

*Children were delighted to see the landing and take-off of the PA State Troopers' helicopter at Senator Haywood's Back to School Celebration in Germantown, August 2018.*



*Senator Haywood joined U.S. Congressman Dwight Evans and Sister Carol Vale for the visit of MLK High students to Chestnut Hill College, February 2017.*



*Senator Haywood and community leaders gathered at a press conference announcing the installation of Community Bookstands in Mt. Airy, May 2018.*



*Students and parents voiced concerns about standardized testing to Senator Haywood and Senator Dinniman at a public hearing at Arcadia University in Glenside, February 2017.*



# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT **Pennsylvania Real ID**

Starting October 1, 2020, residents of Pennsylvania will have another option of state-issued identification, to travel on flights or enter federal facilities, a REAL ID.



- Requires a \$30 one-time fee, plus the cost of ID renewal

## **DOCUMENTS YOU NEED to obtain a REAL ID are:**

- Original birth certificate or valid U.S. Passport
- Social Security card
- Proof of legal name changes (marriage license or court order issued by county's family court)
- If the name, date of birth or gender differs on the birth certificate, proof of change is necessary
- Two proofs of current, physical Pennsylvania address (current, unexpired driver's license or ID and a no more than 90-day-old bank statement or utility bill with the same name and address)

***Please contact the PA Department of Transportation for more information at 717-787-2838***



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