



state senator
Art Haywood

Progress REPORT

Winter 2022

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

Senator Haywood visits a vaccination site at St. Raymond of Penafort Church in Mount Airy in August.



**LOVE ONE
ANOTHER**



- **Be cordial and share expertise with neighbors.**
- **Ask neighbors to join Nextdoor and report unusual activity in the community.**
- **Assist neighbors with street and park cleanup.**
- **Help elderly neighbors with chores and offer support to youth.**
- **Participate in community meetings with neighbors.**

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Participation is POWER



Dear Neighbor,

We are still amid the COVID-19 pandemic, which has surpassed projections and killed over 800,000 people in the United States. Throughout 2021, I served on Governor Wolf's Vaccine Taskforce and pushed for equity in vaccine distribution in Pennsylvania. With the assistance of Rite Aid Pharmacy, my office hosted and supported vaccine clinics in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties. By getting vaccinated, we can beat the pandemic.

My team made an impact on gun violence by leading the approval of \$30 million in grants to organizations that are preventing gun violence in Pennsylvania. We influenced change with our ENOUGH campaign to address complaints of discrimination at Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) universities. PASSHE made historic commitments to address hate speech, student retention, incident reporting, diversity training, and equitable hiring practices.

Following an incident of racial intimidation at my Abington office, we responded with a Love Your Neighbor rally, co-hosted by Rev. Dr. Jerome F. Coleman, Pastor Marshall Mitchell, and Rabbi Lance J. Sussman. In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." With that quote in mind, our theme for 2022 is Love One Another.

Of course, much work remains to raise the minimum wage, fairly fund schools, address climate change, and protect women's rights. Although we have secured over \$61 million in state grants for the district since 2015, our work is unfinished. I look forward to working for change in 2022.

As always, thank you for your support.

Be the light,

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**2021
BY THE
NUMBERS**

\$14 Million

Grants Awarded to 4th District



1,521

Constituents
Served



4,280

Reached via
Telephone
Town Halls



\$30 Million



Gun Violence
Prevention Grants

11



Months Served
on COVID-19
Vaccine Task Force

7



Legislative Initiatives
PASSED by Senate

5



Out of 6 Student
Demands Addressed
to End Campus Racism



26

Community & Virtual
Events Hosted

**END CAMPUS
RACISM**

ENOUGH Wins

Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education is addressing five of the six student demands. The PASSHE Board of Governors has agreed to:

- E**nd racial harassment and speech
(Adopt anti-harassment policies)
- N**urture and retain students of color
(Diversify curriculum with measurable goals)
- O**rganize incident reporting system
(Implement bias response teams on campuses)
- U**nveil mandatory diversity training
(Require for all faculty, staff, and students)
- G**enerate mental health resources
(Not Yet Addressed)
- H**ire faculty and staff of color
(Renew efforts to recruit and retain)

My office continues to advocate for these demands. We will ensure that mental health is addressed.

Legislative Success

- \$9M to PASSHE for equity ■ \$10M for affordable housing
- \$30M for violence intervention and prevention grants
- Tax credit oversight and registration for tax credit brokers
- Sales tax exemption for breastfeeding products
- Member of COVID-19 Vaccine Joint Task Force
- Advocated for equitable distribution of the vaccine
- Recognized by the Arc of Pennsylvania as 2021 Legislator of the Year





1/6 Commemoration

In January 2022, I joined Senator Amanda Cappelletti and State Rep. Tim Briggs for a ceremony at Valley Forge National Historical Park to commemorate those who defended our nation against the 2021 insurrection on the U.S. Capitol. We honored the sacrifices of fallen police officers and recognized the bravery of Congresspersons who persevered. In addition, I introduced a resolution to declare the one-year anniversary of the attack as “1/6 Day” in the Commonwealth.

Senator Haywood speaks at the 1/6 Commemoration ceremony in King of Prussia in January 2022.

Poverty Report

In November, I shared updates on progress made from my 2019 Poverty Report in a press conference. The Wolf Administration reported increased funding for childcare and rental assistance for affordable housing. The Department of Human Services made it easier for neighbors to transition from public assistance to the work force

with a gradual reduction of cash assistance. PENNDOT has a pilot program to get people in cities to suburban jobs. Updates on all recommendations to support Pennsylvanians in overcoming poverty are included in the 2021 Report.

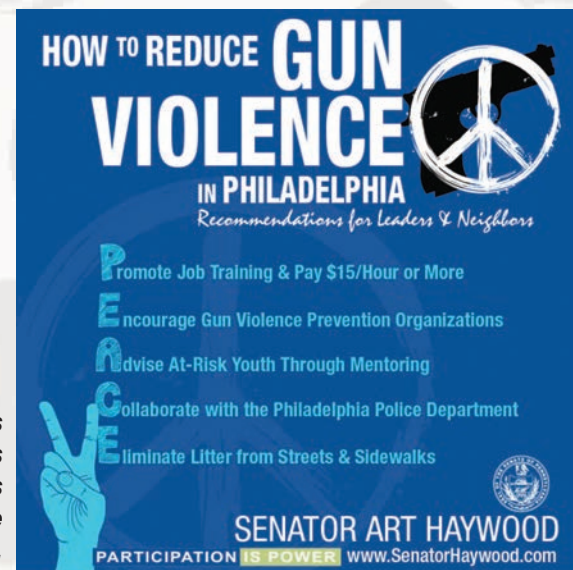


Senator Haywood speaks at the Poverty Report press conference in Harrisburg in November 2021.

Gun Violence Recommendations

I am disgusted with the gun violence in our neighborhoods. It needs to stop. My office has secured funding for violence intervention organizations, including \$300,000 for Philadelphia CeaseFire and \$30 million for groups statewide. However, all that we have done is not enough. In 2021, I wrote two letters to Philadelphia Mayor Kenney with solutions, and I received no response. I’ve launched a PEACE campaign to help leaders and neighbors reduce gun violence in the community. Please join me in implementing these efforts.

PEACE represents Senator Haywood’s five recommendations to reduce gun violence in Philadelphia.



ART IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

▼ Senator Haywood installs a sidewalk library at Crestmont Clubhouse in Willow Grove in March.



▼ Senator Haywood attends a groundbreaking ceremony in Chestnut Hill in November.



▲ Senator Haywood announces his gun violence bill at press conference in Germantown in May.

▼ Senator Haywood presents a \$2 million check to Simon's Recreation Center in West Oak Lane in October.



▼ State Police offer a helicopter tour at Senator Haywood's Back to School Celebration in Germantown in August.



▼ Health professionals administer the COVID-19 vaccine at LaMott Community Center in Cheltenham Township in May.



▼ Senator Haywood presents a \$1 million check to Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at Meadowbrook Farm in Jenkintown in May.



▲ Senator Haywood attends opioid overdose prevention event in Springfield in March.



▲ Pharmacist administers the COVID-19 vaccine to Senator Haywood's Organizing Director Jihad Seifullah at Belfield Recreation Center in Logan in April.

Senator Haywood presents a \$1 million check to Arcadia University in Glenside in July.



▲ Senator Haywood speaks at a Pride flag raising ceremony in Abington in June.



VOTER REGISTRATION

- *As of January 1, 2022, the primary election is on May 17, 2022.*
- *Polls are open on election day from 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.*
- *The last day to register to vote is on May 2, 2022.*
- *The last day to request a mail-in or absentee ballot is on May 10, 2022.*
- *If you have moved, update your voter registration at **vote.pa.gov**.*
- *Dates are subject to change. Verify information at **vote.pa.gov**.*

THANK YOU FOR VOTING!



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