

INVESTING IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM



INTERFAITH BREAKFAST

For 25 years the Reverend Marguerite Handy Interfaith Breakfast has served to highlight our most vulnerable at a time where they may need it most. This interfaith prayer breakfast and visit to the Philadelphia Department of Prisons for persons of faith commemorates Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday. The event is named in honor of Reverend Marguerite Handy who passed away in February 2011. She served as the executive director of the Mayor's Office of Faith-Based Services under two mayors. She was instrumental in forming the Philadelphia Peaceful Surrender program, an initiative that allowed fugitives with outstanding warrants in Philadelphia to turn themselves in at various churches and faith institutions strategically located throughout the city who were then escorted by Philadelphia Peaceful Surrender volunteers to the Criminal Justice Center. I am honored to continue this tradition and show incarcerated individuals that I am working for them.

SECOND CHANCE LEGISLATION

There are far too many people incarcerated who have served their time, shown that they have been reformed, and are not a danger to society. I have reintroduced Senate Bill 135 which would make it possible for those sentenced to life imprisonment to eventually have an opportunity to be reviewed for parole in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania has over 5,250 people serving a life sentence in our state prison system – more than all but one other state in the country. I am proud to advocate for legislation that allows for people to get a second chance in life.



Fighting for cannabis equity.

OFFICE OF REENTRY PARTNERSHIPS (ORP)

The City of Philadelphia's ORP facilitates a holistic reentry process for individuals returning to their communities after incarceration. I'd like to congratulate my former Director of Communications, J. Desmond McKinson Jr., who now serves as Director of Communications and Strategic Partnerships in the Office of Public Safety and has a leadership position at the Office of Reentry Partnerships. Through collaboration with City partners, community organizations, employers, and service providers, ORP ensures that returning citizens have the resources and support necessary to reintegrate successfully. I am proud to have partnered with ORP to provide returning constituents with the services they need.



Senator Street speaking to constituents about opportunities and state resources during an ORP expungement clinic.



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IMMIGRATION

Immigrants face many challenges when they move to a new country, in addition to attaining citizenship. With my colleagues in the Senate and House of Representative the Welcome Caucus has been established and introduced legislation to open an Office of New Pennsylvanians. The legislation will instruct the Office to provide internal coordination of services that commonly affect the lives of immigrants, to promote the state abroad to attract skilled workers, and once here, to help integrate immigrants into their local communities. The duties will include:

1. Responding to inquiries from state agencies, the media, immigrant-serving organizations, and the public about immigration issues in Pennsylvania.
2. Serve as point of contact for state licensing boards and the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs.
3. Serve as a clearinghouse of information for state agencies on immigration-related policy issues, and coordinate among agencies as appropriate.
4. Develop strategies to attract, retain, and incorporate immigrants into Pennsylvania.
5. Convene stakeholders in business development and international trade promotion programs to increase their capacity to draw on immigrant contributors.
6. Convene municipal officials to boost peer learning on immigration possibilities among third-class cities struggling with population loss and economic decline.
7. Convene colleges and universities to foster learning about strategies for immigrant and international student retention.

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PA budget proposal town hall at Zion Baptist Church.

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MAINTAINING HEALTH & WELLNESS

In my role as your state senator it is my privilege to provide every resource available to positively impact your health. Health is holistic, health is wealth. In a world that often overlooks the various needs in our communities it is critical that we address your health in a well-rounded way."

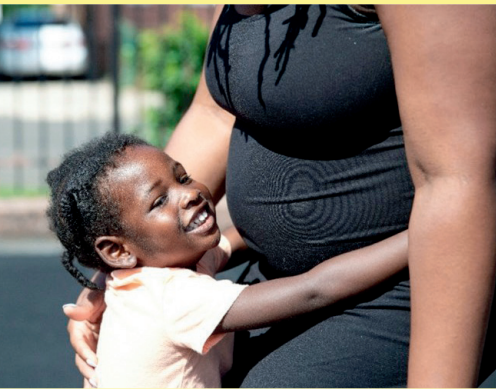
WELCOME TO WELLNESS POP-UP PROGRAMMING

Since November 2024 my office has prioritized creating programming that highlights ways to work on mental health and wellness daily. Working with various health practitioners and community organizations we are working to break stigmas and provide tools to improve the wellbeing of our community.

Senator Street with women business owners during the Women in Wellness panel on International Women's Day.



Maternal morbidity rates in African-American women can be lowered when we work to address the issues at the root.



MATERNAL HEALTH

Since 2022 I have hosted a Community Baby Shower in partnership with Temple University, N.O.R.T.H. Inc., Uptown Entertainment and Development Corporation, Temple Health and a host of community providers to share resources with new and expecting moms, dads, and caregivers.

This year the Community Baby Shower is on **July 19th from 10am - 1pm** at the Temple University Aramark STAR Complex (1816 N. 15th Street Philadelphia, PA 19121).

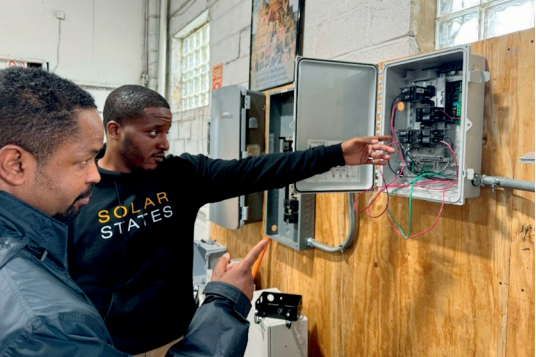
IN THE COMMUNITY

For too long Black and brown communities have been stereotyped and underinvested in. I am working to prioritize clean energy and sustainability, quality transportation, economic equality and safer streets by highlighting and advocating for businesses and organizations that are working on the grassroots level to improve the way we interact with the world around us and how our communities are represented."

CLEAN ENERGY

I aim to get legislation passed to modernize the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard Act (AEPS) and create a new Clean Energy Standard in Pennsylvania to help make Pennsylvania energy emissions 100% carbon neutral by 2050 while supporting the Commonwealth's thriving energy sector job base.

Solar energy is the third largest renewable energy source.



PA RUNS ON SEPTA

Students, workers, families, and visitors make up the more than 700,000 people who rely on SEPTA. I stand with those who want to see SEPTA funded properly so that the buses, trains, and trolleys can operate safely and reliably to get people where they need to go.



Save SEPTA now rally at City Hall.

BEWARE OF SCAMS

From tech support scams to impersonating Philly police, to state Turnpike toll services, scammers are becoming more creative and bolder in their attempts to con hardworking Pennsylvanians. 74,926 reports of fraud were reported across Pennsylvania last year, per the FTC. I teamed up with other elected officials, state and city services to host a \$cam Jam to offer my constituents tools and resources to spot and prevent scammers from getting the best of them.



Senator Street with community leaders to promote scam awareness.



UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

1 in 10 Pennsylvanians has unclaimed property, and the average claim is about \$1,600! Through my office we have found individuals and organizations money that belongs to them.

My office will continue to work to get you the money that is rightfully yours.

FIGHTING FOOD INSECURITY



Giving back during Thanksgiving.

THANKSGIVING TURKEY DRIVE

For more than 25 years I've had the pleasure of giving back to organizations and those in need during the Thanksgiving season. Started by my father in 1980s I now team up with Nicetown CDC to distribute thousands of turkeys in Philadelphia and throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



Fighting food insecurity.

RAMADAN FOOD DRIVE

The Driving Hunger Away During Ramadan initiative provides 200 meals (and 1,000 meals on two days) for 30 days straight in various community locations from the beginning to the end of Ramadan.

In partnership with Philabundance, we distributed **7,600 meals this year bringing the total to more than 30,000 meals since this program began in 2021.**

BUILDING BUSINESSES AND SAFER STREETS

Too often we see incidents of crime and violence impacting the learning experiences of our students through unsafe corridors. I plan to reintroduce SB 989, legislation that allocates \$50 million to enhance the safety and protection of school corridors across the Commonwealth. School corridors play an important role to our youth and their education."

GRANTS

I am proud to have brought in more than \$25 million in investments to our community. I believe that investments in our community are investments in our future. Here are a few of the many grant recipients:

A FEW OF THE MANY GRANTS...

Cristo Rey Philadelphia High School	\$1,000,000
Happy Hollow Playground	\$1,000,000
Lawncrest Recreation Center	\$4,000,000
Nicetown Sports Court	\$500,000
Panati Playground	\$250,000
Traveling Tree House Bookmobile	\$98,048
The Market Place/Beech Community Services	\$446,210
African American Male Wellness Agency	\$100,000
One Day At A Time	\$200,000