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## Dear Friend,

What a first year! I've worked to get state funding for our schools, parks and libraries, to create good paying jobs and keep our families healthy and safe. Often, I've been shoulder to shoulder with our neighbors in these important fights.

During our first year, we've also helped thousands of people in over 3200 cases find Unclaimed Property, get Senior SEPTA IDs or birth certificates and much more. Stop by and see if we can help you!

**INSIDE:** Full Legislative Update, School Funding Rally, District Survey and more!!!

# Fighting For Our Children



I introduced legislation calling for emergency funding to get asbestos, lead and other toxins out of our schools. I'm working hard on this issue because I've heard too many heartbreaking stories from educators and students in my district, like Daisy Rios and Kane Esasta:

*"Daisy, who has gone to Southwark from kindergarten to eighth grade, had to go to school for years with paint chipping off the walls that could poison her. She feels unsafe, as if the adults who let this situation continue don't care about her. Last year, the lead was finally stabilized. But other big problems continue. In the winter, students sometimes get nose bleeds, nausea, and anxiety because the heating doesn't just warm up them up, it leaves them feeling as if they're roasting. Given those conditions, students can't focus and it's hard for educators to focus as well. Daisy told me she eventually wants to study law at Temple University, and she shouldn't have to put her health at risk to get there.*



*Kane is a Furness senior who will study pre-physical therapy at Cheyney University in the fall. He described that there's lead and asbestos in the building. He said there are bathrooms with no locks or lights and with broken sinks. During hotter months, teachers in classes without air-conditioning must share classrooms that have A/C. That has meant two full classes literally sharing one room while teachers speak about two different topics at the same time. Kane poignantly asked, "How do the adults expect us to stay in school and learn under these oppressive conditions?"*



Because of our work to make children's lives a budget priority, the Governor just announced that he's committed to getting over \$1 billion to schools to do emergency repairs. I will keep fighting to make sure schools in our district get this much needed funding.



*Above Pictures: Actual Conditions within our Public Schools. Students, Teachers, Lawmakers and Activists gather in Harrisburg.*

# IN OUR COMMUNITY



## **Rep. Fiedler South Philly Health & Job Fair**

Saturday, April 4th, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

EOM Athletic Association (144 Moore St.)

## **Senior Food Box Pick-up dates**

11 a.m. – 12 p.m. March 25th (snow day March 27) and April 29th. Low-income seniors may be eligible for this food box program;

**call our office to reserve a box if you qualify: 215-271-9190**

## **Multilingual Meet the Rep: Chinese Language-Speakers Outreach Session**

March, Date and Location TBD, please call our office for more information.

**Rep. Fiedler Mobile Office Hours** - *Get assistance with state level issues and concerns, including Senior SEPTA ID card processing and unclaimed property check to see if the state has any of your money during upcoming mobile office hours:*

**Whitman Council, Inc.** (2455 S. 3rd St., at Porter Street)

Fridays, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., on March 20th, April 17th, and May 15<sup>th</sup>

**Whitman Library** (200 Snyder Ave.)

First Tuesday of the month, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., on March 10th, and April 7<sup>th</sup>

**Fumo Family Library** (2437 S. Broad)

Third Tuesday of the month, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., on March 17th, April 21<sup>st</sup>

**South Philly Library** (1700 S. Broad)

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m., on March 11th, April 8th, and May 13th.

\*Get help with federal issues! Staff from U.S. Congressman Dwight Evans' office will be joining us on these dates.

\*You can also get help with federal issues at our main office on the **1st and 2nd Tuesday** of each month, when staff from U.S. Representative Mary Gay Scanlon will be at our District Office (2400 S 9th St) from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.



## Net Neutrality Keeps the Internet Free and Open

We expect the company that provides our internet service will transmit data, not manipulate it. But the rules that ensured this protection – net neutrality – have been removed at the federal level. This has big implications: the company that provides your internet could block you from accessing websites for competing companies, stop speech that criticizes the company, even block access to union sites during a labor conflict.

That is why I have introduced HB 544, which would make it illegal for ISPs to block lawful internet content, selectively slow internet traffic or use paid prioritization to squeeze more money from consumers.

## Strengthening Patient Protections

Right now, medical students are allowed to perform pelvic, rectal, and prostate exams on patients under anesthesia for training purposes without getting explicit, informed consent. This is unacceptable.

That’s why I’ve introduced HB2246 to ensure medical institutions receive specific consent from patients for these exams performed under anesthesia by medical students or solely for training purposes.



## District Survey

Cut along the dotted line to mail or bring this survey back to 2400 S 9th St, Philadelphia PA 19148

Please rank the top 3 issues that matter most to you

Labor Rights & Worker Protection  
(Including Min Wage Increase)

Economy/Jobs

Education Funding

Gender Equality  
(Equal pay, Ending violence against women)

High Quality Healthcare

Environmental Protection

Criminal Justice Reform

Investment in Infrastructure  
(Public transit, Roads, Bridges)

PA hasn't raised its minimum wage of \$7.25 in over 10 years, do you believe PA should join neighboring states to finally make the minimum wage a livable wage? **Y / N**

Are you satisfied with the current state of our economy? **Y / N**

Families struggle and suffer on a daily basis due to a lack of high quality Healthcare. Do you believe Healthcare is a human right? **Y / N**

# Applications for the 2019 Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program are now being accepted

This program provides rebates on property taxes or rent paid the previous year by income-eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older.

Contact my office for help.

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## SOUTH PHILLY HEALTH & JOB FAIR

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH**

10am-1pm

at the EOM Athletic Association  
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# OUR FIRST YEAR IN OFFICE

**2019** OUR FIRST YEAR BY THE NUMBERS

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### Legislation

**8** Bills Authored

**102** Bills Co-Sponsored

Votes Cast in Committee **438**

Votes Cast on the Floor **1,189**

\*Perfect Voting Record\*

**375**

District Community Meetings



**36**

District Events Hosted

**58**

Civic Meetings Attended



You are important to us! We're working hard to meet your needs in our District Office and with our Mobile Office Hours across South Philly!

This year we processed 286 new SEPTA ID cards for seniors and assisted 640 people with the Property Tax Rebate process.

We now host monthly federal-level services and, starting last fall, have facilitated the delivery of monthly food boxes to about 100 low-income neighbors.

On top of that, we've notified dozens of residents in the District about close to \$100,000 worth of Unclaimed Property being held for them by the State Treasury!



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**MY OFFICE CAN HELP WITH:**

- SEPTA ID Cards
- Birth certificate applications
- Unemployment compensation
- Car registrations
- Questions about PennDOT
- ... and much more!

**Stay informed, join my email list!**

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