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It's never a quick and easy process, but we finally signed into law a state budget that works for you and your family — all with no tax increases!

HOWEVER — this is yet another budget that fails to address raising our minimum wage. I'm happy to see a \$157 million increase coming to the School District of Philadelphia so that our kids in North and West Philadelphia can receive an equitable education and get a good start in life. Investments in workforce training, apprenticeships, and career pathways will help businesses create careers and encourage our workers to stay right here in Philadelphia.

But we're continuing to let down the parents who must work two or three jobs to make ends meet, as well as the kids who aren't going on to higher education and will rely on minimum-wage jobs to have a place of their own in this world.

This budget keeps our state moving and provides an overdue cost-of-living adjustment for our public retirees, but it is a disappointment for the workers who are counting on us to truly help address affordability issues. That falls squarely on the Senate Republicans who refused to take action on multiple proposals that would serve you as we sent them from the House.

Read inside this newsletter to learn more about how this budget benefits you, as well as the work I'm doing in Harrisburg and here in North and West Philadelphia on behalf of our communities.

A Budget That Works for **YOU**

I'm working hard for you as a member of the House Human Services Committee in Harrisburg. The 2026-2027 state budget delivers for our most vulnerable neighbors with increased funding for healthcare services and programs, by protecting your benefits, and more!

2026-2027 PA Budget Highlights

Human Services Committee

MA Managed Care Program

\$9.4 Billion (7%↑)

Intellectual Disabilities (ID) Community Waiver Program:

\$2.8 Billion (2.8%↑)

Includes 1,250 additional waiver spots; 400 consolidated and 850 community living

MA Fee-for-Service Program

\$790.2 Million (11%↑)

Includes \$900K for the MA Reentry Program

MA Payments to Hospitals

\$52 Million

Mental Health Services

\$979.8 Million (4.4%↑)

Includes \$10 million for the 988 crisis line and Crisis stabilization walk-in centers



Human Services Programs

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
\$98.6 Million (6.1%↑)

Rape Crisis Program
\$24.2 Million (98.6%↑)

DHS to transition to Chip-enabled cards for SNAP
\$7 Million

Blind and Visual Services
\$5.2 Million (9.6%↑)



2026-2027 PA Budget Highlights | Human Services Committee

2026-2027

Philly Budget wins



✓ Balances budget with no new taxes

✓ **\$157 million** (7.6% Increase) for the School District of Philadelphia

✓ **\$30 million** for Child Care

✓ **\$20.7 million** for School Safety and Security Fund

✓ **\$154 million** for Career and Technical Education

✓ **\$98.6 million** for Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

✓ **\$10M increase** for the student teacher stipend program

✓ **\$24.2 million** for Rape Crisis program

✓ **\$2.5 million** for Violent Incident Clearance and Technological Investigative Methods (VICTIM) program

✓ Pre-Act 9 COLA Increase for teachers, police, firefighters, and state retirees

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✓ **\$10 million** for Nonprofit Security Grant Fund

✓ **\$500,000** appropriation for Temple University for its near degree completion program

✓ **\$200 million** for Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit

✓ **\$9.4 billion** for MA managed care program

✓ **\$23.75 million** for Historically Disadvantaged Business Assistance

✓ **\$17 million** for the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund

✓ **\$2.4 million** for Human Trafficking Enforcement and Prevention

And Much More!

Philadelphia families deserve a budget that makes life more affordable, strengthens our communities, and creates opportunities for the future. This budget makes meaningful investments that will benefit our community by:

Strengthening our schools with continued investments in public education, school safety, special education, career training, and higher education.

- Creating jobs and growing our economy by supporting small businesses, workforce training, agriculture, and economic development.
- Keeping our communities safe with investments in violence prevention, first responders, afterschool programs, and services for survivors of crime.
- Supporting seniors, veterans, and retirees through enhanced retirement security and expanded access to important services.

This budget is focused on practical solutions that help families succeed today while building a stronger Pennsylvania for tomorrow, **all without raising taxes.**

20 Years of **FLAT WAGES**

On June 30, we recognized an anniversary that I wish we didn't have to acknowledge. It was June 30, 2006 — 20 years ago — when the federal government last increased the minimum wage. Since then, as other states around us have raised their minimum wages, Pennsylvania has remained tied to the federal minimum wage. I have worked my entire career in the legislature to raise the minimum wage, and while we in the PA House have approved an increase in each of the last two sessions, we continue to hit the same roadblock with the Senate GOP.



**Demand to
RAISE
THE WAGE**

I'm still collecting signatures to demand a raise in the minimum wage! Have you signed my petition yet? Scan the QR code here or visit my website, RepRoniGreen.com, to add your name. Together, we'll deliver the petition to the Senate Leader's doorstep and demand dignity and a fair wage for every honest hour of work.



Support for Workers



I stood in our Capitol Rotunda to rally with my sisters and brothers of SEIU Local 668 for a budget that safeguards human services and education without any cuts — and we accomplished that! Our public, social, and human services workers make Pennsylvania great, and I'm proud to stand with them. Scan the code here to watch my remarks from the rally!



The cost of housing is already unbearably high. Unexpected parking fees added to monthly expenses are unethical at best and, in extreme cases, can cause people to lose their housing. Earlier this year, the House passed my H.B. 344, which would empower tenants to hold their landlords accountable if they were unaware of required parking fees when they signed their lease. I hope the Senate will take up this bill during its fall session, especially since it passed the House unanimously!



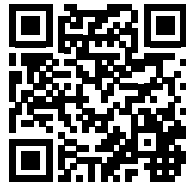
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Investing in Our **COMMUNITY**

Great news for our communities! I'm so proud to announce that \$10.7 million in grants were awarded to projects in our area through Pennsylvania's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program earlier this summer. From creating affordable housing and supporting the engines of our local economy to ensuring safe spaces for our youth, I was proud to support these grant requests. Each of these projects will uplift our neighborhoods in different ways and inspire an even greater sense of community.

The projects are:

- **\$2.5 million to Deliverance Community Development Corp.** for the 3031 N. 21st St. senior affordable housing project.
- **\$2 million to the Ink Building project** for building repairs and conversion to a workforce development hub.
- **\$200,000 to the Mann Center for the Performing Arts** for new building construction to house classrooms, a recording studio, offices and an event space.
- **\$1 million to the Nexus Sports Center project** to create a light-duty manufacturing facility for Courtside Video Entertainment.
- **\$500,000 to the Nicetown Neighborhood Economic Generator project** to build a new, first-in-class career readiness and economic opportunity generator.
- **\$1 million to renovate and improve the Philadelphia Housing Authority's Brith Sholom** 16-story high-rise building.
- **\$500,000 to the Skyview Senior Apartments** – The Mill II mixed-use housing and retail development in the Mill Creek neighborhood.
- **\$3 million to Philadelphia Youth Basketball Inc.** for the renovation and development of a world-class basketball and youth development community center project.