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A Letter from Chairman Sharif Street



Dear Pennsylvania Democrats:

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for your remarkable efforts in securing our sweeping victories across the Commonwealth on November 7th. Your dedication and hard work have been instrumental in delivering triumphs up and down the ballot, showcasing Pennsylvania Democrats' robust electoral energy and readiness for the challenges of 2024.

Our collective achievements have ushered in generational changes within the Pennsylvania Judicial system. By maintaining our majority on the Supreme Court, flipping the Superior Court, and adding an additional Democratic voice to the Commonwealth Court, we have made significant strides. These victories are a testament to our united front and shared commitment to our values.

Looking ahead to the 2024 election cycle in Pennsylvania, I am excited to affirm my full support for Senator Bob Casey. Having known Senator Casey for many years, I've witnessed firsthand his exemplary leadership and dedication to representing the citizens of Pennsylvania since his initial victory in 2006, followed by re-elections in 2012 and 2018. His record speaks for itself, and I am confident that with our continued support, Senator Casey will secure re-election in 2024.

Pennsylvania plays a pivotal role in maintaining the Democratic majority in the United States Senate, and we cannot afford to be complacent. The successes of November 7th, achieved through the concerted efforts of our state committee members, staff, volunteers, and leadership, demonstrate our capacity to protect our rights and freedoms.

In 2024 the political world will once again look to Pennsylvania as the top Battleground state in the country in the fight for Democracy. Let us unite once again to send Joe Biden back to the White House, re-elect Senator Casey for a historic fourth term, keep our Democratic majority for the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress, increase our majority in the State House, and finally flip the PA State Senate.

Together, we can continue to lead by example of Democratic success.

Sincerely,

Sharif Street

Chairman Sharif Street



Statewide Election Victories



Judge Dan McCaffery, Jill Beck, Judge Timika Lane, Judge Matt Wolf, and Judge Jack Panella



TOGETHER, AS ONE!

WITH WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS, FREEDOM, AND DEMOCRACY ON THE BALLOT, THE PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY SWEEPED THE STATEWIDE JUDICIAL SLATE PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF ALL PENNSYLVANIANS. THE PA DEMS COMMEND THE HARD WORK OF ALL 67 COUNTY PARTIES' EFFORTS IN THESE STATEWIDE RACES.



Local Election Victories

County by county all across PA, our Democratic Parties and allies fought the good fight and won races up and down the ballot that included many historic firsts, flipped counties Blue, and beat back billionaires' money and out-of-state influences who tried to take over Pennsylvania - from our statewide courts to our local School Board seats. Once again, Pennsylvania Democrats scored a big win for freedom and Democracy.

Here are just a few of the many big wins we brought in during the 2023 election cycle, look for more great COUNTY BY COUNTY victory stories in the weeks and months ahead...



"The fight to protect our democracy and ensure everyone has equal access to the ballot has never been so critical. Across Pennsylvania, Democrats have been fighting every day to protect voting rights, create good jobs, and lower costs for working families. But there's still so much work to be done. Now more than ever, we need Democratic leaders up and down the ballot to keep moving our Nation forward together and supporting these candidates this November couldn't be more important."

BOB CASEY
U.S. SENATOR for PENNSYLVANIA

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Local Election Victories

ALLEGHENY: In a hard-fought battle, Democrats successfully won the race for County Executive and have made history by electing the first woman - Sara Innamorato - to lead the second-largest county in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Democrats also had many victories all across the county including flipping the School Board of a now former Republican stronghold (Northern Allegheny).

BERKS: Berks County Dems saw many victories on election night after all their hard work. At the county level Democrats won a new seat on the Common Pleas Court, re-elected District Attorney, John Adams, won a new County Commission seat, and brought back Fred Sheeler to the office of Recorder of Deeds.

Across the county there were many local wins: In the City of Reading, Mayor Eddie Moran was re-elected, and Dems welcomed City Council President Donna Reed. All of the Democratic candidates on the ballot for City Council won their races and Democratic candidates for Reading School Board were all elected as well.

Berks Dems also claimed a clean sweep victory for their School Board candidates in the Wilson School district along with victories in school board races in Kutzown, Governor Mifflin, and others. They also swept the Cumru Township Commissioner race.

BUCKS: In an election cycle that garnered national attention, Bucks Dems won big! For the first time since Reconstruction, their Democratic majority was re-elected in the Bucks County Courthouse, with Bob Harvie and Diane Marseglia enjoying resounding victories. All of their county row office candidates won by margins of around 10,000 votes, solidifying Democratic control of crucial county offices.



Local Election Victories

Bucks had major wins in School Board races all across the county. All five of their Democratic candidates won in both the Central Bucks and Pennridge School Districts, flipping those boards Blue. They flipped the Council Rock School Board by winning very tough races. And they won important seats on the Bensalem and Neshaminy School Boards, putting Bucks Dems in a position to flip both Boards Blue in 2025.

On the municipal level, Democrats won all over the county. They flipped Doylestown Township, New Britain Township, Tinicum Township, Upper Makefield Township, Chalfont Borough, and Dublin Borough. Bucks Dems also held important majorities in many of their communities and made gains in several others that will make it possible to win control in those places in 2025. Talk about building infrastructure and the bench for the future...

CHESTER: Chester County had a huge 2023 Election cycle going 12 for 12 – they swept all 12 County offices on the ballot. Chester Dems made history by electing 5 Court of Common Pleas Judges, among them the first Female African American and the First Female Public Defender to sit on that bench. They re-elected 2 majority Commissioners, a District Attorney, a Sheriff, re-elected their Prothonotary and Register of Wills, and elected a Recorder of Deeds. This will be the first time in the history of the County that Democrats have totally controlled the County for two terms.

DAUPHIN: The Democratic Party made history at the countywide level, for the first time in Dauphin County history the Democratic Party will hold the majority of the County Commission Board! In addition, Bridget Whitley is the first Democrat ever to win a county row office as our next Clerk of Courts!



Local Election Victories

LEHIGH: Democrats claimed all four seats for Lehigh County Commissioner as well as the Coroner, Controller, and Clerk of Judicial Records posts. In three bellwether School Board races, slates running under the Democratic banner in Parkland, East Penn and Southern Lehigh won all open seats.

LUZERNE: Democrats added 4 new seats to the Luzerne County Council. Previously the council only had 1 Democratic Seat of of 11, Democrats hold 5/11 seats with an impressive showing on election day. Luzerne was a target county for PA Dems, making history by electing the first gay man and black woman to the council.

MONTGOMERY: Mighty Montgomery County did it again this election cycle bringing out strong Democratic numbers that helped boost our wins statewide and dominated races both countywide down to the local level. Montgomery County Dems not only continued to dominate by maintaining control of the County Commission but they also made a bit of history by electing Jamila Widner and Neil Makhija to lead the Montgomery County Commission into the future. In highly contested races at both the municipal and School Board levels, Democrats either maintained their majorities or flipped red districts all across the county.

PHILADELPHIA: In the historic City of Brotherly Love and Sisterly Affection, Democrats ushered in a new record for the history books- the first woman, and woman of color, to become the 100th Mayor of Philadelphia. Congratulations to Mayor-Elect Cherelle Parker!



Local Election Victories

PIKE: In a highly contested race for County Commissioner in Pike County, Christa Caceres was swept to victory by an organized and energetic Campaign and the Pike County Democratic Committee! Caceres is the first woman in decades to fill this office AND the first woman of color ever to hold the position. She also lives in a part of the county with 33% of the population, yet only one other person from Lehman Township has ever held this seat in more than 100 years.

UNION: In Lewisburg, Democrats swept seats on the Lewisburg Burrough Council and 3 of 3 School Board candidates won their races in the Lewisburg region even though their Republican opponents wildly outspent them. Union County Dems were also proud to share that they were one of four PA Counties that registered more Democrats than Republicans.

YORK: In 2021 the Central York School Board district made national news for having the largest ban on books in the country- specifically related to bans on books that had anything to do with African American history, African American Authors, and even the country's first African American President. In that Odd Year election, Democrats won two seats on that highly controversial Board, in 2023 they finished the job and successfully flipped this "Red" district to a Democratic majority School Board.

THE PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY CONGRATULATES OUR COUNTY CHAIRS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, CAMPAIGN STAFFERS, AND VOLUNTEERS. THESE AMAZING SUCCESSES WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT THE HARD AND VITAL WORK EACH OF YOU DO.



Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

PRESIDENT BIDEN DELIVERS OVER \$9 BILLION IN PENNSYLVANIA INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS!

✓ **\$5,722,999,541 HIGHWAYS AND ROADS**

✓ **\$1,161,778,272 HIGH-SPEED INTERNET**

✓ **\$1,156,089,836 PUBLIC TRANSIT**

✓ **\$1,060,133,769 BRIDGES**

Senator Bob Casey Updates

This month, Senator Bob Casey has been tackling out-of-control corporate greed that's seen CEOs lining their pockets with record breaking profit at the expense of working Pennsylvanians, who've had to pay more for everything – from diapers to cereal. He recently released two reports that showed price-gouging by greedy corporations is hurting Pennsylvania families, cutting into their pocketbooks and their ability to afford basic goods.

Sen. Casey is fighting back against these corporations with legislation to fight unfair price gouging and make corporations pay their fair share in taxes. He is also working to put more money in people's pockets by reinstating the expanded Child Tax Credit and raising the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour to better support workers in the commonwealth.

You can read more about Sen. Casey's efforts to bring an end to greedflation below:

- [Pennsylvania Capital-Star: New Report from Sen. Bob Casey outlines impact of 'greedflation'](#)
- [CBS 3 News Philadelphia: Pa. Sen. Bob Casey's "greedflation" reports exposes consumer price gouging](#)
- [Penn Live: New 'greedflation' report from Sen. Bob Casey shows impact of price hikes on Pa. family's budget](#)

The stakes of the Pennsylvania Senate race rose even higher this month when Sen. Joe Manchin announced he would not seek re-election, putting the Democratic Senate majority in further jeopardy.



Senator Bob Casey Updates

In light of Sen. Manchin's announcement, Cook Political Report said Pennsylvania is now "the third top target of the McConnell-aligned Senate Leadership Fund." This race could be one of the most expensive Senate races in the country next year and Sen. Casey is running against a mega-millionaire with unlimited resources.

The bottom line is this: We all know Pennsylvania is a battleground, but this will be the toughest Senate race we've seen so far in our state. What's more, Democrats cannot hold the Senate majority if we don't win this Senate seat in Pennsylvania.

Soon, the campaign will be collecting petitions to get on the ballot and it will take a team to make it happen. If you can take the time to volunteer, you can go to BobCasey.com to get involved.



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