Advising on Antiracist Food Policy in this Moment

Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council

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ADVISING ON ANTIRACIST FOOD POLICY IN THIS MOMENT

RESCHEDULED
NEW DATE:
06.10.2020
3-5PM

bit.ly/FPACJune10th
Opening Words for this Moment

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Matina Granieri (live note-taking)
The Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council connects Philadelphians and our local government to create a more just food system—where all people have the power to access, own and control our food, land and labor.

FPAC has 31 appointed members and 6 subcommittees. All meetings are open to the public.

Subcommittees:
- Anti-Hunger
- Food & Health
- Good Food Procurement
- Urban Agriculture
- Workforce & Economic Development
- Zero Waste
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Roll call: our roles in social change

- Helper: 30
- Advocate: 18
- Rebel: 1
- Organizer: 13
FPAC Community Agreements

★ Value + affirm people’s lived experience + identity
★ Use this space for your own learning + advancement
★ Move up, move up (into listening and sharing)
★ Notice intent, own your impact

- Voice your needs
- Listen for understanding, not response
- Notice intent, own your impact
- Think before you speak
- Take care of yourself + others
- Value + affirm people’s lived experience + identity
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- Make space for people to be their full selves
- Respect confidentiality
- Step up, step back
- Allow room for growth within ourselves + FPAC
Goals

- Ground our work in the Movement for Black Live’s policy demands
- Connect with one another across the food system and across race, class, gender, age, and ability
- Learn about the City’s current policies around spending
- Prepare for advising the City on antiracist food policy
Agenda

- Welcome, grounding, and community agreements
- Movement for Black Lives Policy Demands
- City of PHL Policies on Spending
- Advising the City on Anti-racist Procurement Practices
- Next steps
“A racist policy is any measure that produces or sustains racial inequity between racial groups. An anti-racist policy is any measure that produces or sustains racial equity between racial groups. By policy, I mean written and unwritten laws, rules, procedures, processes, regulations, and guidelines that govern people. There is no such thing as a non-racist or race-neutral policy. Every policy and every institution in every community in every nation is producing or sustaining either racial inequity or equity between racial groups.”

The Vision for Black Lives is a call and response leading us toward our North Star. Over the past several years we have updated policy briefs for each demand to reflect a dramatically changed political landscape since the Vision was launched, and in response to calls to deepen our Black feminist and disability justice analysis.

Revised, updated, and expanded policy briefs deepening our Vision for the current moment will be available for each of the six planks of the platform soon! learn more at about all 8 policy demands at m4bl.org/policy-platforms/
In small groups

- Read the next slide “What the M4BL’ Policy Says About Food” out loud (also in the chat)
- Share (1 person at a time)
  - One demand that resonates with me is…
  - What I can do to advocate for/move forward these demands…
- Reminder
  - Use this space for your learning and advancement
  - Share authentically from your heart and lived experience
Across their policy platform, the Movement for Black Lives contains a number of food and agriculture-related demands, including:

1. A constitutional right to a fully-funded Pre K-12 education, which would include the right to high quality breakfast and lunch for all Black children.

2. Tuition- and fee-free agricultural education at colleges and universities for all Black students.

3. An end to mass incarceration and the privatization of prison labor and services, including farmwork and food services.

4. Divestment from industrial agriculture that relies on fossil fuel, agricultural chemicals, a resource-heavy transportation system as well as a shift toward local, sustainable energy sources and systems.

5. A shift toward decentralized, community-controlled food hubs and cooperative organizations.

6. A right to restored land, clean air, clean water, and housing.

7. A halt to all foreclosures of Black farmland and the elimination of all Black farmer debt.

8. An end to discriminatory credit policies by financial institutions in order to enable access to farmable land.

9. Guaranteeing access to public funding for community land trusts, food co-ops, and food hubs for Black people.

10. Full protections for workers in industries that are not appropriately regulated such as farm workers, including those who are incarcerated.

11. Universal basic income that would not be tied to employment as an alternative to public health and nutrition assistance programs like Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Women, Infants, and Children program (WIC).

12. Reparations for the wealth extracted from Black communities through food apartheid, environmental racism, and racialized capitalism to ensure access and control of land and food sources.
This presentation was abbreviated and updated from a City Budget Teach-in hosted by the Campaign for a Just Philly Budget on June 1, 2020. Here are resources from that teach-in. You are welcome to share with your networks.

- The slide deck used
- A recording of the Zoom Teach-In on Facebook
- A recording of the Zoom Teach-In (off Facebook)
- Call-In & Tweet-In Toolkit!

E-mail phillymunicipalworkersunited@gmail.com with questions or to get more involved!
City Budget Teach In: What’s in Kenney’s Cuts?

….and how do we fight to preserve critical city services & staff?
What is a City Budget?

A political tool that reflects the priorities of elected officials

The City Budget is an allocation of our tax dollars

What’s the Process?

1. The Mayor Puts a Budget Together, based on city department requests
2. The Mayor Presents his Budget
3. Council Holds Budget Hearings
4. Amendments are made
5. The Budget is Passed
PHILLY’S TOTAL BUDGET IS $4.9 BILLION dollars

That’s $341 MM less than the original FY21 Budget!

WE NEED MORE!
Quick Quiz: Where Do We Spend More $$$?

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Where Does Philly Spend Our Money?

- Employee Benefits: $1.38B
- Police: $760M
- Fire: $321M
- Debt Service: $281M
## A Breakdown of Police Expenses

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Cutting the police department in half closes the city’s revenue gap + $41MM
What is a City Budget?
The Ultra Rich Hoard the Resources We Need

Comcast was a HUGE winner of these cuts!!

President Trump’s [2017 tax cut](https://example.com), which was largely a handout to the rich, plays a role, too. It helped push the tax rate on the 400 wealthiest households below the rates for almost everyone else.
There are **10 billionaires** in Pennsylvania.

Their net worth increased by an estimated **$1.3 billion** from March 18th to May 26th. Even amidst the wreckage of the pandemic, the billionaires’ collective net worth has rebounded and surged to **$28.5 billion**.

Locally, Who Has the Money?

- **Victoria Mars**, Candy Corp
- **John Middleton**, Phillies Owner and Tobacco Co.
- **Michael Rubin**, Online Retail
- **Thomas Hagen**, Insurance
- **Mary Alice Dorrance Malone**, Campbell’s Soup
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- **Richard Yuengling**, Beer
- **David Paul**, Medical Devices
- **Richard Hayne**, Urban Outfitters
- **Jeffrey Lurie**, The Eagles
- **Brian Roberts**, Comcast
THAT IS 71 BEYONCES
If they aren't paying their fair share in taxes, where is all that money going?
Brian Roberts, Comcast CEO

Net worth: $1.8 billion

Compensation last year: $36 million

His net worth increased from $1.7 billion to $1.8 billion during the pandemic

Comcast will pay no property taxes on their $1.2 billion Technology Center until 2027

Denying Philly kids access to internet for online learning during the pandemic

Roberts owns a $14 million Philly condo, $15 million mansion in Palm Beach and $2 million Chestnut Hill mansion
Gerry Sweeney, Brandywine Realty Trust

One of the city’s biggest real estate investors.

Frequent City Council Donor

Poised to make $$$ from massive tax break to real estate investors in the CARES Act

Corporate Partner of the Philly Police Foundation
University of Pennsylvania

Endowment Amount: $14 billion

President Amy Gutmann made $3.9 million last year

Owns $3.2 billion of real estate ---> pays NO taxes

Even 40% of their full real estate taxes = $15.6 million per year for our city and schools
March 8: Kenney Announces $5.2 Billion City Budget - includes incremental increases for the Library, other departments.

March 16: City shuts down for COVID19 Pandemic

May 1: Kenney announces Doomsday Budget with massive cuts. City Council begins to assess budget.

May 26-Now: City Workers Actions & Mass Movement around Defund the Police/Brutality

May 27th - June 9th: Budget Hearings

June 11th: Last Day for Council to introduce Tax Legislation (we believe)

June 25th: Last City Council Session

June 30th: Last Day for City to Approve Budget by law
What Did Kenney Cut? -- The Numbers

The Free Library: Cut $9.27M (19%)

Parks & Rec: Cut $12.8M (19%)

Public Health: $8.26M (15%)

Homeless Services: Cut $12.8M (21%)

Arts & Culture: Cut $4.17M (100%)

Streets: Cut $18.8M (11%)

Police: Increase $19.1M
What Did Kenney Cut? -- The IMPACT

- Hiring freeze and layoffs, especially for part-time, seasonal, and temp workers. Already 250 at the library and nearly 1000 at Parks & Rec
- Reduced hours for Parks & Rec: pools closed
- Reduced Hours for Libraries - 5 day a week service & NO Sunday hours anywhere.
- Funding for arts and non-profits reduced or eliminated
- Street Sweeping plan eliminated
- Office of Workforce Development eliminated
- Pennsylvania Immigrant Family Unity Project funding, which offers free legal counsel to immigrants. Legal counsel increases the chances by 5 ½ times that a migrant would obtain relief from removal.
- Huge cuts to the Housing Trust Fund
Two Options for Progressive Revenue

- **Personal Property Tax** - A tax on the sales value of stocks and bonds at the rate of .004% ($4 from every $1000 of value)

- **Gross Receipts Tax** - A tax on goods and services sold in the city of Philadelphia by businesses anywhere, with of $200,000 of total receipts.
Next Steps

- **Tweet & Call-In (6/1 & 6/2)**
  - Toolkit: tinyurl.com/KenneysCutsCall
- **Recruit** friends, coworkers, and neighbors to call, using what you’ve learned here today.
- **Testify** publicly at the City Council budget hearing on June 9th.
- **Sign** the petition
  - phillywerise.com/defundthepolice
- **Keep organizing until we win**!

While services are slated for huge cuts... at a time of police violence...

**Philly Police Expect a $14M Increase**

Here’s how to sign up to testify at the public hearing June 9th at 3pm for what Philly needs instead of more money for police!

- Email Budget.hearings@phila.gov with your full name, a phone number where you can be reached.
- Write that you want to testify June 9th, at the 3pm - 5pm public testimony hearing.
- Write that you want to speak on the budget bills: numbers #200285, 200286, 200287, 200288, and 200289, and 200291.
- You should get an email back confirming that they will call you to testify on the 9th between 3pm - 5pm - write back to confirm your phone number!
- Prepare your 2-minutes-or-less testimony: what community services and supports should we spend money on instead of more money for policing?

**AND WATCH THE POLICE TESTIFY JUNE 1ST BEFORE COUNCILMEMBERS AT PHLCOUNCIL.COM/WATCH-CITY-COUNCIL/- TWEET WHAT WE NEED INSTEAD AT @PHLCOUNCIL AND WITH HASHTAG #PHLBUDGET!
Do citizens get to provide feedback on the budget the city puts together? Yes, that’s what budget hearings for, but depends on how organized we are (why we are seeing such an impact on the budget now).

Is that related to our municipal bonds? (re: money going directly to the bank)

Is the Philadelphia Department of Prisons under the Philadelphia Police? Answer: Prisons and police dept are separate depts, but investment in police feeds into that as well.

What percentage goes to K-12 schools? Similar: are schools part of the city budget? City and State share that responsibility, Kenney has increased amount of local money that

Re: PA Billionaire pandemic wealth increase: is that increase tied to the stock market rebounding? That and certain industries that never slowed down, candy, comcast, real estate going strong. Not all industries are sharing burden of pandemic, small business are struggling more than large corporations, but they use pandemic as excuse opportunity to lobby for more money

How do real estate taxes for corporations in Philadelphia compare to similar cities? 6% increase in property taxes, with exemption for certain property values. But not sure of comparison.

Is this okay to share the presentation? Yes! And a live recording link to come.
Resources from the chat during the budget teach-in

Nicole W. (She/her): An old but helpful article about real estate and city council:

Anonymous: I made this post if you want to play around with the budget numbers more:

Anonymous: Penn student here and found this atrocious: feel free to sign our petition to start addressing this

Link to Kate’s full presentation:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1fAkU4hhhgJgJhNpUi0MhXj9Ng3AuaXON5qJ5rsqeYjc/edit?fbclid=IwAR1I_B0bcCFkDVo0DUvtFgPx8xbl8shASvymHESVHVOYjFQJpAmugVQdXtU

Ways to Understand Food and the City Budget

Points to consider:

- City of Philadelphia spends $20 million annually on food purchases
- 95% of these expenditures end up leaving Philadelphia

Program Funding (local, state, federal):

- Local taxpayer dollars
- Federal reimbursements (CACFP, NSLP, NSB)
- State subsidies (State Food Purchasing Program)
## Going Deeper: Food and the City Budget

### Who City Programs Feed:
- Inmates & Corrections Officers
- People experiencing homelessness
- People in shelter or congregate care
- Youth at summer camps and PlayStreets
- Youth in Out-of-School-Time programs
- Youth at PJJSC

### Other City Food Types:
- Catering (e.g. public meetings)
- Concessions (food trucks at Love Park)
- Emergency Catering (e.g. feeding first responders during COVID-19)
## Going Deeper: Food and the City Budget

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<td>Inmate Lunch (includes labor and partially subsidizes correctional officer meals)</td>
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<td>Lunch for National Guard and PPD, competitively bid</td>
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<td>Chicken and vegetables over rice in sweet chili sauce, Pepper steak in a hoisin sauce over rice or pasta, Falafel and Tofu over rice in soy ginger sauce, Baked Ziti with marinara, Chips, Fresh Fruit, Cakes, snacks and Cookies, Soda, Water, Powerade, Juice and Coffee</td>
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Going Deeper: Food and the City Budget

How and with whom the City of Philadelphia spends money, including on food and food services, tells us what the City values.

If we want to change how the City spends its money, then we need to advocate for policy that changes it.
Going Deeper: Food and the City Budget

Current food purchasing policies:

1. Nutrition Standards: type of food purchased and served

2. “MWBE Goals”: goal across all contracts from all departments to have 35% of total spend go to “Minority-Owned Businesses” and “Woman-Owned Businesses”
   a. MWBE names and definitions are part of City Charter
Office of Economic Opportunity Fiscal Year 2019 annual report shows what types of firms participated by demographic:

- City surpassed goal in FY19 (37%)
- Only 14% of total contract spend went to Philly MWBEs
Barriers to Getting City Contracts

- Knowing where to look
- Two-step registration process (certify as a MWBE, then register with City)
- Short bid windows
- Waiting a long time for payment

What else? Type in Chat!
What would a better food purchasing policy look like?

- Prioritizes Black-owned, POC-owned, and immigrant owned businesses
- Prioritizes businesses located in Philadelphia
- Listens to and responds to the needs/requests of community
- Supports health, environmental sustainability, fair labor practices, and a local supply chain

What else? Type in the Chat!
Action: Food and the City Budget

FPAC has been here before:
Good Food Procurement

- Currently no policy
- Not just the food—the source
  - Healthy workers
  - Sustainable businesses
  - Equitable contract participation
  - Local businesses
- Racial equity + Good food = better for eaters, businesses, neighborhoods
The Mayor’s Office is interested in purchasing policy recommendations that support anti-racist agenda and greater food access

- Address COVID-response and uprisings against endemic racism and police brutality
- FPAC’s role: policy recommendations to Philadelphia Mayor
  - Timing: city budget and COVID-spending review
  - City view: spending reveals priorities
  - Our view: City spending to undo racism, support food access
What can support food access and an anti-racist food spending agenda?

- Implement a **policy and incentives** that prioritize MWBEs, and specifically Black-owned businesses in Philadelphia, on food-related contracts.
- Add incentive for good food practices, like **supporting health and fair labor**.
- Prioritize **community-ownership of food relief efforts** by transferring power and resources from City-run sites to communities.
- **Support businesses** to know about and respond to opportunities, get paid, and launch/scale up their businesses.
- **What else?**
FPAC plans to make a policy recommendation to the City in ONE WEEK

1. Consult with content experts among FPAC membership
   a. LMK if you’ve got thoughts: molly.riordan@phila.gov

2. Finalize policy memo and circulate to FPAC Appointed Members

3. By EOD Monday 6/15, all edits to purchasing policy memo

4. By noon Wednesday 6/17, final vote on policy memo by FPAC appointed members to go to Mayor’s Policy Office
Questions from Chat

Do MWBE goals represent percentage of MWB in city population?

A: No, the 35% goal is based on increasing the benchmark goal over time. There is currently dispute over how many MBEs and WBEs exist in Philadelphia, in part because it can be difficult to find aggregated data about businesses that do not have any employees (sole proprietorships). which characterize many MBEs and WBEs, like caterers and child care centers. The City is currently working on a study to understand the full scope of MBEs and WBEs and their needs.

Comments From Chat

Support community health...Hah! In Hunting Park we are battling the SEPTA gas plant!

Access to affordable local commissary kitchen

Resources on definitions/application procedure for registering MWBE: https://www.theenterprisecenter.com/certification

I think it would be a good time to put out the value and importance of one parent or partner being able to stay home to take care of food shopping and food prep or their family's. There are only so many hours in the day and this COVID 19 brought out how important it is to have 1 parent or partner at home. Food is essential it takes time to make it right.
Next Steps

- If you missed the sign-in poll earlier, please fill it out at: menti.com & use code “22 62 54”
- Fill-out post survey at bit.ly/FPACJuneSurvey by Friday 6/12
- Get involved with FPAC
- Attend an upcoming subcommittee meeting
  - Anti-Hunger: 3rd Tues of every month from 3-4:30pm (6/16)
  - Workforce + Economic Development: 4th Tues of every month from 5-6:00pm (6/23)
- Apply for and share FPAC’s Strategic Planning RFP due 6/28: bit.ly/FPACStrategicPlanUpdated
- Study up by checking out the resources slides
Thank you!

Resources

- **Movement for Black Lives 2016 Policy Platform**
  - Beyond Access: What the Movement for Black Lives’ Policy Says About Food
- **Movement for Black Lives Week of Action June 1-7 Demands**
- **Scaffolded anti-racist resources for white people**
- **PROJECT 2024: BLACK POWER RISING PILLARS**
  - Mass engagement
  - Local power
  - Electoral strategy
  - Leadership development
  - Building across movements/multiracial strategy
Definitions from AORTA and the US Federation of Worker Co-ops

**Racism:**

1. The systematic oppression of people of color.

2. A belief in the supremacy of whiteness and the institutional power to enforce that belief.

3. A system that takes resources from people who are not considered white to disproportionately advance those who are considered white.