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2025
Year in Review

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Supporting Good Jobs and Strengthening Our Economy

One of my top goals in Congress has been to bring good jobs to our region and ensure that my constituents have the opportunity and skills to earn those jobs. I am proud that we have been able to maintain many of these successful economic efforts in PA-05 this year, despite the chaos caused by the White House's tariff wars, anti-union actions, and rescission of many federal grants. This year, I continued to lead bipartisan efforts to reinvigorate and expand the Philly Shipyard, voted against this administration's efforts to weaken labor unions, advocated for transportation grants to strengthen our infrastructure, and supported some of our most successful job training programs, including a shipbuilding training program at Delaware County Community College.

Supporting Good Jobs and Strengthening Our Economy

Building a robust local economy by supporting jobs, industry, and innovation at the Philly Shipyard in 2025

Supporting the now-completed Lansdowne Theater renovation project that I was proud to secure \$1.5 million for

Celebrating the first cohort of graduates of New Leash on Life, a reentry program at George Hill Correctional Facility, funded with \$1.9 million I secured. The program fosters second chances, reduces recidivism, and saves the lives of both people and dogs

Promoting the Welcoming Center's Global Skills Union Pathways Project, a workforce development partnership with AFLCIO and Philly Shipyard to help immigrants with work authorization qualify for Shipyard jobs

Visiting Curtiss-Wright Arresting Systems (ESCO) in Aston to learn more about the critical work they do for our military and allies.

Joining state and local leaders to call upon the state legislature to fully fund SEPTA.

Touring Penn Terminals' ongoing infrastructure upgrades and discussing the impact of the Trump administration's tariff wars on local shipping businesses



SUPPORTING DIRECT INVESTMENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES INCLUDING

\$22.6 Million from DOT for PHL International Airport to rehabilitate runways

\$43 Million from DOT for the replacement of SEPTA's 30-Foot Diesel Transit Buses with Diesel-Electric Hybrids

\$272,000 from DOT to support Lower Merion Township's Montgomery Avenue Corridor Traffic Calming and Safety Plan

A group of five people are standing outdoors at what appears to be a construction or utility site. On the left, a man in a bright yellow-green high-visibility vest with reflective stripes is pointing his right hand towards the left. He has sunglasses on his head. Next to him is an older man with white hair and a beard, wearing a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt. To his right is a woman with blonde hair, wearing a bright blue blazer over a black turtleneck. Next to her is a man with grey hair, wearing a dark jacket over a light blue shirt. On the far right, a man wearing a white hard hat and sunglasses is partially visible. In the background, there are metal structures, possibly part of a bridge or a large building under construction, and some trees under a cloudy sky.

Working to Make Our Community Safer

The federal government plays an important role in funding programs aimed at keeping our communities safe. This year, we continued working to get guns off our streets and out of the hands of dangerous individuals, prevent violence, stop drug overdoses, and keep people housed. One of our biggest successes this year was the passage of my bill, the Honoring our Fallen Heroes Act, which supports the first responders and families who work hard to keep our communities safe. We also assisted numerous fire companies and nonprofit organizations when the Trump administration abruptly paused, and in some cases terminated, previously promised federal funding. I will always prioritize support for evidence-based safety programs that help PA-05 families.

Working to Make Our Community Safer

Honoring the sacrifices of first responders by introducing and passing a bill to expand federal support for the families of firefighters, police, and EMTs who die or suffer disability as a result of service-related cancers

Cracking down on unregulated online gun sales with the introduction of the Stopping the Fraudulent Sales of Firearms Act

Pressuring HUD to ensure safer living conditions at Chester's Benjamin Banneker Plaza

Joining DelVal colleagues at the Brandywine Conservancy to highlight the devastating impact of the Trump administration's cuts to disaster relief programs

Celebrating the reopening of Hank's Place in Chadds Ford after helping the iconic small business obtain federal assistance to rebuild following devastating flooding from Hurricane Ida

Tracking the long-overdue reconstruction of the Sellers Avenue Bridge over SEPTA and Amtrak lines

Challenging inclusion in OBBB of provision to repeal 100-year-old restrictions on firearm silencers

Supporting the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County (DAP) and meeting to discuss the impact of the Trump administration's cuts and changes to federal grants



Working to Make Our Community Safer



SUPPORTING DIRECT INVESTMENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES INCLUDING

\$47.7 Million in VOCA Victim Assistance funding from DOJ to the PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency

\$5.9 Million in STOP Violence Against Women funding from DOJ to the PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency

\$500,000 to the Veterans Law Center from the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide legal services to help veterans avoid homelessness and gain permanent housing

\$1.2 Million from FEMA for the acquisition and demolition of three properties in Ridley Township to eliminate the flood risk of these properties by demolishing and returning the area to green space

\$61,500 from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program to support first responders in Norristown

\$6.5 Million from FEMA for stormwater management measures and streambank stabilization in Upper Darby Township

\$500,000 from EPA for a Community-Wide Brownfields Assessment in Delaware County





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Protecting Our Immigrant Neighbors

As promised, this year the Trump administration embarked on an unprecedented campaign to detain and deport millions of immigrants residing in America. However, having grossly exaggerated the number of violent and dangerous criminals among our immigrant population, the administration has not focused its efforts on deporting “the worst of the worst,” but instead has focused on meeting quotas, often with disregard for immigration status, criminal record, or due process and other rights of those detained. Deploying a toxic mix of dehumanizing rhetoric, slick videos, gross misrepresentations of facts, brutal and excessive actions by federal agents, and executive actions of questionable legality and constitutionality, this White House has increasingly targeted law abiding members of our communities, including citizens and those with legal status, in ways designed to instill fear among our immigrant neighbors, and those who would oppose these efforts. As a longtime immigration advocate and member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, I have participated in shadow hearings, visited detention facilities, demanded accountability from DHS, and led the opposition to many of the White House’s most extreme actions, including the dangerous practice of armed agents masking their faces and identities, and the detention of non-violent individuals at churches, hospitals, and schools. I will continue standing in support of our immigrant community.

Protecting Our Immigrant Neighbors

Leading opposition to the White House's unconstitutional executive order attempting to undermine birthright citizenship as Ranking Member of the Constitution Subcommittee

Conducting shadow hearings and roundtables in Chicago to expose the unjustified chaos, lawlessness, and fear the Trump administration is inflicting on American cities by deploying military and excessive force to execute cruel and misleading deportation efforts

Exposing civil and human rights abuses in detention facilities by collecting information about inhumane conditions at the largest detention center in the Northeast, the privately run Moshannon Valley Processing Center, and conducting an oversight visit to that facility. Note: as this report went to press, a federal court held that DHS cannot deny entry to detention facilities by members of Congress.

Demanding an end to DHS's invasive use of postal mail covers to track, harass, and illegally detain legal immigrants

Investigating reports that immigrants subject to civil immigration proceedings are being detained in federal prisons

Joining a prayer vigil and procession organized outside ICE's Philadelphia field office as part of a national day of public witness to the dignity of migrants and to celebrate the feast day of Mother Frances Cabrini, the patron saint of immigrants





Bringing Down the Cost of Living

Families across the country and right here in PA-05 are struggling to make ends meet, as rising health care, child care, housing and food costs strain family finances and inflation remains stubbornly high. Notably, the signature “Big Ugly Bill” passed last summer by the White House and Congressional Republicans, gave huge tax cuts to billionaires while cutting health care and food assistance to millions of Americans. In addition, the White House’s chaotic tariffs, cancellation of congressionally approved funding for medical research, agencies and nonprofits, and continued attacks on Social Security, the Affordable Care Act, and anti-hunger programs have hurt families across the country and here in PA-05. I have fought at every step to protect these life-saving programs, and will continue advocating to make life more affordable for Americans.

Bringing Down the Cost of Living

Securing \$1 Million in federal funding to support affordable housing with the development of Grace Manor in Chester

Fighting against the Republican "Big Beautiful Bill" that gave lavish tax cuts to the rich while cutting health care and food assistance for millions of Americans, and exploding the national debt

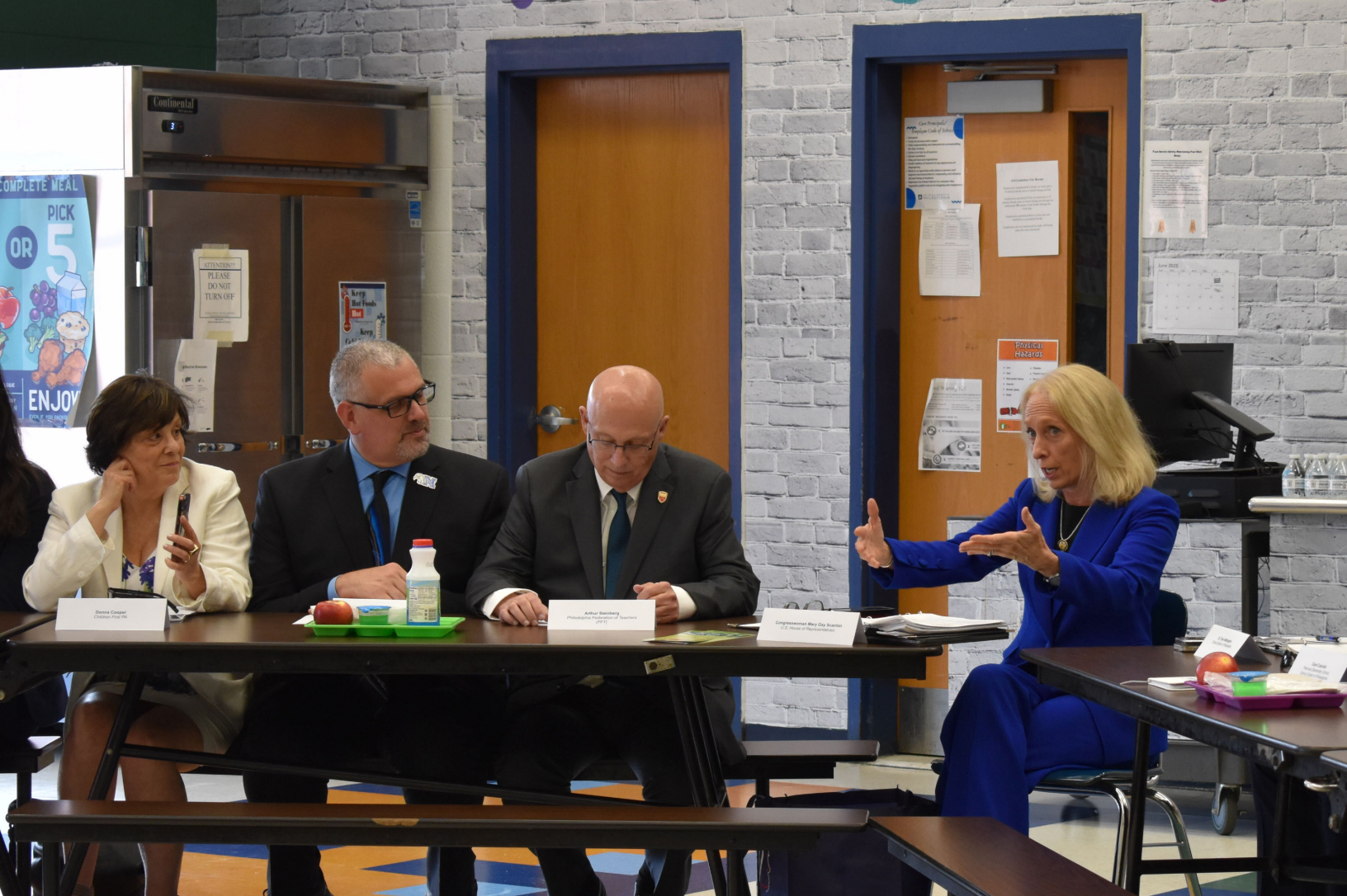
Opposing proposed changes by the Social Security Administration that would limit Social Security eligibility for disabled adults and children and cut benefits to almost 400,000 struggling households

Expanding access to public charging stations through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, promoting workforce development and reducing our carbon footprint

Supporting housing and services for individuals with disabilities at independent living facilities like Inglis Gardens in Eastwick, which help residents grow and thrive

Advocating for direct investments in our communities, including \$500,000 to the Veterans Law Center from the Department of Veterans Affairs to help veterans avoid homelessness and gain permanent housing





Defending SNAP and Combating Hunger

At a time when inflation, tariffs, and a cooling economy are straining family budgets, high food prices and abrupt cuts to federal nutrition programs are leaving many people in our communities hungry. Cuts made by this administration to SNAP, WIC, and other food assistance programs have made it harder for families, seniors, and kids to get the food they need. The abrupt cancellation of federal agricultural support for schools and food banks have only made things worse. I have fought for decades to support programs that curb hunger, especially for kids, and I will keep standing up for programs that help feed our families.

Defending SNAP and Combating Hunger

Visiting Share Food's new Delco warehouse to check out how they're utilizing the \$2 Million in federal aid I secured

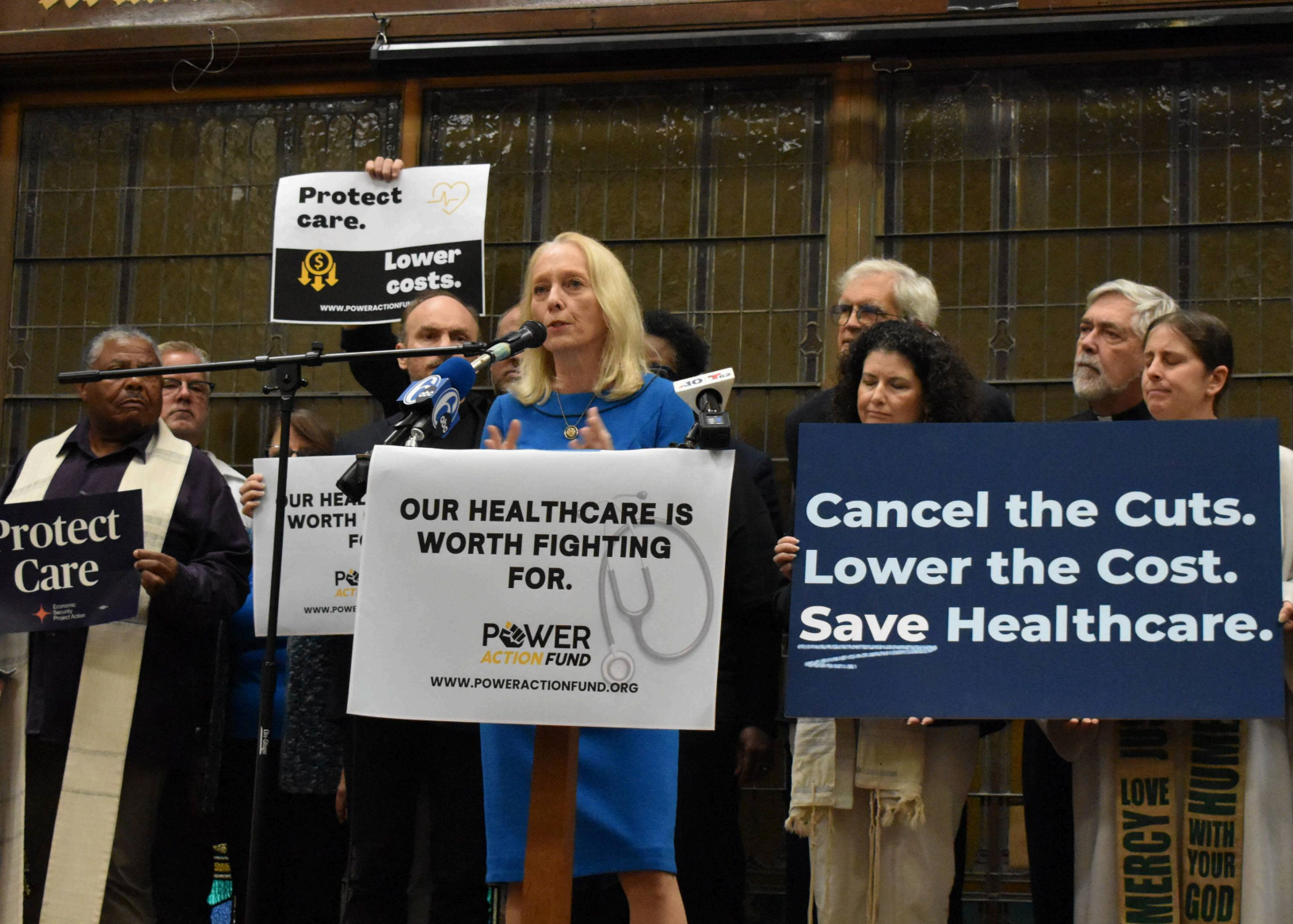
Bringing together local leaders at Penrose Elementary in Philadelphia to discuss how cuts to SNAP and Medicaid would also impact school lunches and affect our children

Calling out the White House as it blocked SNAP benefits for the first time in our nation's history, threatening to let 42 million Americans go hungry, in defiance of multiple court decisions that it was obligated to pay those benefits

Using my position on the House Rules committee to cut through partisan games and force consideration of my amendment to make WIC a mandatory funding program

Supporting multiple food pantries as they scrambled to address need in our community caused by federal cuts and the government shutdown





Fighting to Protect Your Health Care

One of the biggest drivers in the affordability crisis facing Americans is the rising cost of health care. From cutting Medicaid, refusing to extend ACA tax credits, cancelling NIH health and research projects, gutting the CDC and HHS, and threats to the successful vaccine programs in our country, this administration has led an unprecedented attack on Americans' health and safety. These attacks are particularly difficult in our region, where so much of the nation's medical research and innovation occurs, and where the closing of the Crozer Health System has already put a strain on resources. I stood strong with House Democrats as we fought to convince Republican leadership to extend ACA tax credits, have pushed back against every attempt to cut congressionally appropriated health funding and services for veterans, and will continue working to protect Americans' health care.

Fighting to Protect Your Health Care

Joining Mirmont Treatment Center for a roundtable discussion on its innovative Overdose Response Team and to observe how the \$560,000 I secured is being used to connect individuals in crisis with treatment

Protecting Medicaid funding by convening local health care stakeholders to examine the impact of Republican cuts to Medicaid

Checking in with community health centers like Norristown Regional Health Center and ChesPenn Health Services about the challenges they face in the wake of Crozer Health's closure and looming Medicaid cuts

Standing up for our veterans by demanding answers on the local impact of the Trump administration's VA hiring freeze

Demanding scientific integrity from federal agencies by leading colleagues in pressing HHS to explain why it ignored experts in vaccine development

Connecting with the dedicated staff at Planned Parenthood in Media to learn more about the critical services they provide our community and how we can best support them at the federal level

Joining POWER Interfaith and dozens of faith leaders to speak out about how the Republican health care crisis is affecting Americans in our district and across the country





Creating a Future Where All Our Children Can Thrive

I got my professional start as a child advocate, and helping our children to thrive will always be my highest priority. That's why my office has a particular focus on connecting with the impressive young people of PA-05 – whether through our office's many youth programs like our Youth Cabinet, the Congressional Art and App Competitions, and our internship programs, or at dozens of school and college campus visits. I've also been proud to support robust funding for our public libraries and schools. This year, we faced particular challenges as the White House sought to dismantle the Department of Education and student loan programs, defund special education, and significantly cut food assistance for children.

Creating a Future Where All Our Children Can Thrive

Participating in a fireside reading of Fahrenheit 451 at the newly renovated Haverford Township Free Library, for which I was proud to secure federal funding

Checking out the new schoolyard at Bregy Elementary with DesignPhiladelphia, a project for which I secured \$425,000 for

Promoting future leaders of America with the appointment of 29 local high school students to the United States service academies for the Class of 2029

Protecting students with disabilities by opposing the transfer of special education funding from the Department of Education to HHS

Protesting the elimination of the Department of Education

Introducing the Foster Youth Mentoring Act to expand mentorship programs for current and former foster youth

Joining Delaware County school superintendents to discuss the drastic cuts to public education proposed by the White House, and also present research on encouraging voter registration and the importance of civic education

Meeting with staff at the Foundation for Delaware County's WIC Office about shutdown impacts

Attending Upper Chichester Library's open house to show the community plans to convert the old Boothwyn Fire Station into a spectacular new library, a project I was pleased to secure federal funding for





Promoting Good Government and Fighting Corruption

One of the main reasons I first ran for office was to protect our democracy and promote good governance in the face of escalating threats to our constitutional order and corruption. I have continued working to get dark money out of politics through my Inaugural Fund Integrity Act and efforts to overturn the Citizens United decision, spoken against this administration's many corrupt dealings with foreign countries and private companies, defended federal workers from DOGE cuts and indiscriminate layoffs, and advanced legislation to keep corporate criminals accountable. We deserve better than a White House that only cares about pardoning allies and covering up the crimes of Trump's billionaire buddies like Jeffrey Epstein. I will continue to do everything in my power to advocate for the American people in the face of these injustices.

Promoting Good Government and Fighting Corruption

Combating the influence of dark money in presidential politics by reintroducing the Inaugural Fund Integrity Act

Launching an investigation into discrepancies in financial reporting by the Trump-Vance Inaugural Committee

Opposing the Trump administration's unconstitutional efforts to roll back decades of progress in preventing housing discrimination by gutting affordable and fair housing programs

Convening community leaders and advocacy groups to call out the Trump administration's attempts to dismantle Social Security

Improving federal data on corporate and white-collar crime

Defending federal workers, especially veterans, laid off by the Trump administration and DOGE. Navy veteran and impacted IRS worker Jay "Smitty" Smith joined me at a joint session of Congress

Returning electoral power to the American people by introducing a constitutional amendment that curbs the political influence of wealthy donors and corporations

Demanding a probe of Elon Musk's ethical conflicts and legal violations in order to ensure government integrity

Investigating constitutional and legal violations in the White House's acceptance of a luxury jet from the State of Qatar

Investigating reports that Trump's "border czar" received cash bribes

Holding the White House's feet to the fire while they refused to release the Epstein files





Defending Our Fundamental Freedoms

One of the highest callings of a member of Congress is to defend our Constitution, the rule of law, and our fundamental freedoms, a role that is more important now than ever as we see this White House try to fundamentally reshape our federal government and its checks and balances. That calling shapes my work in hearings and on legislation before the House Judiciary and Rules Committees, and as the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on the Constitution. As a member of the House Litigation and Rapid Response Taskforce, I've joined amicus briefs and investigations to hold the White House accountable and demand answers regarding attacks on our fundamental freedoms, the undermining of our First Amendment rights, the targeting of political opponents, and attacks on women's bodily autonomy.



Defending Our Fundamental Freedoms

Investigating the Trump Administration's attempts to use the FCC to suppress the free speech of Jimmy Kimmel and others in violation of the First Amendment in a bicameral hearing

Investigating attacks by President Trump and his allies against the rule of law, lawyers, law firms, and the courts

Demanding answers from the administration about attempts to detain and deport legally resident students in violation of First Amendment right to free speech

Condemning the Trump administration's attempts to intimidate members of Congress in the execution of their Constitutional duties

Fighting threats to implement a national abortion ban by introducing the Stop Comstock Act



Serving Constituents and Celebrating Our Community

A crucial part of my job is helping constituents deal with federal agencies and keeping them informed about what is happening in DC, whether that's doing casework or hosting town halls to answer questions directly. I am so proud of the work that my team does every day to help PA-05 residents understand and navigate our federal government.

I also cherish the opportunity to celebrate our community's wins throughout the year with my constituents ([Go Birds!](#)), and look forward to welcoming even more visitors to our region in the new year to experience the unique charm of PA-05, whether during the upcoming America 250 celebrations or the many sporting events bringing folks to our region in 2026.

Serving Constituents and Celebrating Our Community



Celebrating the Highland Avenue Trail
Connector groundbreaking in Chester

Helped

more
than **1,300**
constituents
resolve issues
involving federal
agencies

Returned

\$10,643,599

owed to constituents by
the federal government

Serving Constituents and Celebrating Our Community



Presentation of military service medals to the families of World War II veterans, Frank X. Hagan Jr. and Anthony C. Didio



Vietnam Veterans Pinning Ceremony



Presenting constituents June Robbins and Florence Thompson with Congressional Gold Medals in honor of their vital contributions as real-life “Rosie the Riveters” during World War II





A Year of Town Halls



Constituent Success Stories



Janice from Bryn Mawr

After contracting COVID in 2022, Janice developed neurological and physical issues that prevent her from continuing to work. Despite being approved for full disability benefits in August 2024, she had not received any of her benefits by the time she contacted our office in February 2025. Thanks to our help, Janice received more than \$63,000 in retroactive benefits payments.

Beatrice and Simon from Woodlyn

Thanks to the Social Security Fairness Act, which I helped pass at the end of 2024, Beatrice and Simon received more than \$27,000 from Social Security as a result of the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO) being eliminated.

Nolan from Ridley Park

Nolan first reached out to our office in May 2023 when he experienced numerous challenges with Social Security and the IRS due to a misprinted 1099 from Social Security. Because of the error on the agency's end, Nolan was facing the possibility of owing the federal government more than \$15,000. After more than two years of advocating on Nolan's behalf with both the Social Security Administration and IRS, our office was finally able to bring him a positive resolution. Not only was Nolan's incorrectly assessed debt with the agencies cleared, he actually received a refund of nearly \$5,000.

Yvette in Havertown

Yvette is a senior with severe disabilities who had her Housing Choice Voucher terminated because she was unable to complete the local housing authority's online-only recertification process. Our office worked with HUD to ensure Yvette was provided with a reasonable accommodation and ultimately able to have her voucher restored.

Constituent Success Stories

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a light blue blazer, is seen from the back, hugging an elderly woman. The elderly woman is wearing a red beanie and a red jacket. They are in a room with other people in the background, including a woman in a striped shirt and another in a blue shirt. There are yellow chairs and a white door in the background.

Marcy in Aston

Following her divorce, Marcy was improperly denied former military spousal benefits. Our office worked with her to ensure she had the necessary records to resubmit her application, and Marcy was ultimately approved to receive nearly \$1,900 per month.

Jackson in Philadelphia

Jackson was diagnosed with a devastating form of cancer that forced him to leave work and seek disability benefits from Social Security. Despite the urgency of his situation, Jackson was having trouble getting Social Security to expedite his application through the Compassionate Allowances (CAL) Program. Thanks to intervention from our office, Jackson's application was fast-tracked for a medical decision in under a week.

Anthony in Norristown

Anthony contacted our office because he learned that a \$20,000 SBA loan had been fraudulently taken out in his name. We worked with the SBA to prove the loan was obtained improperly and that Anthony did not access any of the funds. After three months, the SBA confirmed Anthony was the victim of identity theft and the agency would not take any action to collect this loan from him.

Sid and Mala in Upper Darby

After spending years apart, Sid was finally able to bring his wife Mala to the U.S. from Liberia. However, the couple ran into issues using the online payment system to obtain Mala's Permanent Resident Card. Our office was able to assist the couple with securing the necessary biometrics appointments and navigating the payment process so Mala could receive her Permanent Resident Card.

Constituent Success Stories



Fabian in Upper Darby

Fabian first applied to bring his wife and two young children to the U.S. in 2020. Despite becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen in the intervening years, their applications were still pending approval in 2024. In 2025, he contacted our office because his wife's visa approval was about to expire while the family waited on the children's visas to be approved. We were able to help the family's petitions be expedited to ensure all embassy interviews were scheduled in a timely manner, bringing them closer to a long-awaited reunion.

Rose in Norristown


Rose is a DACA recipient who was facing the loss of her job due to delays with her work permit. Despite having her DACA status renewed this spring, Rose's work permit was delayed past the expiration date of her current permit. Our staff intervened to ensure Rose's new work permit was expedited — allowing her to maintain her employment without interruption.

Demetri in Philadelphia

When Demetri applied to bring his wife to the United States, the embassy in her home country mistakenly issued an expired visa, which delayed her travel to the U.S. Our office worked with the couple for over a year to get the issue resolved and help Anne obtain her proper visa.

Teddy in Aston

Teddy ran into our staff at a community event this fall and mentioned a struggle he was having with his medical care. He had been unable to obtain an electrolarynx, a device used by people who have lost their voice box to produce clearer speech, from his VA care facility. Our office helped Teddy secure this important medical device, which has allowed him to rediscover his voice and communicate more clearly.

A photograph of Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon, a blonde woman in a dark blazer, smiling and shaking hands with an older man in a green military-style shirt. They are in a large indoor space with a blue floor. In the background, several men in military uniforms and caps are standing. A Coca-Cola logo and a scoreboard are visible on the wall.

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