



WINS TOWARDS AN OAKLAND FOR ALL OF US

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PEOPLE-POWERED GOVERNMENT

Dear Oaklanders,

Over the past four years, I talked with thousands of residents and business owners at your doorsteps, in community meetings, and during my office hours. As an organizer turned elected official, I brought my values of equity, inclusion, and community participation into our policy making.

My first term as your District 2 Councilmember was one of the hardest periods in our lifetime. Despite the monumental challenges of the pandemic, an economic downturn, a racial reckoning, and growing inequality, we laid the foundation for a stronger Oakland.

- We worked together to expand violence prevention and create an alternative crisis response program.
- We built tiny homes on public land, prevented evictions during COVID, and helped tenants purchase their homes with land trusts.
- We increased hazard pay for frontline workers, and created a progressive corporate tax for greater economic equity and better city services.

This sets us on a path to scale up for the next four years. I am humbled to have earned your resounding support for a second term. I will work with you — and all branches of our government — to bring our City into a new chapter for ourselves, our children, and future generations.

But our success requires your voice, talking with your neighbors, and engaging in your government. It's going to take all of us working together to meet this moment, solve our challenges, and achieve an Oakland for all of us. Let's stand together.

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PRIORITIES

Partnering with neighbors, community organizations, labor unions, small businesses, and city departments, Councilmember Bas has advanced policies that support everyday Oaklanders and vulnerable residents. Her policies are anchored in these key areas:

HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT

Ensure that everyone has safe, stable and affordable housing, provide essential services and shelter for our unhoused residents, treating people with compassion, and keeping families and communities together; create more affordable housing to keep working and middle class Oaklanders here; and ensure long-term stability for Oakland's homeowners so they and future generations can stay here.

INVESTING IN PUBLIC SAFETY

Expand civilian crisis response to meet mental health needs and answer non-violent calls for service; ensure traditional policing prioritizes and solves serious and violent crime while building trust with the community; and reinvest in critical human services and supports that address the root causes of violence and poverty.

EQUITABLE SERVICES

Prioritize city investments and programs to meet our community's human needs – housing, job training, safety that focuses on prevention and wellness, and vibrant cultural programming, clean parks and upgraded city facilities – while ensuring that funds are spent responsibly and equitably.

A JUST RECOVERY

Protect and prioritize renters, frontline workers, and small businesses disproportionately impacted by the pandemic, to emerge with stronger systems and a more vibrant local economy.

HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT

- ◇ Launched Oakland's first upgraded tiny homes community with single-occupancy shelters providing heat, lockable doors, storage, and space for pets to more than 65 unhoused residents, using public land for public good
- ◇ Created and won \$14 million in starter funding to help low-income tenants purchase their homes with community land trusts to prevent displacement and create permanently affordable community-owned housing
- ◇ Generated 1,200 affordable housing units in our District 2 pipeline. Co-authored an affordable housing and infrastructure bond measure to raise \$350 million for more affordable housing. Measure U was passed by voters in November 2022.
- ◇ Passed legislation to help formerly incarcerated residents access rental housing
- ◇ Co-authored legislation to strengthen tenants' rights and enforcement, including measures to limit maximum rent increases and improve eviction protections
- ◇ Called for Oakland's first audit of homeless response and services, which is resulting in concrete recommendations and improvement plans



LakePoint Tiny Homes Program



E 12TH Coalition For 100% Affordable Housing

INVESTING IN PUBLIC SAFETY



MACRO Crisis Response Team in Fire Department

- ◇ Augmented the Department of Violence Prevention's budget in Fiscal Years 2021 - 2023 providing \$17 million more for violence intervention, gender-based outreach, and community healing in our neighborhoods and schools
- ◇ Co-authored legislation that created a non-police alternative crisis response program in the Fire Department (MACRO - Mobile Assistance Community Responders of Oakland) to respond to mental health, non-violent 911 calls for service
- ◇ Funded Community Ambassadors programs citywide, to expand community-led safety solutions in business corridors and neighborhoods especially impacted by violence



Fighting Southeast Asian Deportations

- ◇ Focused resources on ending human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of minors by targeting enforcement towards exploiters, expanding services for victims and survivors, and improving street lighting and traffic calming in impacted neighborhoods
- ◇ Defended immigrant and refugee rights by passing several resolutions condemning deportations of rehabilitated Southeast Asian refugee community members and successfully advocating for pardons by Gov. Gavin Newsom
- ◇ Led a task force to reimagine public safety in Oakland focused on improving public safety, reinvesting in critical human services, and supporting holistic wellness and safety.

DELIVERING EQUITABLE SERVICES



Re-Authorizing Oakland Fund for Children & Youth



Illegal Dumping Crew Pickup

- ◇ Added a fourth illegal dumping crew to provide greater citywide clean-up coverage and helped fund additional cameras in illegal dumping hot spots
- ◇ Allocated additional funds to expand trash collection and sanitation to 100 homeless encampments
- ◇ Secured funding for key traffic safety and infrastructure projects. Co-authored an affordable housing and infrastructure bond measure to raise \$290 million for street paving & safer streets and \$210 for city facilities. Measure U was passed by voters in November 2022.
- ◇ Won funding for a newly launched 25-member citywide Parks Ambassadors program to serve parks and park users
- ◇ Won \$1.5M in funding for cultural affairs programming and staff to expand support for artists, culture keepers, and festivals
- ◇ Partnered with youth + education advocates to reauthorize the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth investing millions in direct services for youth and families annually
- ◇ Helped identify funding and co-authored legislation to prevent closures and layoffs at three Head Start centers, including Franklin Head Start in District 2



Historic Budget Victory 2021

JUST RECOVERY

- ◇ Authored and passed California's strongest city-level COVID-19 eviction moratorium
- ◇ Authored and passed COVID-19 grocery worker hazard pay \$5 wage bonus covering 2,000 frontline workers
- ◇ Authored and negotiated a progressive business tax to modernize Oakland's outdated tax system and raise \$20M in critical revenue for city services. Measure T was passed by voters in November 2022.
- ◇ Supported small businesses during COVID by authoring legislation that provided: eviction protection to small businesses and nonprofits, emergency grants of up to \$10,000 to businesses along the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) route, and a new program to upgrade and repair facilities and storefronts
- ◇ Created the Department of Workplace & Employment to enforce Oakland's laws for a fair workplace and equitable contracting
- ◇ Advanced equitable economic development by securing a community benefits agreement for the renovation of the Kaiser Convention Center and developing a framework for the Howard Terminal Project to ensure community benefits, affordable housing, seaport compatibility and fiscal responsibility.



Renovating the Kaiser Convention Center



Winning A Progressive Corporate Tax



- ◇ Funded the reopening of San Antonio Park Recreation Center with staff and critical park repairs including lighting, bleachers repair, tennis courts repair, path improvements
- ◇ Advocated with Friends of San Antonio Park to elevate community priorities for the Park Master Plan: halted the City Administration's plan to site Fire Station 4 in the Park to seek a more suitable location, and championed a feasibility study for a Community Library / Center.
- ◇ Helped fund and coordinate a participatory community mural at the San Antonio Park tennis courts
- ◇ Partnered with school community to advocate for rapid response traffic safety improvements at Garfield Elementary following devastating traffic violence incidents



Installed Speedbumps along E. 15th St

- ◇ Continued to address human trafficking on E. 15th Street:
 - ◇ Upgraded lighting and added 7 speed bumps,
 - ◇ Advocated for increased Vice Operations targeting exploiters,
 - ◇ Expanded funding for community outreach with gender-based violence interrupters and life coaches,
 - ◇ Coordinated multi-agency approach to soon close streets to divert traffic off the residential corridor, and
 - ◇ Organized several Community Safety Walks and Harvest Festival events.



Honoring Survivors of Human Trafficking

- ◇ Created partnership with Lao Family Community Development to transition residents of the E. 12th median encampment to housing at their CARE Campus in East Oakland, where participants work with a case management team to develop a concrete and customized employment, housing and support plan to reach self-sufficiency and permanent housing

EASTLAKE

(CLINTON/LITTLE SAIGON, CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, BELLA VISTA, IVY HILL/CHINA HILL/ARBOR VILLA, HADDON HILL, MERRITT, LYNN)

◇ Bella Vista:

- ◇ Resurfaced the Tot Lot play surface at Bella Vista Park
- ◇ Helped fund development of community agreements & signage for Bella Vista park users
- ◇ Coordinated with community and skate organizations to bring safe upgrades to the skate ramps and ledges at the park



Street Mural at Franklin Elementary



New Park Stewards at Lake Merritt

◇ Merritt / Cleveland Heights / Ivy Hill:

- ◇ Successfully renovated and reopened Athol Tennis Courts and transitioned former encampment residents to supportive housing
- ◇ Partnered with community and affordable housing developers for two upcoming 100% affordable housing projects at the city-owned E. 12th St. and 2nd Ave. parcel by Lake Merritt and on the same site, launched Oakland's first upgraded Tiny Homes community to transition more than 65 unhoused residents into dignified housing with wrap-around, on-site services
- ◇ Partnered with community to achieve community benefits in the renovation of the Kaiser Convention Center

◇ Clinton / Little Saigon:

- ◇ Partnered with community to win \$110,000 in mid-cycle FY 22-23 budget for small business and safety supports which significantly reduced neighborhood violence, including a new Vietnamese liaison officer and watch station
- ◇ Won funding for a feasibility study to create a Business Improvement District
- ◇ Organized with neighbors to secure speed bumps to promote safety at Franklin Elementary and create a streetscape mural at the school entrance



Little Saigon Mid-Autumn Festival



CHINATOWN & DOWNTOWN

(CIVIC CENTER, GOLD COAST, LANEY/PERALTA; AS OF 2023 ALSO INCLUDES PART OF JACK LONDON)

- ◇ Partnered with community to combat rising anti-Asian hate through unity and healing events and education, as well as supporting community ambassadors, new Chinese liaison officer and targeted patrols
- ◇ Won initial city funding for project to renovate and expand Chinatown's Lincoln Recreation Center, and won additional state and federal funds (\$14 million to date)
- ◇ Funded feasibility study for Chinatown's first Community Benefits District, now delivering services in street cleaning, safety, and marketing / economic development
- ◇ Partnered with community to rename and significantly upgrade Madison Park to Wilma Chan Park, including increasing lighting for safety, new signage, and renovated infrastructure

- ◇ Won funding to add a much-requested public restroom and irrigation system upgrades at Wilma Chan Park, upgrade Asian Branch Library
- ◇ Funded direct supports for Oakland Asian Cultural Center and Asian Health Services, anchor community-serving organizations in Chinatown
- ◇ Helped secure resources for Black Arts Movement & Business District in Downtown Oakland
- ◇ Won funding for critical improvements at Oakland Museum of California and the Main Branch Library on 14th St.



Re-named Madison Park to Honor Wilma Chan



Won funding for Chinatown Ambassadors

GRAND LAKE

(LAKESHORE, CROCKER HIGHLANDS, TRESTLE GLEN; FORMERLY INCLUDED ROSE GARDEN)

- ◇ Won funding to add a public restroom at the Astro Park playground next to Lake Merritt and address needed repairs at Lakeview Branch Library
- ◇ Advocated for the renovation, repainting, and deep cleaning of the Lake Merritt pergola / archways
- ◇ Partnered with the city, volunteers, Grand Lake Farmers Market Citizen's Advisory Committee, and Friends of Splash Pad Park to create a long-term agreement for the Grand Lake Farmers Market addressing long-standing maintenance issues



Installed New Restroom at Astro Park

- ◇ Launched multi-department coordination and operations to promote healthy, safe, and inclusive use of Lake Merritt during COVID, including supporting a permitted market for BIPOC entrepreneurs, adding porta-potties and hand-washing stations, increasing trash collection and bathroom cleaning, improving traffic management, and supporting compliance with City and Park rules
- ◇ Partnered with city departments and neighbors to add four speed bumps to the Lakeshore cul-de-sac and increased lighting to improve safety
- ◇ Supported Lakeshore Business Improvement District and Grand Avenue Business Association to improve safety
- ◇ Improved traffic safety on Mandana Boulevard with additional safety striping, bike lanes, and crosswalks
- ◇ Expanded funding for the City's gardener position from part-time to full-time care for the Morcom Rose Garden



Secured Long-Term Lease for Grand Lake Farmers Market



WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON

As your District 2 Councilmember, I will continue to work in deep collaboration with the residents and organizations of District 2 and Oakland

1. We will advance housing as a human right. *With \$350 million approved by voters, we will increase supportive housing for unsheltered residents, create deeply affordable housing for working families, and help tenants become homeowners with land trusts. We will also break ground on the East 12th Parcel to build not one, but two 100% affordable housing projects.*

2. We will invest in community safety with violence prevention and healing, alternative crisis response, and programs that address the root causes of violence and economic inequality. *We'll push for accountable community policing that delivers results by effectively responding to and solving violent crime, while building trust with the community. We'll also work together to address human trafficking, supporting both those who are exploited and impacted neighbors*

3. We will create a budget based on our values, implementing our new progressive corporate tax, and delivering equitable services for our neighborhoods from safe streets and clean parks to support for youth, seniors, working families, small businesses and our arts community.

Please continue to partner with our D2 Team to shape and advance an Oakland that works for all of us!



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Upcoming Large Events

- D2 Priorities Town Hall 1/14/2023:
bit.ly/D2TownHall2023
- Mayor Thao's D2 Town Hall in Spring TBS
- D2 Budget Town Hall in May TBS

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