

Economic Justice



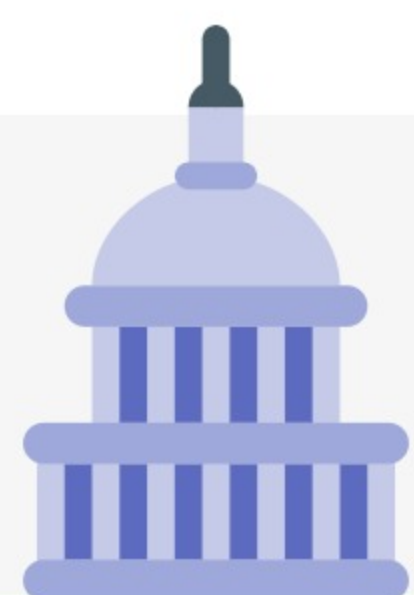
DC's poorest families have seen a dramatic loss of income since the Great Recession, as their income is now lower than in most major US cities. Income inequality is also far higher here than in almost any other US city. The District must invest in our lowest income residents, protect workers, and make sure that big money does not dominate our political systems. ¹²



Universal Paid Family Leave

The District should provide start up funding and implement The Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund so that more than 500,000 people working in DC can care for themselves and their loved ones when a major medical or life event arises (such as illness, surgery, birth or adoption of a new baby, dying parent).

Office of Paid Leave at the Department of Employment Services



Fair Elections

The District should fund a small donor empowerment program that will provide public matching funds to candidates running for District offices who only accept small contributions, rather than relying on wealthy donors and special interests to bankroll their campaigns.

\$5 Million to the Office of Campaign Finance



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Transportation Subsidies for Adult Learners



The District should continue to provide sufficient transportation subsidies for the 8,000 adult learners currently enrolled in education programs throughout the District. This subsidy would allow learners to better afford their commute to and from school.

About \$2 Million to the District Department of Transportation



Carbon Rebate

The District should support a Carbon Rebate policy to address climate injustice, boosts clean energy, and increases the incomes of low- and middle-income individuals in DC. It would hold climate polluters accountable by an increasing fee on the carbon content of energy sold in the District. The revenue would be distributed to District residents, small business tax credits and community investments.

It will raise \$140 Million in revenue FY19 and up to \$600 Million by 2032