There are significant health disparities between white DC residents and Black and other DC residents of color. Poor access to quality mental and physical healthcare means that Black and other communities of color have less overall wellness, more stress, miss more work/school and have fewer family planning options. While these poor health outcomes can be linked directly to systemic racism and generally to poverty, we also need to explicitly address the mental and physical healthcare needs for all DC residents.

### Birth to 3 for All DC

We want to make the lives of our youngest DC residents better, by having better and safer childcare, education, and healthcare. DC Council passed this new law - but now we need the money to raise the salaries for workers who care for and teach young children, and to provide better early health care.

**Cost:** $30 Million

### More Mental Health Services for Students

We are in the 2nd year of a 3-4 year process to get all schools covered with high-quality mental health services. This year’s focus is getting services into all schools with especially high mental health needs.

**Cost:** $10.7 Million

### Protect Birth Control Services

If the federal government changes the Title X law, many healthcare providers in DC may not be able to provide birth control and family planning education. We need to be sure DC is ready to protect these services. This program is important for lowering DC’s very high maternal mortality rate and also preventing teen births.

**Cost:** $1.3 Million

### Easier DC Healthcare Alliance Recertification

The DC Healthcare Alliance Program provides healthcare coverage to thousands of immigrants in DC. We want to make the recertification process easier so that Alliance members only go for in-person recertification once a year, instead of every 6 months.

**Cost:** $16.9 Million