

Community Capacity Building Fund

BILL #250324

What is the Community Capacity Building Fund (CCBF)?

- The Community Capacity Building Fund is a new resource for front line Community Development Corporations (CDCs) serving Philly's low- and moderate-income neighborhoods and residents
- These reliable, flexible funds are being used by CDCs to address a range of neighborhood issues and to respond quickly to emerging conditions
- To be effective, these funds need to be flexible and multi-year so that communities can rely on them to build the capacity they need
- Strong, stable CDCs are needed now more than ever to respond to emerging community threats and altered funding landscapes
- The CCBF Pilot and expanded program have demonstrated the strong need for these resources and now we need action!

Why?

- Philadelphia relies on a network of CDCs to provide essential services efficiently and effectively across the city
- CDCs support communities by addressing affordable housing needs, providing resident services, cleaning neighborhoods, managing commercial corridors, and working with small business owners
- Most funding for CDCs is restricted and doesn't allow for the flexibility required to respond to emerging needs, fails to adequately cover organizational costs which harms stability, and prevents successful programs from being brought to scale

How?

- Bill #250324 was introduced in City Council by Councilmember Gauthier, and is co-sponsored by Councilmembers Brooks, Driscoll, Jones, Landau, Lozada, O'Rourke, Squilla, and Young. This bill formalizes the Community Capacity Building Fund and allocates multi-year, flexible funding
- The Bill is pending in the Finance Committee and we need to pass it! Then, we need an up or down vote in the full City Council

An annual commitment of \$6.25 million will provide adequate resources to make a real difference on the ground



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