

The First 100 Days: The Path to Progress

With a mandate from voters for real, systemic change, Mayor Nutter is reforming city government to enhance coordination, performance and accountability. This new organizational structure complements the Mayor's drive towards producing citywide change in six areas: public safety, education, economic development, healthy & sustainable communities, ethics and high performing government. Below are some of the Nutter Administration's accomplishments in these areas from the first 100 days.

Public Safety		
	Crime Plan	Following 8 town meetings across the city, the Mayor and Police Commissioner Ramsey released the Crime Plan on January 30, 2008 to accomplish the Mayor's goal of reducing the homicide rate by 30-50% in the next three to five years. As of April 6, 2008 the homicide rate is 30% lower than this time last year.
	Gun laws	Mayor Nutter signed into law legislation that will crack down on straw purchasing, require the reporting of lost and stolen weapons, and prohibit persons under protection-from-abuse orders and people posing a risk of imminent personal injury from possessing guns.
	Prisoner Re-entry	Working with local business leaders and City Council, Mayor Nutter implemented the Philadelphia Re-Entry Program, or PREP, which provides tax incentives to businesses that employ ex-offenders.
	EMS Response Times	In response to escalating EMS response times, the Mayor allocated resources to increase the numbers of EMS crews and EMS medic units on patrol. Nutter proposed an increase of \$3.9 million to the Fire Department for emergency medical services – 5 additional medic units- have been added since February 12.
	Safe Streets	Mayor Nutter joined NYC Mayor Bloomberg and other national leaders in pledging to get illegal guns off of the streets as part of the Mayors Against Illegal Guns taskforce.
	Youth Violence Reduction	The Mayor proposed \$5 million to expand the Youth Violence Reduction Partnership (YVRP) to stop the cycle of violence by providing intensive services to youth ages 15-24 who have been identified as most likely to kill or be killed.
Education		
	Mayor's Office of Education	To improve the relationship between the City and the School District and to meet the goal of cutting the school dropout rate in half, the Mayor created the Office of Education. The Chief Education Officer works closely with representatives from the City's school district to improve school performance.
	Office of Leadership Investment	With partners from the private sector, Mayor Nutter created the Office of Leadership Investment to establish Philadelphia as a national leader in providing opportunities for young people in the city and region.
	School Leadership	Mayor Nutter worked closely with Governor Rendell to select a new CEO for Philadelphia's public school system and pledges to partner with Dr. Ackerman to guarantee that all of our students prosper.
	Community College	Mayor Nutter's proposed budget includes an increase of \$4 million per year for Community College of Philadelphia. Community College is a crucial partner in reaching the goal of doubling the number of Philadelphians with college degrees.

Healthy and Sustainable Communities		
	Philly Cleanup	The Mayor joined thousands of Philadelphians in the largest one-day citywide cleanup in U.S. history, collecting 2.56 million pounds of trash, 48,010 pounds of recycling, and cleaning up 28 Recreation Centers.
	Public Health	The Mayor proposed an increase in funding of \$3 million to the Department of Public Health to improve the performance of City Health Centers and help fill critical staffing shortages – ensuring that all Philadelphians, regardless of income or insurance, have access to medical care.
	Recycling	The Mayor proposed a long-overdue increase of \$6.5 million to provide weekly, single stream (everything in one bucket) recycling for all Philadelphians by 2009. Increased recycling began in April 2008.
	Affordable Housing	The Nutter Administration proposed increasing funding to the Housing Trust Fund by \$1 million to help make affordable housing a reality for more Philadelphians.
Jobs and Economic Development		
	Planning Reform	The Mayor elevated the role of comprehensive city planning by appointing planning experts and professionals to the Planning Commission, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the Historical Commission and other planning institutions. Mayor Nutter's budget includes \$250,000 to support the Zoning Code Commission so that it can perform a comprehensive analysis of Philadelphia's zoning system.
	Reducing Taxes	The Mayor has proposed the following long term fiscal investments to secure the financial health of the City: decrease the wage tax; continue reduction of the Gross Receipts Tax; and reduce, for the first time ever, the net income tax.
	Investing in Arts & Culture	Mayor Nutter increased funding to the Cultural fund by \$2 million. This increase demonstrates the importance of the City's arts and culture institutions as economic, educational and community development tools.
	Providing Economic Opportunity	Mayor Nutter created the Construction Diversity Advisory Commission to develop a comprehensive program to substantially increase the participation of women and minorities in construction projects throughout the City.
Ethics and Transparency		
	Ethical Government	To make ethics a cornerstone of his administration, Mayor Nutter appointed three former federal prosecutors to the following positions: Chief Integrity Officer, Inspector General and the member of the Philadelphia Board of Ethics.
	Chief Integrity Officer	To promote honesty, integrity and transparency in City government, Mayor Nutter established the Office of the Chief Integrity Officer (CIO). The CIO is charged with helping the Mayor make Philadelphia the most ethical City Government in the nation.
	PhillyStat	To improve management and customer service, the Nutter Administration created PhillyStat. PhillyStat is a citywide performance measurement and management tool that allows for real-time problem solving and greater efficiency in decision making and resource allocation. It also makes city government more open and transparent for citizens.
	Ethics Training	As a result of ambitious legislation passed by the Mayor when he was a City Councilman, all City employees must participate in mandatory ethics training sessions, conducted by the Board of Ethics. To date approximately 80 senior administration officials have participated in ethics training.

High Performing Government

	<p style="text-align: center;">Fiscal Efficiency</p>	<p>The Nutter Administration set a precedent by asking City Departments to develop budget efficiencies before the start of the budget season. By streamlining procedures when possible and re-envisioning operations, department leaders helped the City save \$10.5 million.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Strengthened Partnerships</p>	<p>Mayor Nutter has built solid relationships with leaders and elected officials across the city and region. In 10 briefings with City Council, trips to Harrisburg and Washington, DC and regular meetings with our local, state and regional delegates, the Mayor created a new atmosphere of cooperation.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Residency Requirements</p>	<p>The Nutter Administration has worked with City Council to pass a law to reform the residency requirements that hamper Philadelphia's ability to attract the best and brightest to public service.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Charter Changes for Improved Efficiency</p>	<p>Mayor Nutter's charter changes are on the April 22nd ballot. They are designed to improve the performance of City government by removing the limit of two exempt deputies for department heads and separating the City Representative and Director of Commerce positions.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Reorganized Government</p>	<p>The Nutter Administration re-organized City government to increase communication, collaboration and efficiency. Four deputy mayors and one deputy managing director provide direct oversight of operating departments within the Managing Director's Office.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Outcomes Based Budgeting</p>	<p>Mayor Nutter released a budget to City Council that is based on achieving results in 6 targeted areas. In each area, we have adopted, and will continue to create and refine, measures by which we can assess our performance and return on investment to inform budgeting the following year.</p>