

Stimulus at Work in Philadelphia

The Mayor's Quarterly Update on the Recovery Act
to the Citizens of Philadelphia



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Mayor's Foreword

My fellow Philadelphians,

Integrity, transparency and honesty are the cornerstones of my leadership of this great city. I am proud that the City has been a prudent and effective steward of Recovery Act dollars and that it is meeting my high ethical and transparency standards so you, the taxpayer, can see where and how your money is being spent.



I said four years ago that we could attract new investment, create jobs and economic opportunity for all Philadelphians and grow small businesses. Though tested by the deep global recession, we are doing just that. Recovery Act dollars have been invested and leveraged with other public and private funds—bringing broadband Internet access and healthy food choices to thousands of low-income Philadelphians, rehabilitating and resurfacing Philadelphia International Airport's longest runway, developing flexible-use buildings at the Navy Yard, and providing gap financing and loans to numerous multi-million dollar construction projects that otherwise would not have taken place.

The City, too, has received recognition and accolades at various levels—from PennFuture, to the NY Times, to the White House—for its array of innovative Recovery-funded projects and programs. The EnergyWorks energy savings program, which received awards from PennFuture and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, as well as being cited as a national model by the Climate Leadership Academy, is just one example of innovation. EnergyWorks, conceived by the Metropolitan Caucus—a partnership between the City and its four surrounding counties—is not only saving home- and business-owners energy and money; it is a game-changer, fostering a new energy efficiency-conscious building industry in the region and, with it, new skills and jobs.

Despite the progress made, we still have many challenges and limited resources. Too many Philadelphians are still out of work and poverty is unacceptably high at 26.7 percent. Yet, we know that the best route out of poverty is a quality education and a job. Now is the time for smart investment, not retrenchment. Initiatives like President Obama's American Jobs Act would allow cities and states across the U.S. to continue to fill gaps in vital services and make smart investments that the economic climate would otherwise not allow. Investments and expansion in the roles of our educators and emergency personnel, along with critical infrastructure, are vital to creating good jobs and keeping our city moving forward with pace.

In the meantime, Philadelphia is making great strides—we are getting things done.

I look forward to serving you in my second term and working together to make Philadelphia's economy and workforce grow.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Michael A. Nutter". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Mayor Michael A. Nutter
City of Philadelphia

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About this Update

This Update provides Philadelphians with a clear explanation of where Recovery Act dollars are going and how they are being spent. High standards of transparency and accountability are at the heart of both the Recovery Act and Mayor Michael Nutter’s Administration. Publishing a quarterly update on the impact of the Recovery Act in Philadelphia is one way to meet the intention of the Act and the Mayor’s goals. The timing of this publication will coincide with the information reported to the federal and state agencies at the conclusion of each quarter’s reporting period.

In addition to issuing *Stimulus at Work*, the Recovery Office’s website is frequently updated and includes more in-depth information, opportunities and additional resources. Visit www.phila.gov/recovery or use any smartphone to scan the QR Code (at right) to view the Recovery website instantly.



Please contact the Recovery Office at 215-686-6131 or recovery@phila.gov if you would like to provide feedback about this Update or have general questions regarding the Recovery Act in Philadelphia.

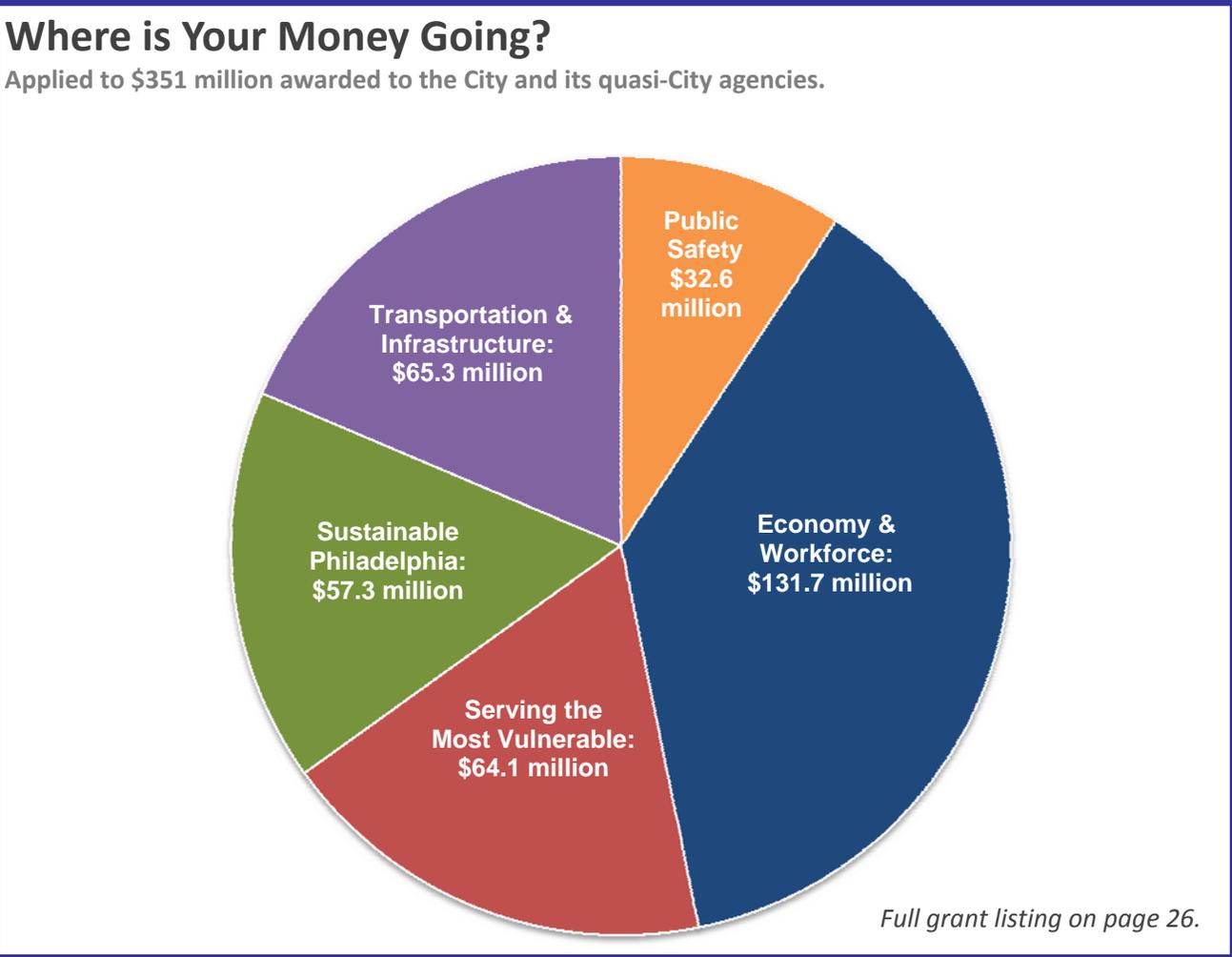
Executive Summary

The purpose of this Update is to inform and report on the impact of the Recovery Act in Philadelphia, up to the federal reporting quarter ending September 30, 2011.

Philadelphia is receiving \$2.2 billion in Recovery Act dollars. Of that total, the government of the City of Philadelphia has been awarded 50 grants totaling \$351 million in Recovery Act dollars. The City is responsible for managing and reporting on \$276.3 million, while quasi-City agencies manage and report on the remaining \$75 million.

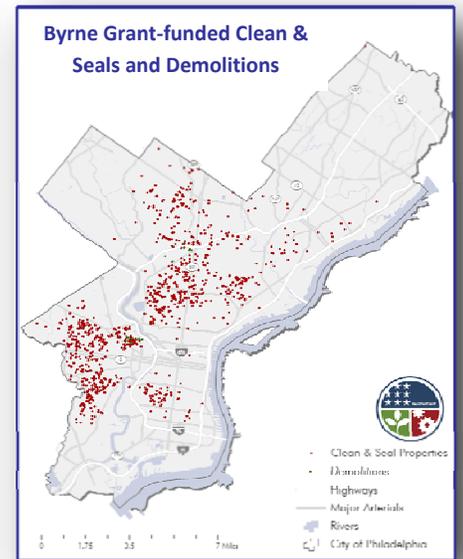
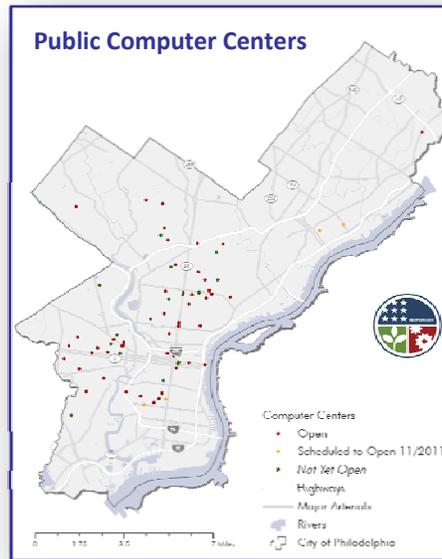
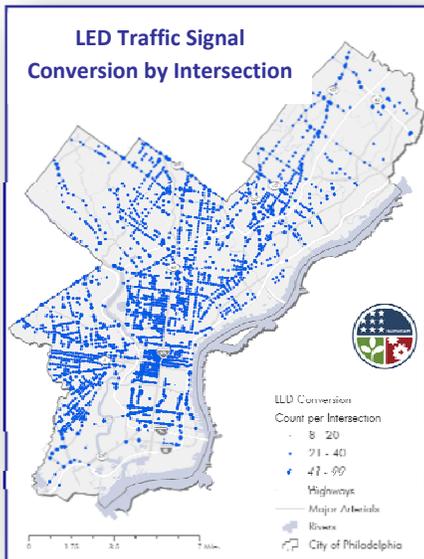
Spending continues at a solid pace and of the \$276.3 million, the City has committed \$209.5 million—75% of the City’s Recovery Act dollars. All Recovery Act funds must be expended by September 30, 2013, unless a special waiver is granted by the (federal) Office of Management and Budget.

Recovery Act dollars are invested across five categories: *Growing Philadelphia’s Economy & Workforce*, *Improving Public Safety*, *Serving the Most Vulnerable*, *Creating a Sustainable Philadelphia*, and *Improving Transportation & Infrastructure*. The chart below highlights the distribution of the funds—



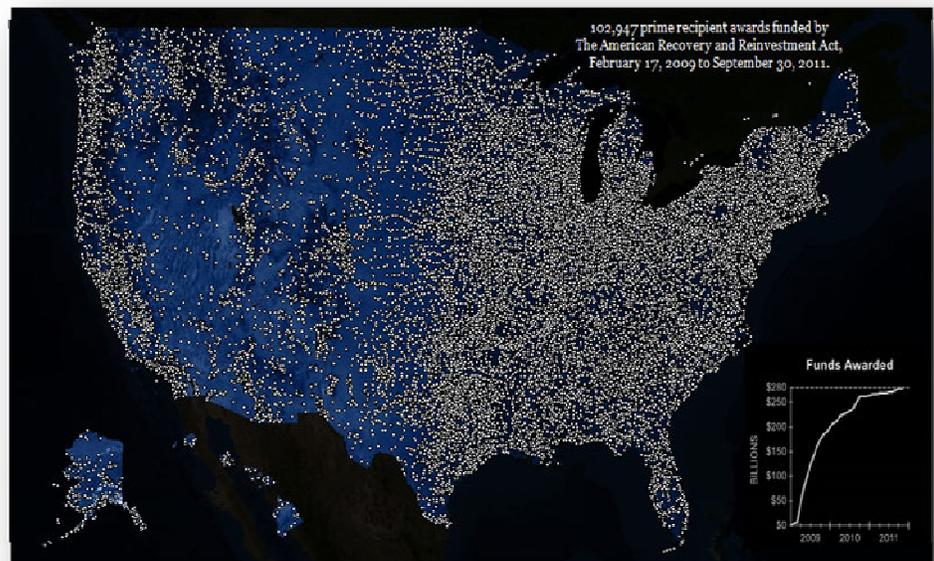
Where Recovery Is

It has been the goal of the City of Philadelphia's Recovery Office to use this publication, *Stimulus at Work*, as a way of highlighting the projects that are in progress, the jobs that have been or will be created and the stories that show the Recovery Act's impact on Philadelphians. A mapping tool featured on the City's Recovery website—www.phila.gov/recovery—and directly linked to the federal government's Recovery data, has been able to provide an overview of where Recovery Act recipients were physically located, but cannot always capture where funding is being put to use. However, this sixth issue of *Stimulus at Work* features an assortment of maps to show where numerous Recovery-funded projects are occurring across Philadelphia. Essentially, these maps help to further tell the story of *where Recovery is*.



At the national level, the federal government's Recovery website provides unprecedented levels of transparency showing where, what and by whom federal dollars have been spent, *from Main Street to your street*.

One example is the Lights-On map (*at right*), designed and created by Edward Tufte, which gradually lights up to show the distribution of awards over time. Each light represents an award. Visit www.Recovery.gov to view this map and others.



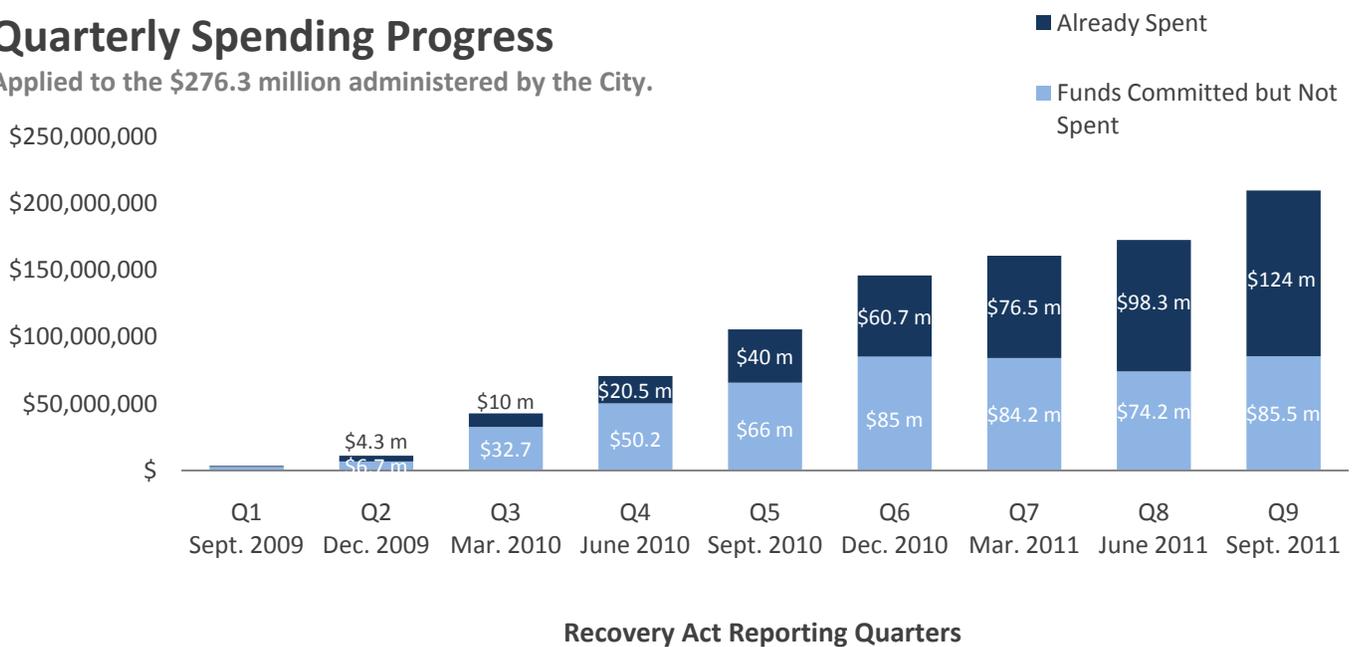
Stimulating Our Economy

Philadelphia is benefiting from \$2.2 billion in Recovery Act funding. Of that total, the City of Philadelphia has attracted \$351 million in Recovery Act dollars. This funding is not only helping to serve immediate needs, due to the recession, such as assisting 1,700 households facing residential mortgage foreclosure, but the City is also using it to strategically invest in the future of Philadelphia.

Of the total \$351 million in Recovery Act dollars awarded, the City has prime responsibility for managing and reporting on \$276.3 million on a quarterly basis. As illustrated in the table below, to date, the City has committed \$209.5 million (75% of the City's Recovery Act awards): expended \$124 million and obligated an additional \$85.5 million directly with hundreds of local businesses and non-profit organizations.

Quarterly Spending Progress

Applied to the \$276.3 million administered by the City.



Several of the City's quasi-City agencies independently manage \$75 million of the Recovery Act dollars awarded, as explained below:

- \$15.8 million for home weatherization to Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation
- \$14.1 million in job training funds to the Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board
- \$22.9 million in Recovery Zone Facility Bonds to Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation (\$16 million in bonds issued Dec. 2010)
- \$22 million in TANF Recovery Funds to support the *Way to Work Philadelphia!* jobs initiative to the Philadelphia Workforce Development Corporation and partner agencies (Completed Sept. 30, 2010)

Growing Philadelphia's Businesses, Economy & Workforce



Grants awarded in this category help stimulate neighborhood business development, rejuvenate neighborhoods and prevent blight, create “green” jobs, create jobs for adults and youth, and provide low-income Philadelphians with the opportunity to access computers and the Internet.

Grants Awarded in this Category: \$131,712,476

Stimulus at Work Spotlight On: **Internet Access for All**

For 41% of Philadelphia, the opportunity to access the Internet is not possible, and 50% of households cannot afford Internet at home,

therefore, creating a digital divide. Yet technology-based tools and skill sets are vital in order to be an informed and engaged citizen.

With **\$18.2 million in Recovery Act Grants**, the **Freedom Rings Partnership**, a citywide initiative to bring Internet access, training and technology to all Philadelphia communities, and created by the City of Philadelphia and its partners, is already making an impact in the lives of countless Philadelphians. *Like Michelle S.:*

“As a single mother of six children, I had always been able to keep a job and a home for my family. But when I was laid off in 2010, finding a new job was extremely difficult. With over ten years of customer service experience, I never thought that I would be unemployed for so long and end-up having to move my family into a homeless shelter.

While living in the shelter, I learned about the People’s Emergency Center’s (PEC) Job Opportunities and Business Skills (JOBS) Program. By enrolling in the JOBS Program, the training helped me accomplish my goal of receiving my GED.

Immediately after obtaining my GED, I started classes to become a Pharmacy Technician, which allowed me to become certified within six weeks.

I am currently in the process of taking computer classes in Microsoft Office, with the intention of obtaining my Microsoft Office Training Certificate. I have also transitioned to permanent housing and even enrolled in college. I am now taking an online class through Phoenix University at the PEC/Families First Public Computer Center. And I also got a job at People Share as an administrative assistant.



By being able to understand the true meaning of being the head of the household, I know the decisions that I make not only affect me but the well-being of my children. The journey I’ve experienced, as a result of PEC, has allowed me to stay focused and appreciate the importance of education.”

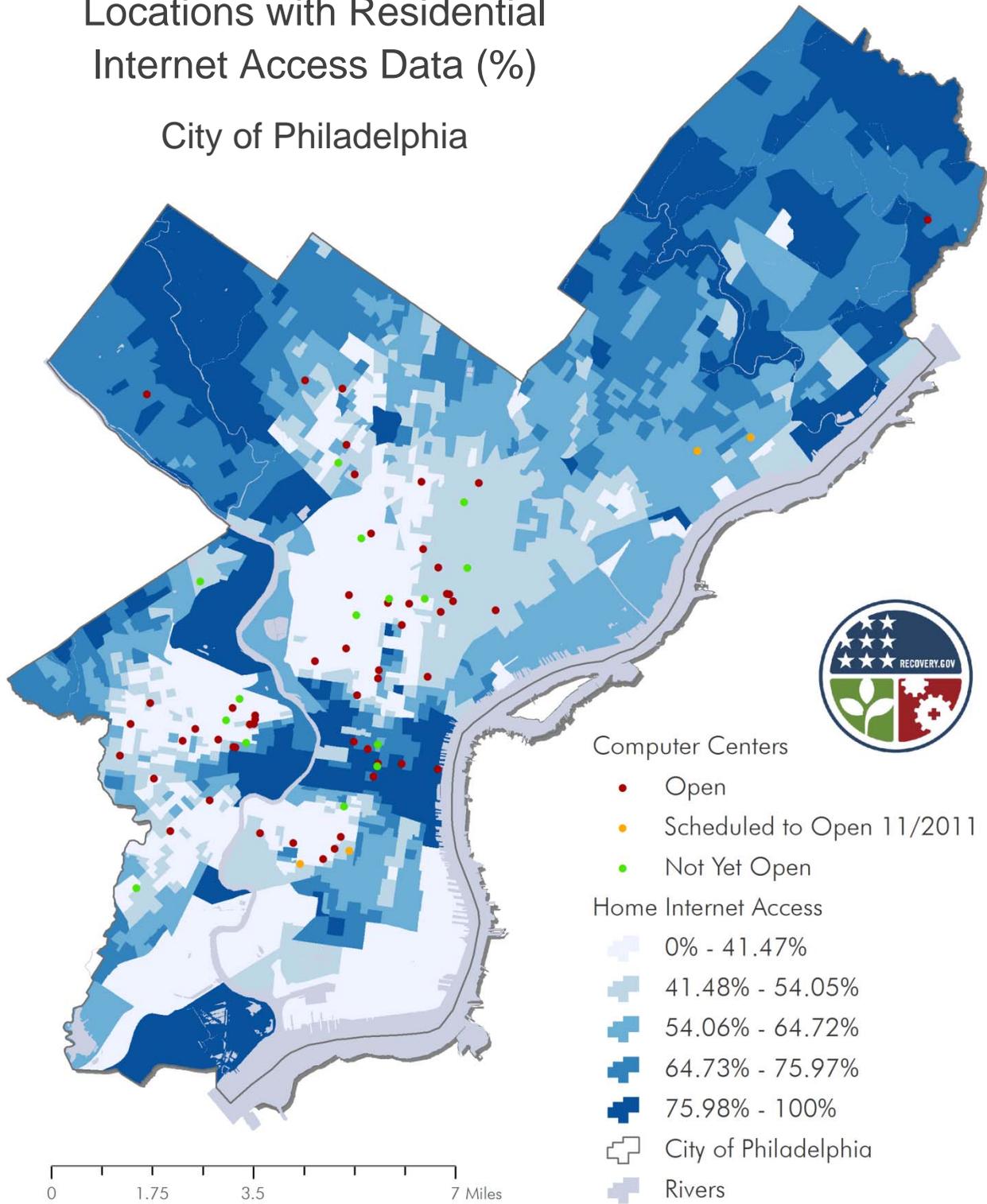
As of October 2011, 56 of the slated 77 Public Computer Centers (PCCs) are open and serving their surrounding communities. Four PCCs are scheduled to open in November 2011 at the following neighborhood recreation centers:

- DiSilvestro Playground – 1701 S. 15th Street in South Philadelphia
- Roosevelt Playground – 6544 Walker Street in Northeast Philadelphia
- Russo Park Playground – 7301 Torresdale Avenue in Northeast Philadelphia
- Smith Playground – 2100 24th Street in South Philadelphia

All PCC sites will be open in the New Year. In the meantime, take a look at the map on page 8 to see what’s available in your neighborhood. Or for a full listing of all PCCs that are now open, including addresses, see page 25.

Public Computer Center Locations with Residential Internet Access Data (%)

City of Philadelphia



Map created October 2011
 Data: 2011 City of Philadelphia Recovery Data

Creating a Sustainable Philadelphia



Grants awarded for this category invest in a more sustainable future for Philadelphia delivering on the Mayor's *Greenworks* goals, such as the installation of solar panels at a Philadelphia Water Department facility, LED traffic signal replacements, new bike racks, and additional BigBelly Solar Compactors along commercial corridors. Grants also provide loans for retrofits of residential and commercial buildings, as well as to assist Fairmount Park in moving toward a more sustainable ecosystem.

Stimulus at Work Spotlight on: EnergyWorks

Grants Awarded in this Category: \$57,320,440

EnergyWorks supports the growth of the energy efficiency market in the greater Philadelphia region by offering a comprehensive suite of services and low-interest loans for home- and business-owners looking to save energy and money. Visit *EnergyWorks*' website at <http://energyworksnow.com/>.

EnergyWorks is lead by the Metropolitan Caucus, a partnership formed on the belief that there are challenges that go beyond county boundaries, like energy efficiency, which need to be addressed. The Metropolitan Caucus, jointly led by the City of Philadelphia and its four surrounding counties, applied for and received a competitive Recovery Act grant—winning one of the largest awards in the country – \$25 million – to fund the *EnergyWorks* energy efficiency program.

A year into the program's launch, *EnergyWorks* is a tremendous success, as will be substantiated in its first annual report to be released in late November. The program has also been recognized with awards from PennFuture and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, and cited as a national model by the Climate Leadership Academy.

In a region like Southeastern Pennsylvania that has older building stock, homes present some of the greatest opportunities for energy savings. **Like Samantha's home in West Philly.**

"My house has been pretty cold and drafty in winter ever since I moved in. Not a big surprise considering it was built around 100 years ago. When I was working upstairs in my home office, I had to cut the fingertips off a pair of gloves so I could wear them and still type. There were other issues, too.

I could live with a drafty house if I had to. But I heard about *EnergyWorks* through the sustainable living magazine I write for called GRID, and I knew it was just too good a deal to pass up. The loans were much better than those I could find from banks. At 0.99%, I figured I had nothing to lose.



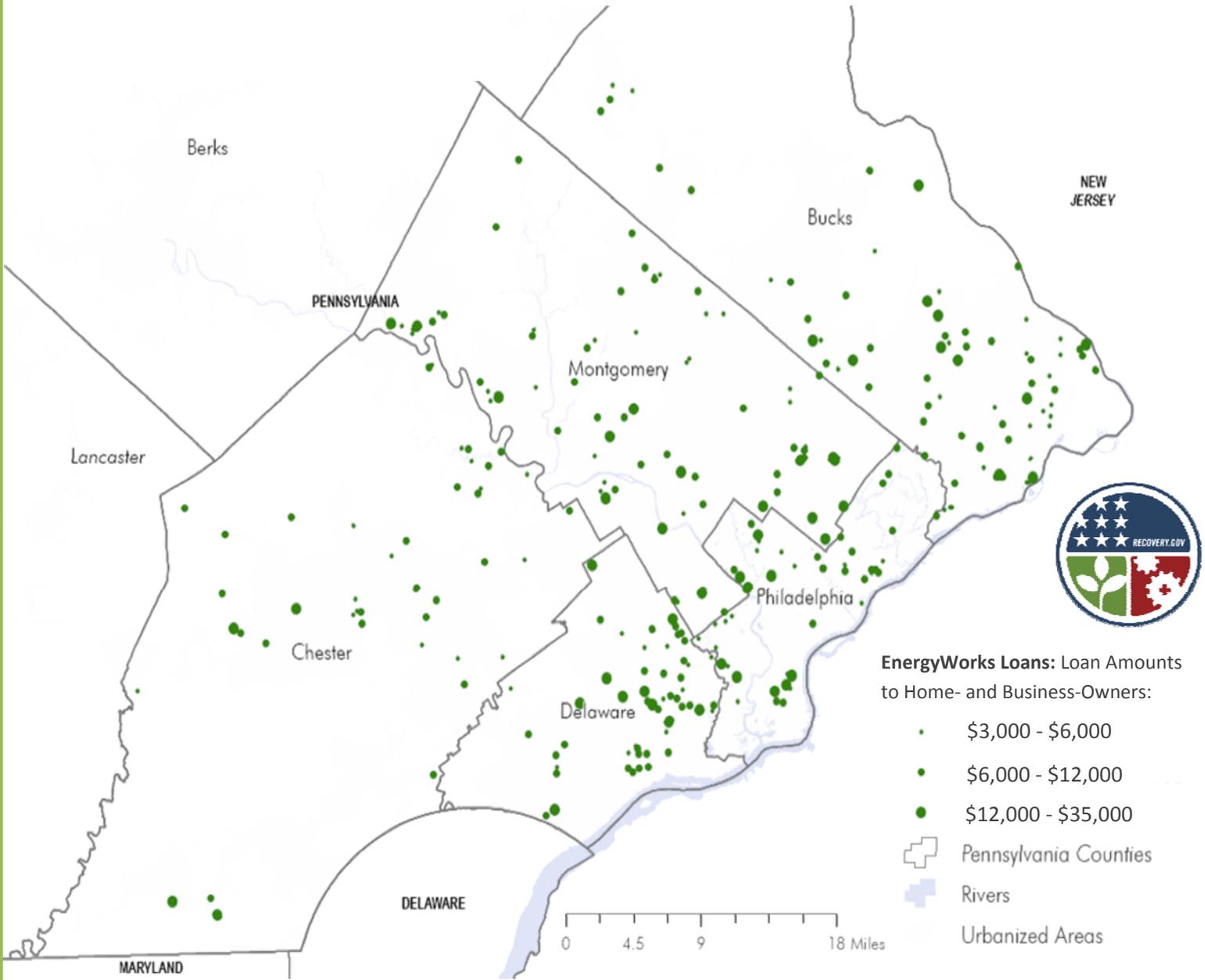
My analyst for the Home Energy Assessment was very professional. He sent me some great info. to explain everything that would happen during the audit and what equipment he'd be using. The actual assessment took about three hours and covered the entire house. An infrared camera was used to gauge the temperature of the floors and ceilings to spot problem areas. A blower door was also hooked up to my front door to isolate air leaks. When we were finished, he told me I'd have a full report within a week. I did make some improvements—like air-sealing my house and replacing my hot water heater. All the contractors I worked with were extremely reasonable and it was a very easy process. I'm expecting the house to be much less drafty this winter, and hopefully I won't have to wear gloves when I type."

There are significant opportunities for the commercial sector, too. In a report released this month by the Greater Philadelphia Innovation Cluster (GPIC) for Energy Efficiency Buildings, it found that Philadelphia's energy expenditures for commercial buildings are 29% above the national average. The same report, prepared by Econsult, also estimates that nearly half of the commercial buildings in the Greater Philadelphia region are good candidates for energy efficiency retrofits, and that undertaking those retrofits could spur \$618 million in local spending and support 23,500 jobs.

EnergyWorks is already creating the foundations of a self-sustaining private market for energy efficiency in the region.

Distribution of EnergyWorks Loans Issued to Home- and Business-Owners in Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware & Montgomery Counties

City of Philadelphia



Map created October 2011
 Data: 2011 City of Philadelphia Recovery Data

Improving Transportation & Infrastructure



Grants awarded for this category allow the City to invest in a range of key infrastructures essential to Philadelphia's future, including street repaving across the city, runway rehabilitation and baggage screening improvement at Philadelphia International Airport, sewer system replacement, and establishing a trail network in Philadelphia and its surrounding counties.

Stimulus at Work Spotlight on: SEPTA's Stimulus Improvements

(Note: Not managed by the City of Philadelphia)

Grants Awarded in this Category: \$65,307,613

With over 700,000 riders on SEPTA's City Transit (the Market-Frankford Line, Broad Street Line, and buses) and Regional Rail lines, accessible, safe, efficient, and sustainable public transportation is an important part of many Philadelphians' daily lives. With so many people dependant upon SEPTA for commuting to work or just getting from point A to point B, the transit agency's infrastructure needs to be up-to-date and in good working order.

With \$191 million in funding from the Recovery Act, SEPTA began work quickly and is proceeding successfully on 32 much-needed projects to rebuild aging infrastructure and upgrade technology, while also improving routes, vehicles and stations. While the City has no reporting or management responsibilities for the Recovery Act grants that SEPTA has received, the agency's investments in its infrastructure align with the City's goals, by generating economic activity, improving Philadelphia's infrastructure and, most importantly, creating more jobs within the city.

Additionally, as a result of SEPTA's construction projects being funded with Recovery Act dollars, the surrounding region has benefitted economically with the creation of over 5,000 jobs.

SEPTA has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to building and strengthening the region - through the delivery of transit services, investing in its stations, facilities, infrastructure, and vehicle assets, and advancing sustainability/resource management initiatives. The funding SEPTA received through the Recovery Act enabled the Transit Authority to meet these objectives by enhancing transit amenities for customers and supporting the region's economy through construction contracts and the purchase of goods and services.

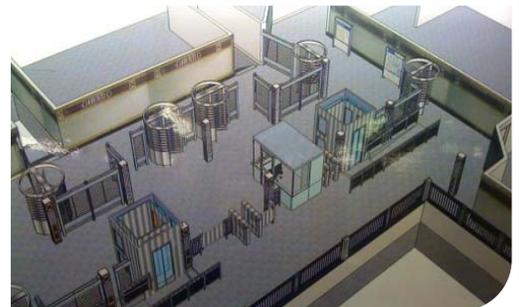
The following are examples of SEPTA projects currently in progress or completed, thanks to Recovery Act dollars:

Philadelphia's Broad Street Line Subway – About \$30 million is rebuilding major stations at Girard & Spring Garden, the first modernizations since original construction in the 1920s. *At right, a rendering of the renovated Girard Station.*

Hybrid Buses for the Region – \$17.8 million is adding more cleaner-running, fuel-efficient buses to the green hybrid fleet SEPTA already has in service.

Regional Rail Station Modernizations – Look for multi-million dollar improvements throughout Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties. *At right, the newly-renovated Fox Chase Station building.*

For a look at all projects being funded with Recovery Act dollars, take a look at the map on page 12. Or visit www.septa.org/construction/stimulus/projects/.



What does \$191 million in stimulus funds mean for SEPTA? Major station improvements, 5,000 jobs and more.



STIMULUS IMPROVEMENTS

- 1 **Pool/Thorndale**
More signs for less guesswork
- 2 **Airport Line**
Fencing so everyone feels safer
- 3 **Warminster and Glenside Stations, Lansdale Substation**
Roof repairs to keep the elements at bay
- 4 **North Wales Station Renovation**
A building makeover long overdue
- 5 **Bwynedd Cut**
Stabilizing slopes for more reliable service
- 6 **Fox Chase Station Replacement**
All new station building
- 7 **Bridge Replacements**
Face-lifts and rehabs on four bridges and replacement of the old Lansdale Bridge
- 8 **Chestnut Hill West Stations**
More station updates for more happy riders
- 9 **Tulpehocken Station**
Canopy repairs to beat the heat
- 10 **Routes 101/102**
Fresh paint on overhead power support poles
- 11 **Routes 101/102**
Track renewal and brush cutting along the lines
- 12 **Routes 101/102**
Grade crossing renewals
- 13 **Routes 101/102**
Fiber optic cables for power control and passenger information
- 14 **Route 101**
Warning devices at ten intersections to prevent accidents
- 15 **Fern Rock Yard**
New tracks to improve efficiencies
- 16 **69th Street Terminal**
New restrooms for customer comfort
- 17 **Greens Line Trolleys**
Computer-based train control upgrades improve reliability
- 18 **All across the region**
More hybrid buses for greener commutes
- 19 **Media/Elwyn Rail Line**
Repairs to track bed
- 20 **Broad Street Line**
Rebuild stations at Spring Garden and Girard with full accessibility
- 21 **Croyden Station**
Get ready for new platforms, shelters and lots of extra parking
- 22 **Darby Transportation Center**
Stations expansion and renovation including windcreens
- 23 **Molvern Station**
More parking and pedestrian improvements
- 24 **Routes 101/102**
Traction power sectionalization to manage service better
- 25 **Philmont Station**
Rehab. station building and site improvements
- 26 **Elwyn Station**
Much needed parking to make mornings less stressful
- 27 **Frazer Rail Yard**
Catenary pole replacement
- 28 **Chestnut Hill East Line**
Improvements to Germantown and Wister Stations and general site improvements
- 29 **Chestnut Hill West Station**
Canopy repairs for weather protection and retaining wall repair for weather resistance
- 30 **Norristown High-Speed Line**
Fiber optic cables for power control and passenger information
- 31 **Norristown Rail Line**
Overhaul substation for improved traction power delivery
- 32 **Langhorne, Folscroft, Morton and Chilton-Aldan Stations**
Rehabilitate station buildings for more comfortable commutes

Map courtesy of SEPTA

Serving the Most Vulnerable



Grants awarded for this category span a range of assistance and preventative measures to help those deeply affected by the recession, including homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, job training for people aged 55+, self-sufficiency for low-income residents, chronic disease prevention and wellness, vaccine research, obesity prevention, and smoking cessation.

Grants Awarded in this Category: \$64,134,835

Stimulus at Work Spotlight on: Healthy Corner Store Initiative

Working with corner store owners to increase the availability of healthy foods is a smart investment, both for the health of

Philadelphians and as an effective way of revitalizing low-income neighborhoods. The Healthy Corner Store Initiative (HCSI)—led by the Food Trust in partnership with the Philadelphia Department of Public Health’s *Get Healthy Philly* initiative—supports and encourages small businesses to stock and promote more healthy food. As a result, public health improves and local entrepreneurship and jobs are created.

The Food Trust has partnered with locally-based businesses—Digi Philadelphia and Howard-McCray—to provide refrigeration units to up to 100 local corner stores to help them store perishable items. Digi Philadelphia, located in Bensalem, serves as the distributor and installer of refrigeration systems. Howard-McCray supplies the refrigeration units and is a Philadelphia-based, woman-owned company that is the only refrigerator manufacturer remaining in the city. Howard-McCray has specialized in refrigeration for over 100 years and has been based in Philadelphia for more than 35 years. Due to the large volume of stores, arrangements can be made to reduce costs by coordinating the ordering and delivery of refrigerators for multiple stores simultaneously. To date, over 40 corner stores in Philadelphia have received new refrigerators, valued at \$1,200 each.

Corner store owners are excited by the opportunity to store and sell healthy items such as fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products. Approximately 90% of stores in the network have added at least four new healthy products—primarily fruits and vegetables. **Like corner store owner Ramon Fernandez:**

Ramon owns the Christian Food Market in South Philadelphia and reports that since receiving his single-door refrigerator, he has been able to increase his inventory of fruits and vegetables by 43%, and has nearly quadrupled his daily sales. Offering healthier options is important to him. Ramon says, “**The more healthy foods I add, the healthier my customers eat.**”

Jose Nunez, owner of Robles Grocery in Northeast Philadelphia, has also seen such an increase in the demand for fresh produce, that he is considering creating a new job for someone to handle produce sales.

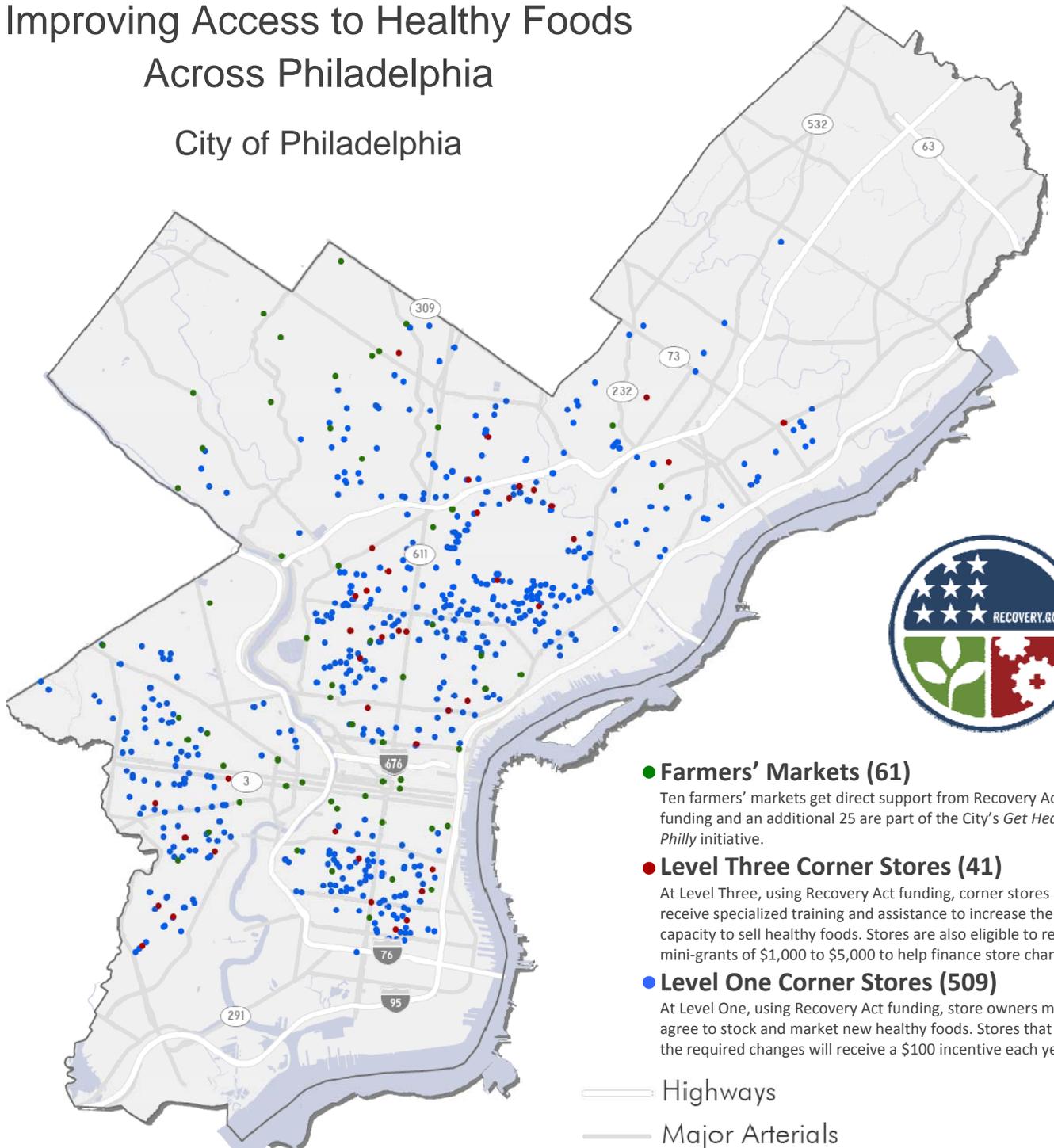
This partnership between the HCSI and Howard-McCray/Digi Philadelphia demonstrates how important Recovery Act funding is in communities. Not only does it help stimulate business development and economic growth, but it also helps improve the health of Philadelphians by increasing access to nutritious foods in low-income communities.

For a look at corner stores participating in the Healthy Corner Store Initiative as well as farmers’ markets—which are both a part of the *Get Healthy Philly* initiative, see the map on page 14.



Corner Stores & Farmers' Markets Improving Access to Healthy Foods Across Philadelphia

City of Philadelphia



● Farmers' Markets (61)

Ten farmers' markets get direct support from Recovery Act funding and an additional 25 are part of the City's *Get Healthy Philly* initiative.

● Level Three Corner Stores (41)

At Level Three, using Recovery Act funding, corner stores agree to receive specialized training and assistance to increase their capacity to sell healthy foods. Stores are also eligible to receive mini-grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 to help finance store changes.

● Level One Corner Stores (509)

At Level One, using Recovery Act funding, store owners must agree to stock and market new healthy foods. Stores that make the required changes will receive a \$100 incentive each year.

- Highways
- Major Arterials
- Rivers
- City of Philadelphia

Map created October 2011
Data: 2011 City of Philadelphia Recovery Data
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Improving Public Safety



Grants awarded for this category fund improvements to public safety, such as recruiting an additional 50 new police officers, an additional 56 Courts staff (up to June 2011 and subsequently funded by the City), education, training and job placement for ex-offenders, addressing abandoned and vacant buildings, and crime prevention resources for police.

Grants Awarded in this Category: \$32,679,093*

Stimulus at Work Spotlight on: Stabilizing Communities

Investing funding from separate Recovery Act grants towards accomplishing a significant shared goal or outcome has been an effective method for the City of Philadelphia in getting the most out of its awarded Recovery Act dollars.

Funding from two Recovery Act grants was linked together to focus on achieving a common goal that is key to public safety: addressing vacant and/or blighted buildings that have an effect on their surrounding neighborhoods. Under the **\$13 million Byrne Justice Assistance Grant**, awarded by the Department of Justice, the City's Department of Licenses and Inspections was allocated \$420,000 for their Clean and Seal Program. Utilizing Recovery Act dollars, three teams of four people each, identified and cleaned and sealed-off properties deemed to be imminently dangerous, often in preparation for demolition. The Clean and Seal Program was able to clean and seal 1,130 dangerous properties in various communities throughout the city. As a result, the backlog of properties needing to be cleaned and sealed was eliminated.

The **\$44 million Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP 2) Grant**, awarded to the City's Office of Housing and Community Development, has allowed the City to focus on assisting both non-profit and for-profit developers in acquiring and converting vacant properties in three neighborhoods – Point Breeze, Mantua and Nicetown/Wayne Junction – that need large scale redevelopment to jumpstart the market. Additionally, properties within these neighborhoods that are identified as dangerous are then scheduled for demolition, after which the area is suitable for redevelopment. Reducing the number of abandoned and vacant buildings removes one more obstacle to the revitalization of neighborhoods into stable and safe communities. ***Like the demolition of an abandoned warehouse in Nicetown/Wayne Junction:***

Using NSP 2 funds, the Department of Licenses and Inspections completed demolition of the abandoned warehouse/factory (*seen prior to demolition at right*) at 1801 W. Courtland Ave., removing a dangerous and blighted building from the community.

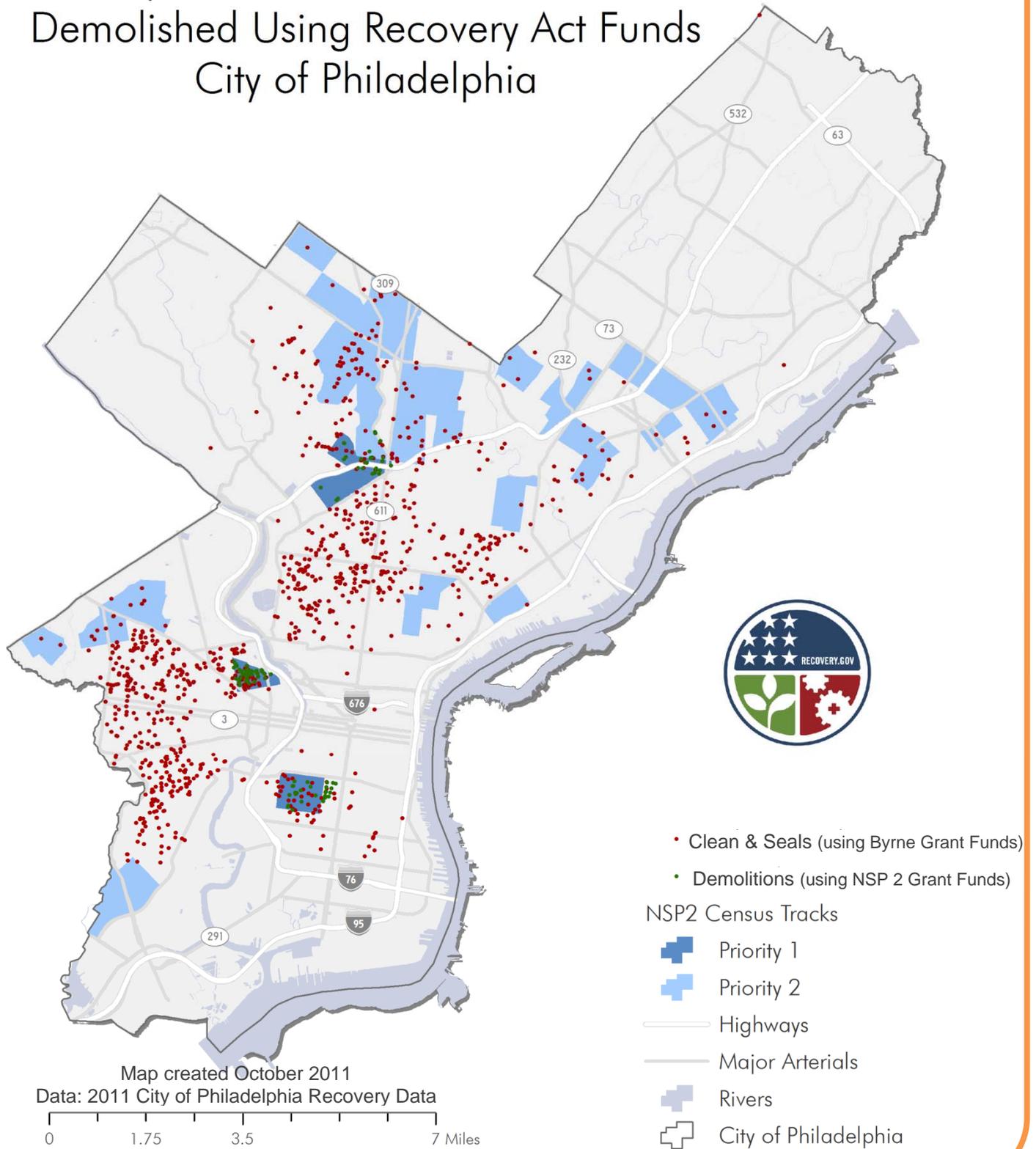


As of September 2011, the Department of Licenses and Inspections has demolished 153 properties, with 46 properties in the pipeline, using NSP 2 dollars.

Because of these two sources of Recovery Act funding, the City has been able to take blighted properties that were hazardous to the health of the neighborhood, and not only mitigate the potential danger, but turn them into an asset for the community.

**Note: The \$44 million NSP 2 Grant is categorized and, hence, counted in this publication as an Economic Development Grant, but is recognized in this spotlight because of its contribution to public safety.*

Properties Cleaned & Sealed or Demolished Using Recovery Act Funds City of Philadelphia



Completed Grants & Projects

Recovery Act-funded grants and projects that have finished are highlighted in the table below.

Category	Project	Details
Economy & Workforce	Liberty Property Trust at the Navy Yard (Recovery Zone Facility Bonds)	\$16 million in Recovery Zone Facility Bonds, issued by the City to the Navy Yard, for development of two flexible-use buildings.
	Way to Work Philadelphia!	Jobs provided for 13,000 adults and young people.
	Community Services Block Grant-Recovery (CSBG-R)	Connected 5,709 low-income Philadelphians to much-needed employment, training and education.
	Utilities Emergency Services Fund (CDBG-R)	Assisted 12,559 low-income families in paying utility bills.
	Mortgage Foreclosure Diversion Program (CDBG-R)	Assisted approximately 1,700 households facing residential mortgage foreclosure.
	Public Computer Centers (BTOP)*	To date, a total of 56 Public Computer Centers have been opened, of the 77 that will be established through the Freedom Rings Partnership.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Airport Runway Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation and resurfacing of Runway 9R-27L—Philadelphia International Airport's longest runway at 2,600 feet.
	Water & Wastewater Program	Low-interest loans for water piping and water treatment plant projects.
Sustainable Philadelphia	Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Readers (EECBG)	Purchase and installation of RFIDs supported the citywide incentive-based recycling program. Within five months, the City earned more than a quarter of a million dollars in revenue and saved \$400,000 in avoided disposal fees.
	State Clean Diesel Grant	Purchase of 38 zero-emission electric powered baggage tractors (replacing previously used diesel) at Philadelphia International Airport.
Most Vulnerable	Senior Community Service Employment Program / Commission on Aging	Developed and promoted part-time work experience and job training in community service activities for disadvantaged and low-income persons, ages 55 and older.
	Varicella & Viral Vaccine	Assessed the effectiveness of two-dose varicella vaccination in protecting children against varicella (chickenpox) and its complications.
	MR Waiver (2010, 2011) & MR Early Intervention (2012)	Provides services through the delivery of authorized developmental, educational, and therapeutic services to infants and toddlers with developmental delays, in the home of the child, in day care or head start.
Public Safety	C-Tech Training Grant	Five-week training program for ex-offenders in cable and data installation, leading to employment-placements.
	Child-Support Enforcement Grant	Incentive payments to support child support services to the Philadelphia Family Courts' Domestic Relations Division.
	First Judicial District Community Court Staff (Byrne)	Funding and retention of 56 critical court employees at the First Judicial District.

* Denotes that a portion of a grant or project has been completed, but, overall, is still in progress.

Additional Accomplishments

As illustrated on the previous pages, the Recovery Act is creating new opportunities through investments in our people, infrastructure and technology that, without the Act's funding, could not have taken place.

Additional accomplishments from this quarter are provided below.

- The solar project at Philadelphia Water Department's Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant was substantially completed on June 9, 2011. The solar photovoltaic (PV) system, expected to generate approximately 300,000 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity annually and partially funded through the **\$14 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant**, is on-line and generating electricity. The system represents the first City-owned installation and contributes to the *Greenworks Philadelphia* objective to purchase or generate 20% of the city's electricity from alternative energy sources by 2015.



Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter flips the switch on the PV installation at the city's Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant.
Photo courtesy of the U.S. Department of Energy

- To date, the **\$21 million Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) Grant** has successfully housed just over 1,270 households, serving 3,547 adults and children through rapid re-housing services (helping them move from emergency and transitional housing, and stabilize in permanent housing). In addition, Homelessness Prevention providers have provided 2,830 households with \$4.8 million in financial assistance (security deposits, rental, utility or moving costs) to keep them housed and out of the City's shelter system.
- Through the **\$15 million Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Grant**, the initiative, known as Get Healthy Philly (GHP), was able to make great strides in making healthy behaviors the default. Through a partnership with the Phila. School District, GHP introduced 91 breakfast carts in 60 schools with 37,000 children to improve participation in the District's free meal program. A GHP partnership developed the first-ever nutrition and physical activity standards for after-school programs, which serve over 10,000 low-income children.



Health Commissioner Dr. Don Schwartz, joins Mayor Nutter, Senator Casey, and Ziegler Elementary School students at the celebration of the launch of the farmers' market at the Frankford Transportation Center.
Photo courtesy of Kait Privitera

- The purpose of the **Neighborhood Stabilization Grant 2 (NSP 2)** program is to rehab and return foreclosed homes to the market in areas that have high foreclosure rates, which without intervention, are at risk of tipping into decline. With **\$44 million in NSP 2 dollars**, a few of the City’s accomplishments are listed below:

- With gap financing provided by the City for multi-family rentals, three out of five NSP 2 multi-family housing developments are under construction, representing \$7 million in NSP 2 financing and totaling 75 units.

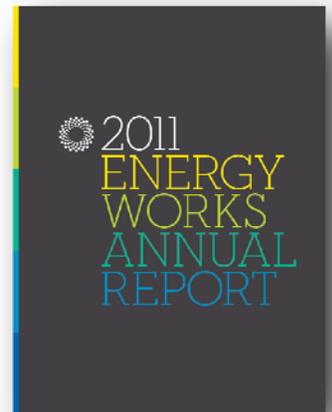
These projects are WPRE II, Shelton Court and Patriot House. The remaining two NSP 2 projects, Mt. Vernon Manor (*see rendering at right*) and Nicetown Court II, received awards of Low Income Housing Tax Credits in July 2011. The City anticipates financial closing for these two projects in spring 2012, representing over \$9 million in NSP 2 funds, totaling 125 units.

Mount Vernon Manor Mantua - Philadelphia, PA



- The City has also financed over \$6.4 million to acquire and rehabilitate 38 single-family foreclosed homes. Of the 38 homes, ten sold to income-qualified homebuyers and the remaining 28 are under construction. Eleven additional properties are in the pipeline and are expected to settle soon, representing an additional \$1.9 million in NSP 2 financing.

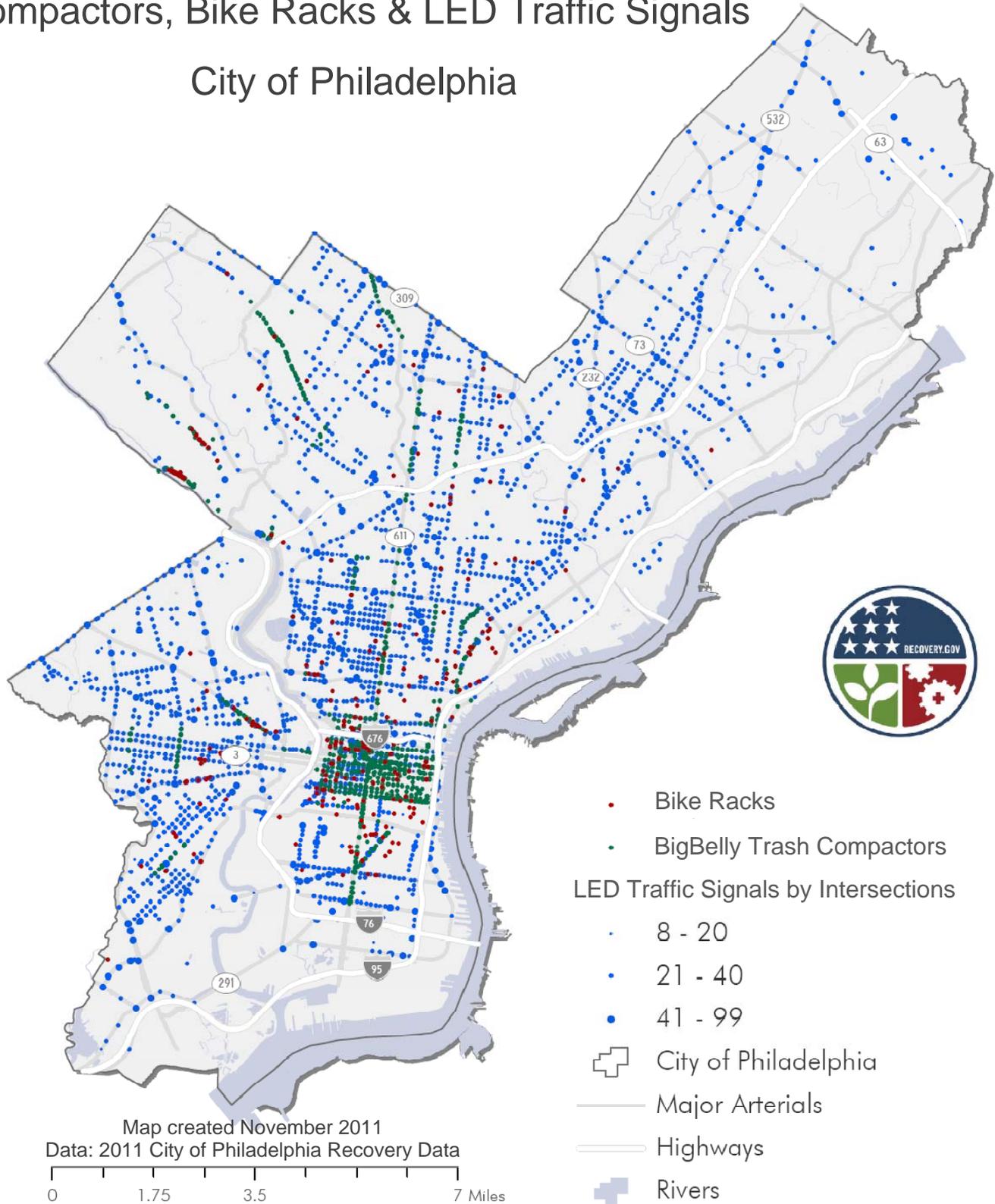
- The *EnergyWorks* program, funded with a **\$25 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant**, will publish its first annual report in late November. The report will highlight the tremendous success that the *EnergyWorks* Metropolitan Caucus (the City of Philadelphia and its four surrounding counties – Bucks, Chester, Montgomery, and Delaware) has achieved; serving home- and business-owners across the region, while creating jobs and fostering growth in a new industry.



- Leveraging its **\$14 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)**, the City is using Recovery Act funds to support its Complete Streets approach, advancing not only transportation, but energy policy and public health issues. To date, the City has installed 207 Recovery Act-funded BigBelly Solar Compacting Litter Basket units with 83 recyclers attached. The remaining units are scheduled to be installed in January 2012 for Chestnut Hill on Germantown Avenue and on 5th Street, between Lehigh and Allegheny Aves. *The map on page 20 reflects the citywide Complete Streets projects—BigBellies, LED traffic signals and bike racks—funded by EECBG, making Philadelphia’s streets safer, greener and cleaner.*

Recovery Act-funded BigBelly Trash Compactors, Bike Racks & LED Traffic Signals

City of Philadelphia



Map created November 2011
Data: 2011 City of Philadelphia Recovery Data

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The Recovery Act's Impact on Job Creation

Philadelphia, like all major cities, continues to feel the impact of the global recession. As of September 2011, the unemployment rate for Philadelphia County was 10.9%¹, which was above the national rate of 9.1%. The challenge to get people back to work is significant. The City is working tirelessly to do its part with the private and public sectors to grow and connect more Philadelphians to employment.

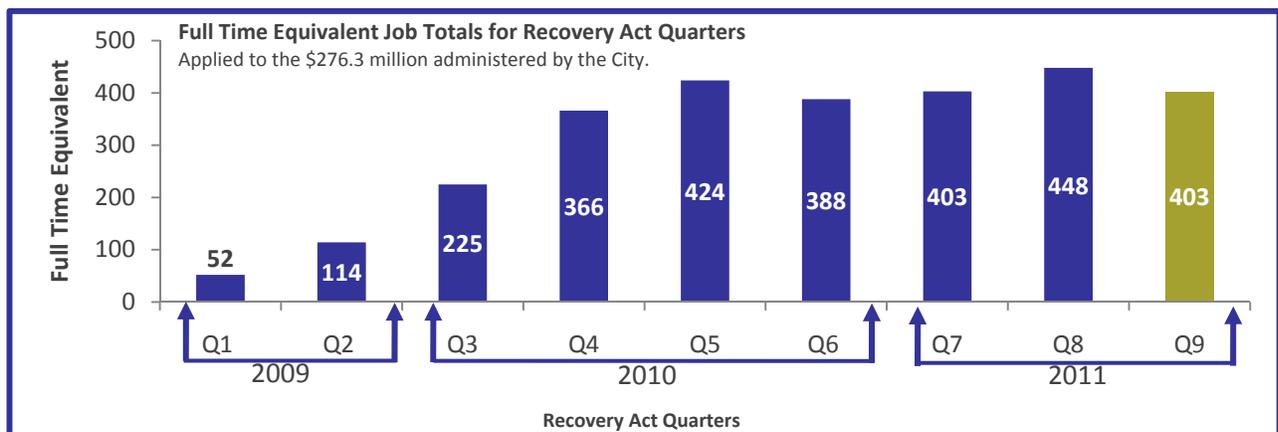
The estimated impact of the Recovery Act on employment and economic output is, by statute, assessed and reported on quarterly by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). In its latest report² the CBO estimates that the Recovery Act policies had the following effects in the second quarter of 2011:

- Lowered the unemployment rate by between 0.5 percentage points and 1.6 percentage points
- Increased the number of people employed by between 1 million and 2.9 million
- Increased the number of full time equivalent jobs by 1.4 million to 4.0 million
- Raised real gross domestic product by between 0.8 percent and 2.5 percent

The CBO recognizes the limitations of using quarterly recipient reports to assess impact on employment and economic output and instead uses economic models and evidence from similar policies in the past to provide a more comprehensive estimate of impact.

Federally Reported Jobs: Hours Worked

Despite the limitations, as recognized by the CBO above, new or retained jobs are counted and reported quarterly by recipients receiving Recovery Act dollars. Jobs must be calculated based on hours worked, referred to as full-time equivalent (FTE), rather than the number of people at work. The calculation is not cumulative so successive quarters cannot be added together and also does not capture indirect jobs. For these and other reasons, the quarterly FTE job number does not fully represent, but rather underestimates, the true impact of Recovery Act dollars. For the \$276.3 million administered by the City of Philadelphia for the quarter ending September 30, 2011, the City reported 403.91 FTEs. However, this is only a small portion of the jobs that Recovery Act investments have created or saved in Philadelphia, to date.



¹ Data Source: *Bureau of Labor Statistics* (Philadelphia County data is not seasonally adjusted.)

² *Congressional Budget Office: Estimated Impact of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act on Employment and Economic Output from April 2011 Through to June 2011 (August 2011)*

Creating Opportunities

The City of Philadelphia is committed to fostering and supporting a marketplace that matches the diversity of Philadelphia and which actively helps businesses through the economic recession.

Minority, Women & Disabled-Owned Businesses

Mayor Nutter has set a goal for the City of Philadelphia to achieve 25% participation for minority, women, and disabled-owned business enterprises (M/W/DSBE) in FY 2012. The City achieved a 25.6% participation rate on \$892.6 million awarded to the private sector in FY 2011, up from 23.7% in FY 2010.

“Even though our participation goal remains the same, we are still faced with the challenge of reaching it again this year during a difficult economic climate,” said Mayor Nutter. “Minority, women and disabled-owned business participation is vital to a vibrant, competitive marketplace and OEO has done a commendable job of offering these businesses the tools they need to be successful. The City has many contracting opportunities, and I would like to encourage companies to register with the City to learn more.”

Through the City’s Office of Economic Opportunity, participation ranges on competitively bid and posted professional services contracts have been set and, for Recovery Act dollars, are being tracked by the Recovery Office. The City, working alongside such partners as the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Enterprise Center, and multiple chambers of commerce, has held three successful Economic Recovery Procurement Summits to promote and maximize the opportunities for M/W/DSBE firms to do business, not only with the City, but with state, federal, and quasi-City agencies and prime contractors.

As of September 30, 2011, M/W/DSBE businesses are expected to receive 20% of Recovery Act dollars awarded when participation ranges were set by the City’s Office of Economic Opportunity and 12% of Recovery Act dollars when participation ranges were federally mandated. Federally-mandated ranges are required by federal agencies, typically funding transportation and infrastructure projects which require the City to use federal M/W/DSBE programs instead of the City’s M/W/DSBE program. These statistics are reported separately because, traditionally, using federal M/W/DSBE programs results in lower participation, than when the City uses its own program.

Participation levels will also be applied to Economic Opportunity Plans that are required for contracts (e.g., public works and loan projects) pursuant to Chapter 17-1602 of the Philadelphia Code.

To view the FY 2010 Annual Disparity Study or the FY 2011 Annual Report, please visit www.phila.gov/oeo or call 215-683-2057.

Transparency and Accountability

Accountability and transparency are critical to the success of the City of Philadelphia's Recovery efforts, ensuring that the most is being made of every dollar, as well as giving Philadelphians the information they need to track where their Recovery Act dollars are going.

Oversight

The City of Philadelphia's Recovery efforts are coordinated through the Recovery Office, led by the City's Recovery Officer, Maari Porter.

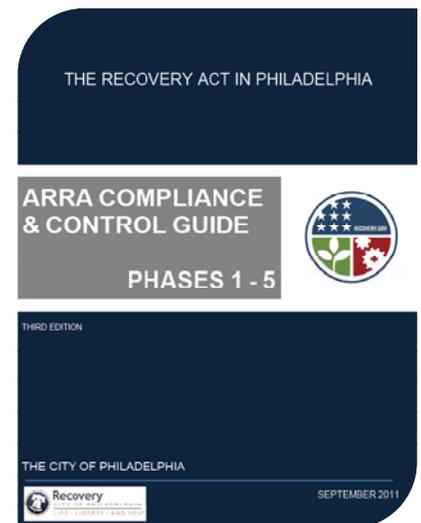
A Project Team, with representation from each of the Deputy Mayors, staff from administrative departments such as the Division of Technology, Finance, Office of Economic Opportunity, and City Council, meets on an as-needed basis to provide programmatic oversight and receive guidance from the Recovery Office.

The Steering Committee, chaired by the Finance Director, includes senior leaders within the organization, and meets on an as-needed basis. The Committee provides oversight and strategic direction for the City's management of Recovery grants, ensuring there is no duplication and that grants are aligned with the Mayor's goals. The Chief Integrity Officer and Councilman Curtis Jones, Jr., City Council's Recovery liaison, are both permanent members of the Steering Committee.

Compliance and Control Program

Joan Markman, the City's Chief Integrity Officer, and Amy Kurland, the City's Inspector General, developed and launched a Recovery Act *Compliance and Control Program* for the City in September 2010. The Program communicates federal and City requirements to City officials to administer their respective grants. The *Compliance and Control Program Guide* was updated and released in September 2011 to include additional requirements based both on federal agency guidance and lessons learned in the Program. A copy of the *Compliance and Control Program Guide*, as well as the fraud prevention training, is available online at www.phila.gov/recovery/accountability.

The Chief Integrity Officer and Inspector General have identified the higher risk grants by formally evaluating all grants. Risk criteria included the total value of the Recovery Act award, "shovel-readiness" of the project and reliance on sub-recipients and vendors to perform grant-funded activities. The Program reviewed the City's highest risk grants first and has continued to review additional grants. Moreover, City workers involved with Recovery Act projects received, and will continue to receive, fraud management training to ensure that Recovery Act dollars are spent properly. ***If you witness fraud, waste or abuse, you are encouraged to report it – anonymously, if you wish – by calling the Inspector General's Fraud Hotline at (215) 686-1770 or reporting it online at www.phila.gov/oig/file.html.***



Reporting Quarterly Progress

This is the ninth quarterly reporting milestone that the City of Philadelphia is obligated to meet under the Recovery Act.

The Recovery Act requires all prime and sub-recipients of more than \$25,000 file quarterly reports, known as 1512 reports, that include the total amount of Recovery Act dollars awarded, received (reimbursed) and spent (including by sub-contractors), the total number of full-time equivalent jobs funded and completion status of the project.

This Update uses figures from the City’s ninth quarter’s federally mandated reports—most notably:

- **\$276.3 million awarded directly to the City of Philadelphia**
- **403.91 full-time equivalent jobs created or retained according to federal calculations**
- **\$124 million expended (spent)**

In this quarter, the City submitted 36 individual quarterly reports on time—23 as prime recipients and 13 as sub-recipients. The City’s Recovery Office and Chief Integrity Office reviewed and approved all reports before they were submitted to federal and state agencies by City departments. The City was not required to submit 1512 reports for five sub-recipient grants.

The City’s numerous sub-contractors—businesses, non-profit organizations, and quasi-City agencies—that are receiving Recovery Act dollars also collect and submit some of the essential data that is reported by the City. The City is pleased with the cooperation from sub-contractors and praises their efforts in helping the City fulfill its duties.

While this Update highlights the additional \$75 million in Recovery Act dollars awarded to quasi-City agencies, the City does not have mandated reporting responsibilities for these funds. That 1512 reporting is carried out by the individual agencies.

Quarterly reporting data is reported publically on the federal government’s Recovery website: www.recovery.gov and is summarized on the City’s Recovery website: www.phila.gov/recovery.

Quarterly Reporting Periods



The four quarterly reporting periods are highlighted above. The top dates reflect the end, or close-out, of the quarter. The bottom dates reflect the end of the reporting period and when all reports need filed.

*The federal government extended this quarter’s reporting deadline to October 14, 2011.

Listing of Open Public Computer Centers*

As of October 2011

Section of Philadelphia	Public Computer Center Site	Address	ZIP	Open to:
Center City	SEIU Healthcare PA	1706 Race St., 3rd Fl	19103	Membership Required
Center City	Casa Monarca	1448 S. 17th St.	19146	General Public
Center City	National Comprehensive Center for Fathers	714 Market St. 7th, Fl	19106	Training classes only
Center City	AIDS Library	1233 Locust St., 2nd Fl	19107	General Public
Center City	FIGHT's Critical Path Project	1233 Locust St., 3rd Fl	19107	General Public
Center City	Institute for Community Justice	21 S. 12th St., Fl 7	19107	General Public
Center City	Liberty Resources, Inc.	714 Market St.	19106	General Public
Center City	Youth Health Empowerment Program	112 N. Broad St, 9th Fl	19102	General Public
N/A	Women Against Abuse	Location Confidential		Residents Only
North	Mercy Neighborhood Ministries	1939 W. Venango St.	19140	General Public
North	Logan CDC	4542 N. 11th St.	19140	General Public
North	ODAA	2532 North Broad St. - 1st Fl	19132	Mon. - Thurs. 3PM - 5PM
North	Athletic Recreation Center	1401-55 N. 27th St.	19121	General Public
North	Cecil B. Moore Recreation Center	2551 N. 22nd St.	19132	General Public
North	Rivera Recreation Center	3201 N. 5th St.	19140	General Public
North	Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center	2101-35 Cecil B. Moore Ave.	19121	General Public
North	Nelson Playground	2500-34 N. 3rd St.	19133	General Public
North	Francisville Recreation Center	1737-39 Francis St.	19121	General Public
North	Penrose Playground	1101 W. Susquehanna Ave.	19122	General Public
North	Amparo de la Ninez/Children's Safe Harbor	107-109 E. Luray St.	19120	General Public
North	Dignity Housing III	5221 Germantown Ave.	19144	General Public
North	Drueding Center/Project Rainbow	413 W. Master St.	19122	Residents Only
North	Village of the Arts and Humanities	2544 Germantown Ave.	19133	General Public
North	Community Women's Education Project	2801 Frankford Ave.	19134	General Public
North	Prevention Point Philadelphia	166 W Lehigh Ave.	19133	General Public
North	Congreso de Latinos American Street	2800 N American St.	19133	General Public
North	Congreso de Latinos Hutchinson Street	3439 N Hutchinson St.	19133	Residents Only
North	Congreso de Latinos Main Building	216 W Somerset St.	19133	General Public
North	YMCA Columbia North	1400 N Broad St.	19121	Membership Required
North	Philadelphia OIC	1231 N. Broad St.	19122	
North	NOMAD - Vehicle	1231 N. Broad St.	19122	
Northeast	YMCA Northeast Philadelphia	11088 Knights Rd.	19154	Membership Required
Northwest	Happy Hollow Recreation Center	4740 Wayne Ave.	19144	General Public
Northwest	Mallery Playground	100-700 E. Johnson St.	19144	General Public
Northwest	Waterview Recreation Center	5826 McMahon St.	19144	General Public
Northwest	OSH Kirkbride Traveler's Aid Society	111 N. 49th St.	19050	Residents Only
Northwest	YMCA Roxborough	7201 Ridge Ave.	19128	Membership Required
South	Audenried High School	3301 Tasker St.	19145	General Public
South	Vare Recreation Center	2600 Morris St.	19145	General Public
South	Dixon House	1920 S. 20th St.	19145	General Public
South	OSH McAuley House	1800 Morris St.	19145	Residents Only
Southwest	Kingsessing Recreation Center	4901 Kingsessing Ave.	19143	General Public
Southwest	Francis J. Myers Recreation Center	5800 Chester Ave.	19143	General Public
Southwest	Christy Recreation Center	728 S. 55th St.	19143	General Public
Southwest	Turning the Tide	425 S. 61 st St.	19143	General Public
West	The Philadelphia Student Union	4205 Chestnut St., 2nd Fl	19104	Membership Required
West	The Unified Taxi Workers Alliance of Pennsylvania & Media Mobilizing Project	4233 Chestnut St.	19104	General Public
West	Shepard Recreation Center	5700 Haverford Ave.	19131	General Public
West	Enterprise Center	4548 Market St.	19139	Residents Only
West	Families First/People's Emergency Center	3939 Warren St.	19104	Residents Only
West	Gloria's Place/People's Emergency Center	3902 Spring Garden St.	19104	Residents Only
West	Penrose Cloisters III	3900 Haverford Ave.	19104	General Public
West	VICA Technologies LLC	4155 Lancaster Ave.	19104	General Public
West	AchieveAbility	59 N. 60th St.	19139	General Public
West	Mantua Haverford Community Center	631 N. 39th St.	19104	General Public
West	YMCA West Philadelphia	5120 Chestnut St.	19139	Membership Required

* As referenced on page 7.

Recovery Act Grants Listing

As of September 30, 2011

Category	Grant Name	Award Amount
Economy & Workforce	Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2	\$43,942,532
	Community Development Block Grant-Recovery (CDBG-R)	\$14,046,629
	Community Service Block Grant-Recovery (CSBG) – COMPLETED	\$8,333,186
	Broadband Expansion Round II	\$6,362,129
	Recovery Zone Facility Bonds* – \$16 million in Bonds Issued – COMPLETED	\$22,928,000
	Way to Work Philadelphia!* – COMPLETED – 13,000 Adults & Youths Employed	\$22,000,000
	Employment & Training for Adults & Youths* – COMPLETED	\$14,100,000
	*Grants are managed and reported by quasi-City agencies.	TOTAL
Sustainable Philadelphia	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, Competitive “EnergyWorks”	\$25,000,000
	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, Formula	\$14,108,700
	Fairmount Park Ecosystems	\$1,795,000
	State Clean Diesel Grant Program – COMPLETED	\$616,740
	Weatherization*	\$15,800,000
	*Grants are managed and reported by quasi-City agencies.	TOTAL
Most Vulnerable	Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing—Federal	\$21,486,240
	Communities Putting Prevention to Work—Nutrition & Physical Activity	\$15,018,277
	Communities Putting Prevention to Work—Tobacco	\$10,356,927
	Title IV-E Foster Care & Adoption	\$6,679,356
	Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing—State Formula	\$2,091,608
	Communities Putting Prevention to Work—Evaluation	\$1,747,143
	Lead Hazard/Healthy Homes for Child Care & Foster Care	\$1,309,320
	IT Electronic Health Records (EHR)	\$912,733
	MR Waiver-EI (77875) – COMPLETED	\$701,935
	Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing—State Competitive	\$684,888
	MR Early Intervention (2012)	\$666,800
	MR Waiver-EI (77850) – COMPLETED	\$578,185
	Supplemental Funding for Reaching More Adults and Children	\$564,358
	Research: Vaccine & Immunization (Evaluation of Meningococcal & Varicella Vaccines)	\$275,288
	Behavioral Health/Forensic Triage Specialist	\$261,820
	IT Electronic Laboratory Capacity (ELC)	\$252,752
	Strengthening Communities Fund	\$249,333
	Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) – COMPLETED	\$224,323
	Commission on Aging – COMPLETED	\$26,880
	Tobacco Control and Prevention 1 and 2 – State – COMPLETED	\$28,669
Homeless Shelter Initiative – COMPLETED	\$18,000	
	TOTAL	\$64,134,835
Transportation & Infrastructure	Baggage Screening	\$26,609,933
	TIGER (Pedestrian and Bike Trail Network)	\$17,200,000
	City Repaving	\$15,572,986
	Airport Improvement Program (Runway Rehabilitation) – COMPLETED	\$5,724,694
	Water & Wastewater Program – COMPLETED	\$200,000
		TOTAL
Public Safety	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	\$13,544,604
	COPS Hiring	\$10,903,350
	Child Support Enforcement (First Judicial District) – COMPLETED	\$5,898,056
	Victims of Juvenile Offenders (First Judicial District)	\$610,059
	Sustain Juvenile Probation Officers (First Judicial District)	\$399,140
	Local Energy Assistance Plan	\$300,000
	DUI Treatment Court (First Judicial District)	\$295,591
	Mental Health Court	\$417,044
	Adult Probation Officers (First Judicial District)	\$159,656
	Telecommunications (C-Tech) Training – COMPLETED	\$151,593
	TOTAL	\$32,679,093
	City Total	\$276,326,457
	City & Quasi-City Grand Total	\$351,154,457



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