**AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

WIN held a 350+ person action with DC Council chair candidates on July 7, 2018. Both candidates committed to dedicating more public land to affordable housing and to increasing the Housing Production Trust Fund, Preservation Fund, and local voucher program to at least $300M/yr.

The action's success underscores the continuous progress WIN has made in expanding affordable housing options across the District. With 850+ affordable housing units in the pipeline and $39 million committed by the city to affordable housing at specific sites this year, WIN is working hard to curb the impacts of gentrification and fight against corporate interests that dominate the city. For details about WIN's current fights and recent victories in affordable housing, [click here](#).

**TRANSIT JOB SECURITY**

In spring 2018, an agreement for $500M/yr in dedicated funding for WMATA passed DC, MD, VA. WIN & Metro IAF’s actions and lobbying efforts in DC, MD, and VA were critical to helping demonstrate there was citizen support for this investment. This is a historic victory and we aim to organize off of it to get WMATA to re-establish training programs in DC and pass an affordable housing policy.

WIN also organized locally alongside the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) around wages and benefits for DC Streetcar and DC Circulator workers. In 2018 WIN and ATU brought 40+ leaders to a DC Council hearing about the privatization of the DC Circulator, and followed up with 300+ person action with both candidates for DC Council Chair. We did not get everything we have been working for, but through our collective organizing were able to ensure that the 200+ Circulator workers will maintain their jobs, wages, and benefits under the new contractor, and the DC Streetcar workers successfully negotiated their first ever contract that includes a $10.15/hour wage increase & drastically improved insurance.

300+ WIN leaders turned out on July 7, 2018 to call for the candidates for DC Council Chair to support transit job security.
FIGHTING HOMELESSNESS

WIN organized vigorously in the lead up to the 2014 election for the DC General homeless shelter to be replaced with smaller, more dignified facilities. The replacement facilities will be lower density and higher quality, providing humane housing options to families in need. In May 2016, legislation passed identifying 6 sites for replacement facilities and allocating nearly $100 million in capital funding. In 2017, WIN partnered with Good Faith Communities Coalition to organize Ward 3 residents and 14 local congregations to show support for building replacement facilities across the District. DC General was officially closed in November 2018. WIN celebrated this year the grand openings of three replacement facilities in Ward 4, 7, and 8.

BRINGING JOBS TO DC

In 2013, WIN began a campaign pressing for DC Water to hire more DC residents. As a result, DC Water signed an agreement including a 51% local hire commitment, contribution of $1.25 million to open job training programs in DC, and the creation of a national certification for Green Infrastructure work. WIN is celebrating many successes from that agreement. In 2018, 85% of DC Water’s new hires were from local jurisdictions and 60% specifically from DC. That’s up from 11% in 2013. Additionally, 31 new DC residents received Green Infrastructure training certification in 2018.

IMMIGRANTS’ RIGHTS

DC Attorney General Karl Racine met with 120 WIN leaders on December 2, 2018, to listen to community members share their stories on immigration and hardships in the court system. He committed to protecting families against separation, to fighting against the threat to TPS, and to working with WIN as we organize for immigrants’ rights in DC.

On April 26, 2018, WIN held a 300+ Ward 1 councilmember candidates action. WIN Leaders called for $2.5 million to expand legal assistance for immigrants, to build affordable housing on a piece of public land owned by the National Parks Service, and to take on a slum landlord in the neighborhood.