2016 EBASE Impacts

Emeryville Fair Workweek

We passed the East Bay's first policy to mandate scheduling so that workers can budget, plan their lives, and get closer to full-time work.



Access to Jobs at the Port of Oakland

We are negotiating a landmark agreement with the Port to provide living wage jobs to local residents on the next phase of the Army Base project.



Across the East Bay, EBASE is lifting low-wage workers on the job and helping them stay in their homes.

We've raised the minimum wage around the region and are enforcing it in places like Oakland. However, many workers do not have access to jobs, are not getting enough hours, and have unpredictable schedules.

Additionally, housing eats up most of their earnings.

In 2016, we built broad coalitions to tackle the next wave of policies that address income inequality.

In Emeryville, we passed the East Bay's first Fair Workweek policy so workers have reliable, predictable hours. In Oakland, we are negotiating an agreement with the Port of Oakland to provide more job opportunities to local residents as well as formerly incarcerated people.

To stem the housing crisis, we helped pass Oakland Measure JJ to strengthen rent control and expand eviction protections. And in Concord, we are working to pass a rent moratorium to cap increases at 3%.

All of these policies will help low-income people earn more on the job and stay in their homes, preserving the area's economic and racial diversity.



Renter Protections

In Oakland, we helped pass Measure
JJ to strengthen rent control and
expand eviction protections to
keep tenants in their homes. In
Concord, we pushed City Council to
inch forward on a plan to cap rent
increases, a significant move for
this suburban city with skyrocketing
housing costs.



A year of joy, struggle, and an unyielding commitment to a positive vision for the East Bay

In a year plagued by national division, EBASE forged a positive path forward locally with supporters like you. Together, we are standing up for a vision of what's possible when everyone has a good job, affordable home, and a vibrant neighborhood. Like you, we believe that working together toward that shared vision is even more critical as our values and our people come under attack. Collectively with our coalitions of workers, residents, and people of faith, we are winning, and we will continue fighting for our communities. Here's a glimpse of some amazing 2016 moments, and we stand ready and united for whatever 2017 will bring.



Top: UNITE HERE 2850's Irma Perez at an action for Oakland minimum wage enforcement; Tenants Together rent striker Olga Flores comforts a homeless woman at Raise the Roof Concord's housing forum. Middle: Residents pray at a vigil for a Concord rent moratorium; CURYJ's John Jones speaks about Measure JJ and EBASE's Autumn of Action; Oakland United's Esther Goolsby speaks about good jobs, affordable housing, a clean environment, and accessible transportation at the Oakland Coliseum Development Project; EBASE honoree Pastor Pablo Morataya speaks about the need for safe havens for immigrants and refugees. Bottom: Revive Oakland at an action to urge Port of Oakland commissioners to adopt a jobs agreement on the Army Base Redevelopment Project that includes living wages, local hire, and "Ban the Box."

