

2019 EBASE IMPACTS

In 2019 EBASE celebrated two decades of building power and winning justice at work and in our neighborhoods. With your support, we advanced a vision of what's possible when everyone has a good job, an affordable home, and a vibrant neighborhood. Through local wins and unwavering solidarity, we are setting the pace for the region, the state, and the nation.



Oakland United for the Community

In response to the Oakland A's plans for two massive development projects on publicly-owned land, EBASE's Oakland United coalition organized Oakland residents and workers to build power and negotiate a Community Benefits Agreement to ensure public land is used for public good. By advocating for good jobs, affordable housing, a healthy environment, and investments in our community, Oakland United is ensuring the project contributes to economic security, neighborhood stability, and health equity for the Black and Brown communities that will experience its impacts most.



Organizing for Housing Justice in the Suburbs

The EBASE-led Raise the Roof Coalition organized a multi-racial alliance of tenants, faith leaders and allies in suburban Concord this year. We hosted a series of tenants' rights clinics, won compensation for tenants facing eviction and huge rent increases, engaged faith leaders to stand with tenants, and presented a proposal for Just Cause Eviction and Rent Control to the Concord City Council. In partnership with the Contra Costa Immigrant Rights Alliance (CCIRA), we shined a light on the Sheriff's collaboration with ICE and organized mobilizations to demand an end to the abuse of incarcerated people.



Faith-Rooted Solidarity

The Faith Alliance for a Moral Economy (FAME) – EBASE's faith-rooted organizing program – draws on the love and justice that all faith traditions share. Our leaders convened Economic Justice 4 Black Oakland, a working group of clergy and community members, to mobilize for community benefits in new developments, fair chance and local hiring into good jobs, affordable housing, and other issues impacting the Black community. FAME convened faith leaders in Contra Costa through the Multi-Faith Immigration Coalition for Action (MICA) in Contra Costa County to take action in solidarity with immigrants and tenants.

EBASE at 20 years: Our People. Our Cities. Our Future.

In 2019 EBASE celebrated 20 years of building power in the East Bay. With supporters like you, we have struggled against dehumanizing systems that tear families apart, displace long term Black and Brown community members, and threaten our health and safety. In the face of these challenges, we maintain our ability to fight and deepen our commitment to justice. Through broad coalition building, intentional leadership development and strategic campaigns, we have advanced racial, economic, and gender justice through concrete wins that raise wages and stabilize neighborhoods. EBASE, our partners, and supporters like you are building a powerful movement for the next 20 years.

Thank you for standing with EBASE. 2020 is our time. With your support, we will continue to win justice on the job and in our neighborhoods for decades to come.



Photos by Ryan Sin, and EBASE staff.

EBASE and our coalition partners. Top row: EBASE staff. Middle row: Jahmese Myres leads Oakland United Town Hall. Concord renters stand up for tenants' rights. Oakland United leader John Jones III and his son celebrate EBASE's 20th Anniversary. Bottom Row: EBASE staff stand up for Oakland teachers. Former and current EBASE Directors celebrate 20 years of EBASE: Oakland Councilmember Nikki Fortunato Bas; Howard Greenwich, Amaha Kassa, Nicole Lee, and Kate O'Hara. EBASE Board Member Rev. Sandhya Jha inspires the audience at our 20th Anniversary Event.

