



State: Pennsylvania

Core Constituency/Target Audience:

Western PA working class communities and communities of color, particularly focused on small cities and towns outside of Pittsburgh



ABOUT

Pittsburgh United is a coalition of community, labor, faith, and environmental organizations committed to advancing the vision of a community and economy that works for all people. They aspire to create a community where all workers are able to care for themselves and raise their families, sharing in the prosperity generated by economic growth and development.



LEGISLATIVE WORK

While Pittsburgh United primarily fights for legislative changes on the local level, their members have been involved in a few statewide campaigns such as increasing minimum wage, ending outdated preemption practices, and the Whole Home Repairs program.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Since their founding in 2007, Pittsburgh United has collectively fought for and won over \$119 million in funds to benefit their community for affordable housing, good jobs, and a healthy environment. In 2016, Pittsburgh United and its partners won the Housing Opportunity Fund, allocating \$10 million for affordable housing for the next twelve years. From new union contracts to paid sick days, Pittsburgh United's coalition has won – by the most conservative estimates – more than \$59 million in wages, benefits, and community investment. Pittsburgh United's Our Water Campaign successfully fought back against efforts to privatize Pittsburgh's water and won a \$50 million settlement. This campaign also engages ratepayers in the public debate over how billions of public funds will be spent to overhaul their regional water and sewer infrastructure.



ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE

Pittsburgh United believes that no matter what we look like or where we live, we all want safe and affordable housing, good and secure jobs, and a clean and healthy environment. To build a multi-racial, multi-generational movement of poor and working-class people, they organize campaigns on the issues that directly impact their communities.

STATE BRIDGES SPEAKER



Alex Wallach Hanson

Alex Wallach Hanson is the Executive Director of Pittsburgh United/PA United. He has been with the organization since 2017 and has worked as a community and political field organizer for over a decade. Alex built PA United's dues paying membership program, developed PA United's deep canvassing program that contacted over 1 million voters in 2020, and led

PA United's Our Communities Can't Wait Slate, a candidate recruitment, training, and campaign program for 24 members to run for local office in 2021. He was most recently a Senior Advisor on Sara Innamorato's successful County Executive campaign.

PENNSYLVANIA FAST FACTS

- **Current Control:** Divided Government
- **Gubernatorial Election:** 2026
- **Length of House Term:** 2 years
- **Length of Senate Term:** 4 years
- **Redistricting:** A bipartisan redistricting commission draws Pennsylvania's Congressional and state maps

