



Hello and Happy Holidays!

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It has been an interesting year for our community, our region, our state, and our nation. It's one that began with political upheaval amid a global pandemic which then turned to hope and promise with approval of vaccines, and with intensive steps toward normalcy again in our lives.

The peaks and valleys and, in some cases, false starts of the year have not been easy. In fact, for many of us, 2021 was just as – or even more – challenging than 2020 – some of us have lost loved ones, jobs, or have suffered other traumas. I want to thank all of those who have selflessly served others throughout this time. A new year is just ahead, and with it, the promise of a fresh start and new beginnings.

Our community's strength has always been in its people – the people I was honored to be chosen to represent. I was elected to be your voice in Harrisburg, and I am dedicated to listening to your needs and taking them directly to the state Capitol.

In Harrisburg, I have backed bipartisan efforts to support our essential workers, assist individuals and businesses struggling as the result of the pandemic, expand access to medical marijuana, and more. I have also stood up against legislation that I felt would adversely impact our community, including one that would destroy community bail funds, and voted against bills that would set dangerous precedents, like abortion bans and permitless concealed carry of firearms, or erode the rule of law, like the repeated attacks on our voting rights by GOP lawmakers.

I will do everything in my power to protect and serve working families, strengthen and invest in our communities, and create a working government that is by and for the people.

Here at home, my staff and I responded to nearly 2,000 constituent requests and served more than 800 event attendees. We dove into the work of serving District 20 by getting our hands dirty planting trees in local parks, working with PennDOT to address issues with local roads, spending rainy days helping to connect our seniors with state agencies and programs, and hosting several ever-popular shredding events. Look for more of these and other events in the new year!

It has been my absolute pleasure and honor to serve you this past year, and I am looking forward to 2022 with a renewed sense of purpose, dedication, and hope. I wish you all a happy holiday season and a prosperous new year!

As always, if you have a concern or question, please reach out to me by email at RepKinkead@pahouse.net or call me at 412-321-5523. My staff and I are happy to help you.

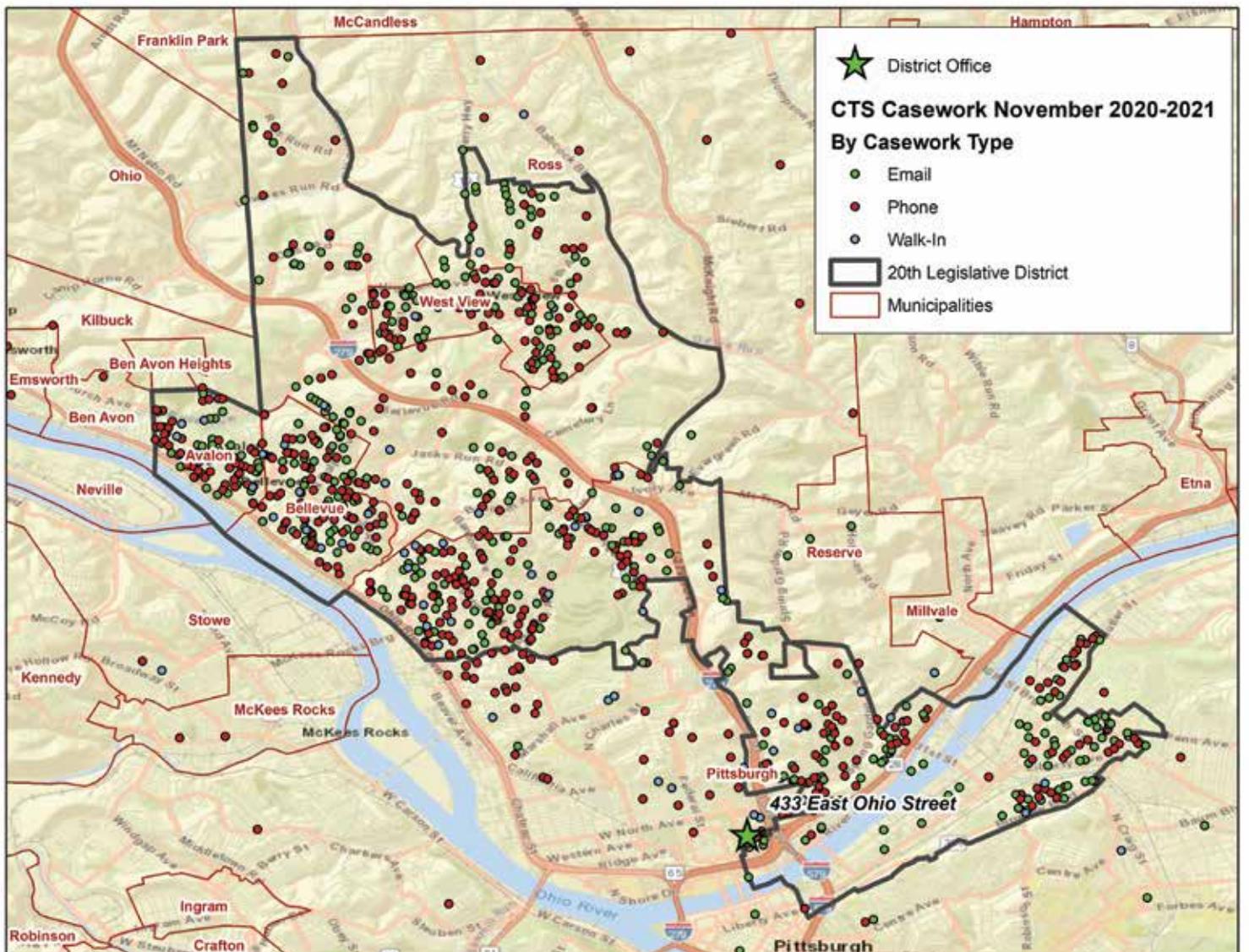
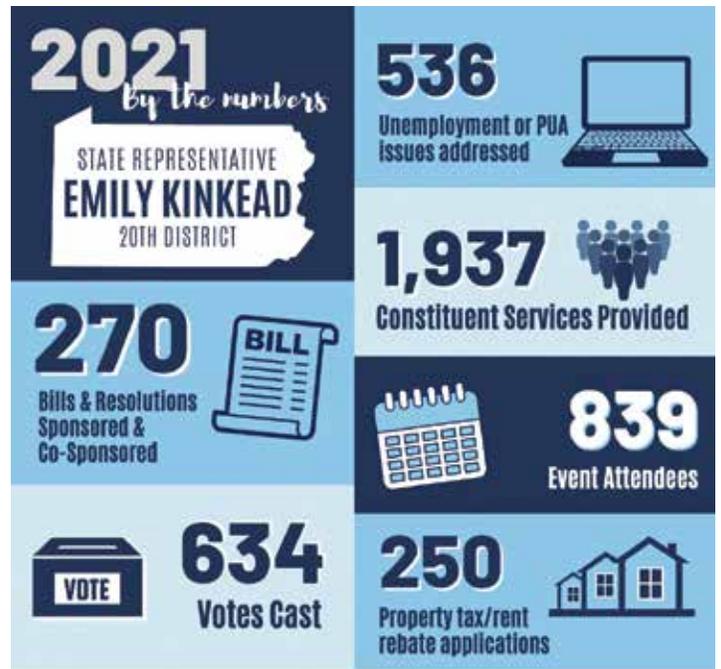
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Working for You!

Working for you at home and in Harrisburg

This year my team and I have helped nearly 2,000 of our neighbors by solving problems or connecting them to state programs or services. In Harrisburg I cast more than 600 votes as your voice in the legislature and put my name on 270 pieces of legislation.

Below you'll find a map of the people we helped this year – each dot is one person and one problem solved. If you or someone you know needs help with a state program or service, please have them contact us at 412-321-5523.



Serving Our Community



Thank you to Northgate School District for inviting me to speak to their 9th grade American History class. The students had excellent questions and kept me on my toes!



It's always great to get out in the community, like visiting with Senator Lindsey Williams at Ross Township Community Day!



I joined state Senator Lindsey Williams and Representative Sara Innamorato for a rainy drive-thru senior fair – and had more than 400 of our older neighbors stop by!

This summer I met and worked with PennDOT to address road issues in our community, including the long-delayed repaving of Mt. Pleasant Road.



I also joined with Senator Williams to host one of the ever-popular shredding events in our area in October. We'll be back with more events like this in 2022!



We held a Community Conservation & Sustainability Event with Representative Sara Innamorato and Senator Wayne Fontana. I'm looking forward to more of these events in the year ahead!

I toured the West View Water Authority treatment plant with state Representatives Sara Innamorato, Anita Kulik and Dan Deasy and Senators Lindsey Williams and Wayne Fontana. During the tour, we discussed how WVWA is using funding they received for lead line replacement.



I was honored to support UPMC workers during their one-day strike as they fought for fair pay, better benefit packages, improved working conditions, and the right to unionize without corporate interference.

Also in October, I proudly marched beside my neighbors and colleagues to protect reproductive rights in our community and state.



I met Cecelia Ware over a year ago and was inspired by the work she has been doing with youth on the Northside. I worked with her organization, Infinite Lifestyle Solutions, Inc, to secure a \$60,000 grant from the state to help find a permanent location for their programming.



Thanks to Ross Township Manager Ron Borczyk & former Representative Adam Ravenstahl for meeting with me and my District Office Director Bridget Barrett about infrastructure and other investments that will keep Ross Township growing and thriving.



I enjoyed visiting Freeman Family Farm & Greenhouse and Sankofa Village Community Garden/ Farms with Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Sec. Russell Redding. There are many great urban farming locations in our area and across our state and I'm happy to support them and encourage more of our urban communities to take part!



I was thrilled to celebrate the opening of the United Somali Bantu of Greater Pittsburgh's new community space in Northview Heights, where they offer meals, book bags, hygiene products, diapers, haircuts, games, after school programming, and even COVID shots!



This October I joined Tree Pittsburgh and numerous volunteers and local organizations to plant trees at Northview Heights and Catalano Parklet in Spring Garden. As always, the hard work was worth the beautiful results.



This year, I was appointed by Mayor Bill Peduto and confirmed unanimously by Pittsburgh City Council to serve a 5-year term on the ALCOSAN board of directors. I recently joined my fellow board members and ALCOSAN staff in supporting their Purple Shirt Day – a day of company and community-wide giving dedicated to a local charity identified each year.

Bringing state investment to our community

\$6.6 million for West View Water Authority

\$125,000 for St. John's Hospital rain gardens

\$2.25 million to redevelop vacant properties

\$1.5 million in safety grants for local nonprofits

\$500,000 for Davis Avenue Pedestrian Bridge

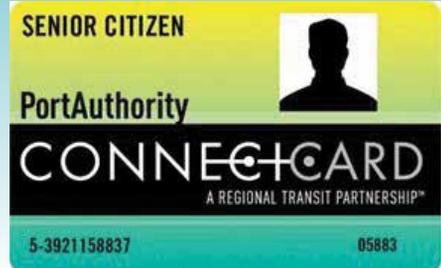
\$61,000 for Bellevue housing remediation project

NEED A SENIOR CONNECTCARD? MY OFFICE CAN HELP!

My district office staff is ready to help you or someone you know apply for senior bus passes through the Port Authority of Allegheny County.

The ConnectCard allows seniors to travel on public transit for free. We can help you apply – you just need to bring your identification and any existing transit passes to our office to snap a quick picture, fill out a form, and then we'll contact you two weeks later to come retrieve your new pass – it's that easy!

Please call my office at 412-321-5523 for more information.



Don't be cold this winter — LIHEAP is here to help!

With winter almost here, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), is available to help families catch up with their heating bills. LIHEAP helps low-income families with a one-time payment sent directly to your utility company or fuel provider and credited to your bill or emergency repair. The payments can range from \$500 to \$1,500 and are based on income, household size, and fuel type.

You can apply either online through COMPASS, or contact my office for help. For more information on LIHEAP and to review eligibility visit:

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx>

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- Millions invested in our community

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MY OFFICE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

- Unemployment
- Property tax/rent rebates for seniors
- Voter registration and vote by mail
- Problems with the Department of Human Services (food stamps, medical and income assistance)
- Car registrations, special tags, handicap placards, titles and driver's license applications
- Information on financial assistance for higher education
- Obtaining and completing state forms of all kinds
- Birth and death certificates
- Pennsylvania income tax questions or problems
- Complaints or questions about utilities and the Public Utility Commission
- PACE cards for senior citizens
- Complaints and problems with insurance companies
- Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications
- Problems or questions about the state lottery
- Consumer complaints

If you need help with any state or government-related service, please contact my office by email at RepKinkead@pahouse.net or by calling 412-321-5523.



Representing parts of Pittsburgh, Ross Township and Avalon, Bellevue and West View boroughs.