

Fund news

Alana Vega joins The Fund for New Jersey as its new Program Officer. Alana brings a very strong commitment to racial justice as well as expertise in public policy, research, and data analysis. Prior to joining The Fund, Alana worked at Advocates for Children of New Jersey as both Health Policy Analyst and Kids Count Coordinator. She has experience covering topics including health care access, maternal and infant health, and childhood lead poisoning. Alana also co-led the statewide Census 2020 NJ campaign, a complex partnership that resulted in a more complete count of New Jersey residents. Alana is a proud Girl Scout and serves on the Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey Board of Directors. She received a B.A. from Bryn Mawr College and earned her Master of Public Policy (MPP) from the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy at Rutgers University.

Policy Update

- Despite opposition from advocacy groups such as the League of Women Voters, Governor Murphy signed the “Elections Transparency Act.” The bill allows for increased political contributions, enables the creation of new “housekeeping” accounts for political parties, and weakens or eliminates several pay-to-play laws. It also grants Gov. Murphy the power to appoint new board members to the Election Law Enforcement Commission, among others. Read more [here](#).

Events

- Segregation in New Jersey's district, charter, and county vocational-technical schools, May 19, 2023. Find out more [here](#)
- Conference for the Social Sector: Doing Good Better, Tuesday, May 23, 2023. Register [here](#).
- Hollywood Storytelling for Nonprofit Fundraising, June 1, 2023. Find out more [here](#).
- New Jersey Planning and Redevelopment, convening virtually on June 21–22 and in person on June 23 at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick. Register [here](#).

Job Announcements

- [New Jersey Future Policy Coordinator](#)
- [ACLU Digital Communications Strategist](#)

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