

# The Fund For New Jersey Newsletter

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### News from The Fund

The Fund welcomes our new Operations Manager Nancy DeLaura.

Nancy brings over a decade of experience in community-based nonprofit work. She has organized and mobilized volunteers to tackle community issues and implement effective solutions that enhance local well-being and engagement. Previously, Nancy served as Executive Director of Interfaith Caregivers, Manager of Volunteer Programs at Episcopal Community Services in Philadelphia, and a Coordinator for Community Outreach Programs in Philadelphia. She has a B.A. from Villanova University, earned a Master of Science in Education Administration from the University of Pennsylvania with an emphasis on inclusion and belonging, and completed the ascending leadership program from the Nonprofit Executive Leadership Institute at the Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research of Bryn Mawr College.

### **Grantee News**

- The American Civil Liberties Union of New Jersey (ACLU-NJ), has filed a <u>lawsuit</u>
  against the state on behalf of El Comité de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agrícolas
  (CATA), advocating for better conditions for farmworkers in New Jersey, alleging that
  the exclusion of farmworkers from labor protections is discriminatory and violates
  our state's constitution.
- The Education Law Center (ELC) proudly <u>announced</u> that the state's Office of Administrative Law (OAL) will now provide language interpreters in all cases. This action was in response to a written notice from ELC explaining that OAL litigants are legally entitled to free interpreters. Previously, state regulations required litigants to provide their own language interpreters for administrative hearings.

## **Policy Reports**

- Advocates for Children of New Jersey released their latest <u>Newark Kids Count</u> report. The 2024 publication provides the latest data regarding Newark's child population and revealed trends such as improved family median incomes and troubling increases in child health concerns. The 2024 report is also available in <u>Spanish</u>.
- New Jersey Policy Perspective released <u>Prison Profiteers: How Private Companies</u>
   <u>Profit From Prison Phone Calls and Harm New Jersey Residents</u>. The report shed light on prison telecommunications fees and analyzes how for-profit telecom



companies' monopoly contracts with corrections agencies are affecting families across the state.

#### **Events**

- September 3 The Chevron Deference Overturned: What it Means for Federal Agencies and New Jersey, Eastern Environmental Law Center
- October 10-11 <u>Time for Turbines 7</u>, New Jersey Work Environment Council and Environment New Jersey
- October 29 <u>Under One Roof</u>, Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey

#### Job Announcements

- ACLU-NJ Policy Counsel
- New Jersey Citizen Action multiple positions
- New Jersey Conservation Foundation Regional Manager South Jersey
- New Jersey Institute for Social Justice Executive Assistant to the President & CEO
- New Jersey Policy Perspective Individual Giving Manager
- AAPI New Jersey multiple positions

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