

# PUBLIC SERVICE TOWN HALL & RESOURCE FAIR

Saturday, March 16, 2024

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE  
**CHRISSEY**  
HOULAHAN  
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# AGENDA

- 1:00** – Welcome, Introduction & Legislative Update
- 1:10** – Presentation from Michael Smith, CEO of AmeriCorps
- 1:20** – Presentation from Dr. Wayne Croft Sr., Pastor of St. Paul's Baptist Church
- 1:30** – Q&A, moderated by Dr. Wayne Croft Sr.
- 1:55** – Closing Remarks
- 2:00** – Resource Fair



# MEETING NORMS



## We will:

1. Treat each other with respect and leave titles at the door
2. Use our time wisely by sticking to the agenda\*
3. Address any conflict by dealing with the issue, not the person
4. We will discuss policy, not politics

\*Topics requiring further discussion will be documented for follow-up

# PREPARING FOR Q&A

Please write your questions on the comment card and pass them to a staff member.

If your question is not addressed during the town hall, we will respond to you via email or a phone call!

Please write clearly to ensure a response.

**U.S. REPRESENTATIVE**  
**CHRISSY HOULAHAN**  
PROUDLY SERVING PENNSYLVANIANS

**STAY IN TOUCH WITH US**

**LET US KNOW A LITTLE MORE ABOUT YOU**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

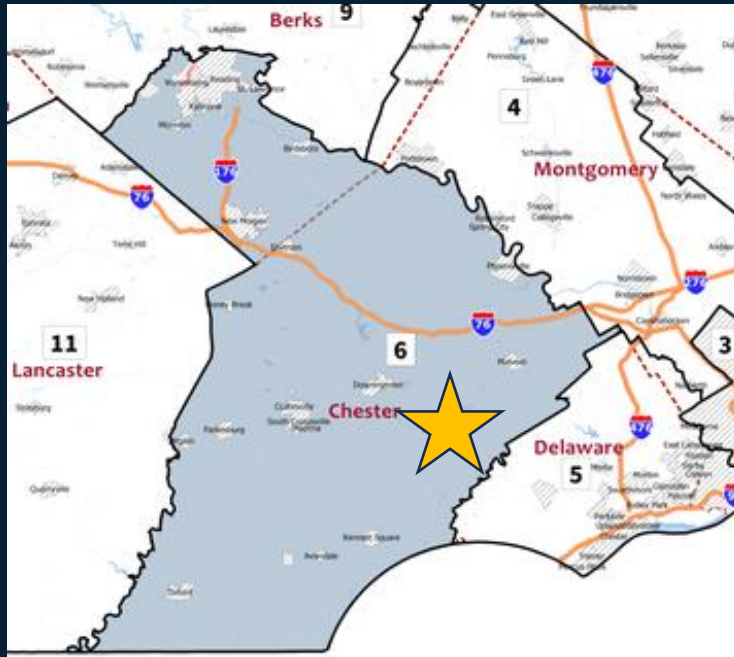
**WHAT ISSUES MATTER MOST TO YOU?**

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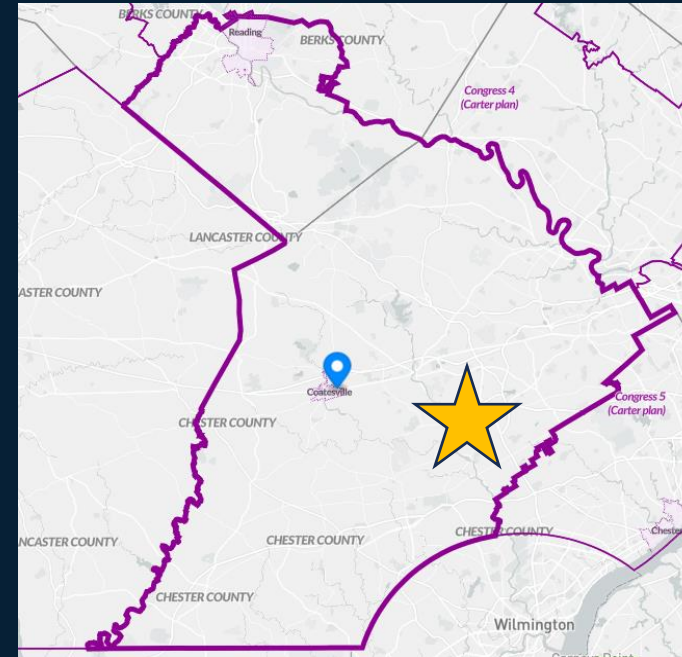
# CONGRESSIONAL UPDATE



# WHO DO I REPRESENT?



Old PA-06



New PA-06

Every 10 years, most recently in 2020, the U.S. Census Bureau counts the number of people in the United States. This data is used to redraw Congressional districts, to keep them all equal in population size.

# SERVING OUR COMMUNITY



## CONSTITUENT SUCCESS STORIES

“”

I had a delay in reviewing my USCIS form, which blocked me from performing some of my work duties and could have cost me my job and the opportunity to pay my mortgage and cover basic expenses. I will always be grateful for the help that Rep. Houlahan's office gave me, especially by Victoria. It literally saved my life. I want to say again - thank you so much!

*Darya - Morgantown*

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HOULAHAN



*Members of our team enjoying Longwood Gardens!*

# COMMITMENT TO PRAGMATIC GOVERNANCE



*Houlahan receives Legislative Action Award from Laura Hall, Executive Director of Bipartisan Action Group during a town hall in Downingtown.*

- Received the Legislative Action Award, presented to only 6 members each year (2 Senators and 4 Representatives)
- Among the highest scoring members of Congress for bipartisanship – recognized by the Common Ground Committee
- Reflected in my legislative record:
  - 92% of my bills are bipartisan
  - 86% of the bills I cosponsor are bipartisan



# COMMITMENT TO SERVICE

- U.S. Air Force Veteran
- Chemistry teacher at Simon Gratz High School in North Philadelphia through Teach for America (AmeriCorps)
- Member of Congress since 2019



# SUPPORTING AMERICORPS

- Last month, sent a letter to House leadership to reverse course and preserve funding for AmeriCorps.
- Signed an appropriations letter for the Peace Corps, supporting \$435M in funding for that organization.



**Chrissy Houlahan**   
@RepHoulahan

Service is a powerful tool to connect Americans, and [@AmeriCorps](#) is one of the best ways to serve. I want to honor the many Americans who have dedicated their time to helping others, and the work that can make us a more united and compassionate nation.

## U.S. Rep. Chrissy Houlahan meets Reading's new Climate Corps

The congresswoman thanked members of the program for their service to the city.



U.S. Rep. Chrissy Houlahan met with Reading Climate Corps workers at the Pagoda Friday and helped with some litter pickup around the trails. (BILL UHRICH – READING EAGLE)



**REP. CHRISSEY HOULAHAN**  
(D) Pennsylvania

or part of their lives to serving others.

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# SELECTIVE SERVICE UPDATE

- Check your Selective Service Status at [sss.gov/verify](https://sss.gov/verify) or by scanning the QR code below.



## Reasons to Register

### Registration is the Law

A man's only duty right now under the Military Selective Service Act is to register at age 18 and then to let Selective Service know within 10 days of any changes in the information he provided on his registration form until he turns 26 years old.

### Fairness and Equity

By registering all eligible men, Selective Service ensures a fair and equitable draft, if ever required. Exemptions and deferments apply only in the event of a draft.

### Insurance for the Nation

By registering, a man's participation helps provide a hedge against unforeseen threats. The Selective Service System is a relatively low-cost insurance policy for our nation.

# QUALITY OF LIFE PANEL



- Ranking Member of Armed Services Committee's Quality of Life Panel (democratic leader) since June 2023
- Hosted public hearing with Senior Enlisted Officials of Military earlier this year
- Releasing public report on panel's findings later this year

# MICHAEL SMITH

- CEO of AmeriCorps since 2021
- Since joining AmeriCorps Michael has "sharpened the agency's focus on equity, investing in what works and uniting communities through the power of service."
- He oversees the 6 key focus areas of AmeriCorps: education, economic opportunity, disaster services, environmental stewardship, healthy futures, and veterans and military families.





YEARS *of*  
**AmeriCorps**

1993-1994  
1961-1961



AmeriCorps is formed as the government agency for national and community service, and the first to govern in.



2025



Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Holiday is designated as a National Day of Service, led by AmeriCorps.



**1991**



**AmeriCorps and  
Points of Light  
worked with partners  
to convene  
the Presidents'  
Summit  
for America's Future.**

# 2005



AmeriCorps  
responds  
to Hurricane Katrina.

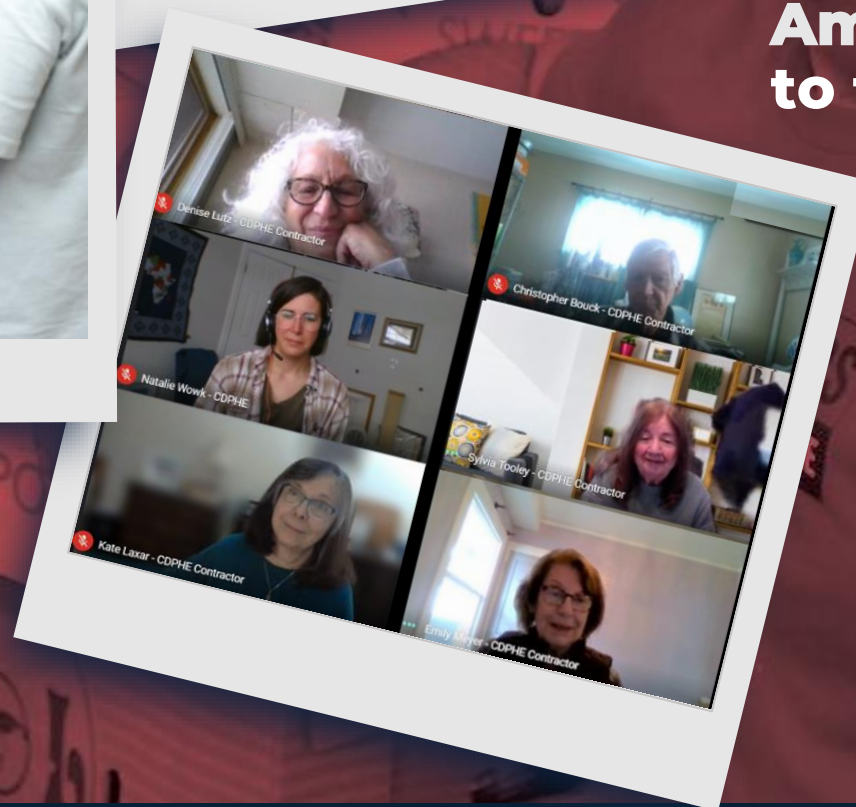
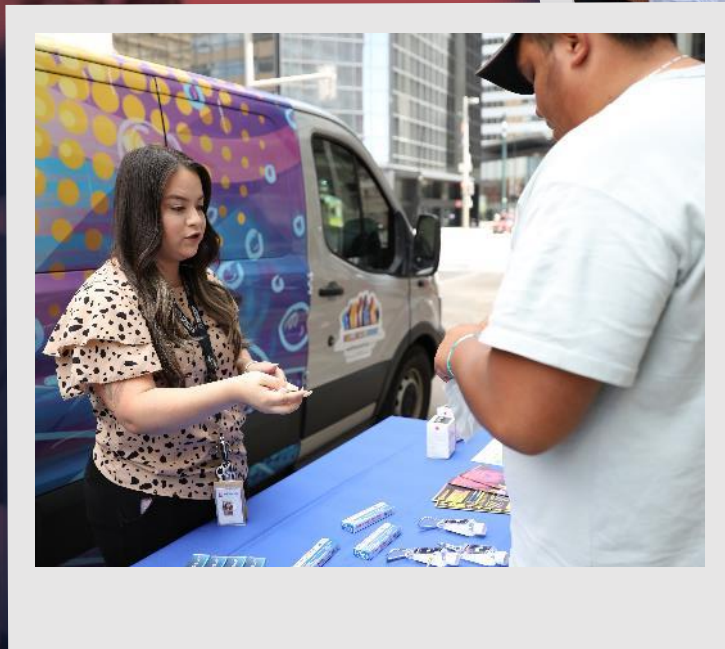


# 2012



AmeriCorps partnered with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to create FEMA Corps – a separate program track of AmeriCorps NCCC focused on emergency management and response.

2021-2023



AmeriCorps responds to the COVID-19 Pandemic



# AmeriCorps Areas of Focus



- **Disaster Response**



- **Healthy Futures & Public Health**



- **Environmental Stewardship**



- **Education**



- **Economic Opportunity**

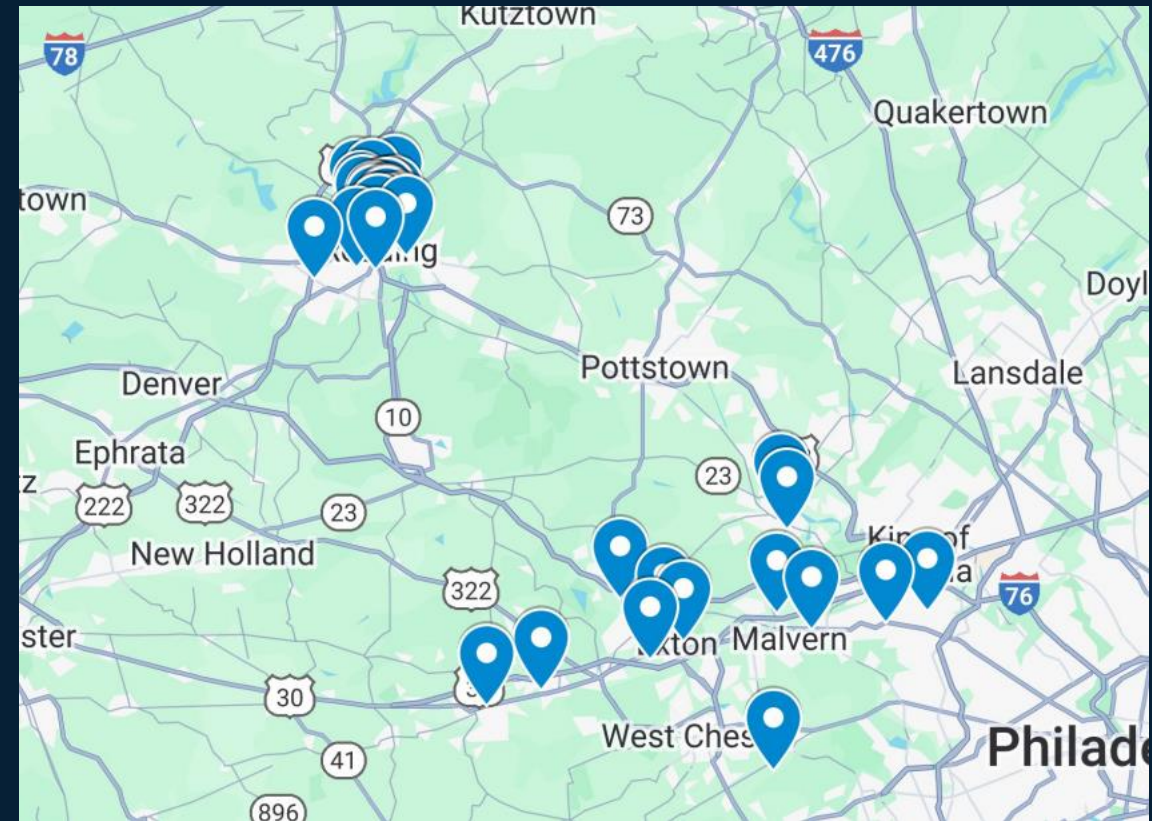


- **Veterans & Military Families**



# AmeriCorps in PA-06

- Over **100** Current AmeriCorps participants
- Serving at **30** Service Locations across PA-06



# AmeriCorps in PA-06

## Sponsor Organizations

- Up2Us, Inc
- College Advising Corps
- The Corps Network
- Conservation Legacy
- The Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania
- Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading & Berks County
- Partners for Campus Community Engagement
- Alvernia University
- RSVP Volunteers
- Diakon Child Family & Communities Ministries





# Celebrate this Moment. JOIN THE MOVEMENT.

September 2023-2024 | #AmeriCorps30

[SocialPresskit.com/AmeriCorps30](https://socialpresskit.com/AmeriCorps30)





# Q&A

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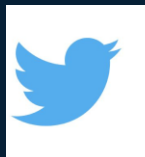
# CLOSING REMARKS



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