PhilaImpact Fund

2018 Impact in Greater Philadelphia
In 2018, capital from the PhilaImpact Fund supported projects ranging from new homes and schools to quality jobs and thriving businesses in neighborhoods that need them. PhilaImpact Fund is a fixed income product that puts 100 percent of investments toward enhancing the growth of the Greater Philadelphia region, which includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties in Pennsylvania; and Burlington and Camden counties in New Jersey.

PhilaImpact Fund is a Reinvestment Fund local impact program anchored by the Philadelphia Foundation. To date, the PhilaImpact Fund has raised $11 million* in investments from a diverse array of investors. Supported by the PhilaImpact Fund and other capital sources, Reinvestment Fund provided $48.4 million in financing to projects in the Philadelphia region in 2018.

These projects have resulted in:

- 680 early childhood education seats created or retained,
- 2,710 K-12 education seats created or retained,
- 140 homes created, rehabilitated, acquired, or preserved,
- 664,900 square feet of commercial space and community facilities created, rehabilitated, acquired, or preserved,
- 960 full time equivalent, construction jobs created, and,
- 721 full time equivalent, permanent jobs created or retained.

The following are some highlights from 2018.

**FIRST STEP STAFFING**

First Step Staffing is a nonprofit social enterprise based in Atlanta, GA. Our loan is helping the organization acquire a portion Philadelphia’s On Time Staffing, forming a unique job training and placement program for homeless individuals and returning citizens.

In the first year, First Step expects to employ 500 homeless men and women in the Philadelphia area and grow to serve more than 1,000 within three years.

“We believe a steady and sustainable income is the only reliable path out of homelessness,” says First Step founder Greg Block.
POINT BREEZE
Market Affordable Housing

Innova Redevelopment is a mission-driven for-profit housing developer. Reinvestment Fund has supported Innova's work reclaiming vacant lots in the Point Breeze neighborhood since 2013.

The current development, Breeze Flats, is a partnership with the Philadelphia Land Bank, which provided the vacant lots at $1 per lot in exchange for the homes being sold at affordable prices and to buyers who have moderate incomes.

A dense rowhouse neighborhood in South Philadelphia, Point Breeze is considered by many to be one of the city's fastest gentrifying neighborhoods. According to new data from Zillow, now available on PolicyMap, home sale prices on many blocks in the neighborhood have increased by more than 200% over the last five years. With sales capped at $230,000, these homes will be affordable to households earning approximately $61,000 a year. The project includes 19 two- and three-bedroom condos and one single family home, all with energy efficiency features.
The former Franklin Carpet Mill, which has long sat vacant, will become a community asset once more as Huntington Mills, a mixed-use residential and community center for health and wellness.

This is an important project in a severely distressed community just south of the epicenter of Philadelphia’s opioid epidemic. In parts of the neighborhood, upwards of 50% of residents live in poverty.

Once complete, the building will house 39 apartments for social workers and therapists who work in health and human services. These individuals will receive a substantial discount in rent. In addition, the complex will house roughly 24,000 square feet of space for nonprofit organizations in the health and wellness sector. This includes a high-quality childcare provider that also offers early intervention and mental health services to children.

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Reinvestment Fund and the Philadelphia Foundation have joined forces to offer investors a new way to revitalize their communities while earning consistent returns. PhilaImpact Fund supports a wide range of projects aimed at revitalizing communities and improving lives. The Fund currently has $11 million* in capital and continues to accept new investments.

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