

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

Orange County Justice United

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Preserving Affordable Housing and Preventing Displacement

- \$300k in additional home repairs funds from Orange County and Hillsborough.
- \$200k in additional property tax assistance, on top of \$250k annual amount.
- County re-assessed 171 neighborhoods to correct them, based on our organizing.
- County formed work group to make entire property assessment process more equitable.
- 200+ property value appeals, resulting in over \$3 million in reduced taxes.
- Action with 165 leaders formed base for long-term power. County Commissioners attended and pledged that property assessment equity is their top priority this year.

Habitat: Affordability and Racial Equity

- Goal is a commitment from Habitat to a specific number of homes at the future Auman Village neighborhood to be available to households earning \$33,000.
- Justice United leaders committed to collaborating with Habitat to raise additional public and private funds, once Habitat commits to a specific number of homes.

More wins:

- County identifying land and funds for reentry housing.

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

- Four Medicaid and Medicare enrollment and information sessions in Northern Orange.
- Commitment from the Director of UNC Health Financial Assistance to remove barriers to access in the application process, and to hold same-day approval sessions.
- Over 70 applicants received one-to-one support, while identifying barriers to report.

IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

- Immigration attorney clinic provided free legal consultation to 75+ community members.
- Commitments from public officials to protection from searches/seizures without a judicial warrant – on public property/in public interactions.
- Team formed to address school bullying.

STATEWIDE CAMPAIGNS

- Attorney General Jeff Jackson preserved the Civil Rights Unit and is clarifying U-Visas.
- Supt. of Public Instruction Mo Green implemented our proposals to increase teacher pay and reinstate Master's pay increase. Should be adopted if the budget passes.

TRAINING

- 30 Justice United leaders developed skills at three organizing trainings.