

RAC-CA adopted a full Legislative Agenda, with bills and budget requests in six issue areas. In the spring, we mobilized 1000 people to call Governor Newsom in support of tripling funding for CalVIP violence prevention programs, our first victory of the year. We then chose a package of five housing bills as our top priority. Four of these will become law, removing barriers to the building of new affordable housing and protecting tenants from rent gouging and discrimination based on income. The fifth bill, a proposal to override restrictive zoning, became a two-year bill. Please see below for the full results of our 2019 campaigns.



Bill Status

September 2019



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PARTIAL WIN



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ISSUE	BILL/BUDGET REQUEST	NOTES
HOUSING/ HOMELESSNESS	AB 1486 (Ting) Prioritizes surplus government land for affordable housing	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>
	AB 1763 (Chiu) Reduces barriers to affordable housing	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>
	AB 1482 (Chiu) Prevents rent gouging	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>
	SB 329 (Mitchell) Prevents discrimination against renters with government subsidies	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>
	AB 1279 (Bloom) Permits more housing to be built in "high resource" areas	<i>Passed Assembly, now in Senate Committees – now a two-year bill</i>
CLIMATE/ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE	SB 54 (Allen et al)/ AB 1080 (Gonzalez et al) Reduces and recycles single-use plastic	<i>Did not pass – now a two-year bill, AB 1080 in Senate inactive file</i>
	Provides \$130 million annually for ten years for safe and affordable drinking water	<i>Will ensure everyone in CA has access to clean drinking water.</i>
IMMIGRATION	AB 1282 (Kalra) Prevents state contractors from helping deport immigrants	<i>Passed but vetoed by Gov. Newsom</i>
IMMIGRATION/ HEALTHCARE	Provides Medi-Cal coverage to low-income immigrants up to 26 years old	<i>A partial victory: we sought to get all low-income immigrants covered</i>
HEALTHCARE	Provides \$450 million over three years for healthcare subsidies for low- and moderate-income families	<i>Healthcare subsidies available for families earning up to \$75,000 per year</i>
GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION	Allocates \$30 million for CalVIP local gun violence prevention programs	<i>Triple what was spent on local GVP last year.</i>
	AB 339 (Quirk-Silva) Requires police standards for gun violence restraining orders	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>
	AB 165 (Gabriel) Requires police training for gun violence restraining orders	<i>Did not pass – now a two-year bill, being held in senate appropriations committee under submission</i>
CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM	SB 136 (Wiener) Stops extending criminal sentences for prior convictions	<i>Will become law January 1st</i>