

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



IN PROGRESS

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