

## **Vote for Homes! Voter Guide**

Governor Tom Corbett

Over the past four years, I have been committed to building a stronger Pennsylvania by focusing on the needs of our most vulnerable citizens. While nonprofit organizations – such as Project HOME – supply essential daily services to the homeless, I believe it is incumbent upon state government to identify and eliminate the fundamental causes of homelessness.

Since assuming office in January 2011, more than 180,000 private sector jobs have been created in Pennsylvania while our unemployment rate plummeted from 8.1% to 5.7%. We have accomplished these goals – and sought to eliminate the cycle of poverty – by expanding innovative opportunities for Pennsylvanians. Unique programs, such as Keystone Works, are designed to provide Pennsylvanians with necessary on-the-job training without forfeiting critical unemployment compensation benefits.

In addition, my administration reprogrammed public welfare spending to eliminate the waiting list for disability services. I believe it is unconscionable that Pennsylvanians with mental and physical disabilities did not have immediate access to critical healthcare programs. Through significant financial investment, state government has expanded access to care so our most vulnerable citizens now receive the services they deserve.

I believe the reduction and elimination of homelessness must remain a collaborative effort between state government and nonprofit organizations. This continued partnership will enhance our ability to mitigate the primary causes of homelessness while promoting a network of critical support services.