



Dear <<First Name>>,

Here at EBASE, we are feeling a glimmer of hope after a year of relentless political attacks on our communities, climate-related disasters, and mass shootings. Our coalitions – and Progressives across the nation – are winning policies and elections on a local level, **and beginning to reclaim our cities and our democracy.**

Like you, I want to build on those victories in 2018 – which promises to be a watershed year for racial and economic justice. **You can go all in by making a gift to EBASE to support local work that serves as a model for the region, the state, and the country.**

EBASE's groundbreaking good jobs agreement at the Port of Oakland and our breakthrough win in Concord on a sanctuary-style policy for immigrants inspire me with hope. Adding to that feeling were this November's election results from across the country. **It's a whole different picture of America than what we've seen since 11/8/16, and it's a picture we can get behind.**

These victories are a reminder to all of us of what is possible, especially when our democracy prioritizes the voices of communities of color, immigrants, women, and queer folks. **We can expect more from our economy, more from our government, and more from ourselves.**

You and I know we have so much more work to do to dismantle the economic racism that undergirds our society. **By supporting EBASE,** you help to break down that system which locks our Black and Brown neighbors out of positions of power and economic opportunities.

Join us as we envision a **new** system – not just fix the one that was built on the backs of people of color. This political moment calls upon us to be bolder and **transform our workplaces, homes, schools, and neighborhoods to be sanctuaries for everyone.**

Let's overcome the American myth of scarcity to ensure that communities of color can thrive in the abundance of the Bay Area and this country. Join **EBASE in working to:**

- Lift countless low-wage workers living in poverty by fighting for stable, family-sustaining jobs in the service and warehousing industries.

- Protect the thousands of undocumented immigrants by passing sanctuary city and workplace policies.
- End mass incarceration by stopping jail expansions and passing strong Ban-the-Box policies to provide opportunities for formerly incarcerated workers.
- Ensure that large-scale development projects on public land serve the public good by including affordable housing and good jobs to prevent displacement of low-income people of color.
- Build a movement around the Bay Area, throughout California, and across the country to take these wins to scale.

Through everything we do, EBASE brings a strong anti-racist lens to our campaigns. Racism did not begin with the election of Trump, and it is not just propagated by neo-Nazis and conservatives. **It is internalized by everyone.**

Dismantling white supremacy is a lifelong fight, and we must do deep anti-racist work to transform our institutions. And it starts within ourselves.

You and I know that we cannot allow our pride as Progressives to blind us from the work we need to do. Our vision for a new system that values all people will only come through personal transformation and a collective process that we all go through. **Together.**

The Right wing will continue to try to flatten us into a state of inertia. Join EBASE as we fight back and work to transform ourselves and our economy. **Join EBASE as we take back our communities, our cities, and our democracy.**

Finally, join EBASE as we commit every single day to fighting not only overt forms of racism, **but dismantling the foundation of structural racism that will take down the whole house of white supremacy.**

Onward,



Kate O'Hara
EBASE Executive Director

P.S. **Please make a gift to EBASE,** and together let's build an economy which provides opportunity, racial justice, and sanctuary for everyone in our community.