



**CHESTER COUNTY CHAMBER OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY, GREAT VALLEY CAMPUS
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U.S. Representative Chrissy Houlahan is an Air Force veteran, engineer, serial entrepreneur, educator, and nonprofit leader, who represents Pennsylvania's 6th Congressional District, which encompasses Chester County and southern Berks County.

CHRISSY'S COMMITTEE AND CAUCUS ROLES:

- House Armed Services Committee, Member
- House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Member
- Stakeholder Capitalism Caucus, Founder and Co-Chair
- Paid Family Leave Working Group, Founder and Co-Chair
- Women in STEM Caucus, Founding Member and Co-Chair
- Problem Solvers Caucus, Member
- Servicewomen and Women Veterans Caucus, Founder
- Bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus, Co-Chair

CHAMPION LOCAL JOBS & OPPORTUNITY:

- Fought to save **hundreds of local jobs** by delaying the closure of the Lockheed Martin/Sikorsky Heliplax Facility in Coatesville. Houlahan supported the plant's ownership transition in 2023 to Piasecki Aircraft Corporation. In July 2024, Houlahan and Piasecki announced **expanded remanufacturing operations** at the plant for the CH-46 helicopter.
- Championed the restoration of passenger rail to Reading, with stops in Phoenixville and Pottstown, through securing **\$750,000 in Community Project Funding** and **leading bipartisan letters of support**. In Dec. 2023, Houlahan announced that the Schuylkill River Passenger Rail Authority was accepted into the federal Corridor Identification Program, which was created by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which Houlahan voted for and was signed into law by President Biden.
- Hosted **Small Business Administrator Isabella Guzman** in the district for a roundtable discussion with various chamber and local business leaders and tour of a local innovation hub.
- Hosted **U.S. Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo** in the district for a tour of semiconductor manufacturer, Vishay Intertechnology, to discuss workforce challenges, supply chains, STEM education, and a return of domestic manufacturing for these vital components.
- Supports local **workforce development** programs through Community Project Funding. Recipients include United Way of Chester County.
- Welcoming regional **business expansion** like International Paper in Atglen.
- Voted for historic pieces of legislation to bolster economic development in the region, including the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the bipartisan CHIPS and Science Act, and the



Inflation Reduction Act. According to the White House, these investments have, so far, led to **528,000 new jobs** and **\$4.4 billion in private sector investment** in Pennsylvania.

- Drove investment to the Southeastern Pennsylvania region. With Houlahan’s support, SEPA was selected as **one of seven Hydrogen Hubs** across the U.S., with an estimated **\$750 million federal investment** and **20,800 direct jobs**. SEPA was also selected as a **Precision Medicine Tech Hub**, with an estimated **\$50-75 million federal investment** and **20,475 total jobs**.
- Tackled rising inflation and regional housing costs by co-authoring and working to implement the New Democrat Coalition’s **Inflation Action Plan** and **Economic Opportunity Agenda**. *Forbes* called the plan the “**best inflation-fighting blueprint to come out of Congress yet.**”
- During the COVID-19 pandemic, Houlahan supported programs that provided relief to small business owners, including the **Paycheck Protection Program**, **Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program**, and **Shuttered Venue Operators Grant**.

BIPARTISANSHIP & LEADING ON KEY ISSUES:

- Houlahan’s leadership bridges partisan divides:
 - As Co-Founder and Co-Chair of the **Bipartisan Paid Leave Working Group**, Houlahan released a first of its kind, comprehensive framework to make paid leave more accessible to families and businesses nationwide.
 - As Co-Chair of the **Bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus**, Houlahan has worked with Members and business leaders to advance policies to address climate change while protecting the economic prosperity of the nation.
 - As a Steering Committee Member of the **Bipartisan Fiscal Forum**, Houlahan has prioritized fiscal responsibility and backed efforts to review our nation’s debt and spending. Notably, Houlahan voted for the bipartisan Fiscal Responsibility Act to prevent a devastating default on our nation’s debt.
 - As a Member of the **Bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus**, Houlahan works to lower the temperature in Washington and collaborate on a variety of issues ranging from inflation to immigration reform and border security.
- Houlahan was **ranked as one of the most bipartisan Members of Congress in 2023**, scoring **#20 out of 436** in the House. This data is measured and reported by the nonpartisan Lugar Center.
- Houlahan has worked with her Republican colleagues to introduce and advance several bills to bolster business and workforce. This includes:
 - The **bipartisan Small Business Contracting Transparency Act (H.R.4670)**, which would provide needed federal oversight of various small business contracting programs. This legislation passed the House Floor **unanimously** in November 2023.
 - The **bipartisan RAMP for Innovators Act (H.R.3056)** and **STEM RESTART Act (H.R.1403)** to increase innovation and address workforce shortages, respectively.
- Houlahan has supported additional pieces of legislation to address local business challenges:



- Voted for the **bipartisan Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act (H.R.7024)** to improve access to the child tax credit, reinstate the research and development tax credit, and more. Houlahan has consistently supported efforts to improve child care access for businesses, servicemembers, and families.
- Cosponsored the **bipartisan DIGNITY Act (H.R.3599)**, which would provide H-2B Visa cap relief and reforms to the agricultural worker visa process, in addition to a slate of immigration and border security reforms.

RECOGNITION & AWARDS:

- Houlahan has been honored for her Congressional accomplishments, including:
 - The **U.S. Chamber of Commerce's** Abraham Lincoln Leadership for America Award and Advocate for American Business Award
 - The **Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget's** Fiscal Hero Award
 - The **Small Business Technology Council's** 2022 Milton Stewart Award
 - The **Small Business Investor Alliance's** 2022 Champion of Small Business Investing Award
 - The **Bipartisan Policy Center's** Legislative Action Award
 - The **Congressional Management Foundation's** Democracy Awards in the categories of Transparency and Accountability, Constituent Services, and Life in Congress/Workplace Environment
 - **Bipartisan Lugar Score**, top 5% recognition for 118th Congress
 - **Former Members of Congress** Statesmanship Award
 - **Voices for National Service's** Congressional Service Award
 - **Friend of the Farm Bureau Award**, two-time award winner

DELIVERING CONSTITUENT SERVICES: (Since January 2019)

- **\$57,676,568 returned** to constituents (including business owners) through casework services, **9,129 cases** resolved for our community, **388,667 emails** sent, and **42,132 phone calls** returned. Chrissy has held **87 public town halls** and met with thousands of constituents and stakeholders throughout PA's Sixth District.



Learn about Chrissy's plan to fight inflation by scanning this QR code

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