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2021
YEAR IN
REVIEW

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Hello,

As I reflect on the past year, I'm struck by the number of historic milestones our country has experienced. While the COVID-19 pandemic has continued to affect families across the country, my Democratic colleagues and I never wavered in our commitment to help hardworking families get through the hardships of the pandemic and to advocate for public health in all communities. Obviously I am a Democrat, but my job is to serve everyone in our district. From passing President Joe Biden's historic American Rescue Plan to support families and our economy through the economic downturn, to getting millions of shots into arms to bring the pandemic under control, to passing historic investments in our nation's crumbling infrastructure, I'm proud of what we have achieved this past year in Congress for all Americans.

My colleagues and I remain dedicated to delivering results for the people, including struggling families and children who desperately need help. That's why we passed the Child Tax Credit last year, giving millions of families more money for food, childcare, and other daily costs. We also advanced bold climate proposals to shift our nation and the world away from dirty fossil fuels, and we advocated for paid family and medical leave, cutting prescription drug costs, and more—setting the stage for passing the Build Back Better Agenda, our once-in-a-generation plan to address the most pressing issues affecting our country today.

As we approach the anniversary of President Biden's first year in office, I remain committed to protecting our democratic institutions, investing in green infrastructure, addressing the climate crisis with renewable energy solutions, restoring the fundamental right to vote, and passing the Build Back Better Agenda to make sure our economy works for everyone, not just billionaires and wealthy corporations.

It's an honor to serve the constituents of California's Second District in Congress, and I'm pleased to share a report of the work my office has completed over the past year.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Huffman". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jared Huffman
Member of Congress

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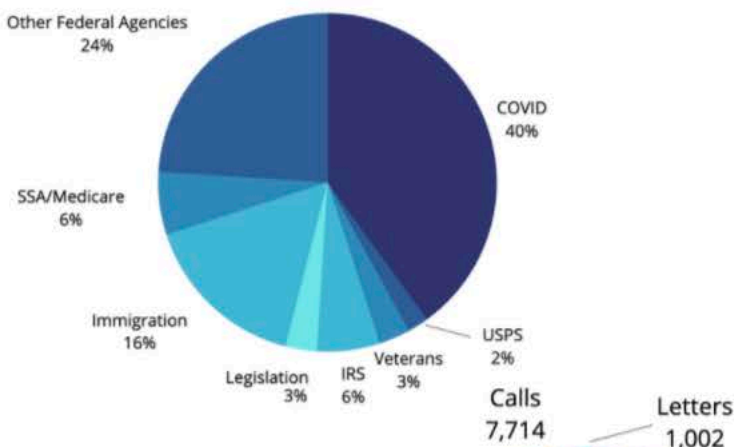




SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic was not the only challenge our community faced last year; we also had another disastrous fire season fueled by climate change and record-breaking drought. From helping constituents **navigate federal bureaucracies** to **securing disaster relief** and **passing legislation through Congress**, the work my team undertook last year was of vital importance to the communities we serve.

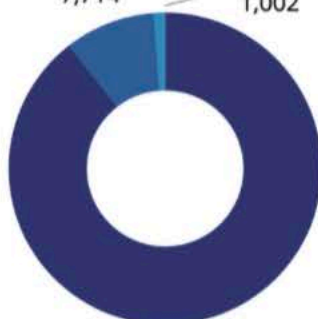
Casework Breakdown



Calls
7,714

Letters
1,002

Constituent Correspondence



Emails
73,540



\$6.5

MILLION
RETURNED TO
CONSTITUENTS



223
MEETINGS AND
EVENTS WITH
CONSTITUENTS



5,347
CONSTITUENTS
HELPED THROUGH
CASEWORK

Local businesses were hit hard by the pandemic and economic fallout. For many, our work with President Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris to pass the **American Rescue Plan**, was a lifeline that brought billions in economic relief to small businesses across the country. Communities in California have received over **\$5 billion from the Restaurant Revitalization Fund and billions more through**

the Shuttered Venues Operator Grant. And we're working to invest more with the Build Back Better Agenda, so that no one is left behind.

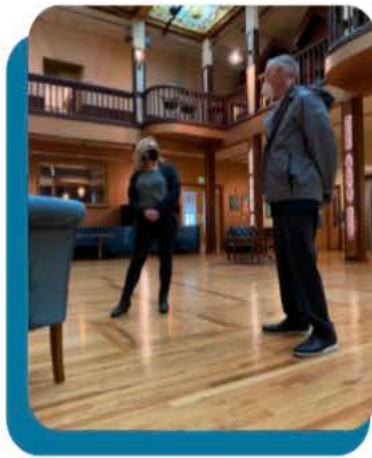
COVID-19 also exacerbated the childcare crisis facing too many working families. Caregivers were forced to choose between taking care of their kids and paying bills—driving workers, especially women, out of the workplace.

Thankfully the American Rescue Plan included expansion of **Child Tax Credit payments**, putting money in the pockets of struggling parents to pay for child care, groceries, and more so they can go back to work and fuel our economic recovery while building better lives for their families. In my district alone, this program provided **\$152.9 million in tax cuts** to support the needs of over **103,000 children**.

The firefighters and first responders who put their lives on the line for the safety of our communities deserve our gratitude and appreciation more than ever. That's why, in addition to requesting and receiving a major disaster declaration to get relief for the wildfires that hit our region last year, I joined



Rep. Huffman receives an update on the California wildfires.



Rep. Huffman at Eagle House Inn to discuss pandemic small business relief.

Senator Alex Padilla in introducing two bills to redesign the federal government's response to wildfires and provide additional resources to better support firefighters and ensure equity for communities experiencing natural disasters.



We are consistently impressed by Congressman Huffman's staff, and their responsiveness, follow-through, and tangible support. We know that he and his staff are incredibly busy working on behalf of the North Bay (and our country) on important policy issues, and we are so grateful that they also make time to help local constituents navigate federal programs, as with Farm Trails' recent Shuttered Venue Grant appeal for the Gravenstein Apple Fair for more than \$100,000.

This beloved annual event has been a staple in the community since 1973, and this funding was essential in ensuring its continuation despite the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. We found Congressman Huffman's team to be extremely professional, helpful, communicative, friendly, and proactive, and we think their excellence speaks volumes about the quality of his leadership.

**Carmen Snyder,
Sebastopol**

AT WORK IN WASHINGTON

95

TOTAL COMMITTEE HEARINGS



53
NR
HEARINGS

31
T&I
HEARINGS

11
SCCC
HEARINGS

This past year I had the honor of serving on three House committees that are critical to the needs of our district: the **Natural Resources Committee**, where I chair the **Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife**; the **Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**; and the **Select Committee on the Climate Crisis**.



LEGISLATIVE OVERVIEW

Letters Signed: 220

Other Bills Joined: 341

Bills Introduced: 27

Bills Passed: 6

Cosponsors on our Bills: 632

BILL HIGHLIGHTS

I also advanced several important pieces of legislation - some which I have been championing since I first came to Congress. These are just a few highlights from my work this year. To see all of the bills I've worked on, visit huffman.house.gov.

INTRODUCED

IDEA Full Funding Act

bipartisan, bicameral legislation to hold up Congress' promise to fully fund special education services.

Sustaining America's Fisheries for the Future Act

to update and reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA), the primary law governing federal fisheries management and conservation.

FUTURE Act

an ambitious and comprehensive water infrastructure proposal to improve drought preparedness and water supply reliability.

Postal Vehicle Modernization Act

to provide \$6 billion in funding to electrify the USPS' outdated fleet. This funding was included in the Build Back Better Act.

Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Working Forests Act

to guard communities against wildfires, provide local jobs, and permanently protect many of northwest CA's spectacular wild places and pristine streams.

West Coast & North Pacific Ocean Protection Acts

to permanently protect these places from the dangers of offshore oil drilling. These bills were incorporated into the Build Back Better Act.



PASSED

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IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE & TAKING CLIMATE ACTION

The end of 2021 was a flurry of big legislative wins that will make a difference in peoples' lives. President Biden signed the bipartisan **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act** into law and the House passed the **Build Back Better Act**, teeing up transformational investments for families across the U.S. and historic climate action. I was honored to play a role in shaping, negotiating, and passing these bills. The infrastructure bill includes a community wildfire resiliency program I proposed in the last Congress with then-Senator Kamala Harris, elements of a western water and drought resiliency bill I have been working on for several years, and portions of the transportation infrastructure bill I helped pass out of committee and through the House last year. The transformative Build Back Better Act contains even more of my legislative initiatives – from **electrifying the postal fleet**, to **ending fossil fuel drilling** offshore and in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, to **investments for Tribes** in public health and safety, climate adaptation, and more. While this bill is still pending in the Senate, I remain hopeful that it will pass early in 2022. This will be a great victory for the American people and for future generations who deserve a livable planet and an economy that works for everyone.



Rep. Huffman joins colleagues at the White House for the signing of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

In November, I joined Speaker Nancy Pelosi and other congressional leaders at the international climate summit, COP26, in Glasgow. We **met with global leaders and climate stakeholders, supported the Biden administration in its negotiations, and urged the global community to join us in making this the decade of action, not just ideas**, in confronting the climate crisis. We continue to face many political obstacles to bold climate action in the United States, but my House colleagues and I passed bold and historic bills last year and we are determined to overcome these challenges. The imperative of the climate crisis demands nothing less.

THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS AND JOBS ACT WILL DELIVER FOR CALIFORNIA



\$9.45 BILLION
to improve public transit



\$25.3 BILLION
to ensure clean water access



\$384 MILLION
to expand EV charging



\$25.3 BILLION
to repair highways



\$4.2 BILLION
to rebuild bridges



\$100 MILLION
to expand broadband access



\$84 MILLION
to protect against wildfires



\$1.5 BILLION
to upgrade airports

THE BUILD BACK BETTER AGENDA WILL

Make the single largest and most comprehensive investment in affordable housing in history



Establish universal paid family and medical leave



Expand affordable health care and reduce premiums for more than 9 million people

Invest in a clean energy economy – from transportation, electricity, and agriculture to climate smart practices across our lands and water



Reduce the deficit by ensuring corporations and the wealthiest pay their fair share. Nobody earning >\$400k per year will pay more in taxes



Save most American families more than half of their spending on child care

BUILDING BACK BETTER

In my role in Congress, it's an honor to work side-by-side with local governments, community organizations, and non-profits as we strive to improve the lives of people in our district. Folks here on the ground know our communities' needs best, and from rolling out an **ambitious vaccination program** to submitting grant requests to **fund the projects most critical to our area**, we were able to work hand-in-glove to deliver for California's Second District.

The pandemic has been a stark reminder of the crucial services our health care workers provide, and I was glad to be able to see many of them in person to tour new facilities and extend my deepest appreciation.



Thanks to **countless public health professionals and the American Rescue Plan**, which invested \$160 billion to provide the supplies, emergency response, testing, and public health workforce to stop the spread of COVID-19, our district was able to quickly achieve impressive vaccination goals.



\$10 MILLION

Huffman-Backed CA-02 Projects

INCLUDED IN HOUSE APPROPRIATION BILLS

The Community Project Funding process allowed local partners to give recommendations on what the federal budget should prioritize. The projects we put forward address some of the most pressing needs facing our region – **from climate resilience and increased affordable housing to critical infrastructure improvements and disaster preparedness** – and I will keep pushing during negotiations with the Senate on the appropriations bills to get our community the funding it needs to build back **better, stronger, and more resilient**.



**BURRE DENTAL CENTER
EXPANSION**
\$1,000,000

**E. SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BLVD
GAP CLOSURE**
\$700,000



**EMERGENCY MARINE MAMMAL
FIELD RESPONSE, RESEARCH
AND REHABILITATION**
\$500,000

**ANDERSON VALLEY
AFFORDABLE HOUSING
INITIATIVE**
\$400,000



**GREATER FARALLONES KELP
RECOVERY PROGRAM**
\$500,000

**HAMMOND TRAIL BRIDGE
REPLACEMENT PROJECT**
\$5,000,000



**PETALUMA HEALTH CENTER
ENERGY UPGRADES FOR
EMERGENCY RESPONSE**
\$1,600,000

**CERES DISASTER
PREPAREDNESS FOR
MEDICALLY TAILORED
MEALS**
\$100,000



**PROJECT REBOUND - HUMBOLDT COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

\$218,000



DEFENDING OUR DEMOCRACY

As we continue working to deliver results through legislation, it's also clear there is a dire need to defend the democracy we sometimes take for granted.

The January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol was one of the darkest days in our nation's history. It is vitally important to unearth all of the facts surrounding the planning and execution of this violent insurrection. That's why I supported a bipartisan bill to create an **independent 9/11-style commission** to investigate the matter and make findings and recommendations to Congress. When most of our Republican colleagues decided to oppose the creation of an independent commission, I then supported the establishment of a bipartisan House Select Committee to do this critical work. That committee is now working diligently to complete a comprehensive investigation and report that will help us prevent another attack on our democracy and hold accountable those who planned, participated in, or incited the January 6th debacle.

In many ways, the past few years has revealed how fragile democracy is. We can no longer rely on norms and values like truth and decency to hold our democratic institutions together – we must codify safeguards in ways many of us would previously have considered unnecessary. That's why I joined Rep. Adam Schiff in co-sponsoring the **Protecting Our Democracy Act**: to prevent future abuses of power, strengthen checks and balances, and protect our elections. Democrats are committed to restoring Americans' trust in government, and I am pleased to report this bill passed out of the House.

Last but certainly not least, our democracy is being threatened by a new wave of attacks on voting rights in many parts of the country. Last summer, I voted to pass the **John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act**, named after my late colleague, friend, and civil rights hero. This bill would restore and protect the fundamental right to vote so all citizens can participate in our democracy. There is much more that should be done to ensure election integrity and voting rights, but this bill is the very least we must do.



Sgt. Aquilino Gonell, Officer Michael Fanone, Officer Daniel Hodges, and Private First Class Harry Dunn are sworn in to testify before the House Select Committee investigating the January 6 attack on U.S. Capitol on July 27, 2021, in Washington, D.C.

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