

RAD

2022



ANNUAL REPORT



RAD works in unexpected ways.

RAD works consistently.

RAD works like no other.

RAD works like a dream.





RAD works for
the community.

RAD works
with vision.

RAD works for
the future.

RAD works
for all.



RAD works **HERE**

RAD works for you

LETTER FROM BOARD CHAIR

From the spectacular to the serene, RAD has a hand in many quintessential Pittsburgh moments.

What are the moments that inspire you?

Perhaps it's rising to applaud for performers at the Benedum Center or waving your Terrible Towel to the sound of "Renegade" at a Steelers game. Maybe it's something more quiet or contemplative: fishing on a Saturday morning at North Park Lake, observing the art at The Andy Warhol Museum, or browsing the stacks at your local library.

We are so lucky to live in Allegheny County. The myriad ways in which RAD works represent the theme of this 2022 annual report. RAD and our assets work here so you can focus on sharing special moments with family and friends at the Zoo, the theaters, the museums, the parks and all of the special places that make Allegheny County unique and exciting!

While COVID presented a few tough years for so many of us, RAD has been up to the task of keeping our local gems shining brightly. In 2022, we were proud to invest a record \$123.5 million in our assets. As always, the majority of RAD's investments support public libraries and regional parks throughout Pittsburgh and Allegheny County—sustaining our shared places that are free to enjoy year-round.

That consistency does not mean we are standing still. RAD funding is constantly working to refresh our regional parks. Two recent ribbon cuttings stand out: the new Hartwood Acres Sculpture Garden and the

renovated Highland Park Super Playground. RAD granted major funding to each of these projects, because we believe our parks deserve the best of the best for everyone to appreciate.

We're also doubling down on public libraries. Our \$5 million Transformative Community Library Fund will create dramatic improvements in some of our disadvantaged areas. This money will truly "transform" libraries with funds for building improvements and programs that would otherwise be difficult to finance.

In 2022, many of our revered performance groups were able to shake off pandemic restrictions and fully engage with our community.

Our Carnegie Libraries treated patrons to the top-flight musicians of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra playing all 16 Beethoven string quartets. Along the riverfront in Sharpsburg, Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre performed pliés and Attack Theatre danced in their unabashed style. South Park, Boyce Park and Hartwood Acres were transformed into the Sherwood Forest for Pittsburgh Public Theater's rousing renditions of Robin Hood.

These are just a few examples of how our regional assets are stronger together than they are separately, and I look forward to seeing more of these wonderful collaborations in the years to come.

Thank you to my fellow board members for once again electing me RAD's Chair. They are an incredible group of dedicated volunteers from our community. I especially thank **Dusty Elias Kirk** for leading the board with strength and vision over these past three years. None of us takes lightly the responsibility of stewarding the tax dollars that fund our regional assets. It is truly the honor of my lifetime.

As you read this report, take a moment yourself to feel inspired, encouraged, and hopefully uplifted by the impact of RAD—and our assets...your assets. Together, we make Allegheny County an amazing place to live and thrive.

[RAD works here!](#)



Daniel J. Griffin | RAD BOARD CHAIR



Daniel J. Griffin
RAD Board Chair



Dusty Elias Kirk
Vice-Chair, 2022 Board Chair



Sylvia Fields
Secretary/Treasurer



Jackie Dixon



Daniel Rosen



Anthony J. Ross



Kendra J. Ross

THE 1% COUNTY SALES TAX yielded \$247.26 million in 2022. Half of the proceeds go directly to Allegheny County and its 128 municipalities to support tax relief and local government services. The other half supports our regional assets.

RAD distributed its 2022 budget of \$123.5 million into these categories:

Libraries

\$38,421,123 (31.1%)

Parks & Trails

\$39,011,802 (31.6%)

Arts & Culture

\$17,754,728 (14.4%)

Sports & Civic Facilities

\$14,200,000 (11.5%)

Regional Attractions

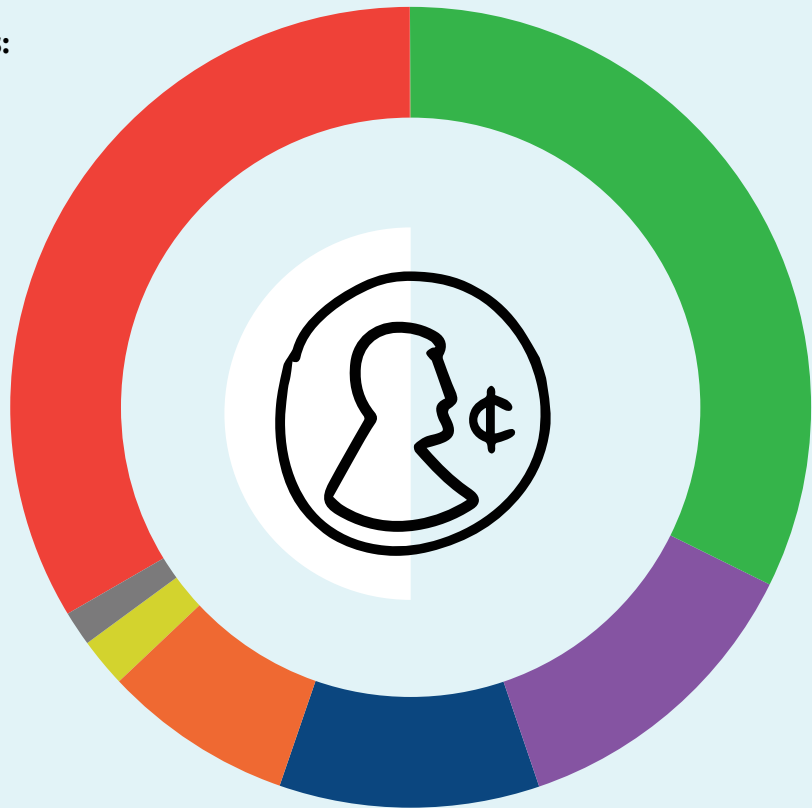
\$10,010,188 (8.1%)

Public Transit

\$3,000,000 (2.4%)

Administration

\$1,070,000 (0.9%)



RAD works with
PURPOSE

Public participation
& attendance at RAD
assets totaled

48,754,569

7,990
people and

5,479
artists were
employed by
RAD assets

Pittsburgh
& Allegheny
County regional
parks and trails
saw 30.9 million
visits

RAD assets contributed
\$914,718,658

to our local economy,
including

\$23,505,664

in contract with more than
450 Minority, Women
and Disadvantaged
Business Enterprises

3,249,136
eResources
circulated to
library users across
Allegheny County

RAD assets provided
1,700,363
free tickets, valued at
\$15.2 million

RAD Pass users
reserved 2,283
passes for free &
discounted tickets

RAD assets paid employees
a total of \$431,547,987
in wages and salaries



10.1 million

library items were circulated throughout the county

7,450

donors, including 1,200 new donors contributed to the annual Love Your Library campaign, raising a record-breaking \$1.26 million

CLP libraries saw **1.2 million** visits, up **76%** from 2021



RAD works

INCLUSIVELY

\$38,421,123**IN 2022 RAD FUNDING**

LIBRARIES

BY DELIVERING steady support to the Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA), Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (CLP), and the countywide electronic system eiNetwork, public investment from RAD's tax dollars does more than simply keep our libraries afloat. It allows them to grow and improve.

ACLA's 46 member libraries took steps forward to serve more people in 2022, breaking the 10-million-item mark for circulation. More libraries embraced Shared Services, exemplified by the 12 social work interns placed in libraries throughout Allegheny County.

For library patrons, the most visible change was CLP going fine-free. The library automatically waived all fines from cardholders' accounts in January. After the fine forgiveness, more than 2,000 people who previously had fines and an inactive card re-engaged with the library system. The majority of ACLA libraries—31 by the end of 2022—have also eliminated fines.

New leadership took charge of the library systems. Andrew Medlar was appointed in spring 2022 as the 12th President & Director of CLP, arriving from his work as Director of BookOps for the New York Public Library. It was also the first full year for ACLA Executive

Director Amy Anderson and eiNetwork Executive Director Carlos Correa.

A library goes beyond the bookstacks, as each location is a technology hub for its community. CLP computers logged 83% more sessions in 2022 compared to 2021, and Wi-Fi connections increased by over 400%. eiNetwork completed a fiber circuit update at each ACLA site, providing ten times more capacity than the old network.

With accessibility at its core, the Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians (LAMP) reopened in December 2021. LAMP staff worked with Carnegie Mellon PhD students, Apple's accessibility team and people with vision loss about options for tactile print production that would allow blind and visually impaired readers to be able to print images in a form that could be interpreted through touch.

16,411 miles

**traveled by the ACLA
Bookmobile served
11,546 Allegheny
County residents**



Sometimes a noisy library is encouraged, like when string musicians of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra visited 16 local libraries to present all 16 of Beethoven's string quartets free of charge, a shining example of an organization partnering with public libraries.



RAD works for the PEOPLE

“A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never-failing spring in the desert.”

ANDREW CARNEGIE

TRANSFORMATIVE COMMUNITY LIBRARY FUND

SINCE 1995, in addition to funding CLP, RAD has provided more than \$175 million in funding to public libraries outside of the City of Pittsburgh, modernizing their systems, insisting on collaboration, and keeping these places in first-rate condition.

Allegheny County’s libraries now punch well above their weight class. Circulation per capita was well below the national average in the 1990s, but it rose to well above average in the 2010s. While average circulation for library materials declined across the country by 17% in the 2010s—our libraries’ circulation rose by 22%.

If Allegheny County were a state, it would rank 3rd for library visits per capita, behind only Vermont (2nd) and Ohio (1st).

At the same time, RAD recognizes that economic disparities persist between libraries in affluent areas and libraries in distressed communities.

In June 2022, RAD announced a \$5 million Transformative Community Library Fund—money dedicated to vital projects in libraries that serve distressed areas.

Goals for transformative projects include:

- Enhancing the library experience
- Forging new collaborations with other libraries
- Putting libraries at the center of community building and neighborhood development
- Building organizational capacity for the long-term

Transformations were not built in a day. RAD continues to work with library leaders to identify and refine projects that will strengthen the future of these vital regional assets. Funding will be available into 2026 for such project grants.

\$5 million
will strengthen
libraries through
transformative
projects



RAD works EVERY DAY

Daniel J. Griffin, now RAD Board Chair, and Pittsburgh Mayor Ed Gainey helped do the honors to christen the renovated Highland Park Super Playground, the beneficiary of RAD support.



42,622

people visited the pools at Riverview, Schenley, Highland, and Emerald View Parks, home to some of Pittsburgh's largest pools

21 million

gallons of stormwater runoff will be absorbed thanks to Hartwood Acres' conversion of 43 acres of turf into native wildflower meadow...enough stormwater to fill North Park's massive pool eight times



Over 4.6 million visits were estimated at the City of Pittsburgh's five regional parks

\$39,011,802

IN 2022 RAD FUNDING

PARKS & TRAILS

RAD'S LARGEST single investment went to the assets that are open and free to the public 365 days a year: our regional parks and trails. From North to South and all points in between, Allegheny County has a park for everyone.

Pittsburgh's five regional parks are a showcase for the city and a gathering place for all Pittsburghers. RAD funding allowed many free events to return fully in 2022: Cinema In The Park, summer concerts, community festivals, youth camps and the Roving Art Cart. Pittsburgh's Park Rangers hosted outings for students and nature-focused programs for all ages.

Allegheny County Parks offered more than 500 programs, everything from marquee Sunday night concerts at Hartwood Acres to ice skating lessons at South Park. Want spectacle? Drive-in movies returned, and so did North Park's drive-in Holiday Laser Show. Seeking out the serene? Guided nature walks took parkgoers away from the hustle and bustle.

While RAD is proud to support these free events, you don't need to check your calendar to enjoy a day at the park. Everyday activities like fishing, kayaking, jogging, volleyball, basketball, tennis, pickleball and much more are available—and RAD salutes the workers who maintain the lakes, courts, and fields all over Allegheny County.

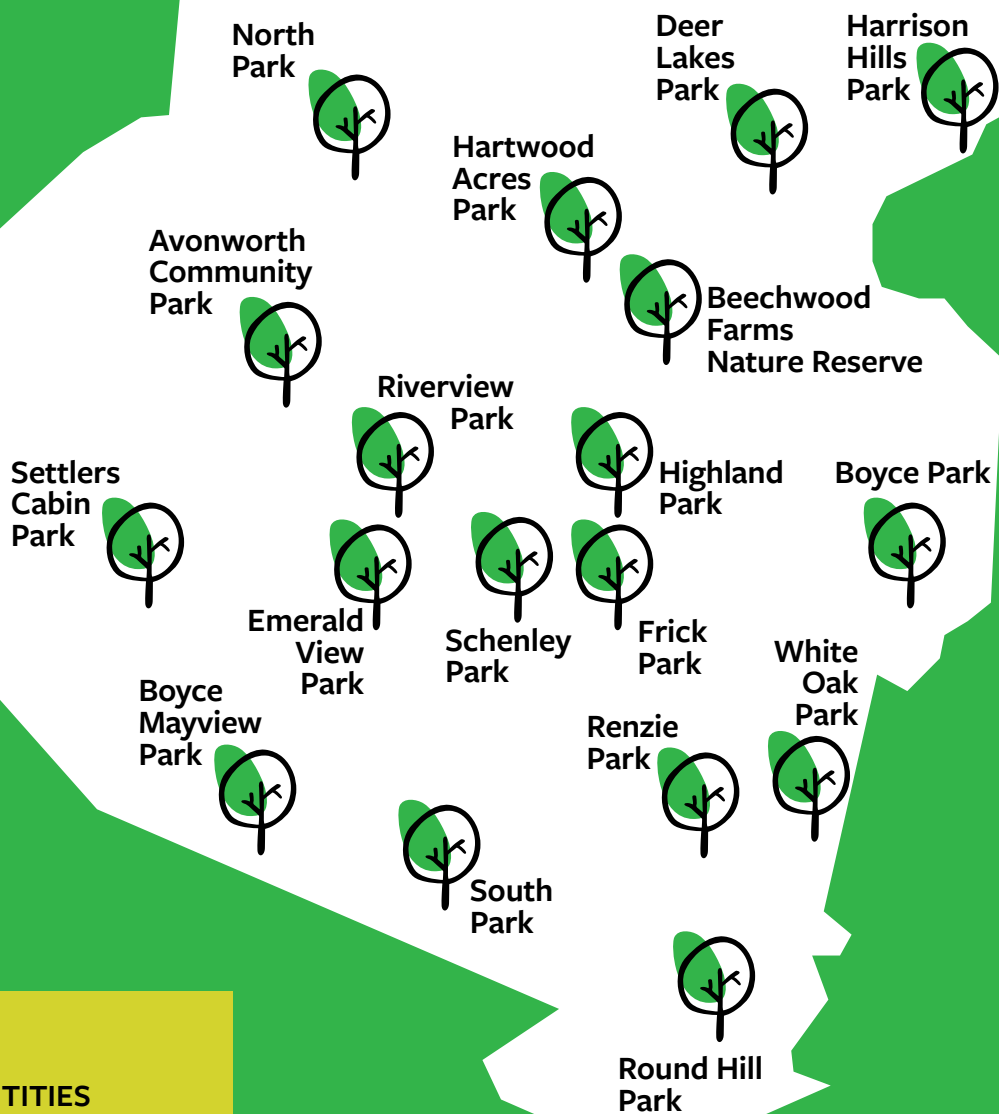
In a region known for its hills, valleys and riverfronts, the upkeep of recreational trails is an important task. RAD funding helps maintain hundreds of miles of trails throughout the county—from quiet forest hillsides to attention-grabbing riverfront gems.

In 2022, RAD welcomed a new organization into its Parks & Trails category: Riverlife. The group announced its vision for Completing the Loop, a plan to connect and enhance Pittsburgh's 15-mile riverfront "loop" of parks and trails—preserving the places that fostered Pittsburgh's industrial heyday while creating opportunities for new life along the river's edge.



Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald held the ribbon, as County Parks leaders and 2022 RAD Board Chair Dusty Elias Kirk celebrated the new Hartwood Acres Sculpture Garden—made possible with a \$1 million RADical ImPAct grant.

RAD FUNDING SUPPORTS 15,000+ ACRES OF PUBLIC PARKS, TRAILS AND GREEN SPACE



RAD-FUNDED ENTITIES

- Allegheny Land Trust
- Mon/Yough Trail
- Montour Trail
- Rachel Carson Trail
- Riverlife
- Steel Valley Trail
- Three Rivers Heritage Trail
- Western PA Conservancy sites in Allegheny County



RAD works up a SWEAT

“There is nothing more beautiful than our parks. We’ve got the best parks in the world. We want people to come out and enjoy all that they have to offer.”

PITTSBURGH MAYOR ED GAINEY



26,425

people reached by Film Pittsburgh through its film programs, a short film competition, a filmmaker conference and Teen Screen program

More than

23,000

local students engaged with the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust's Arts Education programming



RAD works **HAND-IN-HAND**

\$17,754,728

IN 2022 RAD FUNDING

ARTS & CULTURE

FROM SMALL PERFORMING ARTS groups to world-class museums and ensembles, RAD funding supports more than 80 arts and cultural institutions throughout Allegheny County. Every musical note, every brush stroke, every dance step, and every new idea combines to keep the Pittsburgh region vibrant.

Our regional assets are strongest when they're working together, and arts organizations found many ways to collaborate in 2022. The most innovative performances happened outside traditional venues.

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre revived its 'PBT Open Air' series—supported by a RAD Connection Grant—taking the stage in Sharpsburg's Allegheny riverfront for a weekend of shows that also featured Attack Theatre, Pittsburgh Festival Opera and other performing arts groups.

Pittsburgh Public Theater also escaped its typical indoor setting to present Robin Hood at RAD-funded South Park, Boyce Park and Hartwood Acres.

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust's new 'Backyard at 8th & Penn' hosted a packed summer of free shows, including special performances from RAD assets PBT, Pittsburgh CLO, Pittsburgh Opera and the Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra.

RAD assets Quantum Theatre and Chatham Baroque are accustomed to putting on unique events. So how about staging an Italian opera that went forgotten for more than 300 years? 'Idaspe' required collaborations with dancers from RAD assets PBT, Attack, Hill Dance Academy Theatre and additional contributions from the Cultural Trust and Pittsburgh Opera. The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette editorial board lauded the result as "an all-too-rare civic and artistic collaboration that, going forward, the city should see more of."



RAD's art & culture organizations hosted over 5 million attendees in 2022

Pittsburgh Public Theater put the 'play' in 'swordplay,' venturing out into Allegheny County Parks for its summer performances.

Allan Snyder and Nicholas Robert Ortiz, Actors' Equity Association

A woman in a black and gold tutu stands on a stage, looking towards a man in a dark hoodie who has his back to the camera. They appear to be in conversation. The background shows stage equipment and a green landscape.

RAD works behind the SCENES

“We are grateful to RAD for recognizing the important role that cultural organizations play in the economic and cultural vitality of southwestern Pennsylvania.”

STEVEN KNAPP
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF
CARNEGIE MUSEUMS OF PITTSBURGH

BIG MOMENTS BY MONTH

JANUARY

WQED officially acquires RAD asset Steeltown Entertainment Project—including Steeltown Film Academy, which welcomed its largest ever in-person class of young filmmakers

FEBRUARY

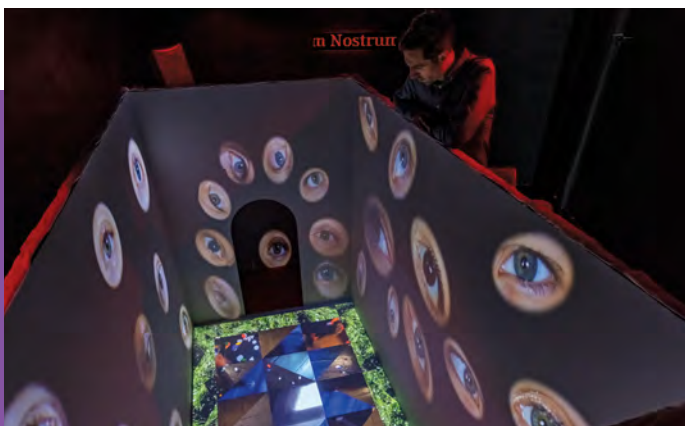
New Horizon Theater stages “The Green Book” at Homewood’s Carnegie Library auditorium, a production that playwright Calvin Alexander Ramsey called the best he had seen of his work

MARCH

The **August Wilson African American Cultural Center** hosts Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre’s Here + Now program consisting of women choreographers, including Pittsburgh local **Staycee Pearl**

APRIL

The **Mattress Factory** opens “Pop-Aganda: Revolution & Iconography,” where eight artists created new, site-specific works in the Museum’s Main Building (*top photo*)



MAY

The Andy Warhol Museum announces creation of The Pop District, a \$60 million project to transform six blocks of Pittsburgh’s North Shore into a cultural and workforce development hub

JUNE

Heinz History Center chosen as Pittsburgh’s Best Museum by Pittsburgh Magazine readers. Other RAD assets to win categories: Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Phipps, Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium, Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, Arcade Comedy Theater and the Montour Trail

JULY

Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild featured on the PBS NewsHour as part of the “Agents For Change” series

AUGUST

August Wilson House dedicated as arts education space, following a \$7 million renovation championed by Hollywood legend Denzel Washington

SEPTEMBER

Carnegie Museum of Art opens the 58th Carnegie International—‘Is it morning for you yet?’—continuing a tradition of exhibition that dates back to 1896

OCTOBER

The Frick Pittsburgh cuts the ribbon on a new fully-accessible entrance and parking area, benefiting from a RAD capital grant

NOVEMBER

Carnegie Science Center opens \$4.5 million ‘Mars: The Next Giant Leap’ exhibit, taking visitors on a 300-million-mile voyage while exploring contemporary issues (*bottom photo*)

DECEMBER

Kelly Strayhorn Theater Executive Director Joseph Hall honored by Pittsburgh City Paper as Pittsburgh’s Person of the Year in Performing Arts

Left page photo: Jessica McCann & Colin McCaslin of Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre



250,000

Facebook users follow the Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium, the most of any RAD asset

1.75 million

people visited Phipps' website from 200+ countries and territories

9,128 people enjoyed the National Aviary for free, up 60% from 2021



RAD works like a **CHARM**

A new walkway, interactive features, and replacements for the 52-year-old glass panes highlight the renovation to the National Aviary's Wetlands habitat.

\$10,010,188

IN 2022 RAD FUNDING

REGIONAL ATTRACTIONS

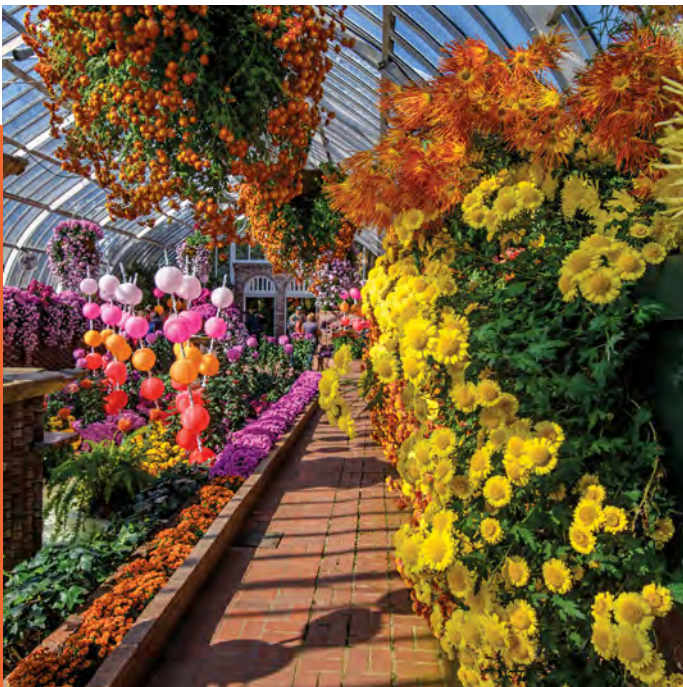
FROM THE OUTSET of RAD, the National Aviary, Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, and the Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium have been proud partners and beneficiaries of our public investment.

That investment can be seen most clearly through the newly-installed glass at the National Aviary's Wetlands exhibit – its largest habitat. A RAD capital grant of \$750,000 helped the Aviary replace glass panes that dated back to the Wetlands' construction in 1969. A quick renovation—completed in just five months—included new immersive elements, energy-efficiency improvements, and a more comfortable space for nearly 150 birds. The Wetlands and renovated Charity Randall Foundation Eagle Hall made two fan favorite spaces better than ever!

At Phipps, new shows like Monet In Bloom delighted guests, while the organization put a new focus on community outreach. The successful Homegrown program completed its 368th vegetable garden installation, reaching 1 in 10 households in Homewood and adjoining neighborhoods. Across the region, Phipps has engaged up to 1 in 5 area children in its display, education and research programs.

The Zoo has been committed to reaching out to the community. More than 10% of the Zoo's 892,000 visitors in 2022 visited free of charge. That is in addition to no-cost events like Dream Night, which invited families of children with disabilities and severe illness to enjoy a magical evening with animal encounters, entertainment and a catered dinner. Zoo staffers also took animals to dozens of RAD-funded libraries for Wonders of Wildlife and a new program called Sea Turtles, Save Turtles!

Over 1,000
campers engaged
with Zoo Camp in
its 35th year, with
even more on the
waitlist



RAD works

WONDERS



94,000+

free tickets were provided to the public by teams and organizations

15,773

pounds of food went to Jubilee Kitchen and 412 Food Rescue, through the SEA's food and beverage provider



\$14,200,000

IN 2022 RAD FUNDING

SPORTS & CIVIC FACILITIES

RAD FUNDING supports the Sports & Exhibition Authority (SEA), financing debt service on bonds issued for the construction of Acrisure Stadium, PNC Park, PPG Paints Arena and the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, as well as a reserve fund for capital repairs and improvements.

In 2022, it was the first full year of 100% capacity at all facilities since the COVID-19 pandemic began—and fans took full advantage. It was also the first year for the name Acrisure Stadium, as the financial technology company took over naming rights to the home of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Pitt football.

The largest crowd in Pittsburgh sports history filled Acrisure Stadium on Sept. 1 to watch Pitt beat West Virginia in the return of the Backyard Brawl. The grand total—70,622. The Steelers followed that up with the second-highest-attended season in franchise history: 530,243.

More than 1.25 million people watched the Pirates at PNC Park. The ballpark was packed for late summer concerts. Over a long weekend from Aug. 11-14, a total of 120,421 fans watched Billy Joel, Def Leppard, Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett & The Blackhearts and Metallica. A September concert from Elton John added another 39,729 in attendance. The series of concerts generated nearly \$41 million in direct spending, as estimated by VisitPITTSBURGH.

Across the river, more than 100 dates of events filled the calendar at PPG Paints Arena—including the return of full-capacity crowds for the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament and the Stanley Cup Playoffs. The David L. Lawrence Convention Center hosted 160 events with more than 400,000 people attending.





42%

increase in ridership
vs. 2021, including
more than 50%
increase on the T

PRT's

2,500+

employees operate a
fleet of **731 buses** and
81 light rail vehicles



RAD works on the **ROAD**

\$3,000,000**IN 2022 RAD FUNDING**

PUBLIC TRANSIT

PITTSBURGH REGIONAL TRANSIT (PRT) is Allegheny County’s public transportation service with a mission to advance our region by investing in our communities and connecting people in a safe, equitable, and reliable manner.

In June 2022, the name “Port Authority of Allegheny County” was retired, and the agency re-branded as Pittsburgh Regional Transit. Leaders say the change was long overdue and came after a multi-year process to decide on a new brand.

Under its new name, Pittsburgh Regional Transit made some exciting announcements. By 2045, the system plans to have a fleet consisting entirely of zero-emission vehicles. Several of the agency’s battery-electric buses are already on the road. PRT plans to spend \$1 billion over the next two decades to complete the transition to an all-electric bus fleet.

More electric buses will run in dedicated lanes when Pittsburgh’s Bus Rapid Transit system connects Downtown and Oakland, the second—and third—largest job centers in Pennsylvania. Local leaders broke ground in November on the project, which will also include new transit stations, improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists, and other infrastructure upgrades.



Breaking ground in 2022, the \$291 million Bus Rapid Transit project aims to provide faster, more reliable service in the heart of Pittsburgh.

RADical ImPAct!



THESE ARE THE GRANTS that keep on giving. Our board unanimously approved RADical ImPAct projects in 2019 to celebrate RAD's 25th anniversary and foster exciting changes to start the next quarter-century. After a pandemic pause, several projects made their mark in 2022:

ALL PITTSBURGHERS ARE POETS

Doralee Brooks was named Allegheny County's new Poet Laureate, serving through 2024. **City of Asylum** established the title as part of its RADical ImPAct program, which also honors top Youth, Emerging and American Sign Language poets.

ART IN PARKS

A project 40 years in the making, **Allegheny County Parks** opened the Hartwood Acres Sculpture Garden. The attraction showcases restored artwork now linked by ADA-accessible walkways that wind through the park's lawns. See Page 11 for photographs from the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

AUGUST WILSON: THE WRITER'S LANDSCAPE

The first-ever permanent exhibition dedicated to the life and works of the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright opened in April. Visitors to the **August Wilson African American Cultural Center** continue to enjoy free entry to explore the 10 plays of Wilson's American Century Cycle and appreciate artifacts such as Wilson's prized 1920s writing desk.

BUILDING BRIDGES

A new RAD-funded mural graces the back wall of **City Theatre's** Chosky Production Center, painted by local artist Marlana Vassar. Her design was inspired by the themes of City Theatre's *The Rivers Don't Know*, a RADical ImPAct-funded story of immigrants and refugees in Pittsburgh.

RADCAST

A group of 22 students spent their summer getting audio journalism experience through **SLB Radio Productions, Inc.**, interviewing leaders at dozens of regional assets to document the region's art & culture entities. Their stories are being published throughout 2023.

WHEEL MOBILE

The roving ceramics studio from **Union Project** made its debut. Outfitted with a pottery wheel, materials, tools and even a portable raku kiln—the new cargo van is equipped to reach every corner of Allegheny County, allowing more people to mold their very own clay creations.



Informational sign for the blue sculpture.



Informational sign for the white sculpture.



RAD works for EVERYONE



RADical DAYS

RADICAL DAYS offered more free events in 2022 than ever before! From admission to top-level attractions to performances by world-class musicians, 65 RAD assets presented 100+ free events and experiences throughout Allegheny County.

This unique series of free events serves as RAD's annual "thank you" to taxpayers for their continued support.

Among the new offerings in 2022:

- Allegheny County Parks extended its popular weekend concert series into the fall, presenting acts ranging from smooth jazz to Polkamaniacs.
- August Wilson African American Cultural Center launched Beyond the Red Door: A Theatrical Event Series, immersing visitors in unique themed activities based on Wilson's plays and settings.
- The Historic Pittsburgh Fair returned at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh main library in Oakland, teaching visitors young and old about the city's storied past.
- New RAD asset Rivers of Steel offered a new tour—The Black Experience at the Carrie Blast Furnaces—which the organization developed with the help of RAD funding.
- Fellow 2022 newcomer Riverlife staged Rumbón de la Calle musical performances at Allegheny Landing and taught young Pittsburghers about STEAM with hands-on activities at Manchester By The River.
- Pittsburgh Cultural Trust put on a series of shows at the 'Backyard at 8th & Penn' stage, highlighted by Pittsburgh CLO's "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown."
- Skaters could lace up and hit the ice at PPG Paints Arena prior to the Penguins season.
- It was all hands on deck for Squonk Opera's performance of "Hand to Hand" on the Rachel Carson Bridge.

This was the **20th year** of RADical Days, which started as "RADical Weekend." It's now a multi-week celebration!



284,119

pageviews

for [RADworkshere.org](https://radworkshere.org)
in 2022, a yearly record
driven by public interest
in RADical Days

RAD works again & again.



“RAD has been a vital partner to Phipps, providing support that ensures that the people of our region can enjoy the beauty and importance of the natural world today and for years to come.”

RICHARD PIACENTINI
PHIPPS CONSERVATORY AND BOTANICAL GARDENS PRESIDENT & CEO



“When I talk to national firms, this is part of the economic development conversation. Assets such as the Aviary, the museums and cultural entities are right at the top of the list.”

RICH FITZGERALD
ALLEGHENY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

“The City of Pittsburgh’s park system benefits tremendously from the generous support provided by RAD.”

KATHRYN VARGAS
PITTSBURGH’S DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION



“I know you are a passionate advocate for our libraries, and have always recognized that each library is the heart of the community.”

ALIYA KHAN
ALLEGHENY COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
BOARD PRESIDENT

“We are so fortunate, and proud, to have RAD as an investor in our work with the communities!”

AUGUST R. CARLINO
RIVERS OF STEEL PRESIDENT & CEO



“RAD has been such a boon to the arts & culture community of Allegheny County over the last 25+ years.”

MARYA SEA KAMINSKI
PITTSBURGH PUBLIC THEATER ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

“Thank you for all you do for the Pittsburgh area! As a single, disabled mom with a limited income, it means so much to be able to let your kids experience the cultural arts that surrounds our city!”

INSTAGRAM USER LISA H.

Image above: Nicholas Robert Ortiz, Actors' Equity Association

Grant Distribution

| ASSET | 2022 OPERATING | 2022 CAPITAL |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| CONTRACTUAL | | |
| Allegheny County Library Association* | \$7,085,508 | |
| Allegheny County – Regional Parks | \$23,404,700 | \$3,500,000 |
| Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh | \$21,672,696 | |
| Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh – Debt Service | \$1,000,000 | |
| Carnegie Library eiNetwork | \$3,413,433 | |
| Carnegie Library eResources | \$249,486 | |
| Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh | \$3,470,292 | \$350,000 |
| City of McKeesport – Renziehausen Park | \$783,525 | \$250,000 |
| City of Pittsburgh – Regional Parks | \$6,509,327 | \$3,500,000 |
| National Aviary in Pittsburgh | \$1,356,098 | \$750,000 |
| Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens | \$2,614,556 | 400,000 |
| Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium | \$4,114,134 | \$775,400 |
| MULTI YEAR AGREEMENT | | |
| SEA Stadium Convention Center Bond Issue | \$13,400,000 | |
| ANNUAL | | |
| Afro-American Music Institute | \$20,900 | |
| Allegheny Brass Band | \$3,800 | |
| Allegheny Land Trust | \$52,500 | \$290,000 |
| Andrew Carnegie Music Hall | \$7,340 | \$150,000 |
| Arcade Comedy Theater | \$4,490 | |
| Associated Artists of Pittsburgh | \$7,480 | |
| Attack Theatre | \$49,875 | \$86,280 |
| August Wilson African American Cultural Center | \$500,000 | \$350,000 |
| August Wilson House <i>a project of the Daisy Wilson Artist Community, Inc.</i> | \$4,900 | |
| Avonworth Community Park | \$35,000 | |
| Bach Choir of Pittsburgh | \$9,120 | |
| Beechwood Farms Nature Reserve <i>a project of the Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania</i> | \$26,250 | |
| Belle Voci | \$2,450 | |
| Brew House Association | \$2,500 | |

*See Allegheny County Library Association Distribution chart on page 33

| ASSET | 2022 OPERATING | 2022 CAPITAL |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| Bulgarian Macedonian National Educational & Cultural Center | \$4,750 | \$20,000 |
| Calliope: The Pittsburgh Folk Music Society | \$9,790 | |
| Chamber Music Pittsburgh | \$16,960 | |
| Chatham Baroque | \$19,950 | |
| Children's Museum of Pittsburgh | \$500,000 | \$445,000 |
| City of Asylum/Pittsburgh | \$40,000 | |
| City Theatre Company | \$125,000 | \$75,000 |
| Contemporary Craft | \$79,800 | |
| corningworks | \$3,420 | \$10,000 |
| Dreams of Hope | \$10,770 | |
| Edgewood Symphony Orchestra | \$4,640 | |
| Film Pittsburgh | \$6,990 | |
| Focus on Renewal (Father Ryan Arts Center) | \$10,500 | |
| Front Porch Theatricals | \$9,790 | |
| Gemini Theater Company | \$6,950 | |
| Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council | \$99,750 | |
| Guardians of Sound | \$2,500 | |
| Hill Dance Academy Theatre | \$27,440 | \$300,000 |
| Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh | \$5,000 | |
| Kelly Strayhorn Theater | \$72,000 | |
| Manchester Craftsmen's Guild | \$410,000 | |
| Mattress Factory | \$89,780 | |
| Mendelssohn Choir | \$12,360 | |
| New Hazlett Theater | \$34,920 | \$75,000 |
| New Horizon Theater | \$30,400 | |
| North Hills Art Center | \$13,210 | \$7,000 |
| North Pittsburgh Symphonic Band | \$2,000 | |
| PICT Classic Theatre | \$10,560 | |
| Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures | \$19,950 | |
| Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre | \$189,530 | \$250,000 |
| Pittsburgh Botanic Garden | \$63,610 | \$100,000 |
| Pittsburgh Camerata | \$3,900 | |
| Pittsburgh Center for Arts and Media | \$25,000 | |
| Pittsburgh CLO | \$199,500 | |
| Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra | \$1,800 | |
| Pittsburgh Community Broadcasting Corp. – WYEP | \$41,580 | |
| Pittsburgh Concert Chorale | \$4,750 | |
| Pittsburgh Cultural Trust | \$2,195,130 | \$1,000,000 |

| ASSET | 2022 OPERATING | 2022 CAPITAL |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Pittsburgh Festival Opera | \$17,960 | |
| Pittsburgh Girls Choir | \$2,450 | |
| Pittsburgh Glass Center | \$64,840 | \$300,000 |
| Pittsburgh Musical Theater | \$64,840 | \$500,000 |
| Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble | \$7,600 | |
| Pittsburgh Opera | \$189,530 | \$190,000 |
| Pittsburgh Philharmonic | \$4,900 | |
| Pittsburgh Playwrights Theatre | \$22,950 | |
| Pittsburgh Public Theater | \$200,000 | \$50,000 |
| Pittsburgh Regional Transit | \$3,000,000 | |
| Pittsburgh Savoyards | \$2,375 | |
| Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra | \$1,596,000 | \$100,000 |
| Pittsburgh Youth Chorus | \$11,260 | |
| Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra | \$19,570 | |
| Prime Stage Theatre | \$14,970 | |
| Quantum Theatre | \$45,000 | |
| Radiant Hall Studios | \$2,500 | |
| Renaissance City Choir | \$4,990 | |
| River City Brass | \$112,220 | |
| Riverlife | \$2,500 | \$50,000 |
| Rivers of Steel Heritage Corporation | \$25,000 | |
| Saltworks Theatre Company | \$11,260 | |
| Senator John Heinz History Center | \$648,380 | |
| Silver Eye Center for Photography | \$19,950 | |
| SLB Radio Productions, Inc. | \$5,090 | |
| Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum | \$303,340 | \$209,756 |
| South Hills Chorale | \$4,400 | |
| South Park Theatre | \$9,790 | |
| Sports & Exhibition Authority | \$800,000 | |
| Squonk Opera | \$9,980 | |
| Sweetwater Center for the Arts | \$51,300 | |
| The Frick Pittsburgh | \$159,600 | |
| Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestras | \$15,960 | |
| Tickets for Kids | \$25,000 | |
| Tuesday Musical Club | \$4,900 | |
| Union Project | \$14,000 | |
| Upper St. Clair Twp. Boyce-Mayview Regional Park | \$240,000 | \$275,000 |

| ASSET | 2022 OPERATING | 2022 CAPITAL |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Western PA Conservancy | \$93,000 | |
| WQED | \$500,000 | \$84,000 |
| OTHER | | |
| Connection, Accessibility & Inclusion Grants | | \$400,000 |
| Access & Opportunity | | \$10,000 |
| Transformative Community Library Fund | | \$5,000,000 |
| RAD Administration | \$1,070,000 | |
| TOTAL 2022 OPERATING / CAPITAL | \$103,615,445 | \$19,852,436 |
| GRAND TOTAL 2022 EXPENDITURES | | \$123,467,881 |

ALLEGHENY COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION DISTRIBUTION

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Andrew Bayne Memorial Library | \$86,728 | Millvale Community Library | \$78,659 |
| Andrew Carnegie Free Library | \$115,746 | Monroeville Public Library | \$267,228 |
| Avalon Public Library | \$64,426 | Moon Township Public Library | \$139,281 |
| Baldwin Borough Public Library | \$100,018 | Mt. Lebanon Public Library | \$379,734 |
| Bethel Park Public Library | \$196,050 | North Versailles Public Library | \$61,708 |
| Braddock Carnegie Library | \$146,977 | Northern Tier Regional Library | \$157,353 |
| Brentwood Library | \$119,400 | Northland Public Library | \$570,761 |
| Bridgeville Public Library | \$91,684 | Oakmont Carnegie Library | \$120,026 |
| C C Mellor Memorial Library | \$129,998 | Penn Hills Library | \$185,975 |
| Carnegie Free Library of Swissvale | \$144,065 | Pleasant Hills Public Library | \$101,944 |
| Carnegie Library of Homestead | \$137,577 | Plum Borough Community Library | \$94,175 |
| Carnegie Library of McKeesport | \$307,035 | Robinson Township Library | \$109,670 |
| Clairton Public Library | \$83,960 | Scott Township Public Library | \$84,740 |
| Community Library of Allegheny Valley | \$153,911 | Sewickley Public Library | \$224,156 |
| Community Library of Castle Shannon | \$72,560 | Shaler North Hills Library | \$253,680 |
| Cooper-Siegel Community Library | \$204,392 | South Fayette Township Library | \$91,309 |
| Coraopolis Memorial Library | \$74,971 | South Park Township Library | \$121,423 |
| Crafton Public Library | \$81,501 | Springdale Free Public Library | \$58,461 |
| Dormont Public Library | \$73,624 | Upper St. Clair Township Library | \$209,199 |
| F.O.R. Sto-Rox Library | \$128,640 | Western Allegheny Community Library | \$115,222 |
| Green Tree Public Library | \$87,129 | Whitehall Public Library | \$134,911 |
| Hampton Community Library | \$91,552 | Wilkinsburg Public Library | \$227,532 |
| Jefferson Hills Public Library | \$73,812 | ACLA Admin. and Mobile Services | \$532,604 |
| | | TOTAL ACLA FUNDING | \$7,085,508 |

ACLA's funding distribution formula is evaluated annually by its member libraries, with final approval from the RAD Board.

Municipal Funding

IN ADDITION TO enhancing Allegheny County’s rich quality of place through support of its regional assets, the additional one percent sales and use tax also supports local municipalities. Allegheny County receives 25 percent, and the remaining 25 percent is distributed among its 128 municipalities based on a state-calculated formula weighted to help distressed communities. The RAD tax has provided Allegheny County and its municipalities with a steady and predictable tax stream since 1994, allowing local governments to shift the tax burden away from property taxes, permanently eliminate the personal property tax, and fund a wide variety of local services from public safety to road repairs.

Learn more at radworkshere.org/municipal-support

| MUNICIPALITY | 2022 FUNDING | MUNICIPALITY | 2022 FUNDING |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Aleppo Twp | \$49,072.51 | Crafton Boro | \$283,838.48 |
| Allegheny County | \$61,815,150.46 | Crescent Twp | \$79,528.50 |
| Aspinwall Boro | \$106,684.68 | Dormont Boro | \$465,969.89 |
| Avalon Boro | \$277,897.01 | Dravosburg Boro | \$91,940.80 |
| Baldwin Boro | \$826,952.31 | Duquesne City | \$620,670.52 |
| Baldwin Twp | \$87,291.68 | East Deer Twp | \$45,207.39 |
| Bell Acres Boro | \$43,721.79 | East McKeesport Boro | \$112,598.20 |
| Bellevue Boro | \$229,784.82 | East Pittsburgh Boro | \$156,992.03 |
| Ben Avon Boro | \$55,642.87 | Edgewood Boro | \$129,365.98 |
| Ben Avon Heights Boro | \$15,793.86 | Edgeworth Boro | \$43,582.24 |
| Bethel Park Boro | \$953,899.47 | Elizabeth Boro | \$73,659.00 |
| Blawnox Boro | \$67,448.56 | Elizabeth Twp | \$356,027.92 |
| Brackenridge Boro | \$142,644.23 | Emsworth Boro | \$81,810.79 |
| Braddock Boro | \$176,071.90 | Etna Boro | \$177,665.29 |
| Braddock Hills Boro | \$101,691.11 | Fawn Twp | \$49,693.89 |
| Bradford Woods Boro | \$25,297.02 | Findlay Twp | \$156,902.50 |
| Brentwood Boro | \$565,978.86 | Forest Hills Boro | \$299,224.75 |
| Bridgeville Boro | \$211,367.89 | Forward Twp | \$60,446.88 |
| Carnegie Boro | \$349,978.34 | Fox Chapel Boro | \$118,732.03 |
| Castle Shannon Boro | \$412,378.13 | Franklin Park Boro | \$237,615.52 |
| Chalfant Boro | \$40,525.78 | Frazer Twp | \$10,340.80 |
| Cheswick Boro | \$60,056.80 | Glassport Boro | \$331,913.51 |
| Churchill Boro | \$119,695.10 | Glenfield Boro | \$2,707.11 |
| Clairton City | \$517,275.16 | Green Tree Boro | \$169,134.71 |
| Collier Twp | \$221,458.24 | Hampton Twp | \$425,318.27 |
| Coraopolis Boro | \$364,986.46 | Harmar Twp | \$63,025.14 |

| MUNICIPALITY | 2022 FUNDING | MUNICIPALITY | 2022 FUNDING |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Harrison Twp | \$340,898.21 | Port Vue Boro | \$203,993.30 |
| Haysville Boro | \$2,532.60 | Rankin Boro | \$207,248.75 |
| Heidelberg Boro | \$54,640.58 | Reserve Twp | \$112,994.62 |
| Homestead Boro | \$203,868.11 | Richland Twp | \$218,169.28 |
| Indiana Twp | \$170,768.53 | Robinson Twp | \$340,191.98 |
| Ingram Boro | \$132,697.12 | Ross Twp | \$728,479.59 |
| Jefferson Boro | \$390,541.48 | Rosslyn Farms Boro | \$18,483.42 |
| Kennedy Twp | \$182,916.86 | Scott Twp | \$629,090.88 |
| Kilbuck Twp | \$17,521.52 | Sewickley Boro | \$141,641.65 |
| Leet Twp | \$67,275.28 | Sewickley Heights Boro | \$26,463.32 |
| Leetsdale Boro | \$73,553.55 | Sewickley Hills Boro | \$14,164.46 |
| Liberty Boro | \$114,143.52 | Shaler Twp | \$629,537.41 |
| Lincoln Boro | \$43,423.46 | Sharpsburg Boro | \$187,053.50 |
| Marshall Twp | \$144,793.79 | South Fayette Twp | \$505,392.28 |
| McCandless Twp | \$546,089.58 | South Park Twp | \$356,761.20 |
| McKees Rocks Boro | \$416,479.51 | South Versailles Twp | \$8,069.72 |
| McKeesport City | \$1,752,441.79 | Springdale Boro | \$162,640.87 |
| Millvale Boro | \$206,595.54 | Springdale Twp | \$54,305.42 |
| Monroeville Boro | \$1,343,963.40 | Stowe Twp | \$380,865.53 |
| Moon Twp | \$568,723.38 | Swissvale Boro | \$445,205.52 |
| Mt Lebanon Twp | \$1,278,085.09 | Tarentum Boro | \$187,165.23 |
| Mt Oliver Boro | \$336,693.50 | Thornburg Boro | \$15,700.91 |
| Munhall Boro | \$634,736.32 | Turtle Creek Boro | \$333,773.56 |
| Neville Twp | \$30,954.08 | Upper St Clair Twp | \$686,670.53 |
| North Braddock Boro | \$302,786.83 | Verona Boro | \$114,617.07 |
| North Fayette Twp | \$382,977.35 | Versailles Boro | \$79,288.38 |
| North Versailles Twp | \$507,062.85 | Wall Boro | \$32,271.55 |
| Oakdale Boro | \$46,411.44 | West Deer Twp | \$275,181.98 |
| Oakmont Boro | \$162,400.88 | West Elizabeth Boro | \$14,360.73 |
| O'Hara Twp | \$201,357.35 | West Homestead Boro | \$94,104.69 |
| Ohio Twp | \$129,456.33 | West Mifflin Boro | \$1,088,696.06 |
| Osborne Boro | \$16,021.44 | West View Boro | \$257,576.13 |
| Penn Hills Twp | \$2,535,079.97 | Whitaker Boro | \$86,177.17 |
| Pennsbury Village Boro | \$24,168.74 | White Oak Boro | \$313,084.99 |
| Pine Twp | \$274,223.34 | Whitehall Boro | \$586,167.91 |
| Pitcairn Boro | \$191,501.83 | Wilkins Twp | \$273,482.23 |
| Pittsburgh City | \$25,091,035.51 | Wilkinsburg Boro | \$1,139,954.71 |
| Pleasant Hills Boro | \$321,289.15 | Wilmerding Boro | \$141,056.50 |
| Plum Boro | \$817,450.90 | TOTAL | \$123,630,300.92 |

RAD works responsibly.

FINANCES & ACCOUNTABILITY

The RAD Board administers revenue from one half of the proceeds from the 1% Allegheny County Sales and Use Tax and interest earned on investments. The tax proceeds are collected by the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, which retains a fee for its collection and audit services. All tax receipts are deposited into and grants paid from the Sales Tax Revenue Fund. The grant budget adopted for 2022 was \$123.5 million, which includes the 1% statutory allocation for Pittsburgh and Allegheny County Parks and \$5 million for the Transformative Community Library Fund.

All administrative expenses are paid from the General Fund. The law permits RAD no more than 1% of its new tax revenue for administrative purposes. In 2022, the amount transferred to the General Fund for administrative costs was 0.87% of total new revenue received.

RAD's operating investments were maintained in money markets, direct obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, and commercial paper.

In addition to written applications and contracts, RAD requires audits and close out reports, conducts its own public hearings and reviews, and attends asset meetings and performances. In 2022, RAD conducted over 98 reviews and visits, not including public application review sessions.

The following chart outlines the activity in RAD's two operating funds on a cash basis during 2022. Independently audited financial statements on actual 2022 results along with budgets and monthly updates are posted at www.radworkshere.org and are also available through the RAD office.

2022 tax revenue of \$123.6 million was 8.4% higher than 2021. RAD added \$1.4 million to its sales tax reserve balance at December 31, 2022.

| | SALES TAX REFUND FUND | GENERAL FUND |
|--|-----------------------|---------------|
| Grant Stabilization Reserve balance, (for future grants and debt service) at 12/31/21 net of receivables | \$37,571,855 | |
| Unreserved balance 12/31/21 | | \$371,269 |
| Actual tax revenue (cash basis) | \$123,630,301 | |
| Interest earnings | \$741,490 | \$6,786 |
| Allocations authorized | (\$123,499,401) | |
| Transfer from Sales Tax Revenue Fund | | \$1,070,000 |
| Miscellaneous revenue, lapses, and adjustments | \$519,610 | \$81,912 |
| Net administrative expenses | | (\$1,026,192) |
| Grant Stabilization Reserve balance at 12/31/22 net of receivables | \$38,963,855 | |
| Unreserved balance 12/31/22 | | \$503,775 |

Source: RAD Audit 2022

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