



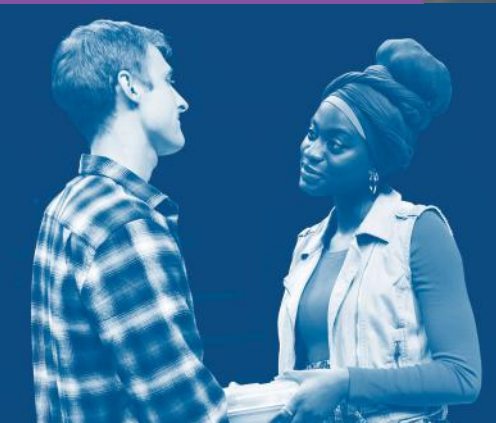
REconnecting

REengaging

REopening

REimagining

REvitalizing



The Allegheny Regional Asset District invests public dollars back into the region by supporting the institutions and organizations that contribute to Allegheny County's unparalleled quality of life and quality of place.

With half of the proceeds from an additional one percent countywide sales tax, RAD provides significant financial support to:

Libraries  **Parks & Trails**  **Arts & Cultural Organizations**  **Regional Attractions**  **Sports & Civic Facilities**  **Public Transit** 

The other half of the sales tax is distributed directly to Allegheny County and its municipalities to be used for local tax relief and public services.

Since RAD's inception, more than \$4 billion has been invested back into our communities.

RAD works here.



Letter from the Chair

When looking back on our recent past, we cannot help but mark the time by remembering where we were in terms of the pandemic. 2021 was a rollercoaster, but it was ultimately the year that put us on a path toward recovery and renewal. With the rollout of vaccines came hope for moving forward and re-engaging with community and life outside our homes. At RAD, that meant finding the best ways to support our assets as they prepared to welcome back patrons and audiences with a sense of both safety and celebration.

We worked closely with the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust and its Downtown Cultural District partners to present “Lights On!”—a three-day festival of the re-opening of our Downtown arts and culture scene. This was the kick-off to our annual RADical Days, which felt especially celebratory in 2021, as many people were reconnecting with our assets for the first time since March 2020. RAD Connection Grants supported the Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council’s “Restart the Arts” campaign—an effort aimed at encouraging audiences to return to their favorite arts organizations, and Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre’s “Open

Air Series,” which brought performances directly into our communities on its mobile stage, in partnership with other regional assets. Several of our RADical ImPAct projects also came to life this past year. Read more about them on page 26!

2021 marked the beginning of major leadership transitions for several of our contractual assets. The Allegheny County Library Association, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, eiNetwork, and the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium all said goodbye to longtime leaders. The RAD Board extends our heartfelt gratitude to Marilyn Jenkins (ACLA Executive Director), Mary Frances Cooper (CLP President & Director), Rebecca Serey (eiNetwork Executive Director), and Barbara Baker (Pittsburgh Zoo CEO) for their dedicated service to our region. We look forward to building upon the strong foundations they have left with the next generation of leadership.

With challenge comes opportunity, and throughout all the ups and downs of 2021, RAD’s steadfast support never wavered. Thanks to careful and diligent budgeting during these turbulent times, at the end of

2021, the RAD Board authorized our largest-ever budget for 2022. We brought back a robust capital grant program, alongside our ever-impactful general operating grants. We are forever grateful to the taxpayers of Allegheny County for investing so mightily in our region, and for allowing RAD to support the assets that make this such a vibrant place to live, work, and play. This support is as important now as it has ever been to our libraries, parks, arts organizations, and regional attractions as they work toward recovery from the losses of the past two years.

Our region continues to inspire. In the face of great adversity, our communities have remained strong, hopeful, compassionate, creative, and resilient. It is an honor to serve on the RAD board and to play a part in the continued strength and vitality of our region.

On behalf of all of us at RAD, thank you.

Onward!

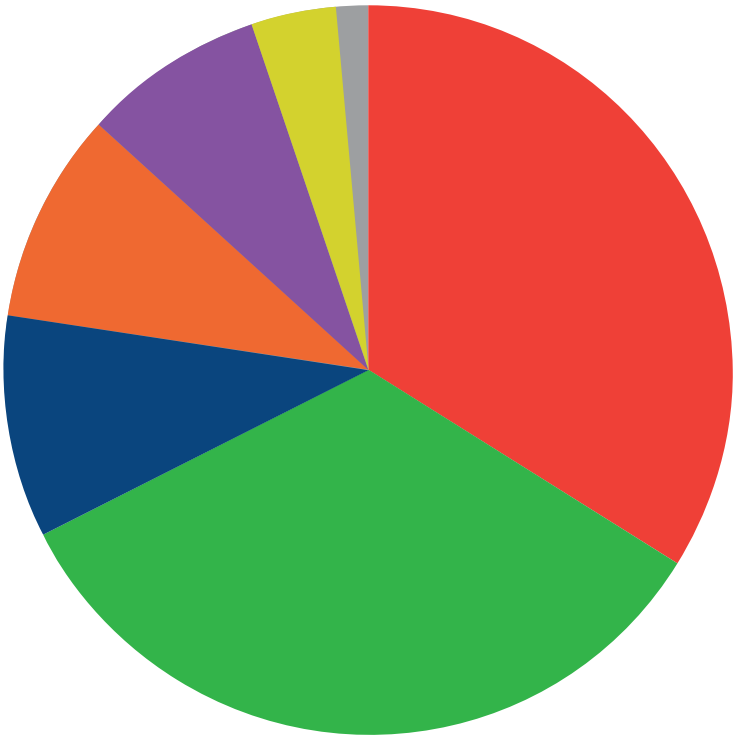
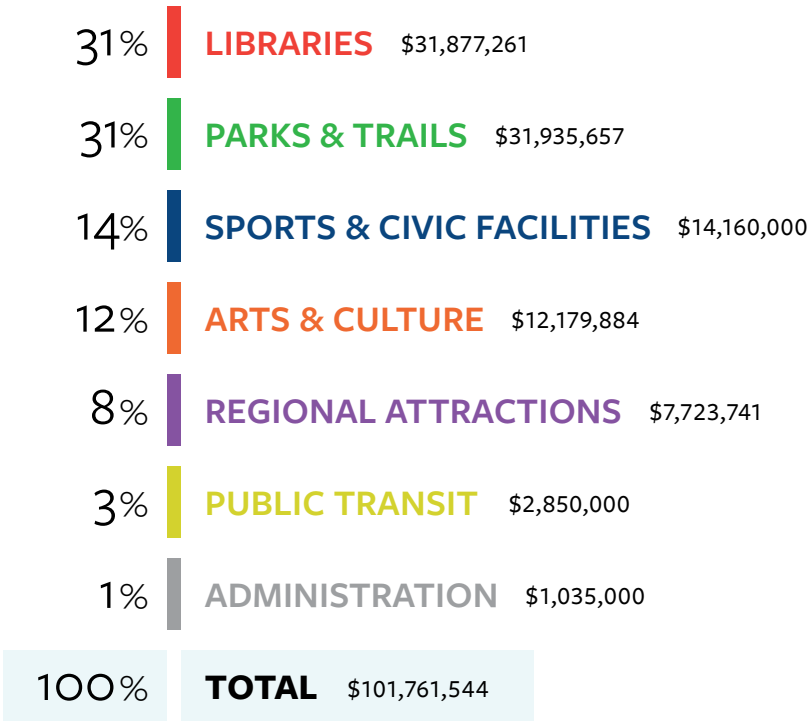
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Dusty Elias Kirk | RAD BOARD CHAIR

2021 RAD Board
(L to R):
Sylvia Fields,
Dusty Elias Kirk,
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Daniel J. Griffin,
Jackie Dixon,
Hilda Pang Fu,
Daniel Rosen



2021 Budget Distribution



Public participation
& attendance at RAD
assets totaled

40,471,627

\$801,401,389

in RAD asset expenses
were contributed to our
local economy, including

\$19,370,840

in contract with
Minority, Women, and
Disadvantaged Business
Enterprises.

946,998

free tickets
were provided
by RAD assets

Port Authority
ridership totaled
22,468,350



33,731

new library cards
were issued by
Allegheny County
libraries and Carnegie
Library of Pittsburgh

11,817

people were employed
by RAD assets, including
4,384 artists

RAD assets paid employees
a total of \$356,441,551 in
wages and salaries in 2021

More than 40,000
people participated
in RADical Days

Libraries

RAD supports the region's libraries with grants to the Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA) and Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (CLP). ACLA distributes the funds to 45 member libraries throughout the county based on a formula evaluated and approved by the RAD Board. RAD funding also supports the eiNetwork, a countywide IT infrastructure for libraries, which enables high-speed Internet access and seamless library services for residents.

\$31,877,261

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



RAD's commitment to quality of life in Allegheny County is exemplified in large part through the significant support it provides to our robust library system.

Libraries are transformational community resources with services reaching far beyond book distribution, and over the past couple of years, those services have been more critical than ever. ACLA, CLP, and the eiNetwork not only adjusted to a “new normal” in the wake of the pandemic, but also embarked on significant leadership transitions in 2021. ACLA’s founding Executive Director, Marilyn Jenkins, retired after 25 years of service, and in November, Amy Anderson began as ACLA’s new CEO. Mary Frances Cooper retired at the end of 2021 after serving as President & Director of CLP for ten years, with Andrew Medlar announced as her replacement in April 2022. And the eiNetwork named Carlos Correa as its new Executive Director, following the retirement of Rebecca Serey, who served in that role for 20 years.

RAD continues to work closely with new library leadership to ensure equity and access to quality library services remain the highest priority. For many years, RAD, ACLA, and CLP have worked together to design a meaningful model of Shared Services for Allegheny County libraries, with the goal of providing excellent and equitable service in every library location. In 2021, library directors in the ACLA and CLP systems received a full report that laid out a plan for the phased adoption of Shared Services. This plan will free up time and resources for library staff to engage in more patron-facing services by easing the burden of administrative duties. The future is bright for our libraries, and RAD remains committed to their growth and vitality.

RADical ImPAct!

CLP officially
launched
RAD Pass in
November 2021
as part of the
RADical ImPAct
Grant Program!
Read more on
pg. 26.





Over **8,000 people** attended Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh's "Crash the Carnegies" celebration on November 6 and 7, 2021 to commemorate their 125th Anniversary!

ACLA Mobile Library Services resumed in-person service in July and traveled a total of **11,766 miles** to reach underserved audiences.



ACLA Talent Bank

In **2021**, ACLA continued its promotion and public education campaign for the **Talent Bank**, which launched in 2020. The Talent Bank is a way for local libraries to identify, connect with, and engage interested and talented community members who want to contribute to their local library through board service and other voluntary means. ACLA presented an introductory webinar in September, and its recording remains online for interested individuals.

Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians (LAMP)

Carnegie Library's LAMP has a long history of providing a wide variety of library services to Pittsburghers who are unable to read standard-sized newsprint, unable to hold a book or turn pages, or who have a physically-based reading disability. With tactile reading experiences, books in Braille and large print, DTVs (digital talking book machines), and more, LAMP—located in Bloomfield—has built a loyal community of patrons. CLP revitalized LAMP and reopened the space in December 2021 after a year of much-needed renovations. Upgrades include all accessibility features required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as supplementary features like tactile floor elements, which allow users to navigate to restroom fixtures; a public area display with tactile maps and games; and meeting and volunteer spaces designed for individuals of varying abilities.

9.9 million

library materials were circulated throughout the county in 2021.

Parks & Trails

RAD funding supports more than 15,000 acres of free and open parks, trails, and green space throughout the region, including Allegheny County's nine regional parks, the City of Pittsburgh's five regional parks, Renziehausen Park, Avonworth Community Park, Boyce Mayview Park, the Allegheny Land Trust, the Audubon Society of Western PA, and the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy.

\$31,935,657

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



Our region's spectacular parks and trails have served as invaluable spaces for respite, recreation, and rejuvenation throughout the pandemic.

In 2021, many of our parks began to re-introduce some of their most popular in-person events and activities. The Allegheny County Parks department brought back its free, in-person concert series, drive-in movies, movies in the parks, ice skating lessons, dek hockey clinics, cookies with Santa, cookies with Cottontail, various Park Ranger programs, naturalist programs, car cruises, and Hay Day festivals. The City of Pittsburgh's Great Race returned as an in-person event, kicking off in Frick Park. Renziehausen Park brought back its in-person International Village, Summer Concert Series, and seasonal holiday events. Communities were eager to come together after so many events were cancelled or moved to virtual spaces in 2020.

It was also a big year for capital improvements throughout the parks systems. Allegheny County Parks made major site repairs at the Hartwood Acres Stables. In Boyce Park, the Parks Department made improvements for enhanced accessibility and installed new LED lighting for the ski slopes, a new ticket booth, storage building, and restroom. In South Park, the department added solar lighting to a popular pedestrian pathway and installed new filters at the wave pool; and in North Park, the department added accessible doors to the ice-skating rink. Renziehausen Park made improvements to its trail system, including resurfacing and grading of the trail, painting and striping, drainage, signage, trash receptacles, and steel benches. Boyce Mayview Park improved its trail access, enhanced pool safety, and made improvements to its accessible playground. Within the City of Pittsburgh, RAD funding helped to ensure full funding for Park Rangers, who serve as maintenance crews and first responders within the parks.



City of Pittsburgh Park
Rangers cleaned up
1,000 bags worth of
trash from their five
RAD parks in 2021.

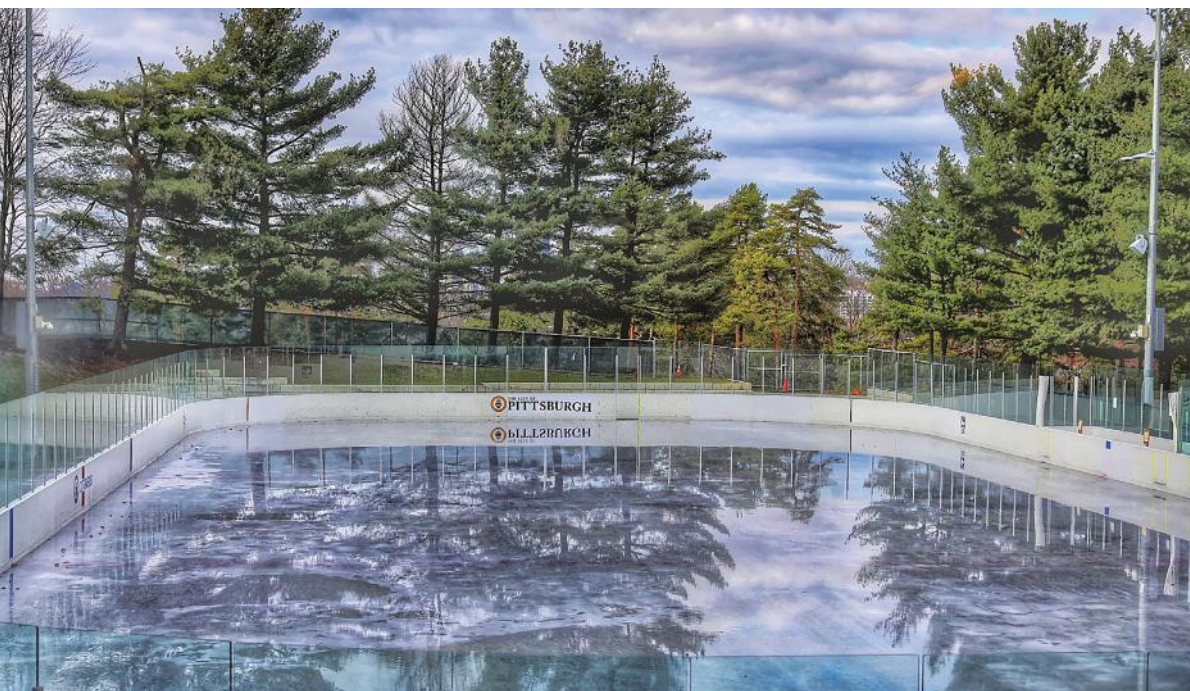
112,654 rounds of golf
were played in North
Park and South Park.

Jazz at Boyce Park

In September, Allegheny County Parks teamed up with MCG Jazz to present an evening of live music with Roger Humphries and RH Factor at Boyce Park. This free concert was presented as part of RADical Days and drew a crowd of over 400 people from the Plum and Monroeville communities.

City of Pittsburgh Puts its Parks on the Map

In August, the City of Pittsburgh launched its first official comprehensive and interactive public parks, recreation, and trails [website](#). The site provides detailed information about attractions, events, public art, and amenities as well as interactive mapping and deep dives into the history of the city's five RAD parks: Frick, Emerald View, Highland, Riverview, and Schenley. It also features information and resources on the city's riverfronts, 10 Community Parks, and 150 Neighborhood Parks.





RADical ImPAct!

Allegheny County Parks began work on the Hartwood Acres Sculpture Garden, and the City of Pittsburgh launched its Arts in Parks project as part of the RADical ImPAct Grant Program. Learn more about these projects on pg. 26!



**40,000 plants were planted in
Allegheny County Parks**

Regional Attractions

RAD proudly supports three of our region's most celebrated and long-standing regional attractions: the National Aviary, Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, and the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium. Since 1995, RAD's investment in these historic institutions has contributed greatly to their growth, sustainability, and impact on our region.

\$7,723,741

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



The National Aviary, Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, and the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium do vital work to preserve and protect our natural world, while also providing inspiration and education to our communities.

Throughout 2021, all three organizations continued both virtual and in-person programming, allowing them to reach wider audiences, while promoting safety and accessibility. The National Aviary made programs like “Aviary After School” and its summer camps available online, giving children and teens the opportunity to learn and connect with each other during times of social isolation. Attendance for Phipps’ online learning classes more than doubled over 2020 to 10,414 students. The Zoo’s virtual programs reached people in all 50 states and across the world in Zimbabwe, Japan, France, England, and Iceland!

With the retirement of Dr. Barbara Baker, the Zoo named its eighth President & CEO, Dr. Jeremy Goodman. Dr. Goodman began in October and, with his close ties to the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), began the process to reestablish the Zoo’s AZA accreditation.

As homes to so many specialized plants and animals, capital projects and facility maintenance are vital to each of these organizations. In 2021, RAD supported improvements to the Zoo’s sea lion beach and holding facility. This more functional habitat now features a larger, single interior holding pool, allowing the sea lion family to move around more effortlessly and the staff more safely. The Aviary made improvements to its Wetlands Habitat and Tropical Rainforest, and invested in new veterinary equipment. As part of its mission to preserve and steward the buildings and grounds of the Conservatory, Phipps restored its prized Orchid Room exhibitory glasshouse, among other capital improvements in 2021.





The National Aviary worked with fellow RAD asset Tickets for Kids to provide **free tickets** to Allegheny Youth Development, Center that CARES, City Connections, Family Services of Western PA, Gwen's Girls, Mercy Behavioral Health, Schenley Heights Community Development, and many others.

New arrivals at the Zoo in 2021 include: the birth of an African elephant calf, the acquisition of a black howler monkey, and three red kangaroos!



Asian Lantern Festival

In collaboration with Tianyu Arts & Culture and Pittsburgh's own Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), the Zoo welcomed over 120,000 visitors to the Asian Lantern Festival, which ran August through October. The Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium illuminated its skyline with the glow of colossal, animal-themed lantern installations. These towering steel and silk sculptures provided a truly unique experience for visitors. The wildly successful festival will return in 2022 to celebrate Asian culture through cuisine, the arts, and educational materials.

Pittsburgh Neighbor Nights at the Aviary

The National Aviary established Pittsburgh Neighbor Nights in 2021, which offers its neighboring community on the Northside a consistent opportunity to experience the National Aviary and its programming free of charge. Every third Thursday, the Aviary remains open until 7pm, adding a two-hour block to the end of the day with free admission, access to habitats, meet-and-greets with birds, and take-home craft activities. This program served more than 500 people in 2021, and there are plans to grow this program in 2022.



Phipps won 6 awards in 2021 for professional excellence, including the prestigious international BREEAM Award.

Arts & Culture

RAD funding supports the region's vibrant arts and culture scene with general operating, capital, and project-based grants. In 2021, RAD supported 89 arts and cultural institutions and organizations throughout Allegheny County.

\$12,179,884

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



For many arts and cultural organizations in our region, 2021 was a year of rebuilding and reengaging with audiences.

The arts came back with a bang, thanks to the collaborative spirit of our many cultural organizations. Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre got things rolling with the “Open Air Series,” which featured dozens of local arts groups on its mobile, outdoor stage. The Series began in May 2021 at Flagstaff Hill in Schenley Park and showcased work from Pittsburgh Public Theater, Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, Kelly Strayhorn Theater, Attack Theatre, Pittsburgh Playwrights Theatre, Pittsburgh Opera, and many more. A RAD Connection Grant supported the “Open Air Series” to continue through at least 2023, with six series events each fall and spring.

RAD also supported collaborations among Pittsburgh Public Theater, Mattress Factory, and City Theatre, who brought together a cohort of local arts leaders and funders to participate in a six-month training led by ArtEquity, an organization committed to building a more inclusive and equitable arts community; and a partnership between Pittsburgh Camerata and Pittsburgh Girls Choir to hire an Executive Director that will oversee the operations of both organizations.

Through creative and constructive partnerships, the cultural sector found ways to ensure that as they reopened their doors, they did so safely and with great care for our communities. Working together, arts organizations of all sizes and disciplines formulated reopening plans that shared clear and cohesive safety policies to provide consistent experiences for returning patrons.



In an effort to make memberships more accessible, Carnegie Museums launched its Community Access Membership program, which includes free memberships for teens ages 13–18 and a new \$20 Family Access Membership for families.

Associated Artists of Pittsburgh teamed up with Creative Citizen Studios, an organization that works with artists who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, for a one-on-one mentorship project, supported by a grant from the Arts, Equity, & Education Fund.

And the Winner Is...

Several RAD assets were recognized for their artistic achievements in 2021. The Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra’s “Front Row” virtual series won two Telly Awards, including Best Music Webseries. Pittsburgh Ballet’s “Fireside Nutcracker” won two Telly Awards and three Davey Awards. WQED was presented with six Mid-Atlantic Emmy Awards, including the award for Overall Excellence. And each year, City Theatre Company presents the Robert M. Frankel Awards, which recognize one individual artist and one community leader. In 2021, Karla Boos of Quantum Theatre received the Individual Artist Award, and RAD was honored with the Community Leader Award. In his speech recognizing RAD, City Theatre Managing Director James McNeel said, “It’s safe to say that RAD, and by extension, the taxpayers of Allegheny County, are the most significant underwriters of the arts and culture in the region.”

Center Stage at Heinz Field

Perhaps the flashiest (and least likely) partnership came in July 2021, when the Pittsburgh CLO partnered with Heinz Field to present “Summer Under the Stars”—two musical theater productions performed live on the Steelers’ home turf. The series served as a celebration of the CLO’s 75th season. More than 14,000 people attended, and the CLO offered over 3,000 free tickets to children and families who otherwise may not have been able to attend.





RADical ImPAct!

The August Wilson African American Cultural Center, City of Asylum, City Theatre, Father Ryan Arts Center, Mattress Factory, Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, SLB Radio, and Union Project all made exciting progress on their RADical ImPAct projects in 2021! Read more on pg. 26.

“The Rivers Don’t Know”— City Theatre Company’s RADical ImPAct project.

Sports & Civic Facilities

The Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County (SEA) owns Heinz Field, PNC Park, PPG Paints Arena, and the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. Annual RAD funding supports debt service on bonds issued for the construction of these facilities (\$13,400,000) and a multi-facility reserve fund for capital repairs and improvements (\$760,000).

\$14,160,000

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



Sports fans and convention-goers were finally able to return to Heinz Field, PNC Park, PPG Paints Arena, and the David L. Lawrence Convention Center for in-person events in 2021.

Some Penguins fans were able to cheer on their team in person on March 2, 2021, when PPG Paints Arena reopened to the public, but only at 15% capacity, or 2,800 seats. The Pirates' home opener at PNC Park was April 8, 2021, and limited to 25% capacity. By the time the Steelers' 2021 home opener rolled around on September 19, 2021, all facilities were operating at 100% capacity, and more than 63,000 were in attendance at Heinz Field. The David L. Lawrence Convention Center (DLCC) began hosting in-person events again in 2021 – a total of 89, with nearly 125,000 attendees.

In addition to reopening to the public, these facilities continued to serve as resources to the community. The DLCC, in partnership with its food and beverage provider, donated 2,400 pounds of food to Jubilee Kitchen and 412 Food Rescue. The Pirates, through a joint effort with the Office of the Commissioner of Baseball and the MLB Players Association, provided complimentary tickets to local children's organizations and other community groups who might not otherwise have had a chance to attend a game. And at Heinz Field, the Steelers engaged with military, medical, and other first responder organizations to offer free tickets.

RAD funding remained critical to the Sports & Exhibition Authority, as it worked to ensure these facilities were ready to reopen to the public. RAD's 2021 operating grant of \$760,000 primarily supported the replacement of the fire prevention system at the DLCC and new concrete at Heinz Field.

Public Transit

Port Authority of Allegheny County is the public transit agency for the greater Pittsburgh region with a mission to connect people to life through bus, light rail, incline, and paratransit services.

\$2,850,000

IN 2021 RAD FUNDING



Port Authority continued operations throughout 2021 with special health and safety policies, and enhanced cleaning procedures.

Early in 2021, Port Authority launched a pilot program for mobile ticketing, which went into effect in August. The system allows Port Authority riders to purchase their fare with a debit or credit card and scan their device to validate their fare. The system is available on Port Authority's entire fleet of more than 700 buses, and at the Monongahela and Duquesne inclines. The light rail system is expected to go online in 2022.

In May 2021, the Port Authority began physical work on its \$230 million Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project, designed to connect Downtown Pittsburgh and Oakland as well as other neighborhoods farther east. To ease congestion in a busy corridor, the BRT will transport thousands of people in dedicated bus lanes.

Port Authority won the 2021 Innovations in Transit Performance Measurement Challenge for its Room2Ride tool, which uses two weeks of historical trip data to predict how full buses will be at their scheduled stops. Designed and created by Port Authority's manager of transit analysis, Room2Ride's benefits to riders are two-fold; it gives riders with flexible schedules the opportunity to choose less-crowded trips, thus creating more room for those who have less flexibility in their schedules.

Between August and September, Port Authority experienced a 23 percent increase in ridership, averaging more than 110,000 weekday rides—its highest since the beginning of the pandemic. While ridership remains well below pre-pandemic levels, it reached 22,468,350 in 2021, including 183,798 free rides.



RADical ImPAct!

To celebrate RAD's 25 years of impact on our region, in 2019 the RAD Board introduced the [RADical ImPAct Grant](#) program to support exciting, large-scale projects with the potential to shape the creative and cultural landscape of Allegheny County for the next 25 years.

While the pandemic put a brief pause on these projects, 2021 saw many of them come to life!

[All Pittsburghers are Poets](#) | [City of Asylum](#)

City of Asylum established a Poet Laureate Program for Allegheny County in four categories: Poet Laureate of Allegheny County, Youth Poet Laureate, Emerging Poet of Allegheny County, and American Sign Language Poet Laureate. Additionally, from May 2020 through April 2021, poems by residents of Allegheny County of all ages and levels of experience were published weekly in Sampsonia Way Magazine—the in-house magazine for City of Asylum. The Poets Laureate presented workshops and events throughout the year, and due to its success, City of Asylum is continuing the Poet Laureate program into 2022.

[Art in Parks](#) | [Allegheny County & City of Pittsburgh](#)

Allegheny County Parks and the City of Pittsburgh Parks have joined forces to highlight the symbiotic relationship between art and parks. Their RADical ImPAct project encourages the public to reimagine the way they interact with and enjoy public art in park spaces.

Allegheny County has created a sculpture garden at Hartwood Acres through the restoration and relocation of 12 existing sculptures and the commission of one brand new sculpture. On June 1, 2021, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald along with leaders and officials from the County, the Parks Foundation, and RAD held a ceremonial groundbreaking for the Sculpture Garden at Hartwood Acres. Dee Briggs was announced as

the local artist commissioned to create a new piece for the garden which will be unveiled in 2022.

The City of Pittsburgh announced eight artists and teams to create high-impact, permanent public art installations in the five RAD parks throughout the city. The projects will be designed and installed on a staggered schedule through summer of 2022.

[ArtWalk on the Allegheny](#) | [Pittsburgh Cultural Trust](#)

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust teamed up with Riverlife to artistically reimagine two miles of trails, industrial infrastructure, and access points along the Allegheny River from Point State Park through the Cultural District and up to the Strip District. 2021 saw the implementation of two new art projects along the riverfront. The first, "Invisible Ecologies," is an installation of decorative, urban bird houses. The second is a mural called "Black Flowers" by local artist Camo Nesbit, which showcases, in Nesbit's words, "vibrant, colorful portraits of local Black faces of excellence, greatness and inspiration."

[August Wilson: A Writer's Landscape](#) | [August Wilson African American Cultural Center](#)

This will be the first-ever exhibition dedicated to the life and works of Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright August Wilson. The 1,800 square foot permanent exhibition will explore the people and places of Pittsburgh, where Wilson was born and raised, and which had a profound impact on shaping his



worldview and inspiring his unprecedented 10-play American Century Cycle. The project is complete and opened to the public in April 2022.



Building Bridges: “The Rivers Don’t Know” | City Theatre Company

City Theatre’s RADical ImPAct project was a large-scale, community-centered world premiere production celebrating the narratives of immigrant and refugee populations in Pittsburgh. Inspired by stories from the community, *The Rivers Don’t Know* explored the experiences of refugees and immigrants in Pittsburgh. The production ran for two weeks in September, with over 1,500 people attending its nine free performances.

Curtain Call | Sports & Exhibition Authority

Curtain Call is a community public art project that will showcase a dynamic, engaging, and multi-functional artwork in a high-traffic entrance to the Hill District neighborhood of Pittsburgh, designed by Walter Hood – a highly regarded, award-winning artist and landscape architect. Stay tuned for more from this project in 2022!



Northside Corridor | Mattress Factory

The Northside Cultural Corridor is a place-making initiative that will better connect Pittsburgh’s Northside assets through wayfinding and cultural and economic development. The Corridor partners—The Andy Warhol Museum, Children’s Museum of Pittsburgh, City of Asylum, Mattress Factory, The National Aviary, and the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy—officially launched the project on September 30 with a Corridor Free Day. Each of the Corridor partners offered free admission and family-friendly activities. Over 1,200 people attended!



RAD Pass | Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

RAD Pass is an online ticket lending system that allows Allegheny County library cardholders ages 18+ to access free or discounted tickets to many of RAD’s cultural assets, including the Andy Warhol Museum, Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, Kelly Strayhorn Theater, New Hazlett Theater, Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures, Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Pittsburgh Opera and Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. RAD Pass officially launched in November as part of the 125th anniversary celebration of Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

RADcast | SLB Radio

RADcast will be a fast-paced, weekly 15-minute podcast series featuring three different assets covered by teen reporters. The project was on pause due to the pandemic, however, SLB Radio introduced RADcast to 12 teens in the summer of 2021 as part of

a virtual podcasting camp for Allegheny Intermediate Unit, and all are eager to be involved. Stay tuned for more!

RADical Adventurers | Focus On Renewal (Father Ryan Arts Center)

This project provided youth in the Sto-Rox area the opportunity to visit RAD assets and gather memories and artifacts to seal in a time capsule. Before the pandemic, the RADical Adventurers had the opportunity to visit several RAD assets and write about their experiences. In April 2021, they came back together to seal their writings and mementos into RADical time capsule, which will remain sealed until 2045!

Wheel Mobile | Union Project

Union Project envisions a world where every Allegheny County resident has a piece of handmade pottery on their shelf that they created themselves, and their new mobile ceramics studio will bring that dream one step closer to reality. Union Project has purchased a raku kiln, a pottery wheel, and other equipment, materials, and tools for the Ford Transit Cargo Van that they plan to transform into their Wheel Mobile! Stay tuned for this mobile ceramics studio coming soon to your neighborhood!

RADical Days 2021

RADical Days came back strong in 2021 with over 75 free events & activities presented by 60 participating RAD assets. More than 40,000 people participated!

RADical Days kicked off in partnership with the Cultural District's **"Lights On!"** celebration. September 9, 10, and 11, 2021, Pittsburgh's Downtown filled with an estimated 12,000 people reengaging with the arts. Along with the Downtown Cultural assets (August Wilson African American Cultural Center, Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, Pittsburgh CLO, Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Pittsburgh Opera, Pittsburgh Public Theater, and Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra), other participating RAD assets included: Arcade Comedy Theater, Attack Theatre, Dreams of Hope, Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra, and Texture Contemporary Ballet.

The Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council's **"Restart the Arts"** campaign, funded by a RAD Connection Grant, sent its art truck to several RADical Days events throughout September and October, promoting the reopening of the region's arts scene.

Captions, clockwise from top.

"Lights On!" welcomed thousands of arts lovers back to the Cultural District.

It's never too early to learn about art and history (and strike a pose!) at The Frick.

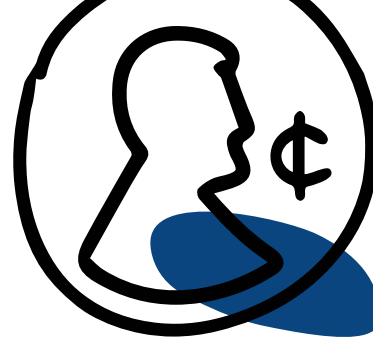
Visitors enjoying the beautiful Pittsburgh Botanic Garden during RADical Days.

Andrés Franco conducting the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's RADical Days concert at Heinz Hall.

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh mascot, Andrew CARDnegie, visited Pittsburgh Opera for RADical Days to announce RAD Pass.

Musicians performing at Afro-American Music Institute's RADical Days celebration.





Grant Distribution

ASSET	2021 OPERATING	2021 CAPITAL
CONTRACTUAL		
Allegheny County Library Association*	\$6,748,103	
Allegheny County – Regional Parks	\$22,290,190	\$1,140,702
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh	\$20,640,663	
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh – Debt Service	\$1,000,000	
Carnegie Library eiNetwork	\$3,250,889	
Carnegie Library eResources	\$237,606	
Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh	\$3,305,040	
City of McKeesport – Renziehausen Park	\$760,704	
City of Pittsburgh – Regional Parks	\$6,199,359	\$1,140,702
National Aviary in Pittsburgh	\$1,291,522	
Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens	\$2,513,996	
Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium	\$3,918,223	
MULTI YEAR AGREEMENT		
SEA Stadium Convention Center Bond Issue	\$13,400,000	
ANNUAL		
ACH Clear Pathways	\$4,750	
Afro-American Music Institute	\$20,900	
Allegheny Brass Band	\$3,800	
Allegheny Land Trust	\$28,500	
American Jewish Museum of the JCC	\$6,650	
Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall	\$7,125	
Arcade Comedy Theater	\$4,275	
Assemble	\$3,325	
Associated Artists of Pittsburgh	\$7,125	
Attack Theatre	\$47,500	
Audubon Society of Western PA	\$25,000	
August Wilson African American Cultural Center	\$475,000	
August Wilson House a project of the Daisy Wilson Artist Community, Inc.	\$4,750	
Avonworth Community Park	\$35,000	
Bach Choir of Pittsburgh	\$9,120	
Belle Voci	\$2,375	

*See Allegheny County Library Association Distribution chart on pg. 33.

ASSET	2021 OPERATING	2021 CAPITAL
Bulgarian Macedonian National Educational & Cultural Center	\$4,750	
Calliope: The Pittsburgh Folk Music Society	\$9,500	
Chamber Music Pittsburgh	\$16,150	
Chatham Baroque	\$19,000	
Children's Museum of Pittsburgh	\$475,000	
City of Asylum/Pittsburgh	\$33,250	
City Theatre Company	\$114,000	
Contemporary Craft	\$76,000	
corningworks	\$3,420	
Dreams of Hope	\$10,450	
Edgewood Symphony Orchestra	\$4,500	
Film Pittsburgh	\$6,650	
Focus on Renewal (Father Ryan Arts Center)	\$10,000	
Front Porch Theatricals	\$9,500	
Gemini Theater Company	\$6,745	
Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council	\$95,000	
Guardians of Sound	\$2,375	
Hill Dance Academy Theater	\$26,125	
Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh	\$5,225	
Kelly Strayhorn Theater	\$66,500	
Manchester Craftsmen's Guild	\$384,750	
Mattress Factory	\$85,500	
McKeesport Little Theater	\$8,550	
Mendelssohn Choir	\$12,000	
New Hazlett Theater	\$33,250	
New Horizon Theater	\$30,400	
North Hills Art Center	\$12,825	
North Pittsburgh Symphonic Band	\$2,000	
PICT Classic Theatre	\$40,850	
Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures	\$19,000	
Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	\$180,500	
Pittsburgh Botanic Garden	\$61,750	
Pittsburgh Camerata	\$3,895	
Pittsburgh Center for Arts and Media	\$25,000	
Pittsburgh CLO	\$190,000	
Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra	\$1,800	
Pittsburgh Community Broadcasting Corp. – WYEP	\$39,600	
Pittsburgh Concert Chorale	\$4,750	

ASSET	2021 OPERATING	2021 CAPITAL
Pittsburgh Cultural Trust	\$1,852,500	
Pittsburgh Festival Opera	\$17,100	
Pittsburgh Girls Choir	\$2,375	
Pittsburgh Glass Center	\$61,750	
Pittsburgh Musical Theater	\$61,750	
Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble	\$7,600	
Pittsburgh Opera	\$180,500	
Pittsburgh Philharmonic	\$4,750	
Pittsburgh Playwrights Theatre	\$21,850	
Pittsburgh Public Theater	\$190,000	
Pittsburgh Savoyards	\$2,375	
Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	\$1,520,000	
Pittsburgh Youth Chorus	\$10,925	
Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra	\$19,000	
Port Authority of Allegheny County	\$2,850,000	
Prime Stage Theatre	\$14,250	
Quantum Theatre	\$38,000	
Rachel Carson Homestead Association	\$2,375	
Renaissance City Choirs	\$4,845	
River City Brass	\$106,875	
Saltworks Theatre Company	\$10,925	
Senator John Heinz History Center	\$617,500	
Silver Eye Center for Photography	\$19,000	
SLB Radio Productions, Inc.	\$4,845	
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum	\$294,500	
South Hills Chorale	\$4,400	
South Park Theatre	\$9,500	
Sports & Exhibition Authority	\$760,000	
Squonk Opera	\$9,500	
Steeltown Entertainment Project	\$13,300	
Sweetwater Center for the Arts	\$51,300	
Texture Contemporary Ballet	\$4,750	
The Frick Pittsburgh	\$152,000	
Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestras	\$15,200	
Tickets for Kids	\$19,000	
Tuesday Musical Club	\$4,750	
Union Project	\$13,300	
Upper St. Clair Twp. Boyce-Mayview Regional Park	\$230,000	

ASSET	2021 OPERATING	2021 CAPITAL
Western PA Conservancy	\$85,500	
WQED	\$475,000	
OTHER		
Connection, Accessibility & Inclusion Grants		\$300,000
Access & Opportunity		\$10,000
RAD Administration	\$1,035,000	
TOTAL 2021 OPERATING / CAPITAL	\$99,170,140	\$2,591,404
GRAND TOTAL 2021 EXPENDITURES		\$101,761,544

ALLEGHENY COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION DISTRIBUTION

Andrew Bayne Memorial Library	\$82,598	Millvale Community Library	\$74,913
Andrew Carnegie Free Library	\$110,234	Monroeville Public Library	\$254,502
Avalon Public Library	\$61,358	Moon Township Public Library	\$132,648
Baldwin Borough Public Library	\$95,255	Mt. Lebanon Public Library	\$361,652
Bethel Park Public Library	\$186,714	North Versailles Public Library	\$58,770
Braddock Carnegie Library	\$139,978	Northern Tier Regional Library	\$149,860
Brentwood Library	\$113,714	Northland Public Library	\$543,582
Bridgeville Public Library	\$87,318	Oakmont Carnegie Library	\$114,311
C C Mellor Memorial Library	\$123,808	Penn Hills Library	\$177,119
Carnegie Free Library of Swissvale	\$137,205	Pleasant Hills Public Library	\$97,090
Carnegie Library of Homestead	\$131,025	Plum Borough Community Library	\$89,690
Carnegie Library of McKeesport	\$292,414	Robinson Township Library	\$104,447
Clairton Public Library	\$79,962	Scott Township Public Library	\$80,705
Community Library of Allegheny Valley	\$146,582	Sewickley Public Library	\$213,482
Community Library of Castle Shannon	\$69,104	Shaler North Hills Library	\$241,600
Cooper-Siegel Community Library	\$194,659	South Fayette Township Library	\$86,961
Coraopolis Memorial Library	\$71,401	South Park Township Library	\$115,641
Crafton Public Library	\$77,620	Springdale Free Public Library	\$55,677
Dormont Public Library	\$70,118	Upper St. Clair Township Library	\$199,237
F.O.R. Sto-Rox Library	\$122,514	Western Allegheny Community Library	\$109,735
Green Tree Public Library	\$82,980	Whitehall Public Library	\$128,487
Hampton Community Library	\$87,193	Wilksburg Public Library	\$216,697
Jefferson Hills Public Library	\$70,297	ACLA Admin. and Mobile Services	\$507,242
		TOTAL ACLA FUNDING	\$6,748,103

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 the 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.

Municipal Funding Distribution

MUNICIPALITY	2021 FUNDING	MUNICIPALITY	2021 FUNDING
Aleppo Twp	\$44,999.24	Crafton Boro	\$254,944.17
Allegheny County	\$57,035,080.26	Crescent Twp	\$80,299.06
Aspinwall Boro	\$90,288.71	Dormont Boro	\$433,246.74
Avalon Boro	\$254,464.78	Dravosburg Boro	\$87,627.47
Baldwin Boro	\$695,910.80	Duquesne City	\$526,679.45
Baldwin Twp	\$82,204.16	East Deer Twp	\$44,994.99
Bell Acres Boro	\$41,302.87	East McKeesport Boro	\$94,964.36
Bellevue Boro	\$434,345.76	East Pittsburgh Boro	\$135,600.42
Ben Avon Boro	\$48,776.60	Edgewood Boro	\$116,406.23
Ben Avon Heights Boro	\$13,530.76	Edgeworth Boro	\$40,835.00
Bethel Park Boro	\$817,011.22	Elizabeth Boro	\$70,579.27
Blawnox Boro	\$61,006.04	Elizabeth Twp	\$328,799.72
Brackenridge Boro	\$129,183.29	Emsworth Boro	\$69,641.89
Braddock Boro	\$167,805.07	Etna Boro	\$153,217.01
Braddock Hills Boro	\$92,837.58	Fawn Twp	\$46,856.49
Bradford Woods Boro	\$21,090.39	Findlay Twp	\$151,259.15
Brentwood Boro	\$514,119.15	Forest Hills Boro	\$271,248.17
Bridgeville Boro	\$193,881.05	Forward Twp	\$57,774.63
Carnegie Boro	\$312,392.43	Fox Chapel Boro	\$103,516.37
Castle Shannon Boro	\$359,820.45	Franklin Park Boro	\$201,209.97
Chalfant Boro	\$35,825.77	Frazer Twp	\$8,347.73
Cheswick Boro	\$54,937.74	Glassport Boro	\$287,699.58
Churchill Boro	\$98,570.23	Green Tree Boro	\$133,872.12
Clairton City	\$491,047.99	Hampton Twp	\$372,580.67
Collier Twp	\$168,131.49	Harmar Twp	\$54,879.84
Coraopolis Boro	\$339,039.98	Harrison Twp	\$313,449.55

MUNICIPALITY	2021 FUNDING
Haysville Boro	\$1,920.89
Heidelberg Boro	\$46,248.80
Homestead Boro	\$236,816.83
Indiana Twp	\$153,818.61
Ingram Boro	\$119,240.48
Jefferson Boro	\$323,940.38
Kennedy Twp	\$148,910.04
Kilbuck Twp	\$14,892.46
Leet Twp	\$59,125.82
Leetsdale Boro	\$68,038.51
Liberty Boro	\$105,988.93
Lincoln Boro	\$39,484.07
Marshall Twp	\$108,593.16
McCandless Twp	\$481,767.04
McKees Rocks Boro	\$365,341.78
McKeesport City	\$1,570,841.15
Millvale Boro	\$209,903.21
Monroeville Boro	\$1,205,576.79
Moon Twp	\$479,077.08
Mt Lebanon Twp	\$1,117,923.72
Mt Oliver Boro	\$301,029.34
Munhall Boro	\$637,937.82
Neville Twp	\$25,371.26
North Braddock Boro	\$282,290.22
North Fayette Twp	\$323,957.82
North Versailles Twp	\$460,994.10
Oakdale Boro	\$41,239.60
Oakmont Boro	\$140,948.14
O'Hara Twp	\$166,001.40
Ohio Twp	\$87,421.10
Osborne Boro	\$14,338.46
Penn Hills Twp	\$2,243,064.36
Pennsbury Village Boro	\$20,722.86
Pine Twp	\$221,743.30
Pitcairn Boro	\$177,900.40
Pittsburgh City	\$24,108,030.32
Pleasant Hills Boro	\$288,152.42
Plum Boro	\$733,026.18
Port Vue Boro	\$190,493.51

MUNICIPALITY	2021 FUNDING
Rankin Boro	\$216,630.17
Reserve Twp	\$99,916.51
Richland Twp	\$190,443.55
Robinson Twp	\$281,237.70
Ross Twp	\$636,302.57
Rosslyn Farms Boro	\$16,671.63
Scott Twp	\$560,899.24
Sewickley Boro	\$129,535.13
Sewickley Heights Boro	\$21,746.71
Sewickley Hills Boro	\$11,824.34
Shaler Twp	\$540,209.14
Sharpsburg Boro	\$179,691.52
South Fayette Twp	\$397,996.72
South Park Twp	\$317,818.02
South Versailles Twp	\$7,951.27
Springdale Boro	\$143,035.83
Springdale Twp	\$52,088.77
Stowe Twp	\$341,093.94
Swissvale Boro	\$408,825.73
Tarentum Boro	\$174,487.23
Thornburg Boro	\$13,637.20
Turtle Creek Boro	\$307,016.64
Upper St Clair Twp	\$584,679.78
Verona Boro	\$100,398.22
Versailles Boro	\$73,624.59
Wall Boro	\$30,124.72
West Deer Twp	\$247,094.47
West Elizabeth Boro	\$14,316.01
West Homestead Boro	\$101,764.97
West Mifflin Boro	\$949,264.56
West View Boro	\$222,341.56
Whitaker Boro	\$79,171.74
White Oak Boro	\$288,130.25
Whitehall Boro	\$495,836.62
Wilkins Twp	\$248,887.30
Wilkinsburg Boro	\$1,091,519.05
Wilmerding Boro	\$133,700.90
TOTAL	\$114,070,160.52

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 2021 was \$101.8 million, which includes the 1% statutory allocation for the City and County Parks.

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 2021, the amount transferred to the General Fund for administrative costs was 0.82% 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 2021, RAD conducted over 80 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 2021. Independently audited financial statements on actual 2021 results along with budgets and monthly updates are posted at radworkshere.org and are also available through the RAD office.

2021 tax revenue of \$114.0 million was 13.8% higher than 2020. RAD added \$12.5 million to its sales tax reserve balance at December 31, 2021.

	SALES TAX REFUND FUND	GENERAL FUND
Grant Stabilization Reserve balance, (for future grants and debt service) at 12/31/20 net of receivables	\$25,087,184	
Unreserved balance 12/31/20		\$407,462
Actual tax revenue (cash basis)	\$114,070,160	
Interest earnings	(\$5,245)	\$510
Allocations authorized	(\$101,761,544)	
Transfer from Sales Tax Revenue Fund		\$930,000
Miscellaneous revenue, lapses, and adjustments	\$181,300	\$85,696
Net administrative expenses		(\$1,052,399)
Grant Stabilization Reserve balance at 12/31/21 net of receivables	\$37,571,855	
Unreserved balance 12/31/21		\$371,269

Source: RAD Audit 2021

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