



City Hall Exports Jobs that Should Stay in New York City

Sadly barriers still exist for minority-owned firms, but if having to sue the Port Authority to force them to meet their minority hiring obligations weren't enough, Economic Cornerstone uncovered new disturbing actions by City Hall that further harms minority-owned firms in New York City.

City Hall is outsourcing good paying union jobs to other states such as Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Georgia. This work involves city agencies such as the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) and the New York City School Construction Authority (NYCSCA). In the past two years 38 of the 39 NYCSCA boilermaker projects went to Burnham, a company in Pennsylvania. Of eleven NYCHA projects over the last few years, almost all went to Pennsylvania and none to New York City-based manufacturers. Economic Cornerstone found four NYC-based companies capable of performing the work, each in communities with above average poverty levels that could have benefitted from these jobs.

\$28 million that should stay in NYC

Economic Cornerstone has calculated that nearly \$28 million of taxpayer dollars has flowed out of the state from boilermaker jobs alone. We fear this is merely the tip of the iceberg.

Black Jobs Matter - a Movement

In 2015 we flexed our muscle at the Labor Day Parade up 5th Avenue. Joining our Black Jobs Matter rally and standing with us was NYS Senator James Sanders, Jr. and NYC Mayoral hopeful Michel Faulkner. But this is only the beginning!



Nassau County Coliseum

Those in charge of the renovation of the Nassau County Veteran's Memorial Coliseum, in the heart of black and minority neighborhoods, have promised to hire 20% minorities. Economic Cornerstone is prepared to ensure bonding for minority firms, eliminating another excuse developers use for not hiring minorities. To this point, however, we have not seen enough work earmarked to MBWEs to engage.

