

Mailers

- Erica moved to spend up to \$10,000 on mailers
- Ben T. seconded the motion
- Rich hopes we can turn around the request by Tuesday, June 1
- The membership passed the motion

Upcoming CBID Mobilization Events

- Shahana Hanif GOTV Kickoff on May 29, 2021

Working Meeting!

- Phonebank for Judge Rosemarie Montalbano
- Phonebank for Jo Anne Simon
- Friendbanks for Shahana Hanif, Brad Lander, and Lincoln Restler

Environmental + Climate Committee (Alice and Joanne)

- NY Renews CCIA Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kZKYLXkYtik>
- CBID is a member of NY Renews
- We hope the state legislature passes the CCIA before the end of the legislative session

New York Health Act (Jenny Hua, MD/PhD)

- Why do we need the NYHA?
 - o So that people cannot get sued for outstanding medical debts
 - o Number of people without insurance is steadily rising
 - o Shows the problem with tying insurance to employment
 - o ACA perpetuated problems of private insurance
 - o Underinsurance is also growing
 - o Healthcare costs are the leading cause of personal bankruptcy
 - o As a result of the ACA, none of the following decreased: premiums, deductibles, copays, or out-of-pocket healthcare costs
 - o United States does not enjoy better health outcomes as result of high healthcare costs
 - o High insurance overhead costs
 - o U.S. life expectancy has diverged from the other G7 nations since the 1980s
- NYHA
 - o Would create a publicly funded, privately delivered single-payer healthcare system covering every resident of NYS
 - o Principles
 - Universality
 - Comprehensive
 - Equity
 - Accountability and transparency
 - Participation
 - o Who's going to pay for it?

- Consolidate money from private sector into NY Health Tax
 - Saving billions through administrative simplification and reduced prices of drugs and medical devices
 - Paying for NY Health through a payroll and nonpayroll tax
 - Benefits of NYHA
 - Big savings from single payer: private insurance overhead far exceeds that of the public Medicare program
 - Cover everyone by saving money
 - Single biggest source of savings created by the NYHA: decreased administrative cost
 - NYHA would create 150,000 jobs in NYS
 - Redistributes cost and saves money overall
- Challenges
 - Not on Senate committee agenda for 5/19/2021 – last scheduled committee meeting of this legislative session
 - Legislative session ends on 6/10/2021
 - Unions (especially teachers and public employees) came out against it
 - Opposition memo and studies by insurance industry coming out of the woodworks
- Good news
 - Fight is not over: can still go through the rules committee and then to the floor if leadership permits it
 - Closer than ever to passing – more cosponsors than ever before
- How to support
 - Memos of Support – CBID could write one if it has not already done so
 - Dialer: <https://p2a.co/CDDPgr4>
 - Get on the bus to Albany to #PassNYHealth on Monday, June 7
 - Let's make sure the state legislature passes the NYHA before the end of the legislative session!
 - See whether your legislator has cosponsored the bill: <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2021/S5474>

Committee updates

- County Committee Committee (Joe C.)
 - ADC in the 52nd Assembly District
 - Successful organizing meeting on Monday
 - They passed the rules and will now form a rules committee to study those rules and identify areas of improvement
 - Elected a slate of officers
 - Well on its way to becoming a fully constituted ADC
 - Between the proxies and attendees, ADC had around 160 participants
 - To join the County Committee Committee, contact Joe at joecbid@gmail.com
- Environmental + Climate Committee (Alice and Joanne)
 - CCIA is facing major headwinds and seems to be stuck in committees
 - There is a trip to Albany next week for NY Renewals

- To take action: <https://www.nyrenews.org/>
- Women's Caucus (Allison): Women's Caucus is focused on the primaries 😊