

CONGRESSMAN  
**ANDY  
KIM**  
NJ-03



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A photograph of Congressman Andy Kim, wearing glasses and a light blue shirt with a striped tie, smiling and talking to a young girl. The girl is wearing a white t-shirt with a graphic that includes the text 'SUPPORTING BLACK... MOVEMENT' and 'Sojourner Truth'. They are sitting at a table covered with a blue cloth. In the background, another person in a dark jacket is partially visible.

# CONGRESSMAN ANDY KIM (NJ-03)

116TH CONGRESS IN REVIEW

# MY THANKS TO YOU

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Nearly two years ago, I was sworn in to represent you in Congress. Since that time, we've endured a government shutdown, partisan gridlock, a global pandemic and an economic crisis.

Throughout it all, I have heard from tens of thousands of our neighbors across Burlington and Ocean Counties. I have heard stories of small business owners struggling to keep their doors open, frontline health care workers fighting to keep people alive, and working parents just trying to make ends meet.

I carry each and every one of those stories with me when I go onto the House Floor to vote. I think about the people who live in the communities I grew up in and am raising my two boys in when I get to work.

This report is a look back at the past two years of the 116th Congress. I'm proud of what we've done together as a community to stand up and be there for one another during these trying times.

There is still work to be done, and I look forward to serving you in the next two years to make New Jersey and our country stronger and safer.

*Andy Kim*

# BY THE NUMBERS

## Bills

484 Cosponsored  
4 Signed Into Law  
10 Passed House  
26 Authored



55,000+  
E-Newsletter  
Subscribers



28 Town  
Halls Held



119 Hearings  
Attended



\$3,000,000+  
Returned to  
Constituents



23 Local Health  
Facilities Visited



76% of  
Cosponsored  
Bills Are  
Bipartisan



40 Local  
Schools Visited



215,000+  
Constituents  
Responded To



50 Veteran  
Group Meetings



5,000+ Constituent  
Issues With Federal  
Agencies Resolved





# HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

- More than 5,000 Issues with Federal Agencies Resolved since 2019
  - More than \$3 Million Returned to Constituents During the Pandemic
  - More than 1,000 Burlington and Ocean County Residents Helped with Pandemic Assistance
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Helping our neighbors through tough times is the most important part of my job as your member of Congress. Whether it is helping those who have lost work due to the pandemic navigate the state's unemployment system or helping veterans or seniors get their benefits, my team is dedicated to helping those who need it most.

One example of my team helping someone in our community is the story of Mark Chase.

Mark is a Marine Corps veteran who was on a long wait list to receive a prosthetic leg from the VA. For nearly a year, his efforts to get help were held up by red tape and bureaucracy.

My team was able to step in and work with the VA to resolve this issue for Mark, securing him the state-of-the-art C-leg he needed to have a quality life worthy of someone who served our country.

We are here to help you. If you have questions or need to talk with a member of my staff, you can visit <https://kim.house.gov/services>.



"Helping those in need is why I got into public service, and it's what drives me as I represent the community I call home."  
*Congressman Kim*



# MAKING AN IMPACT IN WASHINGTON

- Majority of Bills Authored Are Bipartisan
  - Four Bills Signed into Law by President Trump
  - 76 Percent of Bills Co-Sponsored Are Bipartisan
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In order to get things done for the people of Burlington and Ocean Counties, I know that working across the aisle is essential. It's why over the past two years, I've worked with colleagues from both parties to get meaningful bills signed into law that make an impact in the lives of New Jersey's families.

I started by introducing the SAVE Act, a bipartisan bill that would help states like ours establish state-based health care exchanges to drive down costs and increase options. During the pandemic, I've worked as a member of the House Select Committee on the Coronavirus Crisis to tackle our greatest health care challenge and advocate for more resources to fight COVID-19.

Supporting our small businesses has been a key focus of mine as the only member from New Jersey on the Small Business Committee. I've introduced bills that would cut through red tape and am working to protect our local businesses during the coronavirus crisis.

As a member of the Armed Services Committee, I've dedicated my efforts to protecting our Joint Base and the military families who serve there. I'm proud to have passed two pay raises for our service members, and authored and passed laws that will help expand economic opportunities for our military families. I also led the way to stop the use of harmful PFAS chemicals which threaten our water supply.





"The most important thing I do in Washington is fight for New Jersey. I'll work with anyone, regardless of party, to get the job done."  
*Congressman Kim*

# CONNECTING WITH OUR COMMUNITIES

- Held 28 Town Halls
  - Responded to More Than 215,000 Emails, Letters and Phone Calls
  - Visited 40 local schools, 23 local health care centers
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These are difficult times to stay connected. That is true for our friends and family, and it's true as your representative in Congress. Hearing from one another is an important part of making sure your priorities are voiced, and I'm glad that even during a pandemic I've been able to hear from so many of you.

At the beginning of this Congress, I pledged to hold at least one town hall a month. In total, we held 28 town halls where thousands of our neighbors were able to share their ideas and concerns, which allowed me to advocate for them in Washington.

I was proud to bring together experts and community voices on issues ranging from the opioid epidemic to flood insurance reform, to our role in Afghanistan. And during the pandemic, I brought experts to provide updates on unemployment and small business help, and what to expect from a COVID-19 vaccine.

The coronavirus was not the only crisis we faced during these past two years. We confronted issues of racial injustice and inequity through a series of community meetings and our report - Lift Every Voice - which raised up the voices of Black New Jerseyans facing discrimination.

Each challenge we faced, we faced as a community, coming together to find common cause and common purpose.





"Getting through tough times means coming together as a community. Every conversation I have at home is a priority I fight for in Washington."  
*Congressman Kim*

# COMBATTING THE CORONAVIRUS

- Passed funding to help small businesses
  - Expanded Unemployment Insurance
  - Approved critical funds to end the pandemic
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The coronavirus pandemic has been the defining issue of the past year. Too many of us in New Jersey and across our country have lost friends and family to this virus. We know people who have hit hard times and lost their job or their business.

It is Congress' job to step up in a moment of crisis to help the American people. In the spring, I worked to pass the CARES Act, the largest relief effort in American history. The CARES Act included funds for businesses to keep people on payroll, direct payments and expanded unemployment benefits to help working families weather the storm, and funding to put an end to the pandemic.

This was a big step forward, but it was not enough. While my colleagues in Washington played politics and delayed the passage of another relief bill, I joined so many in our community to roll up my sleeves and get to work. I helped distribute food and volunteered to help those left behind.

In the closing days of the year, Congress was able to come together to agree on another round of relief. While more direct payments and extensions of essential programs like eviction relief and unemployment insurance are important, they're not enough.

As I look ahead to next Congress, my focus is on helping you and your family get through this crisis. What we've done this year is just the beginning, and I won't stop fighting until everyone is safe, healthy, and secure.





"The coronavirus crisis hit our state hard. We've lost so much, but we have to work together to make sure everyone gets back on their feet."  
*Congressman Kim*



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