

BARBARA A. BURNS
530 Avery Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
412 231-7170
412 726-6265

EMPLOYMENT

- 2000-Present** **Proprietor, Sweet Time General Store**
East Ohio Street Business District
Operates a US Postal Station, gift store for the neighborhood.
- 2000-2004** **Elected Member, Pittsburgh City Council, City of Pittsburgh**
District One
- 1996-2000** **Project Coordinator, Vacant Property Working Group**
Pittsburgh Community Reinvestment Group (PCRG)
Staffing of city-wide coalition of non-profit community
development organization, City of Pittsburgh, financial
institutions and other identified stakeholders. Mission is to
eradicate long standing vacant and nuisance properties
within neighborhoods.
- 1994-1995** **Member, House of Representatives, Commonwealth**
Elected to complete unexpired term of Rep. Tom Murphy,
District 20. Served on Urban Affairs Committee, Federal-
State Relations Committee, Tourism and Recreational
Development Committee.
- 1983-1994** **Leadership Aide for Democrat Majority Whip, Ivan Itkin,**
District 23,
House of Representatives, Commonwealth of PA
Responsibilities included legislative and constituent service,
coordination of programs and projects sponsored by the
Allegheny County Delegation of the House of
Representatives.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- 1978-1982** **Chatham College, B.A. in Communications, Minor in Political**
Science
- 1966** **Allegheny High School, Pittsburgh Public Schools**

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 2000-Present** **Chair, Deutschtown Business District**
Serving the East Ohio Street Business District
- 2008-Present** **Chair, Deutschtown Development Corporation**
Rejuvenating the East Ohio Street Business District by
developing Gateway commercial real estate.
- 1991-Present** **Chair, “Pumpkinfest” – A Children’s Harvest Day Celebration**
Annual children’s celebration in East Park held the second
Saturday in October for past 25 years. Attracts over 5,000
North Side resident and 60 non-profit serve providers.
- 1978-Present** **Incorporator, Past President, Member.**
East Allegheny Community Council, Inc.
Provides organization with diverse economic development
and community organizing skills. Coordinates and promotes
annual neighborhood events such as the Pumpkinfest, Easter
Egg Hunt and Neighborhood Garden Party. Develops
marketing materials such as the Residential Handbook.
Skilled at zoning and land use as well as negotiating
neighborhood initiatives such as the Allegheny General
Hospital Partnership Agreement. Provides leadership for
spearheading many neighborhood development projects
such as: Deutschtown Square, 404 Cedar Avenue, The Priory
– A City Inn, Pittsburgh’s Grand Hall, Hollander Building,
Avery Homes, Deutschtown Townhomes, The Sustainable
Technology House and other scattered housing and
commercial sites.
- 1979-1983** **Charter Member, Past Delegate, Past Executive Board**
Member, and Secretary.
Northside Leadership Conference
A coalition of neighborhood non-profit organizations
specializing in economic development, housing and resource
identification for the Northside area. Chair of 6Housing
Development Committee, Funding Raising Committee, & AGH
Reinvestment Committee.
- 1989-1992** **Treasurer, Allegheny County Democratic Delegation House of**
Representatives Political Action Committee
- 1988** **Dukakis Delegate, Elected 14th Congressional District,**
Democratic National Convention, Atlanta, Georgia

Page Three – Barbara Burns

- 1988-1993** Board of Directors, The Carnegie Library, Museum of Natural History and Arts, & Buhl Science Center
- 1988-1993** Board of Directors, Pittsburgh Community Service, Inc.
Elected Vice President in 1990
- 1984-1992** Vice President and Executive Committee Board Member,
North Side Civic Development Council, Inc.
- 1980-1984** Commissioner, Pittsburgh Human Relations Commissions,
City of Pittsburgh, Appointed by Mayor Caliguiri
- 1984** Mondale Delegate, Elected 14th Congressional District,
Democratic National Convention, San Francisco, California
- 1982-1988** Elected Member, Democratic Committee of Allegheny County
– 23rd Ward, 2nd District

EDUCATIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- 1990-2000** Member, Board of Fellows, Institute of Politics, University of Pittsburgh
- 1983-1994** Board Member, Pittsburgh Board of Public Education
Elected to represent District 8 in 1983; Elected to represent District 2 in 1985; Past President from 1988 to 1993; First Vice President from 1985 to 1988.
- 1989-1993** Board Member, The Council of the Great City Schools
An organization comprised of forty-seven of the largest urban school districts in the United States, representative for Pittsburgh Public School District; Member, Legislative Committee; Co-Chair, Legislative Committee in 1992.
- 1988-1992** Executive Board Member, Pittsburgh New Futures Community Collaborative
- October 1991** Judge, Redbook Magazine, Redbook's Best High School Projects
- March 1990** Participant, "Teaching in the City – A Combined Conference and Study Visit," London England. Sponsored by the British Government and United States Department of Education

Page Four – Barbara Burns

1985-1989 **Member, Executive Board, Pennsylvania School Board Association, Pittsburgh Board of Education, Region 13**

1982 **Member, Pittsburgh School Board Reapportionment Commission.
Appointed by Mayor Caliguiri**

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

June 2016 **Lifetime Achievement Award, Northside Leadership Conference**

June 2016 **Pumpkinfest Committee 25th Anniversary Award, East Allegheny Community Council**

2014 **Original Signer Acknowledgement Plaque 25th Anniversary of AGH Northside Partnership 1989-2014**

December 1998 **Finalist, Community Champions/Jefferson Award, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette**

October 1990 **Outstanding Service in Education Award, Pennsylvania School Board Association Award for Years of Service on Executive Board**

1988 **North Side Woman of the Year, North Side Conference Annual Award Dinner**

1984-1985 **Leadership Pittsburgh Graduate (Inaugural Class)**

1983 **East Allegheny Community Council Neighborhood Volunteer Honoree, Northside Leadership Conference Annual Award Dinner**

1974 **Miss Salvation Army, Finalist, Goodwill Ambassador for United Way of Allegheny County**