

## Sanctuary City

In July 2017, the Massachusetts Supreme Court ruled that local law enforcement cannot hold people under federal immigration charges. When local police do the job of immigration officials, it creates tension between them and residents, making crime less likely to be reported and Lynn less safe for all.



Annual May Day Rally, 2017

## Diversity in Municipal Hiring

Only 11.5% of city employees are of color, yet 61% of Lynn residents are of color. Lynn needs a municipal workforce that reflects the diversity of the city.

## NLC Accomplishments

- Anti-foreclosure ordinance was passed by Lynn United For Change, NLC and other partners
- Annual May Day Rally since 2013
- Development of the Lower Washington Street Gateway Project, which includes mixed income housing and built by union labor.
- Creation of the Lynn Community Enrichment Program, an adult night school at Lynn Tech
- 2017 Councilor At Large Forum

## Your Rights to Participate as a Lynn Resident

- Sign petitions
- Contact city officials
- Fair labor laws
- Freedom of speech, religion, and assembly

## If You Agree With Any of These Points or Want to Learn More...

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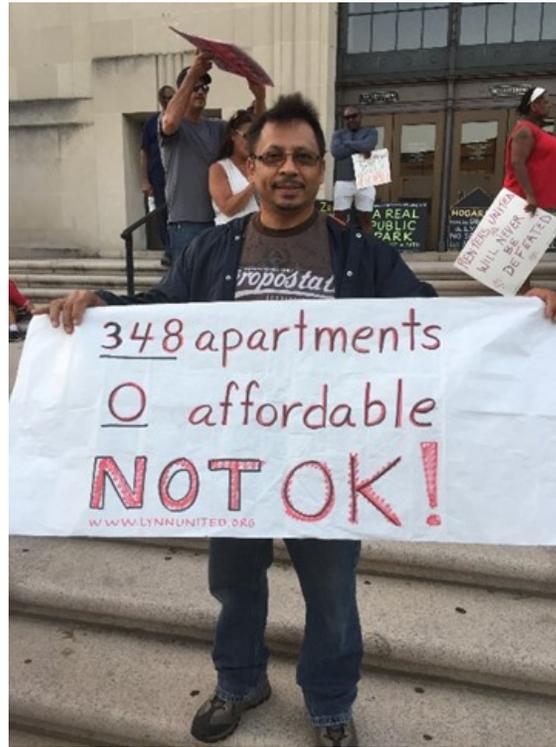
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## Who We Are?

New Lynn Coalition (NLC) is an alliance of labor and community organizations that have come together to work toward making Lynn a better city for all who live and work here. NLC works to build our political power to show city officials the issues that Lynn residents face and encourages them to work with residents to make a stronger Lynn for all.

### NLC Five Point Platform

- Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance
- Funding from Developers for Job Training
- Wage Theft Ordinance
- Sanctuary City Ordinance
- Diversity in Municipal Hiring



A protestor at a Lynn United for Change rally in September 2017

## Inclusionary Zoning

44% of Lynn homeowners and 52% of renters spend 30% or more of their income on housing making it hard to afford other necessities. The high cost of housing is pushing people out of Lynn. An Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance would make sure that housing is available at a variety of income levels.

## Funding from Developers for Job Training

5.2% of Lynn's population is jobless and there is a two year waiting list for ESOL classes. While wages have gone up in surrounding cities, they remain the same or lower in Lynn. Asking developers to contribute to the local economy by providing jobs and job training would help Lynnners get better jobs and earn higher wages.



NLC, Lynn Workers Center, and North Shore Labor Council supporting a mother who lost wages due to wage theft.

## Wage Theft

About \$700 million wages were stolen in Massachusetts in 2016. This hurts businesses who pay their employees fairly and lowers the wages for everyone. A wage theft ordinance would make businesses guilty of wage theft purchase a wage bond, equivalent to a year's worth of wages.



Lynn Couciolor at Large Forum, October 17th, 2017