

2021 IMPACT



WINTER



We filed a police accountability lawsuit on behalf of a motorist subjected to an unconstitutional, retaliatory arrest. After we opposed Border Patrol's plan to build surveillance towers in Vermont communities, Vermont's Congressional delegation called on DHS to reconsider.

SPRING

In partnership with racial justice allies, we filed a complaint against the Bennington Select Board for retaliating against our clients after they complained about raciallymotivated policing.

Due to Smart Justice reforms that we have long championed, Vermont's prison population dropped by 30% to a twenty-year low.

SUMMER

Working in coalition, we helped to pass model voting rights legislation, making universal mail-inballots a permanent feature



We supported local communities' efforts to remove armed police from Vermont schools, and worked to end schools' practice of funding school cops via Medicaid.

FALL

In a landmark win for Vermonters' constitutional rights, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled in favor of our clients that police and prosecutors can't use Border Patrol to do an end run around the state constitution.

Through our clients' class action lawsuit, we compelled the state to provide Hepatitis C treatment to hundreds of incarcerated Vermonters denied lifesaving care.

We joined in multiple successful lawsuits to expand access to public records, shedding light on the EB-5 scandal and establishing that Vermont's private prison healthcare provider can't avoid state transparency laws.



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