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## Dear Neighbor,

It is an honor to serve you in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to share an update on the work my team and I are doing. Each day, we advocate for smart investments in our communities, support policies that make life more affordable for working families and help neighbors navigate state services - all with the goal of making government work more effectively for the people I represent.

In this newsletter, you'll find highlights from the past year, information about how my office can assist you, and an overview of my work at the state Capitol. If you ever have questions or need help with a state-related issue, please don't hesitate to reach out - my team and I are here to help however we can.

Warmly,

## WHAT'S IN THE 2025-26 STATE BUDGET FOR YOU?



### NEW TAX RELIEF FOR WORKING FAMILIES

- Nearly 1 million Pennsylvanians, including about **75,000 people in Allegheny County**, will qualify for the new Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit.
- Anyone who receives the federal Earned Income Tax Credit will now also receive a **state tax credit equal to 10% of their federal credit**.
- This means **hundreds - or even thousands - of dollars back** in the pockets of working families facing rising costs.



### STRONGER FOOD PROGRAMS

- Over **\$40 million** for anti-hunger programs across Pennsylvania.
- Strengthened food banks, **expanded farmers market coupon** programs, and increased support for families using SNAP.
- Free **school breakfast for all** Pennsylvania public school students.



### INVESTING IN STUDENTS

- **\$565 million in adequacy funding** for school districts that have been historically underfunded.
- Nearly **\$150 million increase** for basic and special education funding statewide.
- Updates to the funding formula reflect the real cost for cyber charters, providing an estimated **\$178 million in savings** returned to public school classrooms for students and educators.
- Reduced fees and barriers for teacher certification to help get **more qualified educators** into classrooms.



I send out a weekly e-newsletter with news you can use in our community, updates on my work at the state Capitol, and timely information on state programs and services. It's one of the best ways to stay informed about all the ways my office can assist you, your family, and your friends.

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# OVER \$7 MILLION IN STATE GRANT FUNDING FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES



One of the most rewarding aspects of my job is helping secure state investments that directly improve the daily lives of people in our communities. Since my first day in office, I've worked to deliver more than \$7 million in state grant funding to support local first responders, infrastructure projects, nonprofits, and other essential services that residents rely on every day. Below are just a few of the many grant awards my team and I have brought home:

**\$425,000** to West Mifflin Borough to support construction of the West Mifflin Community and Recreation Center

**\$400,000** to West Mifflin Borough to support reconstruction of Noble Drive

**\$225,000** to West Mifflin Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater Authority to install stormwater drainage infrastructure along Outlook Drive

**\$30,000** to South Hills Area Council of Governments Critical Incident Response Team for equipment purchase

**\$25,000** to West Mifflin Volunteer Fire Co. #3 for equipment purchases

**\$15,461** to Homeville Volunteer Fire Dept. #1 for operational support

**\$14,170** to Skyview Volunteer Fire Co. #4 for operational support

**\$13,955** to West Mifflin Volunteer Fire Co. #3 for operational support

I helped secure a **\$1.4 million** funding increase for **West Mifflin Area School District** through the 2025-26 state budget!

**As a former teacher and a current state lawmaker, I know that properly funding our schools is one of the best ways we can help keep taxes low.**

# MORE THAN \$28 MILLION IN STATE GRANT FUNDING FOR REGIONAL SERVICES

**\$14,214,403** to Pittsburgh Water to support replacement of 1,651 lead service lines

**\$13,094,287** to Pittsburgh Water to support replacement of an additional 1,680 lead service lines

**\$300,000** to Pittsburgh Water to purchase 13 new vehicles that will help modernize its infrastructure and improve efficiency

**\$300,000** to the Regional Trail Corporation to remediate landslides along the Great Allegheny Passage

**\$100,000** to the Sheriff Reserve of Allegheny County for radio and body camera purchases



My office regularly assists municipalities, nonprofits, and community groups with identifying grant opportunities, navigating applications, and providing letters of support. If you know a local project that could benefit from state funding, please reach out.

# PROGRESS ON MY LEGISLATION



I'm proud to share that two of my bills passed the state House in 2025! To become law, they must also pass the state Senate and be signed by the governor. If you'd like to discuss these bills - or any other issues - please don't hesitate to contact my office. I would love to hear from you.

## ✔ H.B. 993 – Supporting Veteran-Owned Businesses

As the son of a Navy veteran, supporting veterans and their families is deeply personal to me. My legislation, H.B. 993, passed the House unanimously and would create an official state logo to help consumers easily identify and support veteran-owned businesses. The bill also establishes clear standards to prevent misuse and expands opportunities for businesses to contribute

to the Pennsylvania Veterans' Trust Fund, providing veterans with access to housing, financial assistance, and other essential supports.

## ✔ H.B. 500 – Strengthening Pennsylvania's Energy Economy

With rising costs and economic uncertainty making long-term investment more challenging, my legislation - **EDGE 2.0** - would modernize an existing tax credit program to create jobs, lower costs for consumers, and strengthen energy reliability. The bill focuses on high-impact industries such as advanced manufacturing, clean hydrogen, geothermal energy, and sustainable aviation fuel, while requiring companies to meet clear benchmarks that benefit workers and communities.



# WHAT AM I WORKING ON IN 2026?

## MAKING HOUSING AFFORDABLE IN PENNSYLVANIA



From young families buying their first home to seniors living on fixed incomes, too many residents are being priced out of the neighborhoods they love. I'm working on a package of practical housing reforms aimed at increasing supply, expanding housing options, and lowering costs for working families.

### ENCOURAGING HOUSING NEAR PUBLIC TRANSIT

I'm sponsoring legislation to encourage housing development near public transit stops, making it easier for residents to live close to jobs, schools, and essential services. In Allegheny County, where many families rely on buses and rail, this approach can reduce transportation costs, shorten commutes, and make better use of existing infrastructure, helping Pennsylvanians save money.



## EXPANDING HOUSING OPTIONS IN EXISTING NEIGHBORHOODS

Outdated zoning rules in many municipalities restrict entire neighborhoods to single-family homes, making it harder to build modest, affordable housing. My legislation would allow duplexes, triplexes, and quadplexes

in certain single-family zones, while preserving local authority to reject projects that aren't a good fit. This balanced approach expands housing choices without taking decision-making power away from local governments.



## REMOVING BARRIERS TO SHARED AND ACCESSORY HOUSING

I'm also leading efforts to modernize housing rules to better reflect how people live today. This includes legislation to reduce barriers to accessory dwelling units - like a garage apartment - which can provide affordable rental options while

helping homeowners manage rising costs. Additionally, I'm co-sponsoring legislation to update outdated occupancy rules, allowing unrelated adults to share housing more easily.





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\$7 million in grant funding,  
state budget details, and  
how my office can help you!

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## DISTRICT OFFICE SERVICES



My staff and I are here to help you with the following issues, and more:

- Property Tax/  
Rent Rebate Applications**
- PennDOT Forms and Services**
- PACE and PACENET  
(Help Paying for  
Prescription Drugs)**
- Unemployment Compensation**
- PRT Senior ConnectCards**
- LIHEAP (Home Heating Assistance)**

If you're not sure where to start  
with state-related issues,  
give us a call at **(412) 466-1940**.