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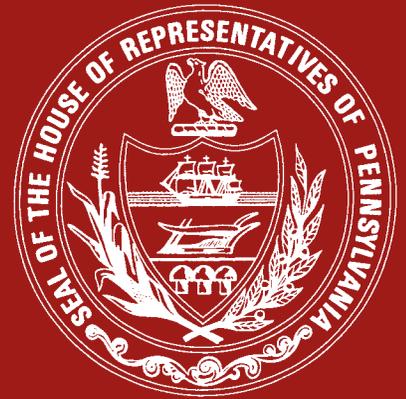
From State Representative

MIKE STURLA

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Rep. Mike Sturla's 8th Annual Back to School Giveaway

Sunday, August 25

12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Clipper Magazine Stadium • 650 N. Prince St., Lancaster

Rep. Mike Sturla's 8th Annual Back to School Giveaway is open to students who live in the School District of Lancaster area. Parents and guardians can register their children in kindergarten through 8th grade to receive a free backpack, school uniform, shoes and book.

Giveaway time slots will run from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and the festivities will continue until 4 p.m. All attendees will receive a meal voucher and tickets to attend the 5 p.m. Barnstormers game!

Children will also have the opportunity to receive a free haircut, enjoy music, food, games and community activities. Rep. Sturla's staff and local and state service providers will be at the event to answer questions and help families sign up for services.

Are you, your business or organization interested in volunteering or contributing to the event? Contact Mena Rodriguez in Rep. Sturla's Lancaster office at 717-295-3157 or mrodriguez@pahouse.net.

Visit www.pahouse.com/Sturla to register your child for the event! You will need to register each child individually.



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES

Children who suffer from Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) need hope – and help -- to overcome the trauma. School is one of the few places children may have refuge from abuse, household challenges, and neglect.

Addressing ACEs is a complex issue that requires more than legislation. It will require partnerships with our schools, local businesses, community organizations and families. Pictured above, Rep. Sturla has hosted House

Democratic Policy Committee hearings across the state, including in Lancaster, to bring awareness to ACEs and secure support for legislative and community solutions to this problem.

OTHER LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:

- Clean Water
- Fair Education Funding
- Infrastructure Improvements
- Transportation Funding
- Workforce Development

Rep. Sturla will soon introduce legislation that would:

- call on the Joint State Government Commission to do a study that would help establish a measuring tool for schools to use to help kids who have adverse childhood experiences;
- include absenteeism, homelessness and foster care as factors in the Basic Education Funding Formula.

STURLA RE-ELECTED HOUSE DEMOCRATIC POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR

For the 2019-2020 Legislative Session, Rep. Sturla was re-elected by his colleagues to serve again in the caucus leadership position of House Democratic Policy Committee Chair.

This year, the committee has held over 30 hearings across

the state on issues including criminal justice reform, raising the minimum wage, toxic poverty, health care access, the importance of unions, infrastructure improvement, improving air quality, gun safety and more. To read hearing testimonies and watch videos, visit www.pahouse.com/PolicyCommittee.



At a Capitol news conference, Rep. Sturla talks about his bills included in a Beyond Safe Schools legislative package that address supporting Pennsylvania educators, programs and support services aimed to help students and educators feel more safe and secure at school. School security, trauma-informed training, mental health screenings, bullying prevention and support staff ratios are all addressed.

PENNSYLVANIA FACT:

Rep. Mike Sturla is the longest serving Policy Committee Chair in PA General Assembly history with six terms.



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WATER WEEK JUNE 1-8

Rep. Sturla is participating in Lancaster Water Week that runs June 1-8. The week is filled with events that include music, outdoor recreational activities and educational sessions. All are welcome to participate in clean-up efforts on Saturday, June 8! Visit www.pahouse.com/Sturla to sign up (select the Lancaster County Central Park – Family friendly water potential).

Additional information about water week is available at www.lancasterwaterweek.org



Rep. Sturla speaks at a Capitol news conference on his legislation (H.B. 1389) to reduce animal waste and clean up Pennsylvania streams.

VETERANS ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Rep. Mike Sturla and the American Legion provide free veterans help. A certified Veterans' Service Officer will be available on the second Wednesday of every other month to help veterans and their families navigate state programs and services including:

- Education benefits
- Health care
- Burial and survivor benefits
- Military personnel and medical records

Call Rep. Sturla's 150 E. King St. office at 717-295-3157 to make an appointment.



Rep. Sturla meets with CASA, an immigrant rights group that focuses on minimum wage, the Census, Promise legislation and the PA Green Plan.

REAL ID

Effective October 1, 2020, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID or U.S. passport to enter federal facilities that require identification, a military installation and board a domestic commercial flight.

To get your REAL ID, gather the following documents:

- **Proof of identity:** (original or certified copy of a birth certificate or valid, unexpired U.S. Passport or passport card.
- **Social Security Card**
- **Two proofs of current, physical PA address:** examples include current, unexpired PA license or ID, PA vehicle registration, auto insurance card, or utility bill with the same name and address.
- **Proof of all legal name changes:** Certified marriage certificate, court order or divorce decree issued by your county's family court.

If you are a lawfully present non-U.S. citizen, acceptable documents include:

- Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (EAD) issued by DHS; Forms I-766 or Form I-688B
- Valid, Unexpired Permanent Resident Card I-551 Permanent Resident Card (Green Card) Issued by DHS or INS
- Unexpired foreign passport with an unexpired U.S. visa affixed, and an I-94 indicating temporary evidence of permanent residence



Visit a PennDOT REAL ID center to receive your REAL ID at the time of service or your local PennDOT Driver License Center to receive your REAL ID within 15 business days.

You do NOT need a REAL ID to:

- Drive.
- Vote.
- Access hospitals.
- Visit the post office.
- Access federal courts.
- Apply for or receive federal benefits, such as Social Security or veterans' benefits.

More information is available at www.pa.gov/guides/real-id-pennsylvania/

CHANGES TO LANCASTER RECYCLING

Recently there were changes to what Lancaster County accepts for recycling in your weekly recycling pickup. Check out the list below:



Visit <http://www.cityoflancasterpa.com/resident/trash-recycling> for additional information.

HERE TO SERVE YOU

Rep. Sturla's district office staff is happy to help you navigate state government programs and services. Call the 150 E. King St. office at 717-295-3157 for free assistance.

Ayuda disponible en español

Tengo la fortuna de tener personal bilingüe listo para ayudarle con cualquier problema relacionado con el estado. Puede llamar a la oficina al (717) 295-3157 o pasar por la oficina localizada en 150 E. King St., Lancaster.

MY OFFICE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

- Property Tax/Rent Rebate problems or questions
- PACE prescription-drug cards for senior citizens
- Car registrations, special tags, handicap placards, titles and driver's license applications
- Information on financial assistance for higher education
- Voter registration and absentee ballot applications
- Unemployment compensation, disability and workers' compensation
- Requests for literature – bills, regulations, statutes, Pennsylvania maps, senior citizen information
- Citations from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives for outstanding accomplishments and family milestones
- Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications
- Liquor Control Board concerns or questions
- Tours of the state Capitol for individuals or groups



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