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## Dear Friends and Neighbors,

When our community faces challenges, we don't stay down—we get up, get to work, and deliver results. Since taking office, I've focused on practical, bipartisan solutions that strengthen our schools, support working families, protect public safety, and expand opportunity across our district. I'm proud to share a recap of what we've accomplished over the past several months and the work I continue to do on your behalf.

The state budget we passed directed new resources to Dauphin County schools. Central Dauphin and Central Dauphin East received \$7.9 million, Harrisburg City School District received \$12.2 million, Middletown received \$1.05 million, and Steelton-Highspire received \$1 million. These investments expanded classroom supports, increased access to mental health services, and strengthened early learning programs to help students thrive. The budget also provided \$7 million to the Harrisburg Bureau of Fire, ensuring our first responders have the training and equipment necessary to keep our neighborhoods safe.

The bipartisan budget created the Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit, delivering \$193 million in earned income relief directly to households across the commonwealth. This support is helping families cover groceries, rent, childcare, and other everyday expenses. I backed this commonsense policy because it rewards hard work and strengthens our communities.

Working closely with local leaders and state partners, I helped secure a \$120 million investment for the Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility in Swatara Township. This funding will support critical upgrades that protect our waterways and improve public health across Dauphin County. By partnering with municipal officials and state agencies to direct resources where they're needed most, we're reducing long-term maintenance costs and ensuring these improvements benefit residents countywide. These upgrades will help create a cleaner, healthier environment for generations to come.

Housing affordability remains a top priority, which is why I supported a targeted legislative package



designed to speed up construction and increase housing supply. The bills aim to remove unnecessary barriers to building, address zoning and permitting delays, close financing gaps that stall projects, and support mixed-income development—helping ensure new homes benefit a range of residents and strengthen local economies. Increasing housing supply provides more choices and greater stability for working families.

If you need assistance with a state service or want to share your priorities, please reach out—my team and I are ready to help.

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**REPORT POTHOLE  
IN OUR DISTRICT**

Know of a pothole in the 104th District?

STEELTON • SWATARA • HIGHSPIRE • PAXTANG •  
PARTS OF SOUTH HARRISBURG AND LOWER SWATARA

Call my office or fill out the form at  
the top of [RepMadsen.com](http://RepMadsen.com) and  
we'll work with PennDOT to get it  
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## Available at My Office

- Pennsylvania Driver's Manuals and Commercial Driver's Manuals.
- Assistance with the Department of Human Services.
- Obtaining Birth and Death Certificates.
- PennDOT Services: vehicle registrations, reduced vehicle registration, special tags, titles, driver's license applications and disability placards.
- Questions for the PA Department of Revenue.
- Liaison to state agencies.
- Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program problems or questions.
- Information on financial assistance for higher education.
- Voter registration and absentee ballot applications.
- Unemployment compensation, disability, and workers' compensation.
- Problems with the PA Department of Human Services (food stamps, medical and income assistance).
- Requests for literature of all kinds – bills, regulations, statutes, Pennsylvania maps, senior citizen information.
- Citations from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
- Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications.
- PACE/PACENET cards for senior citizens.
- Liquor Control Board concerns or questions.
- Information about federal, state, and local government agencies.
- Unclaimed property search.

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## Opposing PPL's Proposed \$356.3M Rate Hike

I recently testified at a Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission hearing to oppose PPL's proposal to raise rates and alter regulations. The company's plan would generate \$356.3 million in additional revenue and drive higher utility bills for consumers. I stood up to prevent more costs from being shifted onto households already struggling to make ends meet.



Families across Dauphin County are feeling the squeeze from rising grocery and rent prices, as well as higher health care and utility costs. At the hearing, I demanded that any proposed changes be fair and transparent, pressing regulators to explain why the increase is necessary. I also insisted on strong protections for seniors and people on fixed incomes, making it clear that working families should not bear the burden alone.

I will continue pressing PPL and the PUC for answers on cost controls and customer protections. If your utility bill is a concern or you'd like to share your story, please reach out to my office so I can represent your interests. Thank you for staying engaged on this important issue.

## AROUND THE DISTRICT AND IN HARRISBURG

I had the privilege of hosting a complimentary Veterans' Breakfast alongside Sen. Patty Kim and Reps. Nate Davidson and Justin Fleming to honor those who have served and connect veterans with local and state resources. Veterans and their families shared powerful reflections that set a thoughtful tone for the morning and reminded us of all the sacrifices made for our community.



The event provided veterans with direct access to resources and services, and the conversations that followed strengthened connections between veterans, service providers, and local leaders. Special thanks to our partners and volunteers whose dedication made the breakfast possible.



I was proud to stand with Governor Shapiro and my colleagues at the signing of House Bill 553, now Act 12 of 2025. This law allows the state to transfer specific parcels and easements—including property in Harrisburg—to local agencies, making it easier for communities to manage land for transportation, parks, and other local needs.

Putting these properties in local hands will help speed projects, improve services, and give communities more control over how public land is used.



I welcomed neighbors to my district office for an uplifting MLK Day of Reading. Community leaders shared stories of courage and inclusion, and children 12 and under received free books.

The holiday season was brighter thanks to everyone who joined the Harrisburg Holiday Parade and participated in our food and turkey giveaways. Seeing neighbors come together, share smiles, and support one another was truly the highlight of the season.



It was wonderful to see the Harrisburg High School Homecoming Court recognized by PA House Speaker Joanna McClinton. The celebration honored student leadership and school spirit, highlighting the pride our community takes in its young people. Congratulations to all members of the court!



Thank you to everyone who joined our Youth Holiday Expo with Latino Connection and Geisinger Health Plan—it was a wonderful evening of community, resources, and holiday cheer. I'm grateful to the local organizations and volunteers who made the event possible, and to every family who attended. It was an honor to celebrate the season alongside Sen. Patty Kim and Mayor Ciera Dent.



I had a fantastic time supporting the Panthers at the Central Dauphin East vs. Central Dauphin matchup. The gym was electric, and both teams delivered strong performances. I'm proud of our student athletes and grateful for the incredible community spirit on display.



Community members and families came together to honor Dr. King's legacy, connect with neighbors, and celebrate the power of stories to inspire those around us. Thank you to everyone who joined—your presence made the morning warm, hopeful, and truly community-centered.



What an incredible turnout at our Senior Fair! It was a joy to connect with so many neighbors and share resources on health care, social programs, and more. Thank you to Reps. Nate Davidson and Justin Fleming for co-hosting, and to the vendors and volunteers whose dedication made the event so vibrant.



Our region came together at Midfest to connect, learn, and celebrate—a true reminder of the strength of our community. Attendees spent the afternoon engaging with knowledgeable experts, discovering vital state services, and enjoying family-friendly activities that brought everyone together.

## Expanded PA ABLE Eligibility

The PA ABLE Savings Program has expanded its age limit, allowing thousands more Pennsylvanians with disabilities to save tax-free for their futures. Individuals whose disability began before age 46—up from the previous limit of 26—can now open an account without jeopardizing essential benefits like Medical Assistance (Medicaid) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

Since 2017, more than 11,500 Pennsylvanians have saved nearly \$185 million through PA ABLE. Participants can contribute up to \$20,000 annually, use funds for a wide range of disability-related expenses, and deduct contributions from Pennsylvania state income taxes.

To learn more, visit [paable.gov](http://paable.gov) or call 855 529 ABLE (2253).

## PACE and PACENET Update

The Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly (PACE) and the PACE Needs Enhancement Tier (PACENET) help Pennsylvanians age 65 and older reduce out-of-pocket prescription costs by coordinating with Medicare Part D and other insurance plans.

Recent legislation, H.B. 923 (Act 49 of 2025), extends the state's cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) moratorium for PACE/PACENET eligibility through December 31, 2027. This protects thousands of enrollees who might otherwise lose eligibility due to Social Security COLA increases.

To apply or learn more, visit PACE online or call 1-800-225-7223.

## STATE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



### Property Tax / Rent Rebate Applications

Giving money back to PA renters and homeowners

Homeowner & Renter Income	Max Rebate
Up to \$8,550	\$1,000
Up to \$16,040	\$770
Up to \$19,240	\$460
Up to \$48,110	\$380

Applications due by **June 30, 2026**

### Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program

Applications are now being accepted for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program for taxes or rent paid in 2025. The program has been expanded to raise the maximum standard rebate to \$1,000 and increase income eligibility—the new income limit is \$48,110. The Department of Revenue has processed roughly 511,000 rebates totaling \$314 million for 2024 claims, and the expansion has helped many first-time filers receive relief. The deadline to apply for rebates on 2025 payments is June 30, 2026.

If you think you qualify or need help completing your application, please contact my office at (717) 986-1673—our team is ready to guide you through every step.

2025-2026 Income Guidelines	
Household Size	Maximum Annual Income
1	\$23,475
2	\$31,725
3	\$39,975
4	\$48,225
5	\$56,475
6	\$64,725
7	\$72,975
8	\$81,225

LIHEAP can help you keep your home warm and safe during the coldest seasons.

### Need Energy Assistance?

Each additional person \$8,250
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### Applications Open for Home Heating Help

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for 2025–26 is now open! Whether you rent or own your home, you may qualify for a cash grant ranging from \$200 to \$1,000, depending on your household size, income, and fuel type. Most importantly, this is a grant and does not need to be repaid.

To find out if you qualify and for help applying, contact my office. You can also apply for LIHEAP online.