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DEAR NEIGHBORS OF THE 168TH,

It has been quite a summer!

We started out on a high note by approving a budget that includes significant investments in our schools and communities. I provide more details on the budget later in this newsletter, but I am really excited by some of the significant investments – particularly in the Student Teacher Stipend Program, the COLA for our retired teachers, firefighters and police, and funding for road and bridge improvements.

We were also grateful to see a significant investment in our

hospitals and health services here in Delaware County. My Delco colleagues and I continue to push hard for funding to support health care at every age and stage of life. But money is not enough.

I continue to remain focused on ways we can improve healthcare access, attract new providers to our communities, retain the providers we have, and help protect our hospitals and nursing homes from bad actors in private equity who don't see patient care as a priority, but rather as quick profit.

Access to good quality healthcare is the foundation on which we can build strong healthy communities. Our neighbors deserve nothing less, and I will never stop working to do what is needed to support and grow our healthcare network in Delaware County.

In service,

State Rep. Lisa Borowski

BUDGET WINS

STRONGER SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- \$10 million in new investments for **Career & Technical Education**.
- New investments in **early intervention programs** for children ages 3-5 to get our kids prepared to start strong in kindergarten.
- Helping kids learn how to navigate an ever-changing, sometimes dangerous online world by **addressing social media literacy** and taking on cyber-bullying by enacting policies to ensure AI isn't used to bully kids or generate illegal material and that **schools take in-person bullying seriously**, getting parents involved sooner.
- Promoting health by making sure every student in grades K-5 gets recess and allowing school districts to use existing funding for later start times.
- \$121 million investment in targeted school safety and mental health grants to **prevent tragedies** before they happen.
- Supporting students doesn't stop at high school graduation; this budget increases funding for our state and **state-related higher education institutions**.
- Increases in funding for the massively popular **Student Teacher Stipend program** to make sure the next generation of educators can afford to get trained.

INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

- Over \$21 million in new money for state parks operations, including our very own Ridley Creek State Park.
- \$300 million in additional funds for highway and safety improvements to fix the commonwealth's aging roads and bridges.
- Additional funding for environmental protection operations.

INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC SAFETY & PUBLIC SERVANTS

- Additional funding for mental health services including \$10 million for 988 crisis line and crisis walk-in centers.
- Additional funding for violence and intervention programs.
- Double the funding for rape crisis centers.
- A long-sought cost-of-living adjustment for pre-Act 9 retired teachers, as well as police and firefighters.
- \$15 million in additional funding for fire and emergency services grant programs.

BOLSTERING HEALTH CARE HERE IN DELCO

- \$4 million in funding for Riddle Hospital.
- \$2 million in funding for Fair Acres Geriatric Center.

**REP. LISA BOROWSKI ANNOUNCES
\$1.7M IN REDEVELOPMENT
ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROJECT
GRANTS**

- \$700,000 FOR COMPREHENSIVE
IMPROVEMENTS TO FENIMORE
WOODS PARK**
- \$500,000 FOR ACCESSIBILITY
IMPROVEMENTS TO EASTERN
UNIVERSITY'S WALTON HALL**
- \$500,000 RENOVATIONS AND
UPGRADES TO ELWYN'S
SPECIALIZED INPATIENT UNIT**

I am thrilled to share that \$1.7M in state funding was awarded to three capital improvement projects in the 168th! Some of these projects, like Fenimore Woods, have been on the docket for many years, and I'm excited to bring home state funds to help make these **historic preservation and accessibility projects** possible. This funding comes through the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP), a Commonwealth grant program administered by the Office of the Budget.

DATA CENTER REGULATION

I have spoken with many people who are concerned with the proliferation of data centers – often owned by AI companies – here in Pennsylvania. I have heard those concerns and have acted. The House of Representatives has passed nine pieces of legislation related to AI data centers – together, they would ensure greater community empowerment, transparency, and protection of our natural resources. They would also prevent data centers from raising your electric rates.

One of those bills, HB 2150, is successfully reflected in the 2026-27 state budget. This measure compels data center operators to **disclose their energy and water usage** to the PA Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources, so they can monitor usage and regulate when needed.

The rest of the following bills were passed by the House, and now await action by Senate leadership:

- **HB 1834:** Would **protect residential ratepayers from increases in electric prices** due to data centers, requiring their operators to pay their fair share of electric costs. Includes provisions for the use of clean energy.
- **HB 2151:** Would **allow municipalities to regulate data centers** and adopt local ordinances to limit harmful impacts on nearby communities, providing model ordinance language they may use.
- **HB 2198:** Would **repeal the Data Center Sales Tax Exemption**, now outdated and counterproductive.
- **HB 2246:** Would require data center projects **with substantial water needs** to proactively inform the state prior to construction.
- **HB 2359:** Would **prohibit non-disclosure agreements** between local government agencies and data center developers.
- **HB 2496:** Would allow municipalities to enact a **six-month pause on data center applications**, so that they can evaluate the projects' potential impacts on the community.
- **HB 2650:** Would require data center developers to **earn GRID certification** by protecting energy affordability, meeting transparency standards, engaging local communities, and using advanced technology to minimize water and energy use while preventing pollution and environmental impacts.

OUT & ABOUT IN THE 168TH



Middletown Township hosted Passport to Middletown, part of the America250 celebration, where visitors had the chance to learn about the historical significance of sites across the township. I stopped by Roosevelt School and visited the **Middletown Historical Society** displays, which have expanded in recent years to include new and interesting artifacts and replicas.



The neighbors, staff, and elected officials of **Edgmont Township** turned out to **beautify Providence Road** from West Chester Pike to Gradyville Road! With the help of PennDOT District 6 Middletown Highway Maintenance and PA State Police Troop K, we set out to pick up trash along this stretch of the 168th bordering Ridley Creek State Park. We had a great time making a difference in our community!



I was honored to join the **Delaware County Veterans Memorial Association** for their annual **Flag Day Ceremony** to honor all those who stood up to defend all we stand for as a nation. Comcast's VetNet led the flag retirement ceremony under the watchful eye of **Newtown Square Fire Company Chief Chris Young**. It is always meaningful to me to celebrate with and honor so many veterans and their families.



Radnor Township is commemorating America's 250th birthday with some new **public art**! I was happy to join the township and Wayne's business community for the unveiling of a new mural, painted by artist **Dan Scott**, celebrating all that is special about Radnor. See it for yourself on the exterior wall of At the Table on Lancaster Ave!

Our PA MEDI Counselor has appointments on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 9 a.m. to noon to assist those currently or soon-to-be enrolled in Medicare (or another state-related healthcare program). These counselors are trained experts on Medicare and Medicaid, plus supplemental insurance programs and prescription drug plans. At no cost, they can help you find and enroll in the best program that suits your needs, as well as financial assistance programs that may be able to help you pay for your premium, deductible, and copays.

Call us to schedule an appointment: (484) 427-2884.

A PA MEDI COUNSELOR CAN HELP YOU:

- Understand Medicare eligibility & enrollment
- Understand what services are covered under Medicare Parts A and B and your Medicare Summary Notice
- Understand your Medicare Prescription Drug (Part D) benefit
- Make informed choices about Medicare coverage options, Medigap policies and Medicare Advantage Plans

and more!



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MY OFFICE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

- ✱ PACE & PACENET prescription assistance for seniors
- ✱ Voter registration forms & absentee ballot applications
- ✱ Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program forms
- ✱ PA Higher Education Assistance Agency applications
- ✱ PA 529 College Savings Plans
- ✱ Requests for state informational materials
- ✱ Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- ✱ Obtaining birth or death certificates
- ✱ PennDOT problems & questions
- ✱ Questions about state agencies
- ✱ Citations from the PA House of Representatives for outstanding local accomplishments and family milestones
- ✱ SEPTA Senior Keys
- ✱ Notary services for state documents

...and much more. Just ask!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SENIOR HEALTH FAIR

September 24 • 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Rocky Run YMCA

1299 W. Baltimore Pike, Media, PA 19063

SEPTA SENIOR FARE CARD EVENT

September 28 • 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Newtown Public Library

201 Bishop Hollow Rd., Newtown Square, PA 19073

SEPTA SENIOR FARE CARD EVENT

October 7 • 10 a.m. – Noon

Radnor Memorial Library

114 W. Wayne Ave., Radnor, PA 19087

VETERANS BREAKFAST

October 13 • 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

The Barn at Tyler Arboretum

515 Painter Rd., Media, PA 19063

FREE SHREDDING AND E-RECYCLING EVENT

October 24 • 9 a.m. – Noon

15 Campus Blvd., Newtown Square, PA 19073

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE + HELP DAY

December 10

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