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I proudly voted for the 2026-27 state budget in July. This budget invests in education, public service, safer communities, mental health, general affordability, and more – **without raising taxes**.

This year's budget delivered local wins for our school districts:

- **Central Dauphin School District: \$6.7 million (+13.4%)**
- **Susquehanna Township School District: \$2.1 million (+17.6%)**

We also approved full funding for the massively popular Student Teacher Stipend program, making sure the next generation of educators can afford proper training.

Yet again, we directed \$30 million toward the Child Care Recruitment and Retention Program, funding our childcare teachers and workers who desperately need adequate pay for the crucial roles they play in childhood development.

Another highlight of this budget is the long-awaited cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for retired teachers, police officers, firefighters, and other public employees whose pensions haven't kept pace with inflation. I co-sponsored this legislation and am overjoyed it passed the finish line in this budget. This is a huge win for our south-central Pennsylvania retirees who have gone 25 years without a pension adjustment.

Despite uncertainty and reductions in federal healthcare funding, this budget continues to invest in the health of Pennsylvanians by:

- Increasing Medicaid funding by more than \$615 million.
- Increasing mental health funding by \$40 million, including \$10 million for the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and funding for walk-in mental health crisis centers.
- Nearly doubling funding for rape crisis centers, helping survivors access critical services and support.
- Creating 1,250 new Medicaid waiver slots for people with intellectual disabilities and autism.
- Investing \$2.5 million in nursing education and scholarships to strengthen our healthcare workforce.
- Increasing funding for CHIP to help children access healthcare and increasing nursing home funding.

No budget is perfect, but I'm proud that this spending plan delivers real results for our community. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent you. As we move through the rest of 2026, I'll continue working to bring resources back to our community and fighting for policies that make life better for the people of Dauphin County.

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FUNDING FOR PROJECTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

- **\$500,000 to Lower Paxton Township** for Colonial Park drainage improvements.
- **\$500,000 to Capital Region Water** for a water main extension along South Progress Avenue.
- **\$405,119 to the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Harrisburg** to further its Domestic Violence Services Expansion Project, providing trauma-informed counseling, peer support, safety planning and skill building to roughly 80 survivors each year.
- **\$375,000 to Thrive Housing Services** to expand its existing Youth Life Skills Program into a full-time initiative offering academic support, mentorship and workforce readiness for at-risk youth and young adults in Harrisburg.
- **\$335,050 to the Lower Paxton Township Authority** for a low-pressure sewer extension along Wilshire Road.
- **\$286,785 to Penbrook Borough** for sewer and stormwater improvements in the Ferndale area.
- **\$250,000 to The Manufacturers' Association of South-Central PA** to expand its Pre-Apprenticeship Schools to Work program and purchase updated equipment for modern manufacturing training.
- **\$236,226 to the Susquehanna Township School District** to establish the PATH-ED pre-apprenticeship program for aspiring teachers as part of its new Career and Technical Education program.
- **\$204,351 to the Central Dauphin School District** to grow its structured Summer Academy for elementary students in grades K-4, with targeted recruitment from the district's highest-need schools.
- **\$85,000 to the Dauphin County Technical School** to update or purchase equipment used in the training of students in career and technical education programs.

INCREDIBLE TURNOUT AT OUR LEGISLATIVE EVENTS!

I'd like to say a special thank you to everyone who attended the events my office held these past few months!



At the end of May, we held an incredibly successful One-Stop Drop event. In total, my office collected 8,380 pounds of paper from 300 vehicles and had 90 cars drop off electronics to be recycled, setting the caucus-wide record for donations collected during a legislative event!

We're hosting another One-Stop Drop event in partnership with Goodwill on October 17 at the Farm Show Complex Parking Lot. I hope to see you there!



In June, my office joined Senator Kim's and Reps. Madsen's and Davidson's offices to host the Summer Safety Fair on City Island. I had a great time connecting with our local families in such a fun environment. Attendees enjoyed rides on the Pride of the Susquehanna, safety demonstrations, BBQ and milkshakes, and many went home with free life jackets!

It's imperative that we do what we can at the Capitol to cut taxes for working families and businesses in Pennsylvania. When tax season approaches, keep these valuable tax credits and rebate programs in mind:

- **Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit:** A refundable state tax credit equal to 10% of the federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), offering up to \$805 in relief for low-to-moderate-income workers.
- **Property Tax/Rent Rebate (PTRR) program (Deadline to apply is Dec. 31):** The largest targeted tax cut for seniors and people with disabilities in nearly two decades. Last year, more than 522,000 Pennsylvanians received over \$319 million in rebates on the property taxes and rent they paid.
- **Child and Dependent Care Enhancement Tax Credit:** Matches 100% of the federal Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit, helping working families offset the cost of childcare and dependent care. Last year, the credit provided \$136.5 million in relief to nearly 219,000 Pennsylvania families.

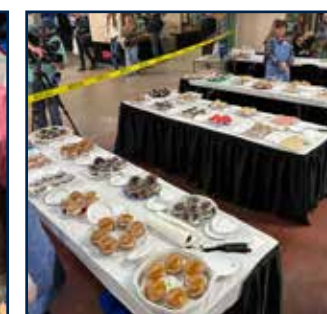
AROUND THE COMMUNITY

I had an incredible time at Harrisburg's second annual Juneteenth Parade. The parade celebrates the Black freedom and liberation that were denied to enslaved people for so many years.



I was proud to participate in Highmark Wholecare's free farmers market at HANNA's Pantry in early July. We helped distribute over 8,000 pounds of fresh produce for families and community members in need.

At this year's Farm Show, I judged the annual whoopie pie contest. The top three finishers were a daughter, mom, and grandmother from Hummelstown – talk about generational talent!



I had a wonderful time visiting U-GRO Learning Centre off Union Deposit and meeting with their amazing teachers and students. Their curriculum throughout each room will pay dividends for these young learners for years to come!



I was honored to speak at the Linglestown Community's annual Memorial Day Parade, where the memory of soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice were honored. It was especially meaningful to meet the parade's grand marshal George Ivanoff, a 101-year-old veteran of World War II.



Thanks to Dr. Chelton Hunter, the amazing faculty at Fink Elementary School in Middletown, and the PA Literacy Coalition for inviting me and my colleagues on a special visit to highlight the reading gains made by students with structured literacy.

I'm currently working on a bipartisan bill with Rep. Jason Ortitay on dedicated funding for literacy through an innovative public-private partnership. Ensuring our children can learn to read – and then read to learn – secures a brighter future for Pennsylvania.



Thanks to the Kenyan community in Harrisburg for an amazing Madaraka Day celebration commemorating Kenya's attainment of self-governance in 1963.

NEW DEADLINE

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 **December 31, 2026**



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MY OFFICE CAN HELP WITH:

- PennDOT problems or questions
- Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program
- CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)
- Obtaining birth or death certificates
- Voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications
- LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)
- Questions about state agencies
- And much more – just ask!

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Central PA Family Day

Broad Street Market
5000 Commons Dr., Harrisburg
Stop by this family-focused gathering of local organizations and learn about new programs.

SEPT
12
10AM - 2PM



Senior Fair

Capital Blue Cross
2500 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg
Our annual Senior Fair boasts 70+ vendors, snacks, and giveaways.

RSVP Requested

SEPT
18
10AM - 1PM



One-Stop Drop

Farm Show Complex Parking Lot
Paper shredding, Goodwill collection, electronics recycling, and medication disposal in one place!

RSVP Requested for Large Items

OCT
17
10AM - 2PM



First Responders Town Hall

Citizens' Fire Co. #1 - Penbrook
134 S 28th St, Harrisburg
Volunteer or professional, come ask questions and share your thoughts.

RSVP Required

OCT
28
6 - 7 PM



Veterans Breakfast

Dauphin County Technical School
6001 Locust Lane, Harrisburg
A free breakfast for veterans to thank them for their service.

RSVP Required

NOV
2
11AM - 1PM

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER



For more information or to RSVP, please call (717) 230-1172 or email RepFleming@pahouse.net. We look forward to seeing you!