



# DAN DEASY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

## REPORT TO THE PEOPLE

DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN, HOUSE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMITTEE

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# STOP BY ONE OF MY EVENTS: OUTDOOR IMMUNIZATION CLINICS SENIOR GRAB & GO RESOURCE FAIR

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

10 AM – 1 PM

Beechview Healthy Active Living Center  
1555 Broadway Ave.  
Pittsburgh, 15216

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

3 PM – 6 PM

Green Tree Volunteer Fire Dept.  
825 Poplar St.  
Green Tree, 15220

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

10 AM – 1 PM

Sheraden Healthy Active Living Center  
720 Sherwood Ave.  
Pittsburgh, 15204

### MEDICATION TAKE BACK WITH ALLEGHENY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT ALL EVENTS.

Bring unused/unwanted medications for safe disposal.

**No needles or inhalers.** Leave medication in original bottles and leave labels on prescription bottles. You can black out your name/personal information.

Any age resident can receive a flu or pneumonia shot.

Free with Medicare and most insurances.

**PLEASE WEAR A MASK**



### VACCINATIONS WITH UPMC MOBILE VAN

- Flu vaccine (regular and high-dose).
- Pneumonia vaccine.
- COVID-19 vaccine – Pfizer (age 12+) & J&J (age 18+) will be available. Can get 1st dose, 2nd dose or booster if immunocompromised OR it has been 8 months since 2nd dose.
- No registration required, but you can call UPMC at 833-653-0518 if you have questions.

### SENIOR GRAB & GO RESOURCE BAGS

- Grab a bag with information on programs and services for older Pennsylvanians.

**FREE**

Join State Rep. Dan Deasy and Sen. Wayne Fontana as they co-host:

## PAPER SHREDDING & MEDICATION TAKE BACK EVENT!

**Saturday, Sept. 25**

8 a.m. – 11 a.m. \*OR until shred truck is full

Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Church  
(formerly St. Pamphilus Church)

Beechview - 1000 Tropical Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15216

# Real ID Deadline Postponed Until 2023

Enforcement of Real ID has been postponed until May 3, 2023. As of that date, you will need a Real ID-compliant driver's license, identification card, or another acceptable form of identification to board an airplane and to gain access to certain federal facilities. Real ID is a federally compliant driver's license or identification with enhanced security features.

To obtain a Real ID you will need to take the following documents with you to a full-service Driver's Licensing Center or Real ID Center:

- Proof of Identity (original birth certificate with a raised seal or a valid U.S. passport).
- Social Security card.
- Proof of all legal name changes (marriage license or court order from county family court).
- Two proofs of current, physical PA address (unexpired PA license or ID and no more than 90-day-old bank statement or utility bill with the same name and address).

For more information or if you have questions regarding your documents or need help securing necessary documents, visit [www.dmv.pa.gov/realid](http://www.dmv.pa.gov/realid) or call my office at 412-928-9514.



# NEW PHOTO REQUIRED AGAIN FOR PA DRIVER'S LICENSE RENEWALS

In June, PennDOT discontinued the use of file photos for the renewal of Pennsylvania driver's licenses and photo identification cards. Since May of 2020, PennDOT had used file photos to help mitigate the spread of COVID.

Now when you renew your license or ID card by mail or online, you will again receive a camera card and will need to have your photo taken at a PennDOT Photo Licensing Center, such as the Bridgeville or Downtown Pittsburgh locations.

For information on renewing your driver's license, visit <https://www.dmv.pa.gov/Driver-Services/Driver-Licensing/Pages/Renewal.aspx>.

# New App For Toll By Plate Travelers

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has a new smartphone app for drivers who use Toll By Plate, which is when cameras at the tolling station capture a vehicle's plate number and an invoice is mailed to the vehicle owner.



The PA Toll Pay app allows non-E-ZPass users to sign up for autopay and get a 15% discount on tolls, pay invoices and manage their accounts.

To download the app, search for "PA Toll Pay" in your device's app store.

If you frequent the PA Turnpike, the best way to save is to secure an E-ZPass, which gives customers a 25% discount on tolls. The difference in discount is because it costs the commission more to collect tolls for Toll by Plate than it does for those who have an E-ZPass.

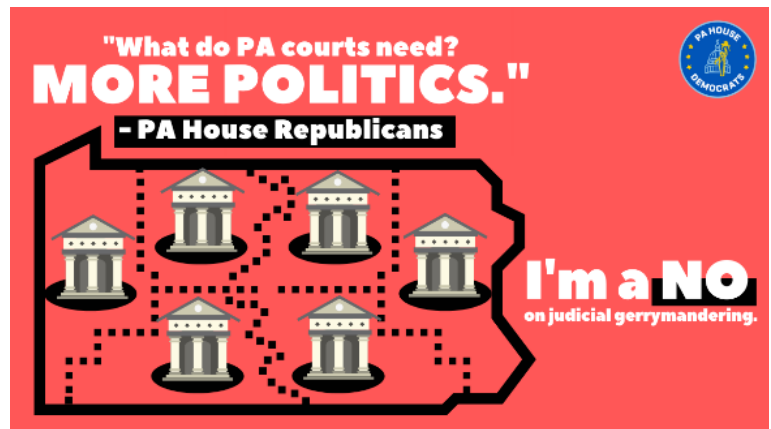
For more information on the Turnpike's E-ZPass program and the Toll by Plate app, click on the Tolls/E-ZPass section at [www.paturnpike.com](http://www.paturnpike.com).

# I'm a NO on judicial gerrymandering

Neighbors in our community have reached out about my stance on judicial gerrymandering. If you haven't heard of it, the term refers to a plan by the Republican leadership to pass a constitutional amendment creating districts throughout Pennsylvania for judges to run in.

Currently, our Superior Court and state Supreme Court judges are elected statewide. This makes sense, as their rulings apply to all Pennsylvanians, not just those in certain parts of the state. The rule of law doesn't differ in Erie, Altoona, Scranton or Lancaster. Therefore, there's no reason to silence the voters who deserve to have their voice heard in electing judges.

Rest assured, I will not be supporting judicial gerrymandering and will loudly voice my opposition to this misguided plan.





# FIGHTING FOR YOU IN HARRISBURG



There is much work to be done to make our commonwealth better. I have been advocating for the residents of Pennsylvania on issues such as the following:

## Addressing the Opioid Crisis

Opioid deaths are at a three-year high, and the Republican-controlled legislature failed to extend Governor Wolf's opioid disaster declaration, which expired on August 28. This is extremely disappointing and frankly will cost lives. The declaration allowed the state to loosen regulations and work outside of typical procedures to expedite aid and initiatives to help those suffering from opioid use disorder and those who work to prevent and treat this medical condition. It also allowed agencies more flexibility to coordinate and share resources to address the changing needs of communities throughout the commonwealth. I have co-sponsored **H.B. 340**, which would establish an opioid product registration fee and an additional assessment on large-scale opioid manufacturers. The proceeds would be directed to the Opioid Reparation and Accountability Fund, which would address the opioid epidemic through programs focused on prevention and education as well as intervention, treatment, and recovery.

## Helping Public Defenders

Our constitution guarantees a right to legal counsel for those who cannot afford one, but our public defenders are all-too-often overburdened with a large caseload. This leads to people who can't afford a lawyer getting incomplete legal advice.

**I wholeheartedly support the creation of a statewide office to offer funding and supervision for public defenders.**

## Raising the Minimum Wage

Pennsylvania last raised the minimum wage in July 2007. It is way past time to do so. I stand with Governor Tom Wolf and my colleagues in calling for an **immediate increase in the minimum wage**. Putting money directly into workers' hands is the best way to help stimulate our economy.

## Ensuring Education Equity

Education is the elevator out of poverty, and for too many students, that elevator is broken. **We must make public education more equitable and higher education more affordable.** The value of education a student receives shouldn't be dependent upon where they live, and I will fight to make quality education widely available.



## Ending Toxic Schools

I participated in a rally **calling on the legislature to take bold, job-creating, life-saving action and remediate the lead, asbestos and other toxins currently in schools across the commonwealth.**

\$7 billion in federal funding has already been sent to PA. A portion of this funding should be used to make a substantive investment in public buildings **while creating thousands of jobs – good-paying, union jobs.**

*I joined some of my colleagues in Harrisburg to rally against toxic schools.*



## Helping Small Business

COVID-19 has caused our small businesses to suffer, and they need our help. I wholeheartedly support both our **commonwealth and the federal government establishing no-interest loans or grants to help these community anchors** weather the storm and come out stronger on the other side.

## Helping Renters and Homeowners

We must ensure that Pennsylvanians can stay in their homes and that good private landlords can retain their property during and after this pandemic. Housing assistance is essential for people who have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own and are making every good faith effort to secure a job and pay their rent. We must include help for the hardworking and responsible small mom and pop landlords by ensuring they receive the money due to them.

## Expanding PA's Clean Slate Law

I fully supported this legislation several years ago, and it has already sealed more than 35 million low-level criminal records from public view. **We must do what we can to expand this program to include more individuals who deserve their second chance.**

## Conserving Energy and Reducing Utility Bills

I am a co-sponsor of important environmental legislation that would **set energy efficiency and water conservation standards for commercial and residential appliances sold in the commonwealth.** Research shows that these efficiency standards will reduce climate pollution by an estimated 507 tons, conserve over *6 billion* gallons of water and save consumers approximately \$217 million on their utility bills by 2025.

## Reduced Fee for Identification Cards

Identification (ID) cards are an absolute necessity in today's world. Without one, you cannot enroll in college, get a job, or apply for assistance. The high cost of ID cards, however, prevents some of our most vulnerable citizens from getting what they need to be successful in life. I have co-sponsored **H.B. 826**, which would **reduce ID card fees for senior citizens, as well as low-income, homeless, and disabled individuals.**



## LIQUOR COMMITTEE UPDATE

As Democratic chairman of the Pa. House Liquor Committee, it's been a busy year working with my colleagues in both parties to help our restaurant and hospitality industry through the difficulties caused by the pandemic. We've had several successes, but this year, what should have been an easy win was derailed by politics in the state Senate.

It all began earlier this year when I introduced **H.B. 452**, which would allow restaurants and bars to continue to have flexibility with their outdoor seating. My bill was reported out of committee unanimously and was later amended into another bill to allow restaurants and bars to continue to sell mixed drinks to go, which was passed by a large majority of the House.

Having passed through the House, it was up to the Senate to pass the legislation on to the governor's desk to be signed into law. Unfortunately, it was not smooth sailing in the Senate.

During their deliberations, the Senate added in controversial provisions related to canned cocktails before sending the bill back to the state House. The House stripped the controversial language and sent it back to the Senate with hopes of a quick vote and signature from the governor, which did not happen.

There is still unfinished work to be done when the House returns to session in the fall. Our hope is to get **H.B. 452** and **H.B. 427** (which increases the discount restaurants get when purchasing their alcohol) along with other bills dealing with license safekeeping and offsite catering permits to the governor's desk, so we can get those in the restaurant and bar industry the help they desperately need.

# AROUND THE DISTRICT...



## CRAFTON

*I was happy to advocate for state funding that allows Crafton to begin the sewer separation project along Crafton Boulevard.*



## WEST END

*I spoke at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Pittsburgh Musical Theater's recent revitalization project.*



## BANKSVILLE

*Supporting economic development helps our communities thrive. Happy to welcome the new Dunkin' Donuts drive-thru to the district.*



## INGRAM

*I was proud to help secure funding for Ingram Borough to purchase a much-needed police vehicle. I am pictured with Ingram Police Chief John Doherty.*

## GREEN TREE



*I presented David Montz a legislative citation for his more than 30 years' service to Green Tree Borough.*



*I recently met with Judy Miller, new Borough Manager in Green Tree.*



## MCKEES ROCKS

*I was honored to present a legislative citation to Helen Mannarino, founder of Pierogies Plus, which celebrated its 30th year this summer. Pierogies Plus is a community anchor in McKees Rocks and a true regional asset.*



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## DEASY EMPLOYMENT CENTER

If you are a job seeker or looking at skill-development opportunities, you can utilize my *Employment Center*, which you can visit online via my website, [https://www.pahouse.com/Deasy/employment\\_center](https://www.pahouse.com/Deasy/employment_center). This site provides a link to potential job openings, how to prepare for the workforce and how to develop new skills to make you marketable in this ever-changing job market. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call my office to schedule a time to utilize my Employment Center Kiosk to access my site.



*I recently toured New Century Careers' facility on the South Side and learned about the program opportunities available to those interested in a machinist career.*

## DEASY DIALOGS

Due to COVID-19, we had to recreate and reimagine how we facilitate outreach events in the district. One thing that I have started this year is *Deasy Dialogs*, which is a series of webinars on important matters to my constituents. You can view all dialogs by visiting my website at [www.pahouse.com/deasy/webinars](http://www.pahouse.com/deasy/webinars).

### Next Deasy Dialog

#### DEASY DIALOG WITH NEW CENTURY CAREERS

This program is a tuition-free machinist training program. Training is offered during the day and evening at their South Side location.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 9:00 AM**

To access this session live, or to view at a later time, go to my website at: [www.pahouse.com/deasy/webinars](http://www.pahouse.com/deasy/webinars).

## OFFICE UPDATE

With the unpredictability of COVID-19 and new data on the highly contagious Delta variant, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has updated recommendations. Following CDC guidelines, I am proud that my office has been addressing the needs of constituents since the beginning of the pandemic! To keep constituents and my staff healthy, please note:

- Office remains open by appointment. Please call 412-928-9514 to schedule.
- Masks covering your nose and mouth are required.
- If you have an appointment but are sick or have a fever, please call to reschedule.