



STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
**DAN DEASY**  
REPORT TO THE PEOPLE

**DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN, HOUSE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMITTEE**

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Wednesdays 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. • Or by appointment.

## EVENTS

### Landlord & Tenant Workshop

*In partnership with Magisterial District Judge Craig Stephens.*

**Thursday, Sept. 19 • 5:30 p.m.**

**Scott Twp. Municipal Bldg.**

301 Lindsay Rd., Carnegie 15106

### FREE Shredding Event & License Plate Replacement Event

*In partnership with Sen. Wayne Fontana, County Councilman Bob Palmosina & Scott Police Dept.*

**Saturday, Sept. 28 • 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

**Chartiers Valley Intermediate School**

2030 Swallow Hill Rd., Pittsburgh 15220

### Mini Senior Health Expos/Vaccine Clinics

**Thursday, Oct. 3 • 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Ingram Borough Building**

40 W. Prospect Ave., Pittsburgh 15205

**Tuesday, Oct. 8 • 10 a.m. – noon**

**Sheraden Healthy Active Living Center**

720 Sherwood Ave., Pittsburgh 15204

**Thursday, Oct. 10 • 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Green Tree Volunteer Fire Dept. Social Hall**

825 Poplar Street, Pittsburgh 15220

**Tuesday, Oct. 15 • 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

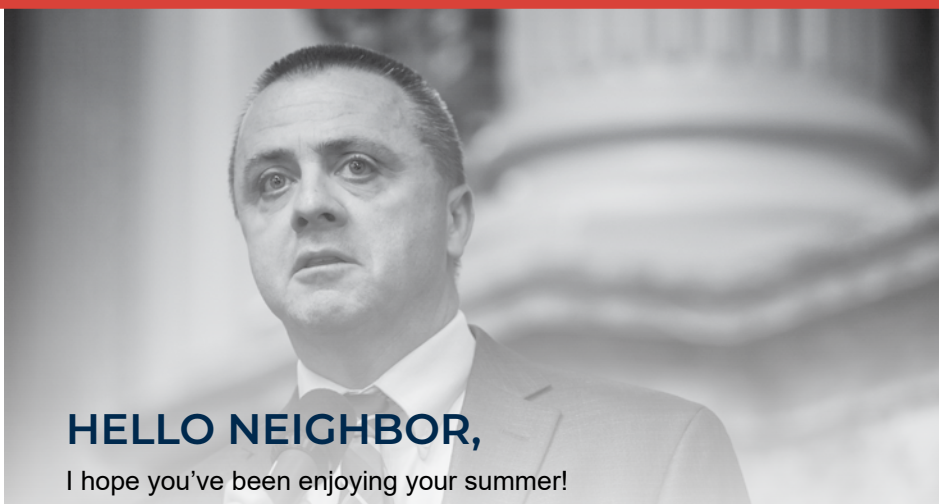
**Mt. Washington Healthy Active Living Center**

122 Virginia Ave., Pittsburgh 15511

**Thursday, Oct. 17 • 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Scott Twp. Lodge**

Scott Twp. Park, Carnegie 15106



## HELLO NEIGHBOR,

I hope you've been enjoying your summer!

My colleagues in the House and I have made significant progress in Harrisburg by passing several important pieces of legislation and a state budget that is a big win for all of us here in Allegheny County.

At home at our district office, we are focused on addressing your state government needs and have become one of the highest-performing district offices in the state as a result.

This fall, I will host several community outreach events, including community vaccine clinics, mobile district office stops at different locations within the 27th Legislative District, document shredding, illegible license plate replacement, workshops for landlords and tenants, and more.

Our office is always ready to assist with any questions or help you access these services. You can reach us by calling 412-928-9514. I also send out weekly emails with information on state programs, services, and upcoming events. Sign up at [www.pahouse.net/deasy/emailsignup](http://www.pahouse.net/deasy/emailsignup).

Sincerely,

Rep. Dan Deasy • 27th Legislative District

# A BUDGET THAT DELIVERS FOR YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND OUR COMMUNITY

As you now know, the state budget was passed and has been signed by Gov. Josh Shapiro. This bipartisan spending plan has good things in it for Allegheny County and specifically for the 27<sup>th</sup> Legislative District.

One of the most important parts of this budget is the education funding, and we have secured our share of those dollars. By allocating more state dollars to education funding, we rely less on local tax dollars and property taxes. This will help to lighten that burden on homeowners, especially for our senior homeowners who may be living on fixed incomes.

See the graphic on the back page for a breakdown of what we are getting. The numbers include basic education funding, special education funding, adequacy and equity dollars, cyber charter reform and school safety.

We are making it easier to afford college and keep student loan debt within reasonable limits. And we're creating jobs and supporting our communities – including the small local businesses that create those jobs. We're fixing more roads and bridges, and we're investing in mass transit. We're doing more to keep a roof over every family, and we did all of this without raising taxes.



Here's a look at some of the other key wins from the state budget:

## 2024-2025 PA BUDGET WINS



- No new taxes
- **Over \$1B increase** for Pre-K to 12 education funding
- **\$30M increase** for Career and Technical Education
- **\$100M** for Public school facility improvement grants
- **NEW \$3M** investment for menstrual hygiene products in schools to address period poverty
- **Over \$15M increase** for Community Colleges
- **Over \$140M** for grants, scholarships, and other programs to make higher education more affordable in PA

## 2024-2025 PA BUDGET WINS



- **\$20M** for student teacher stipends
- **\$70M** for attainable housing initiatives through the PHARE Housing Program
- **\$16.5M increase** for anti-violence investments and after-school programs
- **\$20M increase** for county based mental health services
- **NEW \$2.5M** for legal services in eviction proceedings
- **\$7M increase** for Workforce Development
- **\$161M** for Public Transportation and Multimodal projects
- **\$261M increase** for Intellectual Disabilities Community Waiver Program

## NEC DAY IN PA

I am honored to have sponsored a resolution recognizing May 17, 2024, as Necrotizing Enterocolitis Day in Pennsylvania, which the House adopted this legislative session. This disease, also known as NEC, is the most common cause of death in hospitalized premature infants after two weeks of age.

One of my own constituents, Cash Owen Finegan, lived for 68 brave days before succumbing to NEC complications. This heartbreaking story moved me to take action. My resolution emphasized the importance of recognizing this terrible disease and creating awareness about it. His family joined me at the state Capitol on the day the resolution was adopted.





# HOUSE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMITTEE UPDATES

It's an honor to be the majority chairman of the House Liquor Control Committee. This committee deals with legislation addressing the production and sale of alcohol in Pennsylvania through the Liquor Code. I'd like to highlight some legislation that Gov. Shapiro signed into law that will make a positive impact on the state's alcohol industry:



*Presiding over a House Liquor Control Committee meeting in Harrisburg.*



*I joined Gov. Shapiro at the ceremonial bill signing of two liquor bills, Act 49 of 2023 and Act 45 of 2023, which will help streamline liquor license approvals, provide businesses with license conversion where needed, classify qualifying businesses as public venues that will support economic development in our communities, and create a task force to look at solutions to problematic liquor business ventures.*

**House Bill 829 (Act 57 of 2024)** marks a significant step toward enhancing the overall hospitality experience. The law provides bars with more flexibility by extending happy hour service from 14 hours per week to 24 hours per week. It also makes permanent the flexible outdoor seating provisions adopted during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the law establishes a Distilled Spirits Industry Promotion Board to support the growth and potential of the Pennsylvania Distilling Industry.

**Senate Bill 688 (Act 86 of 2024)** will allow retailers like grocery and convenience stores to sell ready-to-drink (RTD) beverages, also known as canned cocktails. This move will provide more choices to consumers while supporting local businesses.

These developments reflect our ongoing commitment to nurturing a thriving and diverse alcohol industry in Pennsylvania. I am excited about the positive impact these changes will bring and look forward to seeing the continued success of the industry in our state.



*I attended the grand opening of the new, state-of-the-art Fine Wine and Good Spirits store in Scott Township, which relocated to 1900 Greentree Road. I was joined by state Sen. Wayne Fontana and officials from the Liquor Control Board, Scott Township and store employees.*

## TAKING THE PLEDGE AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In April, I introduced a resolution to recognize April 22-27, 2024 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Pennsylvania.



One in three women face domestic violence, with more than half killed by a current or former intimate partner. The week called us all to find out how we can help crime victims and be prepared if someone confides in us. We need to make sure we are all familiar with the services available in our communities. Awareness is key.

On the day I introduced H.R. 332, I was joined by Colleen Bowers, whose daughter was killed by her boyfriend in 2012, along with other crime victim advocates, to take the Men's Challenge Pledge in the main Rotunda of the state Capitol. While the pledge urges men to stand up and speak out when they witness violence against women, I ask that everyone take a stand and be an active bystander when they witness violence against anyone. It's incumbent upon us to look out for one another, work together to keep our neighborhoods safe and speak up for those who are in unsafe spaces when we see it.

## GRANTS – 27TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

- **\$247,800** for sidewalk improvements along Greentree Road (State Route 121) in Green Tree Borough.
- **\$127,764** for sidewalk improvements along Bower Hill Road in Scott Township.
- **\$163,463** for sidewalk installation along Hamilton Road between Smith College Lane and Dartmouth Hill Road in Thornburg Borough.

### Local fire & EMS grants from the State Fire Commissioner's Office

- Bower Hill VFD, Fire - **\$14,812**.
- City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire, Fire - **\$16,368**.
- Crafton Volunteer Fire Department, Fire - **\$15,590**.
- East Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department, Fire - **\$14,423**.
- Glendale Hose Company No. 1, Fire - **\$14,812**.
- Greentree Volunteer Fire Co., Fire - **\$14,034**.
- Scott Township Emergency Medical Services, EMS - **\$15,000**.

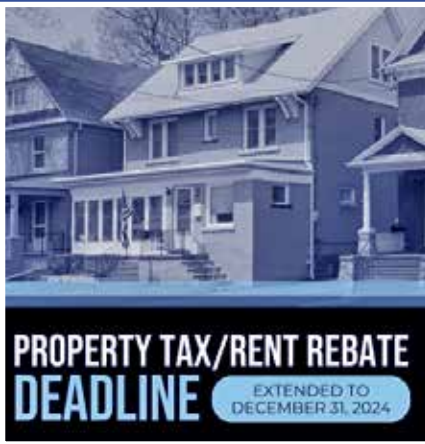
### Funding secured for local departments through Dept. of Community and Economic Development

I am proud to fight for funding for my district. Below is a list of some of the recent grants I helped to secure for our communities.

- Bower Hill VFD - **\$25,000**.
- City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire - **\$25,000**.
- Crafton Volunteer Fire Department - **\$25,000**.
- East Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department - **\$25,000**.
- Glendale Hose Company No. 1. - **\$25,000**.
- Green Tree Volunteer Fire Co.- **\$25,000**.
- Heidelberg Volunteer Fire Dept. - **\$25,000**.



*I had the honor of meeting with Scott Township volunteer fire departments to present the grants I was able to secure, which will be utilized for equipment purchase and training.*



## HELPING PUT MONEY BACK IN SENIORS' POCKETS

You may qualify for the expanded Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program, which aims to assist seniors and individuals with disabilities stay in their homes by providing rebates on property tax or rent paid in 2023. With the expanded program, approximately 175,000 more individuals are now eligible for a rebate.

This program benefits Pennsylvanians 65 or older, widows or widowers 50 or older, and adults with disabilities 18 or older. The maximum income to qualify is \$45,000 a year; the maximum standard rebate has been increased to \$1,000.

This program is designed to account for cost-of-living increases in the coming years to ensure that seniors remain eligible, even with modest raises in Social Security benefits.

Online applications can be found on the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue's website, or my team and I would be happy to help you apply at my district office. The deadline for applications is Dec. 31, 2024. Don't wait – the earlier you apply, the sooner you will receive your rebate.

## ENSURING VETERANS KNOW ABOUT THEIR BENEFITS

I was pleased to see the House pass my bill to help veterans get information on the benefits they have earned. There is a large number of resources available to our veterans but oftentimes they are unaware of the entire list.

I worked with local labor officials to create H.B. 1626, which would require businesses of 50 or more full-time employees to provide access to information on veterans' benefits. The PA Department of Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness would create a poster for businesses to add to their websites and to display the poster conspicuously in the workplace.

This is a very easy way for us to make sure that our veterans get access to the information they need for the benefits they deserve and have earned through their service to our country.





# AROUND THE DISTRICT



Visited the Jasmine Nyree Campus with founder Christy Porter. The center provides the Sheraden community with much-needed programs and services.



I was happy to meet with home care professionals in my office to discuss a bill that I co-sponsored that would provide for better pay and benefits for this important group of workers.



I was honored to present a legislative citation to Noreen O'Malley, who spent years as director of the Mt. Washington Healthy Active Living Center. We commend her for her years and dedication to the city and the residents who utilize the center.

Spring document shredding events with state Sen. Wayne Fontana in Crafton and Green Tree. Thanks to the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office Project D.U.M.P. for providing medication takeback services.



I held a free event with Ingram Police to identify illegible license plates and fill out paperwork for a replacement plate.

# HARRISBURG



On the PA House floor with many of my colleagues from the Allegheny County House Democratic Delegation.



I met with internet safety expert and advocate for victims and missing persons, Alicia Kozakiewicz, to discuss how we can keep kids safe from exploitation online. I'm a co-sponsor of legislation, H.B. 2199, to provide funding for the prosecution of internet crimes against children.

NBA veteran Michael Kidd-Gilchrist visited the House chamber to advocate for state Rep. Brandon Markosek's legislation to provide insurance coverage for speech therapy for children who stutter. I'm proud to co-sponsor this bill to help children and their families access the treatment they need.







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*I worked with state Sen. Wayne Fontana to secure \$3.5 million in state investments for the revitalization program of the Fairywood neighborhood in the city. We are pictured at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the project.*



*I was invited to check out the new dump truck with the Borough of Heidelberg's Public Works Department, which was purchased with a state grant that I helped to secure.*

**2024-2025 EDUCATION FUNDING**

# MORE MONEY FOR SCHOOLS




	<b>\$743,898</b> Montour School District
	<b>\$707,106</b> Chartiers Valley School District
	<b>\$526,238</b> Carlynton School District
	<b>\$429,924</b> Keystone Oaks School District