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## NEW SCHOLARSHIP DELIVERS GRANT WRITING SKILLS

To the changemakers dedicated to improving life in our legislative district, you'll want to learn more about an exciting grant writing scholarship my office is providing in conjunction with several community partners.

After launching the Pennsylvania Charitable Nonprofit Caucus last year, we distributed hundreds of copies of the 2023-24 PA Grant & Resource Directory. While the guide is an indispensable tool for locating funding, it's only half the battle. It's also critical to know how to apply for that funding.

To help more folks learn those skills, my office is partnering with the Community College of Allegheny County, the Pittsburgh Foundation, and the Health and Education Alliance to offer **10** scholarships in grant writing.

#### Who can apply?

The scholarship is available to any District 34 resident living in a low-income census tract. To determine whether your location qualifies, visit **www.justicemap.org**, click on the income link at the top of the page, and enter your address in the search bar at the left.

Addresses located within red-colored zones showing income from \$43,000 and below qualify.

Please be aware that awardees will be required to provide 40 hours of free service to district nonprofit organizations and attend a monthly meeting throughout the 12-month program.

If you are interested in applying, please contact Krishna Patel at **patelk.hea@gmail.com** by **Friday, March 15.** To learn more about the course, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/3SFm57z">https://bit.ly/3SFm57z</a> or scan the QR code.



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#### NEW DOLLARS BACK TO THE DISTRICT

Working to bring dollars back to our community is an important part of my job. In my last newsletter, I reported to you about **more than \$8.2 million** coming back to our district to fund projects and improvements. Since the start of the year, we helped secure **an additional \$1.9 million**, including:

- Nearly \$1 million from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for districtwide projects to renovate community buildings, develop new parks and green spaces, add a new bikeshare station in Wilkinsburg, and more.
- Nearly \$600,000 from the Department of Environmental Protection for stormwater improvements to Wilkinsburg, planning work to bring more equitable stormwater management throughout our region, and other projects.
- **Nearly \$300,000** from the state Department of Transportation for traffic signal improvements in Edgewood Borough.

I'll be working to secure more dollars for our district in the year ahead! At right is a look at some of what we accomplished in 2023!



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# VETERANS — STOP BY MY OFFICE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 FOR SERVICES!

Veterans and family members – stop by the next session of my new Veterans Assistance Program on Wednesday, March 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A Veteran Service Officer will be on hand to help you with a wide range of services. If you can't make it that day, we will be offering services on the first Wednesday and last Tuesday of every month, beginning in March.



