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To: Townships Subscribing to the PSATS New Laws Service;
Member Solicitors

From: David M. Sanko, Executive Director

Date: September 2020

Subject: 2020 Acts of the Legislature

Thank you for participating in PSATS' New Laws Service. This mailing contains copies of the acts affecting townships that Gov. Tom Wolf signed into law so far this year.

Watch for your next mailing of new laws (*those signed after Labor Day*) early in the new year. That mailing will also include an index of all township-related laws enacted for the entire year.

Please take this opportunity to order laws you may need from previous years, as well as binders for filing the laws. You can order online by going to psats.org and choosing the PSATS "Connect" button. Sign in, click the Online Store tab, and browse the options there. You may also use the enclosed order form.

Thank you again for taking advantage of this valuable service. As always, if you have any questions about legislation, please don't hesitate to call PSATS at (717) 763-0930, ext. 122.

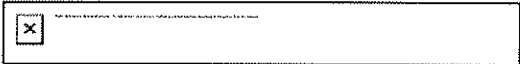
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October 2020 Newsletter



Recycling Leaves *Autumn Gold*




The weather has turned cold and the leaves are just starting to change color. Now is the time to start thinking about all the exciting things you can do with those leaves once they fall. In this month's article, Resource Conservationist, Marianna Quartararo shows us how to make use of this season's most abundant resource.

[Click here to learn more.](#)


October is Recycling Month at PCCD

Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) to read tips, information, and fun facts!

Expand your recycling knowledge:



Interview with a District Board Member: **Mike Spencer**



Mike Spencer is a director on the Pike County Conservation District's board, and recently served as the chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. Spencer (left in the picture to the right, at his board swearing in, Commissioner Schmalzle to the right) came to the PCCD board after already serving as a director on the Pike County Economic Development Authority. Spencer says, "conservation and economic development can many times be seen as working against each other. My goal is to get the two boards working together to achieve their collective goals for Pike County." To get outside, Spencer likes to work in his yard. "With all that I have learned being on the board, we are currently in the process of removing all non-native and invasive plants from our yard and replacing them with native varieties." For potential volunteers to the PCCD board, he advises they keep an open mind and ask a lot of questions. Working with the other board members, Spencer recommends not bringing a personal agenda, "the most rewarding part of being on the PCCD board is creating win/win results." Looking to the future of PCCD,

Spencer hopes that we are able to maintain the rural character of Pike County as the population grows. "I believe we can, through smart growth and design, create a community that provides the necessary conveniences people are looking for, while protecting and enhancing our natural resources."

Thank you for your hard work and dedication!



Notes from the Field

Conservationist Marianna Quartararo

Now is your chance to ride along with our Resource Conservationists as they work throughout Pike County! They are the boots on the ground of conservation and you can join them! Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) to see our Resource Conservationist's upcoming notes from the field. This month's notes can also be found on our website, [click here to read more](#)

Pictured: A photo from Marianna's Notes from the Field



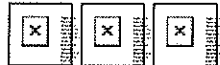
This year, due to precautions surrounding the pandemic, the PCCD Road Maintenance Workshop will not be held in person. A virtual version of the workshop will be sent via email. The contents of the workshop, resources, presentations, and PCCD presentations, will all be in the email, available to view anytime.

The Virtual Workshop will be sent out on

October 28th, 2020

To receive updates and the Virtual Workshop, please register by [clicking here](#).

[Click Here to read the Pike County Conservation District's response to Covid-19](#)



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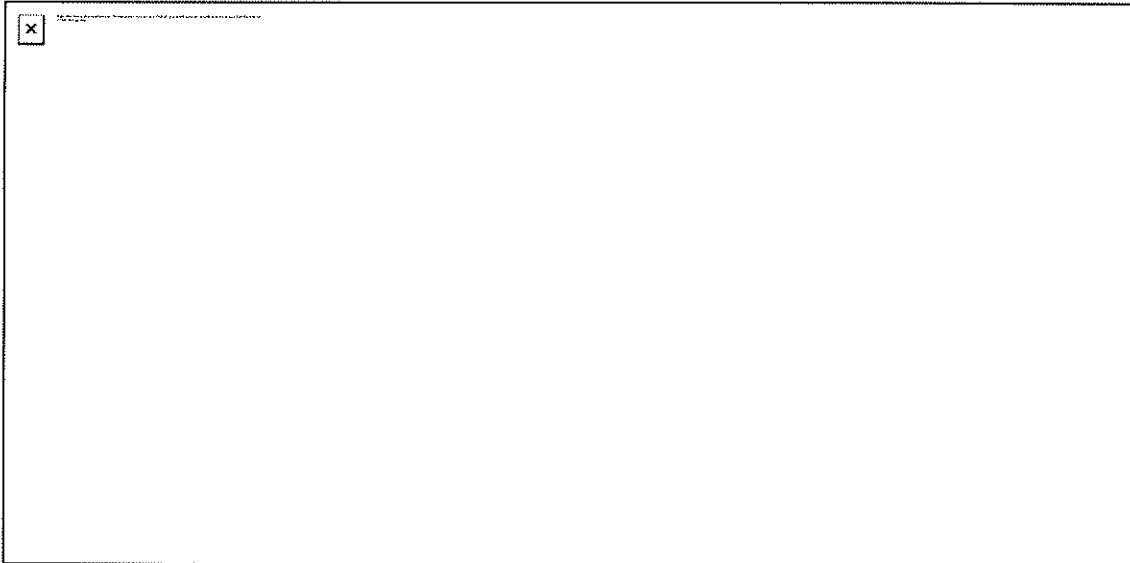
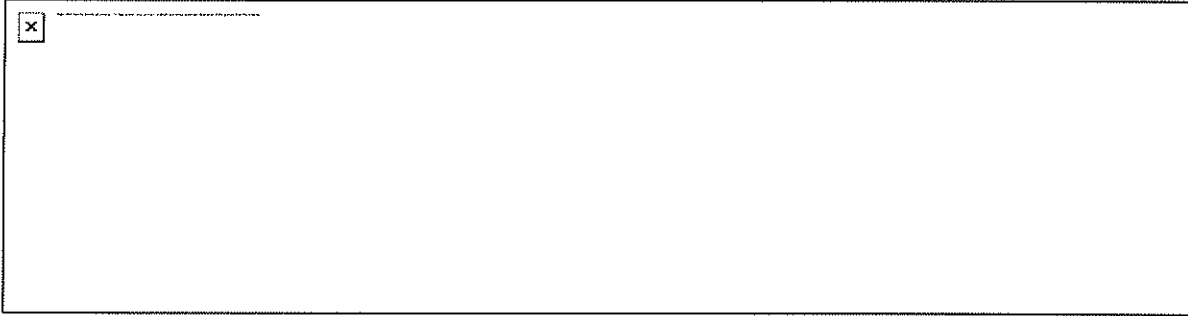
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Milford Township

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NEPA Alliance is committed to working with regional small businesses and nonprofits during the continued uncertainty surrounding Coronavirus (COVID-19). In cooperation with state and federal agencies, NEPA is offering loan assistance programs to businesses and nonprofits.

Information on the assistance programs and the Coronavirus can be found on **NEPA's COVID-19 Response** site and our Spanish translated site **NEPA**

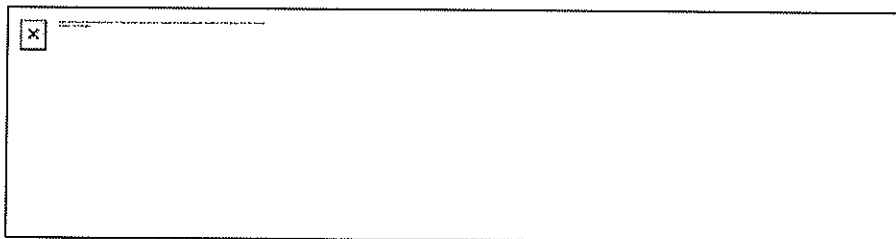
COVID-19 Recursos en Español.

NEPA is currently partnering with federal and state agencies to ensure small businesses and nonprofits in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have available resources accessible to them through the coronavirus crisis. This includes help with the U.S. Small Business Administration **low-interest federal disaster loan program** for working capital to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus. In addition, NEPA also has numerous business loan programs that offer **low fixed interest rates** to businesses in the seven-county region of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

For the latest information, please contact NEPA at 866-758-1929 or visit [NEPA's COVID-19 Response](#) site. Information is continually changing, and the assistance programs that are being offered may change. NEPA will continue to evaluate all available options to best serve the Northeastern Pennsylvania business community.

NEPA COVID-19 Response

Member Spotlight Aviation Technologies



This month's Membership Spotlight is Aviation Technologies. We spoke with Michael Gallagher, General Manager/CFO, to learn more about the company.

Aviation Technologies operates on the private side of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport; they provide aviation fuel to both commercial and private aircrafts. They also provide mechanical repairs to aircrafts, as well as flight school training and on demand aircraft charter services. They have conference rooms available for meetings and conference calls. On top of that, they even have a sleep room available if you do not want to bother getting a hotel room! Aviation Technologies provides a high level of customer service by putting their customers and employees first.

Aviation Technologies has also been recognized by the US Department of Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration and has been awarded the 2017 Award of Excellence "Diamond Award" for participating in the FAA Aviation Maintenance Technician Awards Program.

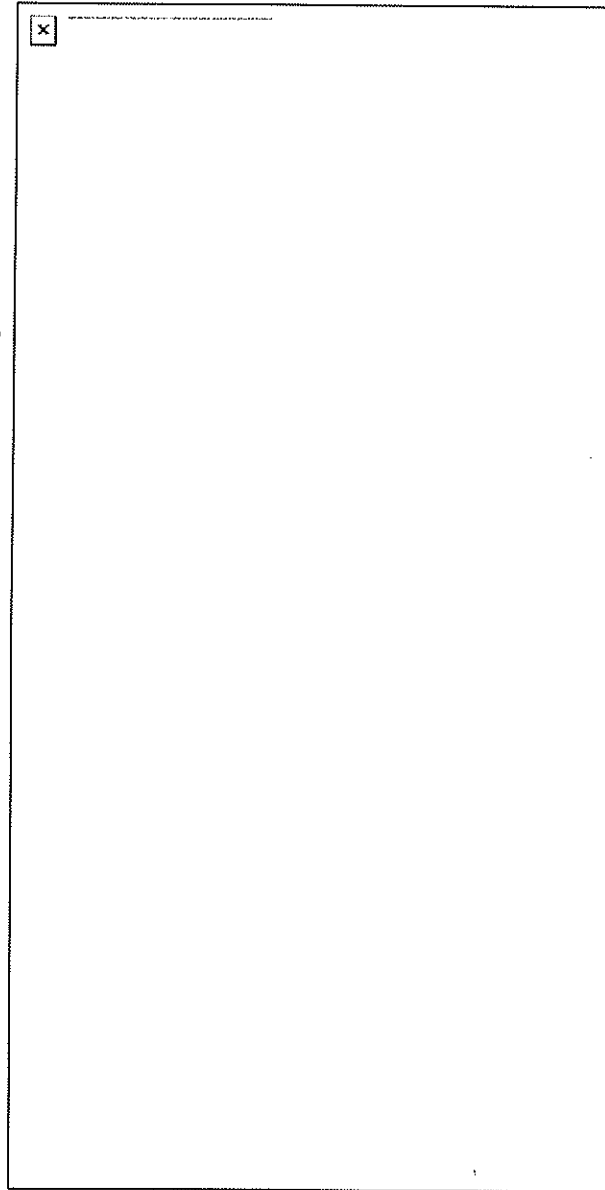
To learn more about Aviation Technologies, visit their website at www.aviation-technologies.com.

Business Finance News

NEPA Alliance has several loan programs available for small businesses located in

Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Schuylkill and Wayne counties.

These low cost, low interest loans offer reduced down payments and standard loan term maturities for machinery and equipment, land and building acquisition, construction and renovation. Loan rates are fixed and generally below the prime lending rate.



Eligible businesses include Manufacturers, Industrial, Agriculture/Agribusiness, Hospitality & Tourism Related Enterprises, Recyclers, Day Cares, Computer Related Services, Advanced Technology, and Retail and Service Related

Businesses. Other business sectors may also qualify.

To learn more about these loan programs, contact Stephen Ursich, Dave Nat, Ken Doolittle or Donovan Klem at 570-655-5581 or 866-758-1929.

Recently Funded Loans

Hotel - Drums

- This SBA 504 loan was completed in partnership with Mid Penn Bank for the purchase of commercial real estate.

Medical Office - Edwardsville

- This NEPA Tri-District loan was complete for the purchase of equipment to be used at a lease location.

General Commercial - Scott Township

- This Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority loan was completed in partnership with FNCB for the purchase of commercial real estate.

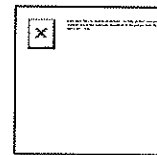


NEPA Alliance Business Finance Corporation is a state-wide CDC allowing

for NEPA BFC to lend SBA 504 Loans to eligible small businesses located in the state of Pennsylvania.

Financing Structure

A bank or other lender finances 50% of the project cost and takes a first lien position on the assets financed. The SBA 504 loan finances 40% of the project cost, up to \$5.5 million, and takes a second lien position. The borrower then contributes a down payment of as little as 10%.



Small Businesses can Receive:

- Subordinate Financing
- Up to 90% Loan to Value
- Up to \$5.5 Million in SBA Financing
 - Unlimited Total Project Cost

SBA 504 Loans Offer:

- As Little as 10% Equity Injection
- Terms up to 25 Years
- Guaranteed Fixed Interest Rate

Eligibility Criteria Apply

To learn more about this loan program, contact Stephen Ursich, Dave Nat, Ken

Doolittle or Donovan Klem at 570-655-5581 or 855-266-9021.

Visit www.nepabfc.org

PTAC News - STRIKEWERX



The NEPA Alliance PTAC would like to advise our readers the Air Force Global Strike Command (AFGSC) has launched a new innovation hub.

AFGSC is tasked with operating the Air Force's bomber fleet, intercontinental ballistic missiles and nuclear command, control, and communications systems.

The hub is set up as a new facility called STRIKEWERX to connect with academia, small businesses and even "garage inventors". The facility enables anyone, including small businesses, to work with the AFGSC.

The focus of STRIKEWERX is on expanding the AFGSC's innovation base, but STRIKEWERX is also open to traditional defense contractors and large businesses.

The facility is located outside of Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, where the AFGSC is headquartered. The hub was strategically placed off-base to avoid difficulties for those looking to meet with the AFGSC personnel.

"We are a very small command with a huge mission set, and we know we have to think about things differently. We have to move faster," said General Tim Ray AFGSC commander.

The effort is modeled after AFWERX, an Air Force initiative that was set up in 2017 to boost the service's engagement with industry, academia and nontraditional partners while developing much-needed capabilities. AFWERX now has locations in Austin, Texas, Las Vegas and Washington, D.C.

AFGSC hopes its new hub will aid in facilitating a cooperative "ecosystem" where its needs can be addressed. Since opening, STRIKEWERK has hosted multiple "open houses".

Moving forward, STRIKEWERK will be home to events, workshops, meetings, and industry challenges to find technology to fill the AFGSC's operational gaps. One area STRIKEWERK is already working to address is electromagnetic pulse hardening. An

electromagnetic pulse, or EMP, is an intense burst of energy that can be released by a nuclear weapon detonated high in the atmosphere or by a geomagnetic disturbance caused by natural phenomena such as solar flares.

In the future, the hub will have a topics list to compare proposals presented by companies and members of industry to the AFGSC's needs.

"We want to transmit to the outside world where we need help and create a forum where we can have smart people come in and help us solve problems quickly," Ray said. "We believe this is a great way to bring in better and faster funding."

The STRIKEWERK facility will also be a place for airmen's "ideas to become reality," according to the command. It will give service members access to experts, acquisition coaching, and engineering and technical support.

More information about STRIKEWERK can be found [HERE](#).

You can also reach a PTAC counselor by calling: 866-758-1929 and selecting option 2 to talk

more about STRIKEFORCE and working in the government contracting space.

Global Access Program (GAP) Funding Available

The Pennsylvania Global Access Program (GAP) enhances the capability of small to mid-sized Pennsylvania companies to increase export sales. GAP is administered by the Pennsylvania Office of International Business Development (OIBD) and provides up to \$5,000 per award period to eligible Pennsylvania companies to reimburse up to 75% of qualifying expenses associated with specific export promotion activities. This program is funded in part through a grant with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

While international travel, trade shows, or trade missions may not be in your plans due to the current circumstances, there are additional eligible activities for GAP funding:

- **Website Internationalization** - This includes website translation into foreign language(s), search engine optimization, and localization services. This activity was previously capped at \$3,000 but is now eligible for the full \$5,000 award.

- **Compliance Testing** - Compliance testing for an existing product for entry into an export market is eligible. This was previously capped at \$3,000 but is now eligible for the full \$5,000 GAP award.
- **Virtual Trade Shows** - Expenses related to virtual trade shows are now eligible for GAP funding.


Funds are limited and subject to availability. Applications will be reviewed by committee and funding decisions rendered on a first come, first served basis.

All GAP applications must be submitted to NEPA at least 45 days prior to the start of the activity for which funding is sought.

For more information on the GAP, please click [here](#).

For more information and application materials, contact Debbie Langan at dlangan@nepa-alliance.org.

Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Drop-In Sessions

The NEPA Alliance has  partnered with PennDOT to offer the Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) training series in all seven NEPA counties. Due to COVID-19 meeting concerns, LTAP has suspended in-person LTAP classes until further notice.

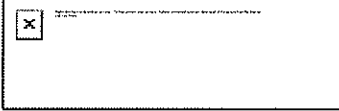
Instead, LTAP is offering classes virtually through the end of the year. To view the current virtual class listings and register for a class, visit the LTAP website.

LTAP is also offering a series of monthly LTAP Virtual Drop-ins centered on various safety and maintenance topics. These sessions are not virtual classes; they are informal hour-long live sessions focused on networking and sharing information with other municipal roadway personnel.

Information about the virtual drop-in sessions can be found on the LTAP website under the Bulletin Board section [here](#).

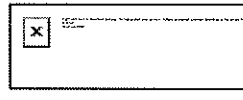
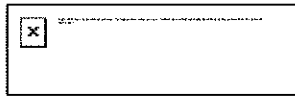
For more information, contact Kate McMahon, kmcmahon@nepa-alliance.org.

Did You Know...

Did you know that,  according to 2012 and 2017 data from the U.S. Census Bureau regarding minority-owned businesses in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe and Wayne counties, there was an increase of 58 firms owned by minorities as compared to an overall decrease of 808 firms? Carbon, Pike and Schuylkill counties were not included due to incomplete data.

For additional information, contact Steve Zaricki at 570-891-4671 or 866-758-1929 ext. 258.

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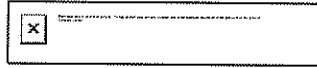


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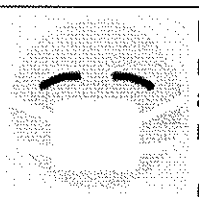


STAY SAFE, STAY HEALTHY & WEAR A MASK

ENTREES AT A GLANCE

****Milk served with all meals****

10/1-French Toast Sticks
10/2-Hot Dog (s) on Bun
10/5-Pasta Bolognese
10/6-Teriyaki Meatballs
10//7-Meatloaf w/Gravy
10/8-Chicken Caesar Salad
10/9-Stuffed Cabbage
10/12-All Centers Closed for Columbus Day
10/13-Lemon Chicken
10/14-Meat Lasagna
10/15-Chili Con Carne
10/16-All Centers Closed Octoberfest At Lackawaxen
10/19-Turkey Tetrazzini
10/20- Baked Ham
10/21-Lemon Pepper Fish
10/22-Pierogies
10/23-Fish Sticks
10/26-Beef Stew
10/27-Chef Salad
10/28-Stuffed Shells
10/29-Chicken Cordon Bleu
10/30-Sausage, Pepper & Onion Hoagie



Please be reminded that masks are required while at senior centers and must be worn all the time.

Nose and mouth must be covered at all times, unless eating.

Pike County Area Agency on Aging



**Lackawaxen/Shohola Twp. Senior Center
Lackawaxen, Pa.**

Friday, October 16, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Lunch: 11:30 a.m.

Price: \$3.00

German Cucumber Salad

Sauerbraten

German Potatoes

Red Cabbage

Rye Bread

Apple Strudel

Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea & Apple Cider

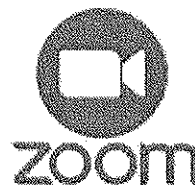
Catered by: RYAN'S DELI

Reservations Required

Please Call 570-775-5550

Pike County Area Agency on Aging

Mask Required and Temperature Taken



ZOOM exercise classes with Lana on

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM

Exercise from 1:30 to 2:30

Line Dancing from 2:30 to 3:00

Send your request to join to

kdantuono@pikepa.org

Or call 570-775-5550 and give us your email address so we can send you the link for the class

Join and have fun, socialize and exercise

October is here with all of its warm beauty. The end of summer is bittersweet as we like the warm (many of us) but don't like the humidity, swollen roadways and shopping centers and more. October is the best of both worlds I believe. It is still very comfortable and bright with beautiful scenery to drink in and enjoy. Many parts of our lives and our family's lives is uncertain right now, so something as dependable as a crisp fall morning with red, orange, and green in the trees is quite refreshing. Enjoy it!

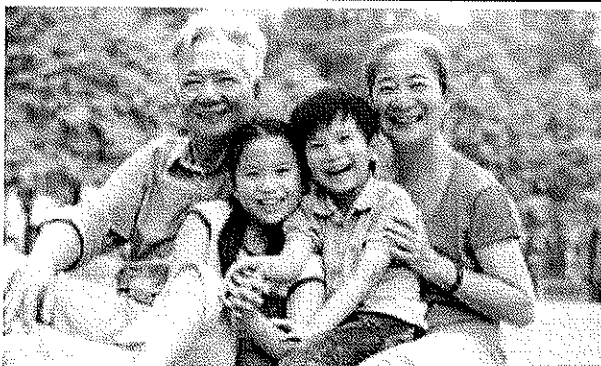
Pumpkins and corn stalks will soon, if not already, be taking over you neighbor's yard. Farm markets are going strong and we are hoping many people are able to attend one near them. Our Fall Fest will be coming up this month and promises to delight the palate with traditional German dishes. Check it out, call 570-775-5550.

We are excited to also be informed that the Pennsylvania Department of Aging was able to secure sufficient funding for this budget year to again address the expenses associated with our increased demand for services in Home and Community Based living, including funding our Older Adult Protective Services Unit. Total Aging Block Grant for 2020-2021 is more than \$1.2 million. Our biggest challenge now is finding direct care workers for our folks who want to remain home and receive care. Our personal care agencies in northeast PA have struggled to keep workers. The work is hard but definitely rewarding. Many service interruptions are happening as shifts aren't getting covered. I challenge anyone who would like to join our Home and Community Based Committee, here at Pike AAA to brainstorm on this and other issues to try and make things better. Meetings will be bi-monthly and are via zoom/phone/in-person whatever works. Call 570-775-5550 ext. 1319.

Don't forget that voting is being made so much more easy now. If you need a mail in ballot see information on page 3. Check out how your legislators perform by looking at: VOTESMART.ORG

ADVICE FROM A PUMPKIN Be Well Rounded **Get Plenty of Sunshine** Give Thanks for life's bounty

Have a Thick Skin **Keep Growing** Be Outstanding in your field Think Big!



Pennsylvania Grandparents Raising Grandchildren:

In 2017, over 90,000 Pennsylvanian **grandparents** are responsible for the basic needs of one or more **grandchildren** under the age of 18. These **grandparents** are caring for approximately 195,000 **children**, which is 7.5 percent of all **children** in our state.

FREE FREE FREE Training:

Identify generational differences and better prepare families for the impact of raising children from potentially different generational lenses. The training will cover such areas as communication, technology and self-care and more...

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 — Video Webinar

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

For More Information and To Register,
Email: jdoyle@waynecountypa.gov

**ELECTION
★ DAY ★
November 3, 2020**

- Election day is Tuesday, November 3, 2020.
- The deadline to register online to vote is Monday, October 19, 2020.
- The deadline for registering by mail to vote is (postmarked by) Monday, October 19, 2020.

- The deadline to register in person to vote is Monday, October 19, 2020. The deadline to request a ballot by mail is (received by) Tuesday, October 27, 2020.



Pennsylvania offers online voter registration. You can register by mail to vote in Pennsylvania by printing a voter registration form, filling it out, and mailing it to your local election office. You can also register to vote in person if you prefer.

Pennsylvania offers online voter registration.

- You should know: you need a Pennsylvania ID to use Pennsylvania's online voter registration system. If you don't have a Pennsylvania ID, you can still register by mail to vote. You can register online to vote until Monday, October 19, 2020.

Please call 570-296-3427 if you have any questions

The flu shot is your best protection from the flu

Now's the time to get your flu shot. **The flu shot is covered for people with Medicare** from providers that accept Medicare or your Medicare plan. You can safely get a flu vaccine at your doctor's office, pharmacy, or other local provider.

The flu can be very serious for people who are 65 years and older. A flu shot is your best protection from getting and spreading the virus. Getting the shot can help you stay healthy and, if you do get sick with the flu, your symptoms likely won't be as bad or last as long.

All places offering flu shots should be following CDC guidance to ensure you have a safe place to get vaccinated. This includes that patients wear a face covering and maintain social distance in areas like waiting rooms. Visit CDC.gov for more information on how to safely get your flu vaccine during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

The Medicare Team

Medicare.gov



Please get your flu shots from your primary care physician or local drug store

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Rt 6 & 590
Hawley, PA 18426
570-253-1730

Lord's Valley Village Pharmacy
685 Route 739
Hawley, PA
570-775-9555

Wal-Mart
220 Route 6 & 209
Milford, PA
570-491-4536

Walgreen's
110 W. Hartford St.
Milford, PA
570-296-6014

Walgreen's
667 Route 739
Hawley, PA
570-775-0405

Price Chopper
1025 Pennsylvania Ave
Matamoras PA
570-491-5612

**Don't have Medicare? Underinsured?
Call Pike County State Health Center 570-296-6512**

Do you enjoy people?
Do you like to drive?
Have some spare time?

Pike County Area Agency on Aging is in great need of volunteer home delivered meals drivers.

Please call 570-775-5550 for more information.

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 15, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 7, 2020

Call Christine Crossley at your local APPRISE office
(570) 775-5550 Ext 1313

or

email crosleyc@diakon.org

to schedule a phone call appointment.

Limited phone appointments - first come, first serve.

Assists with filing appeals

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Provides free unbiased, personalized counseling

APPRISE
Enrolls eligible beneficiaries into public programs

Interprets Medicare rules

Addresses coordination of benefits issues



If you have questions when comparing Medicare Prescription Drug Plans or Medicare Advantage Plans during Medicare Open Enrollment (October 15th-December 7th, 2020) it's good to know that free, unbiased, reliable information is easily within reach.

Call 1-800-MEDICARE, review the Medicare & You 2021 handbook, and visit <https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare/>

COVID-19 CRISIS COUNSELING PROGRAM

GET CONNECTED WITH A FREE CRISIS COUNSELOR

CALL 1-855-284-2494

Please call our Pennsylvania Support and Referral Helpline

1-855-284-2494 TTY: 724-631-5600 There are trained professionals available 24/7 ready to help you navigate these unprecedented challenges. These services are FREE & CONFIDENTIAL.

If you require assistance renewing your 2020-2021 LIHEAP application, or are seeking assistance to apply for LIHEAP, please call our office at 570-775-5550 to schedule an appointment.

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What is **SHARE**?

Why **SHARE** a home?

How does **SHARE** work?

Who is eligible?

Call Larisa @
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or email
lyusko@pikepa.org



LACKAWAXEN
SENIOR CENTER
THURSDAYS AT
10:30 AM



My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary. She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 150 in about 3 seconds." I bought her a bathroom scale. And that's how the fight started...

I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.