CENTRE COUNTY



Centre County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 52,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Centre County has received over \$118 million in funding for education, transportation, and infrastructure and other projects.

Education

The Recovery Act is providing much-needed federal funding for local school districts. School districts are using these funds for a variety of purposes, including special education, educational technology, and basic education needs. These funds have unequivocally prevented the elimination of teaching positions and have helped stabilize education budgets throughout the Commonwealth. Specific awards in Centre County include:

- ➤ \$1,545,528 to the Tyrone Area School District
- ➤ \$1,414,413 to the Bald Eagle Area School District
- ➤ \$1,809,728 to the Bellefonte Area School District
- ➤ \$25,653 to the Centre Learning Community Charter School
- ➤ \$3,516,689 to the Keystone Central School District
- ➤ \$20,522 to the Nittany Valley Charter School
- ➤ \$1,097,354 to the Penns Valley School District
- ➤ \$1,876,229 to the Phillipsburg-Osceola Area School District
- ➤ \$2,195,727 to the State College Area School District
- > \$1,283 to the Wonderland Charter School
- ➤ \$32,515 to the Young Scholars of Central Pennsylvania Charter School

Total Education Funding: \$13,535,641

Transportation and Infrastructure

The Recovery Act is helping Pennsylvania revitalize its transportation infrastructure through highway resurfacing and bridge rehabilitation projects. It is also providing funding for key infrastructure projects designed to improve water quality. Specific awards in Centre County include:

- ➤ \$ 2,881,383 for resurfacing, shoulder rehabilitation, drainage and guiderail upgrades to State Route 26
- ➤ \$ 948,536 to replace a bridge on State Route 1001 over Marsh Creek
- > \$398,931 to replace a bridge on State Route 2014 in Gregg Township
- ➤ \$2,288,876 for resurfacing, shoulder work, drainage, guiderail, and rehabilitation/preservation of 7 structures on State Route 3040
- ➤ \$848,666 for bridge perseveration at three locations in College and Harris Township
- > \$112,607 for a pollution protection project on the Riparian Stream

Total T&I Funding: \$7,478,999

Helping Children and Families

The Recovery Act is helping those hit hardest by the economic downturn. Here is how Centre County residents are benefiting:

- ➤ 52,239 residents of Centre County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act
- ➤ 4,600 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation
- ➤ 4,500 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance
- ➤ 11,915 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance
- > 7,835 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)

Other Recovery Act funding for Centre County

- ➤ \$194,100 to State College, in the form of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation block grant
- ➤ \$1,672,019 to the State College area, in the form of Transit Capital Assistance
- ➤ \$191,239 to State College, in the form of a Community Development Block Grant
- ➤ \$23,512 to State College, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant
- > \$47,832 to the Center County Housing Authority

Total: \$2,128,702

Direct Funding

- ➤ \$500,000 to Piezo Resonance Innovations, Inc.
- > \$96,000 to Foster Joseph Sayers Dam for improvements
- > \$731,229 to Cen-Clear Child Services, Inc. for Head Start Programs
- > \$300,000 to Friends of the Library of Phillipsburg
- > \$23,000 to State College Field Maintenance Shop 29
- ➤ \$23,521 to State College Borough through JAG program funds
- ➤ \$34,472 to Centre County to provide funds for food banks and homeless shelters
- ➤ \$114,814 to Pennsylvania State Univ. Hershey Medical Center
- ➤ \$1,908,732 to Pennsylvania State University (Sentech Corp.)
- ➤ \$1,672,019 to Centre Area Transportation Auth. (CATA)
- ➤ \$87,971,089 to Pennsylvania State Univ.-University Park
- ➤ \$273,394 to Mount Nittany Residences, Inc. for rental assistance payments
- ➤ \$119,114 to Andrew C Randono for an International Research Fellowship

 \$22,822 to Cooke Tavern Soups for Solar electricity projects \$100,000 to Solarity \$99,998 to WavesinSolids LLC \$2,340,166 to Strategic Polymer Sciences, Inc.
Total: \$96,330,370