FAYETTE COUNTY



Fayette County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 62,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Fayette County has received over \$84 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 Fayette County include:

- ➤ \$5,075,950 to Albert Gallatin Area School District
- ➤ \$2.119.562 to Belle Vernon Area School District
- > \$2,694,699 to Brownsville Area School District
- ➤ \$6,191,772 to Connellsville Area School District
- ➤ \$1,178,753 to Frazier School District
- ➤ \$3,046,948 to Laurel Highlands School District
- > \$1,871,993 to Southmoreland School District
- ➤ \$3,597,197 to Uniontown Area School District

Total Education Funding: \$25,776,874

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 Fayette County include:

- ➤ \$1,324,884 for bridge replacement of State Route 1054 bridge over Trout Run Creek in Saltlick Township
- ➤ \$854,982 for the replacement of State Route 1039 bridge over Dickerson Run in Dunbar Township
- ➤ \$1,515,401 for the replacement of State Route 3006 bridge over York Run in Nicholson Township
- ➤ \$4,728,825 for improvements to two traffic signals at US Route 119/Penn State Fayette and US Route 119/Mount Braddock Road in North Union Township
- ➤ \$1,290,644 to replace strip seal dams and make repairs to deck, beam ends, fatigue cracks, concrete beams and headwalls of various State Route bridges in Fayette, Greene, Washington and Westmoreland

Counties

- ➤ \$4,728,825 for restoration of US Route 119 from Penn State Fayette to Pechin Road in North Union and Dunbar Townships
- ➤ \$5,153,319 for U.S. 119 pavement preservation between the Everson exit and the Westmoreland County line in North Union, Bullskin and Upper Tyrone townships
- ➤ \$5,153,319 pavement preservation of Route US 119 between Penn State Fayette and the Connellsville Street exit in North Union Township
- ➤ \$1,317,492 for U.S. 51 pavement preservation between Waltersburg Bridge and Smock Road in Franklin and Menallen townships
- ➤ \$100,000 for Installation of approximately 9,525 linear feet of various size storm sewers that will reduce wet weather flows from the Authority's combined sewer system.
- ➤ \$1,312,718 for installation of 22,780 square feet of pervious paving, 132 gallon rain barrels, 500 and 1,200 gallon cisterns, 3,083 linear feet of concrete curb within Ohiopyle Borough that will reduce the storm water runoff impact.
- ➤ \$875,442 to the Uniontown-Connellsville, PA area, including Fayette County, in the form of Transit Capital Assistance

Total T&I Funding: \$28,355,851

Helping Children and Families

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

- ➤ 62,148 residents of Fayette County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act
- > 9,200 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation
- ➤ 6,700 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance
- ➤ 36,258 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance
- ➤ 30,177 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)

Other Recovery Act funding for Fayette County

- > \$779,087 for Community Services Recovery & Reinvestment Project
- ➤ \$100,000 to Community Medical Services in Uniontown, to expand access to community health services
- ➤ \$16,087 to Connellsville City, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant
- ➤ \$12,994 to Masontown Borough, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant

Information gathered from http://recovery.pa.gov and http://www.recovery.gov/Pages/home.aspx. These figures are not final and are regularly updated.

- ➤ \$30,937 to Uniontown City, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant
- ➤ \$3,172,007 to the Fayette County Housing Authority
- ➤ \$314,929 to the Connellsville Housing Authority
- ➤ \$3,756,000 to Solar Power Industries, Inc. in Belle Vernon for the production of multicrystalline cells (up to 156mm by 156mm in size) which will then be integrated into solar modules. The resulting products will aid the domestic solar energy industry.
- ➤ \$1,611,083 to Solar Power Industries, Inc. in Belle Vernon to focus processes on high purity silicon ignot casting, slicing, and cell processing operations to produce silicon bricks, wafers, solar power systems, and solar module components. The resulting product will aid the domestic solar energy industry.
- ➤ \$4,100,018 to Fayette County, in the form of an Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant

Total Other Funding: \$13,893,142

Direct Funding

- > \$708,000 to Fort Necessity
- ➤ \$48,065 to Fayette County to provide funds for food banks and homeless shelters
- ➤ \$900,000 to Fayette Industrial Fund and Fairchance-George Joint Municipal Sewage Authority
- ➤ \$212,000 to Monongahela River for improvements
- ➤ \$1,300,000 to Ohiopyle Borough for improvements to Ohiopyle State park
- ➤ \$60,018 to Uniontown through JAG Program funds
- ➤ \$1,326,941 to Community Medical Services
- ➤ \$923,540 to Fayette Area Community Transportation
- ➤ \$3,000,000 to the Borough of Dunbar for a sewer extension project
- ➤ \$488,000 to the Brownsville Municipal Authority for sanitary sewer construction
- ➤ \$175,627 to Connellsville Associates in rental assistance payments
- ➤ \$900,000 to Fayette Industrial Fund for urgent repairs to roads in the business park
- > \$3,431,000 to the Menallen Township Sewage Authority
- > \$5,367,083 to Solar Power Industries, Inc.

Total: \$18,840,274