FOREST COUNTY



Forest County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 2,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Forest County has received over \$8 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 Forest County include:

> \$563,974 to the Forest Area School District

Total Education Funding: \$563,974

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 Forest County include:

- ➤ \$894,677 for highway restoration of State Route 66 in Jenks Township
- ➤ \$231,596 for guiderail updates and shoulder construction on State Route 666

Total T&I Funding: \$1,126,273

Helping Children and Families

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

- ➤ 2,451 residents of Forest County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act
- ➤ 400 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation
- ➤ 300 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance
- ➤ 1,006 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance
- ➤ 651 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)

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

Other
Recovery Act
funding for
Forest County

➤ \$3,334,765 to Forest and Warren Counties EOC for a Weatherization Recovery and Reinvestment Project

Total: \$3,334,765

Direct Funding

- > \$537,000 to Tionesta Lake for improvements
- > \$597,825 to Howe Township for road reconstruction and resurfacing
- > 2,707,000 to Allegheny National Forest for projects that will maintain a large number of forest roads

Total: \$3,841,825