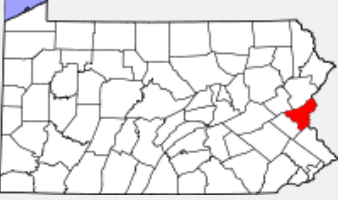


NORTHAMPTON COUNTY	
	<p>Northampton County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 128,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Northampton County has received over \$88 million in funding for education, transportation, and infrastructure and other projects.</p>

<b>Education</b>	<p>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 Northampton County include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$ 2,002,626 to the Bangor Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$8,083,385 to the Bethlehem Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$4,766,457 to the Easton Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$1,752,272 to the Nazareth Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$3,070,068 to the Northampton Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$1,002,753 to the Pen Argyl School District</li> <li>➤ \$830,931 to the Saucon Valley School District</li> <li>➤ \$1,232,357 to the Wilson Area School District</li> <li>➤ \$214,520 to the Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School</li> <li>➤ \$87,959 to the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts</li> </ul>
	<p>Total Education Funding: \$23,042,328</p>

<b>Transportation and Infrastructure</b>	<p>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 Northampton County include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$4,692,527 for precast parapet bridge repairs on various state routes</li> <li>➤ \$8,174,078 relocate and realign the existing 2nd Street ramp from 3rd Street to PA 378 in the City of Bethlehem</li> <li>➤ \$1,028,132 to construct curb ramps at various locations throughout the county</li> <li>➤ \$10,174,879 for the resurfacing of Interstate 78 from State Route 412 to Easton</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$8,959,460 for resurfacing and safety improvements on State Route 3</li> <li>➤ \$1,328,595 for the resurfacing of State Route 412 from Interstate 78 through Hellertown</li> <li>➤ \$1,819,480 for the preservation of 7 bridges in various locations in Northampton County</li> <li>➤ \$390,581 for the preservation on Eighth Street Bridge over PA 33 in Plainfield Township</li> <li>➤ \$100,000 for approximately 6495 feet of 8 inch sewer main lining, 367 feet of 10 inch sewer main lining, 1,090 feet of 12 inch sewer main lining, and 2,474 feet of 15 inch sewer main lining for the Bangor Borough Authority</li> <li>➤ \$100,000 to retrofit the existing storm water basin in Lehigh and Northampton County</li> <li>➤ \$10,487,606 to the Allentown-Bethlehem, PA-NJ area, including Northampton County, in the form of Transit Capital Assistance (also listed for Lehigh)</li> </ul>
	Total T&I Funding: \$47,255,338

<b>Helping Children and Families</b>	<p>The Recovery Act is helping those hit hardest by the economic downturn. Here is how Northampton County residents are benefiting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 128,576 residents of Northampton County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act</li> <li>➤ 11,100 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation</li> <li>➤ 13,900 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance</li> <li>➤ 36,601 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance</li> <li>➤ 26,725 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)</li> </ul>
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<b>Other Recovery Act funding for Northampton County</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$449,326 to Bethlehem in the form of a Community Development Block Grant (also listed in Lehigh County)</li> <li>➤ \$257,151 to Easton, in the form of a Community Development Block Grant</li> <li>➤ \$482,497 to Northampton County in the form of a Community Development Block Grant</li> <li>➤ \$13,818 to Bangor, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant</li> <li>➤ \$172,216 to Bethlehem, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (also listed in Lehigh)</li> <li>➤ \$102,711 to Easton, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice</li> </ul>
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Information gathered from <http://recovery.pa.gov> and <http://www.recovery.gov/Pages/home.aspx>.  
 These figures are not final and are regularly updated

	<p>Assistance Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$11,756 to Hellertown, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant</li> <li>➤ \$24,750 to Bethlehem Township in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant</li> <li>➤ \$12,169 to Lower Saucon Township in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant</li> <li>➤ \$17,118 to Northampton County, in the form of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant</li> <li>➤ \$3,017,292 to the Bethlehem Housing Authority (also listed in Lehigh)</li> <li>➤ \$1,083,443 to the Easton Housing Authority</li> <li>➤ \$148,144 to the Northampton County Housing Authority</li> <li>➤ \$1,038,800 to the City of Allen, in the form of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant</li> <li>➤ \$702,100 to the City of Bethlehem, in the form of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (also listed in Lehigh)</li> <li>➤ \$160,800 to the City of Northampton, in the form of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant</li> <li>➤ \$2,190,900 to Northampton County, in the form of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant</li> </ul>
	Total: \$9,884,991

<b>Direct Funding</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ \$300,000 to the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corp to clean up of hazardous substance contaminants and encourage redevelopment</li> <li>➤ \$738,192 to Northampton County for homelessness services</li> <li>➤ \$226,385 to Azevan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</li> <li>➤ \$669,768 to Easton to help improve law enforcement agencies</li> <li>➤ \$997,886 to Lafayette College</li> <li>➤ \$6,000,000 to the Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Northeast Pennsylvania</li> <li>➤ \$300,000 to the County of Northampton for a revolving loan fund</li> <li>➤ \$115,618 to Episcopal Apartments of the Slate Belt, Inc for rental assistance payments</li> <li>➤ \$48,035 to Moravian College to provide need-based financial aid to students</li> <li>➤ \$203,913 to Northampton County to provide funds for food banks and homeless shelters</li> </ul>
	Total: \$9,599,797