# **VENANGO COUNTY**

Venango County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 23,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Venango County has received over \$24 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 Venango County include:

- ➤ \$1,249,769 to the Cranberry Area School District
- ➤ \$ 2,342,252 to the Franklin Area School District
- > \$2,757,342 to the Oil City School District
- > \$2,351,916 to the Titusville Area School District
- ➤ \$1,099,426 to the Valley Grove School District

Total Education Funding: \$9,800,705

# 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 Venango County include:

- ➤ \$4,105,076 to Pleasantville Borough for sewage treatment plant upgrades
- ➤ \$1,184,770 to Pleasantville Borough for domestic water improvements
- > \$1,571,117 for bridge replacement on State Route 428 over Prather Creek
- ➤ \$1,571,117 for bridge replacement on State Route 428 over Sugar Creek
- ➤ \$660,000 for rehabilitation on State Route 3025
- ➤ \$2,587,320 to repair the retaining wall on State Route 8 Bypass
- ➤ \$1,220,335 for the resurfacing of US Route 62 and State Route 8
- ➤ \$343,605 for durable railroad crossing pavement markings on various state routes

Total T&I Funding: \$13,243,340

# Helping Children and Families

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

- ➤ 23,765 residents of **Venango** County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act
- ➤ 3,400 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation
- > 2,500 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance
- ➤ 11,716 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance
- ➤ 8,895 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)

## **Direct Funding**

- > \$16,678 to Venango County for food banks and homeless shelters
- > \$10,725 to Franklin for police equipment
- ➤ \$583,350 to Community Services Venango County for Early Head Start expansion
- ➤ \$178,957 to the Housing Authority of the City of Franklin
- ➤ \$281,338 to the Oil City Housing Authority in funds for the capital and management activities of Public Housing Agencies including modernization and development of public housing
- ➤ \$16,678 to Venango County for the distribution of food through food pantries and food banks, temporary rent assistance, and transition assistance from shelters to stable living conditions
- ➤ \$47,277 to the Venango County Housing Authority in funds for the capital and management activities of Public Housing Agencies including modernization and development of public housing

Total: \$1,135,003