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Upcoming Events



Come to a free shredding event hosted by Senator Lindsey Williams at the Shaler North Hills Library!

This is a socially distant shredding event. Stay in your car and we'll take your boxes and put them in the shredding truck!

Each person can bring up to 2 bankers boxes of papers for shredding.

Do you have books to donate? We'll also be helping the library collect gently used books for the Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library book sale!



WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26 @ 6PM

Senator Lindsey M. Williams invites you to a

Clean Slate Expungement Virtual Clinic

Join us on Wednesday August 26 at 6pm for a Clean Slate & Expungement Virtual Town Hall!

Introductory remarks from Senator Lindsey Williams, presentation by Barbara Griffin, Esq., Director of the Pro Bono Center of the Allegheny County Bar Foundation and Associate Professor, Duquesne University School of Law

Ms. Griffin will discuss clearing criminal records in Pennsylvania and free legal help that is available to people with low incomes. Following the presentation, constituents may contact Duquesne University School of Law to determine if they're eligible.

You must register in advance for this event.

Register for Clean Slate & Expungement Virtual Town Hall



The community is invited to participate in six online meetings:

- Monday, July 27, 2020 at 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.
- Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 9 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. & 4 p.m.

NEXTransit will help inform where service should go, who it should serve, when it should operate & what projects should be given priority over the next 25 years.

You can sign up to attend any of these meetings at https://nextransit.network/events

NEW DEADLINE FOR PENNSYLVANIA DRIVERS



TO RENEW ONLINE, VISIT DMV.PA.GOV



COVID-19 Relief PA Statewide Small Business Assistance



The COVID-19 Relief Pennsylvania Statewide Small Business Assistance program will provide grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 to small businesses that have been economically impacted by COVID-19.

This is not a first-come, first-served program. There will be multiple rounds of application windows. You must pick a CDFI. Find a list of those in Allegheny County here: https://pabusinessgrants.com/county/allegheny/

The first application window opened June 30th and closed at 11:59 PM on July 14th. The second application window is expected to open in August. The PA CDFI Network will send an email announcing when the next application window is open. If you applied during the first application window, you do not need to reapply. Qualified applications will be automatically rolled over into the next funding round for consideration.

PHEAA and PA Forward to Host One-Hour Webinar Series





PHEAA and PA Forward are offering a series of one-hour webinars on the topic of Covering the Gap.

These webinars emphasize best practices (such as seeking grants and scholarships first), remind families about additional resources (such as payment plans), and touch on

private/alternative loans as a last resort.

The discussion will also include the basics of credit: what is a credit score, what factors impact a credit score, how can a credit score be improved, etc.

You can register for one or more of these informative presentations below and have your questions answered:

Tuesday, August 4, at 6:30 p.m.

Call-in Toll Number: 1-650-479-3207
Access code: 127 805 5153
Password 1234

Register Here

Wednesday, August 12, at noon

Call-in Toll Number: 1-650-479-3207 Access code: 127 926 9902 Password 1234

Register Here

Tuesday, August 25, at 6:30 p.m.

Call-in Toll Number: 1-650-479-3207 Access code: 127 508 3348 Password 1234

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Tuesday, August 11, at 6:30 p.m.

Call-in Toll Number: 1-650-479-3207 Access code: 127 364 9087 Password 1234

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Tuesday, August 18, at 6:30 p.m.

Call-in Toll Number: 1-650-479-3207 Access code: 127 532 3247 Password 1234

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Wednesday, August 26, at noon

Call-in Toll Number: -650-479-3207 Access code: 127 401 1646 Password 1234

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UC Updates



State Assistance Available Now and After \$600 Federal Unemployment Benefit Ends

With the additional \$600 federal unemployment benefit ending, the Pennsylvania Departments of Labor & Industry (L&I) and Human Services (DHS) are reminding Pennsylvanians that other state programs are available.

Programs include:

- Medicaid:
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP);
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP);
- Child Care Works (CCW) subsidized child care; and,
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Pennsylvanians who have experienced a change in income or job loss, regardless of its relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, can apply for benefits online at any time at https://www.compass.state.pa.us/

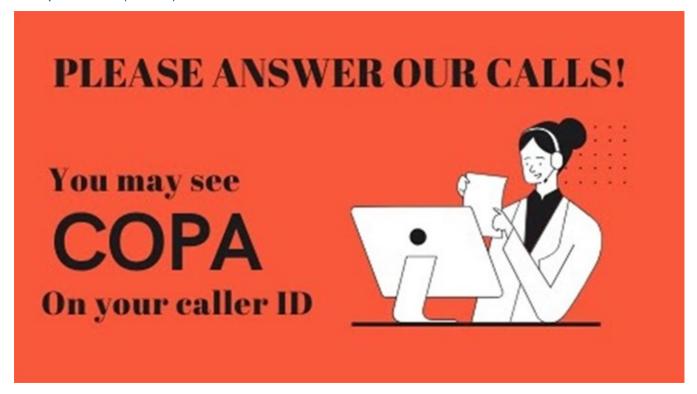
Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation

Individuals whose unemployment benefit year has expired. Your benefit year expires one year (52 weeks) after your regular unemployment application for benefits date. Individuals whose benefit year has expired, **must apply for PEUC**.

Individuals who are still within their unemployment benefit year do NOT need to apply. Once you receive the balance of your regular unemployment benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in the PEUC program for the additional 13 weeks of benefits.

Visit the <u>federal CARES Act page</u>, and frequently asked questions for <u>PUA</u>, <u>Federal Pandemic</u>

<u>Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)</u> and <u>Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)</u>.



If you need additional resources, you may want to 211 which provides a great source of local agencies in your zip code that are available to help. You can also access the website here. https://www.211.org/



Retiring Natrona Heights Letter Carrier Lauded for Dependability, Cheerfulness



Kevin Griffith is retiring from a nearly 40-year career as a letter carrier with the U.S. Postal Service. One of Mr. Griffith's major concerns going into retirement is about putting on weight after walking 25,000 steps a day. Mr. Griffith worked his last shift out of the Natrona Heights Post Office in Harrison on Friday.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions you may have by phone at 412-364-0469 or by email at SenatorLindseyWilliams@pasenate.com. My staff will return your call/email within 24 hours (Monday-Friday).

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