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State Senator LINDSEY M. WILLIAMS Your District 38 Update



Veterans Day

I would like to thank all of the Veterans who have sacrificed for us! I got to spend time at the Veterans Place of Washington Boulevard for their VeteranPalooza. It was a great opportunity to speak with the Veterans, hear about the services that the Veterans Place provides and meet Chance the Therapy Horse from In Stable Hands.

I also want to thank the Southwest Veterans Center who allowed me to share a special Veteran Day message to their residents and staff. You can see it <u>here</u>.







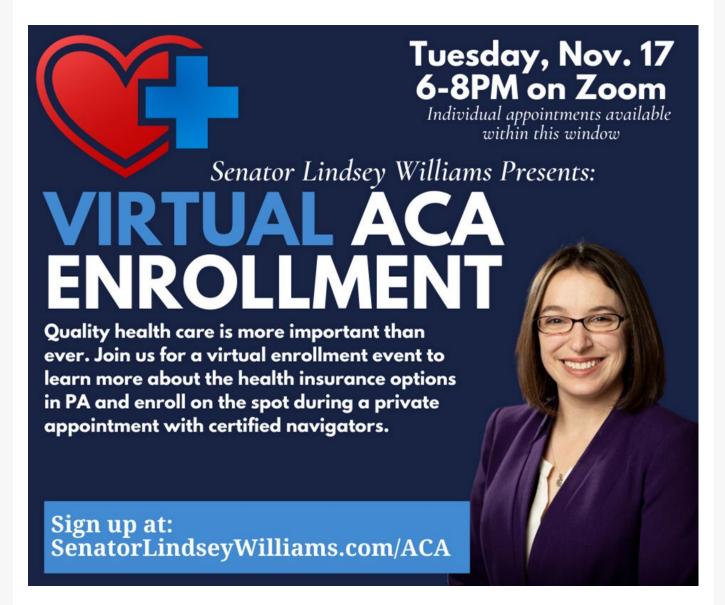


Safe Boating Message for Fall and Winter

Thank you to the PA Fish and Boat Commission for inviting me to film a safe boating message for fall and winter! Remember that from November 1st to April 30th, cold weather life jackets are required for anyone aboard a boat less than 16 feet, including all canoes, kayaks and paddle boats. Check out the video here.



Upcoming Events



Quality, affordable healthcare is more important than ever! Join us for a virtual enrollment event on Tuesday, November 17 from 6-8 PM to learn more about your enrollment options! You can also reserve a private appointment with a certified navigator to enroll on the spot!

Register for Virtual ACA Enrollment Event

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Event Recap



Applications opened Monday, November 2! Did you miss our LIHEAP event last week? You can watch the full video here. If you have questions, please call us at 412-364-0469 or email at SenatorLindseyWilliams@pasenate.com!



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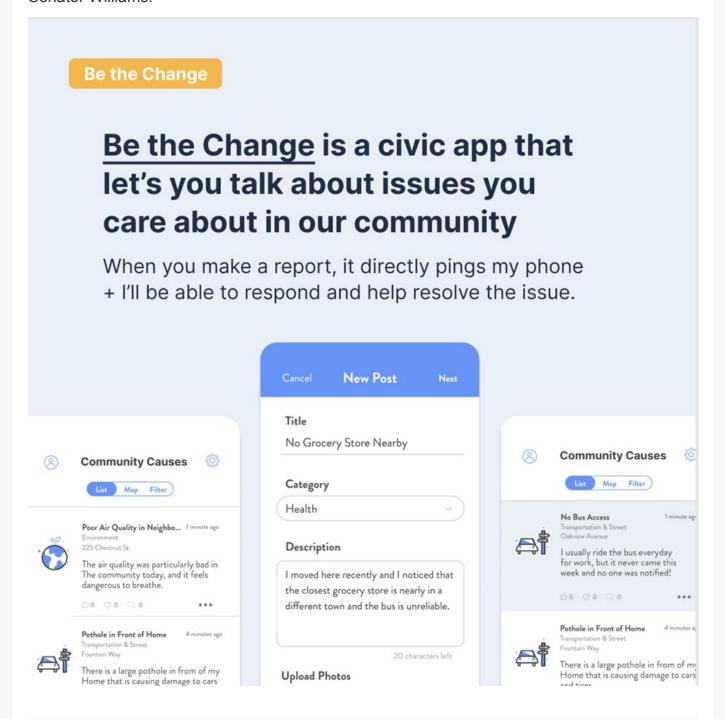
With cold weather right around the corner, the LIHEAP season has begun in Pennsylvania. The PUC, Department of Human Services, United Way of PA, and others encourage EVERYONE to consider all options for cold weather heating & energy assistance by visiting PA PUC website.

Be the Change App

Be the Change is a free civic engagement app that connects you to your state legislators to take meaningful action on issues that matter to your neighborhood. You can use the app to share Community Causes in the form of legislative feedback or neighborhood ideas and

concerns. It's currently available in the <u>Apple App Store</u> with the web platform and Android App coming soon!

Today, November 12, Senator Williams will be joining the app, so you can reach out directly to discuss local issues and legislation that is important to you. <u>Download today</u> to connect with Senator Williams!



Drive-Up Distribution Events

The Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank is hosting Drive-Up distribution events to provide food for folks in need. Please make a <u>reservation</u> in advance of these events.

Reservations allow the food bank to serve you better by controlling traffic and making sure they have the right amount of food!



What is a Drive-Up Distribution?

These events provides individuals and families with at least 50 pounds of food in one or more pre-packed boxes. Food is loaded into your trunk or vehicle once you come through the distribution line.

Who qualifies for assistance?

There is no required proof of eligibility and anyone is eligible for food. Your information will only be used to provide you food and help us improve your service. This information is subject to change.

What if I don't have a car?

For the safety of those at the event, walk-ups are not permitted at drive-up distributions. If you do not have a vehicle, you may have another individual drive you to pick up food.

Each household must complete a reservation to receive food. The same car and license plate can be used up to three times for the same event. There are no exceptions to one reservation getting one share of food. For one car to get two or three shares of food, the car must have more than one family or household.

How do I make a reservation?

Go online at pittsburghfoodbank.org/gethelp/drive-up/ or call the Food Bank at 412-460-3663, ext. 456. Reservations open 4 weeks before each event and close at 5 p.m. the day before the distribution. A limited number of additional food shares will be available for those without a reservation on a first come, first served basis. It is highly recommended that you make a reservation, as this is the only way to guarantee you will receive food.



Where is the distribution?

See reverse for the full list of locations and dates. Most sites are served once per month.

Please follow these guidelines:

Individuals attending the distribution must stay in their vehicles at all times. This will help us maintain six-foot social distancing. Leaving cars to socialize is prohibited.

After pulling into "distribution row", put your vehicle in park and unlock your trunk or back-seat for food to be loaded. Volunteers will not load food into vehicles until they are in park.

SNAP (food stamps) can help you buy food. Call or text us for help applying.

- 1-833-822-SNAP (7627)
- Text SNAP to 412-435-4446



Drive-Up Food Distributions November/December 2020 Calendar

Allegheny County Sites

	Nov	Dec	Location	Time
Wilkinsburg	7	5	East End Behavioral Health Hospital (formerly LifeCare Hospital) Enter at 225 Penn Ave	11 a.m. + 1 p.m.

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Duquesne	9, 23	7, 21	Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank 1 North Linden St Duquesne, PA 15110	11/9 and 12/7: 3 p.m 5 p.m. 11/23 and 12/21: noon - 2 p.m.	
Allegheny Valley	10	8	Pittsburgh Mills Galleria 590 Pittsburgh Mills Blvd Tarentum, PA 15084	4 p.m 6 p.m.	
Glassport	12	10	Queen of the Rosary Church 530 Michigan Ave. Glassport, PA 15045	1 p.m 3:30 p.m.	
McKeesport	21	19	Founders Hall Middle School 1960 Eden Park Blvd McKeesport, PA 15132	10 a.m noon	

Regional Sites

	Nov	Dec	Location	Time
Washington	3	15	Washington County Fairgrounds 2151 N Main St Washington, PA 15301	11 a.m 1 p.m.
Johnstown	4	2	Johnstown Galleria 500 Galleria Dr Johnstown, PA 15904	noon - 2 p.m.
Beaver Falls	14	12	Pathway Church 279 Braden School Rd Beaver Falls, PA 15010	11 a.m 1 p.m.
Aliquippa	20	18	Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church Enter at 2200 Kennedy Blvd Aliquippa, PA 15001	noon - 2 p.m.
Butler	24	22	Lernerville Speedway 313 N Pike Rd Sarver, PA 16055	11 a.m 1 p.m.

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Find us online at pittsburghfoodbank.org/get-help/ drive-up/

Call the Food Bank Call Center at 412-460-3663, ext. 456 for help making a reservation and to learn about other food assistance options like food pantries, Senior Boxes and SNAP.



COVID-19 Update Related to UC Appeal Hearings

UC Referee Offices statewide have resumed operations. Procedures have been adjusted to expedite hearings. When the hearing is scheduled, all parties will be notified of the date and time of the hearing by mail and/or email with at least 7 days' notice. To expedite hearings, the referee office may telephone parties to check availability for a hearing and schedule it with less notice provided the parties are available and agree to the short notice.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, all appeal hearings are being conducted with testimony taken from all parties by telephone. Parties may have their witnesses testify from different telephone numbers. The documentary evidence used to make the initial determination is mailed or emailed to the parties together with the hearing notice. Additional evidence may be provided to the referee office via email.

Etna EcoDistrict Wins Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence



Congratulations to the <u>Borough of Etna</u> and <u>Etna Community Organization</u> on receiving the Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence! I was honored to nominate them for this Award for their thoughtful consideration of environment and economy and for their inclusion of the community in planning for a more vibrant and sustainable future! Read more about this great news <u>here</u>.



Now Open by Appointment!



Our Natrona Heights office is now open by appointment. Call us at 724-224-2131 to schedule!

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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