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# What If You Dialed 9-1-1 and **NO ONE CAME?**

If you've ever had to dial 9-1-1, you know what it's like waiting for the ambulance to arrive and the relief you feel when you or someone you love is getting much-needed help.

In order to ensure these life-saving services remain available in our area, we must address the growing financial and staffing challenges our emergency medical services (EMS) providers face.

That is the goal of our newly formed EMS Task Force, which is made up of EMS personnel (both local and some from other areas of the state), county and municipal officials, and concerned citizens. The task force was formed following a town meeting on EMS issues held earlier this year.

Issues under discussion include increased insurance reimbursement rates; funding from local municipalities; alternative delivery models, such as creating a municipal authority; more affordable and accessible training; and incentives to both recruit and retain EMS personnel.

If you would like to participate in future task force meetings, please contact the Bradford office at 814-362-4400.

### Fighting for Affordable Energy

The rising cost of energy is a driving force behind the record high inflation we are all struggling with right now. As Republican chairman of the House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee, my priority has been to promote policies that encourage energy production and fight back against policies that would further increase the costs of lighting and heating our homes, as well as powering our vehicles.

That includes opposing the effort, launched by the Wolf administration, to enroll our Commonwealth in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), which would significantly increase consumer energy costs without any benefit.

PA is an energy powerhouse! Our Commonwealth is the second largest net producer of energy, only behind Texas. We must enact commonsense regulatory changes such as permit reform, pipeline development and tax policy that enable and encourage even greater energy production. Let's capitalize on this opportunity to create jobs and meet the growing demand for energy here and around the world. It can be done both safely and responsibly.

## **Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program to Expand Next Year**

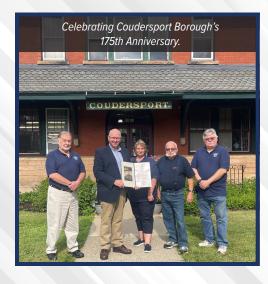
More Pennsylvania seniors and people with disabilities will be eligible for increased property tax or rent relief next year under a new law approved by the General Assembly in July.

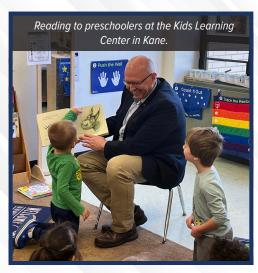
Act 7 of 2023 increases income limits for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program for homeowners and renters to \$45,000 annually and increases the maximum rebate to \$1,000.

Thanks to the new law, more than 150,000 additional individuals will be eligible for assistance, including an estimated 1,400 here in Cameron, McKean and Potter counties. The expansion will be in effect next year when residents apply for assistance based on rent and property taxes paid in 2023. Those claims will be paid in 2024.

There is still time to apply for the current year's program, which is based on rent and property taxes paid in 2022. Apply online at mypath.pa.gov or contact my office for free assistance.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program benefits eligible residents 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older.







# **UPCOMING** EVENTS

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# **Kane Senior Citizens Expo**

Friday, Sept. 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Kane Community Center
46 Fraley St., Kane

# **Roulette Senior Citizens Expo**

Friday, Oct. 13, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Roulette Fire Hall
12 River St., Roulette

Join us for information about an array of services available to support area seniors, including health care, insurance, nutrition and exercise, fraud protection and more. A free lunch will be provided, and don't miss the door prize drawing at 12:30 p.m.

This is a free event, and no RSVPs are necessary.

# **Hard-To-Read License Plate Replacement**

Thursday, Oct. 26, 4-7 p.m.

Lewis Run Volunteer Fire Department 46 Main St., Lewis Run

State law requires PennDOT to replace license plates that are deemed illegible at no cost to the vehicle owner. A plate is deemed illegible when one or more numbers or letters cannot be recognized from 50 feet away, typically due to blistering, peeling, discoloration, loss of reflectivity or other damage.

Be sure to bring your vehicle with the affected plate attached, along with your unexpired PA driver's license and current vehicle registration card. Please RSVP online at **www.RepCauser.com** or by calling the Bradford office at 814-362-4400.