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IT FROM HARRIS**

- STATE BUDGET WINS
- MAKE YOUR PLAN TO VOTE
- GRANTS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

A Message from the Chair

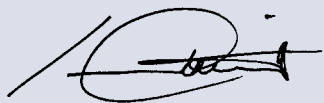
The second state budget under my tenure as House Appropriations Majority Chairman is now in the books. I am proud to say funding for the 2024-2025 budget addressed our top priorities, including investing more in students, making communities safer and living more affordable, setting the stage for business growth, and helping people keep more money in their pockets.

I am always working to bring money back to our district for schools, businesses, infrastructure and local programs that benefit people right here in our community.

When it comes to state services, please remember that there are many ways my dedicated staff can assist, like helping you file for a property tax or rent rebate, obtain PennDOT driver and registration renewals or locate important documents like birth certificates. Please stop by my district office to see how we can help.

I am honored to represent you and am grateful for your trust.

In service,



2024 Soul School FESTIVAL



2024-2025 State Budget Highlights

As chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, I worked hard to deliver a state budget that continues the promise of getting resources where they should be and leveling the playing field for all Pennsylvanians, especially with education.

This fight for fairness is about the future of our young people, our most valuable assets. Every child deserves the same chance to navigate a successful future.

In the 2024-2025 state budget, the School District of Philadelphia will see \$231 million more in new state dollars, for a total of \$1.93 billion in state funding.

Beyond education, the new budget increases funding for programs that will strengthen housing and social services programs, strengthen workforce development, encourage industry innovation, expand 'shovel-ready' sites to attract new and expanding businesses, and bolster projects to continue revitalizing our downtown centers. That means a better trained workforce, more jobs and more commercial activity to stimulate our local economy.

Most importantly, the new budget includes no new taxes, keeping more money in your pocket.

Here are more highlights of the 2024-2025 budget I helped to negotiate for you and on behalf of all Pennsylvanians.



2024-2025 PA BUDGET WINS

- No new taxes
- **Over \$1B increase** for Pre-K to 12 education funding
- **\$30M increase** for Career and Technical Education
- **\$100M** for Public school facility improvement grants
- **NEW \$3M** investment for menstrual hygiene products in schools to address period poverty
- **Over \$15M increase** for Community Colleges
- **Over \$140M** for grants, scholarships, and other programs to make higher education more affordable in PA
- **\$20M** for student teacher stipends
- **\$70M** for attainable housing initiatives through the PHARE Housing Program
- **\$16.5M increase** for anti-violence investments and after-school programs
- **\$20M increase** for county based mental health services
- **NEW \$2.5M** for legal services in eviction proceedings
- **\$7M increase** for Workforce Development
- **\$161M** for Public Transportation and Multimodal projects
- **\$261M increase** for Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Community Waiver Program
- **Over \$26M increase** for subsidized childcare services
- **\$36M increase** for Neighborhood Assistance Program
- **\$5M increase** for Homelessness Assistance
- **Over \$2M increase** for Domestic Violence Prevention
- **\$5M increase** for Non-profit Security grants
- **\$7.5M** for indigent defense
- **AND MUCH MORE!**

PEOPLE AHEAD OF POLITICS

Don't Wait for Your Property Tax/Rent Rebate

To ensure as many Pennsylvanians as possible receive the property tax and rent relief they are entitled to, the deadline for older adults and people with permanent disabilities to apply for rebates on rent and property taxes paid in 2023 has been extended to Dec. 31.

My office helps hundreds of people apply for this program each year.

Rebates range from \$380 to \$1,000 depending on income. The maximum household income is increased from previous years to \$45,000 for tax year 2023 thanks to legislation I voted for last year. Only half of Social Security income is counted toward the \$45,000 income cap.

Application booklets are available at my office. We also offer in-person assistance in completing and submitting the application. Please call my office to set up an appointment.



My Office Can Help with SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards

Every year, I help hundreds of seniors obtain or renew their SEPTA Senior Key Card. Please call my office or stop in for help.

Stay up to date by joining my email list

I write regular emails, and signing up is the best way to know about upcoming events, programs and services available to you and your family and legislation that is moving through the state House. Stay informed and sign up on my website at pahouse.com/Harris.

DID YOU KNOW?
My office is available to process SEPTA Senior Key Card requests.

Seniors **65 + older** are eligible to travel for **FREE** on all PA SEPTA service lines with a **SEPTA Key Card**.

Contact my office:
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Make Your Plan to Vote On (or before) Nov. 5!



Your vote is your voice. And your voice deserves to be heard loud and clear when it comes to your government.

Now is the time to make your plan to vote in the Nov. 5 general election, when we'll be electing our president,

one of two U.S. Senators, our Congressional delegation and state offices.

In Pennsylvania you can vote by mail, place your completed mail ballot in secure drop boxes throughout the city or vote in person. Please save these important deadlines so your voice can be heard. Learn more at vote.phila.gov.

2024 GENERAL ELECTION
IMPORTANT DATES

- OCT 21** Last day to register to vote in the general election
vote.pa.gov/Register
- OCT 29** The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot or mail-in ballot
vote.pa.gov/ApplyMailBallot
- NOV 5** Election Day. Polls are open from 7am - 8pm. Completed mail ballots must be received by 8pm.
vote.pa.gov/Polls





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District Office Services

My team and I can help you with:

- Property Tax/Rent Rebate
- Employment, housing, and utility assistance information
- PACE cards for senior citizens
- Notary Services
- SEPTA Key Senior ID Cards
- PennDOT questions or processing of: car registrations, special tags, titles, and license plate applications



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I visited Mr. Solomon's 11th grade class at Audenried Charter High School in April. Wishing them a great Senior Year! It is always my honor to speak to young people about their importance in this world and to instill in them the belief that they can achieve great things.