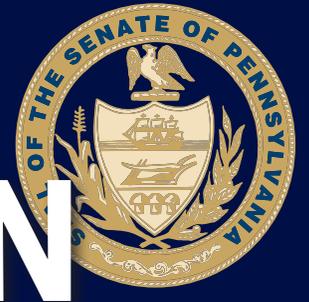




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ON THE COVER:

Senator Marty Flynn speaks to constituents at the annual Senior Expo.

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WAYS WE CAN HELP

- Unemployment Compensation
State Tax Issues
PennDOT (Driver's License Issues)
Birth Certificates
Notarizations
CHIP
Voter Registration
PACE/PACENET
LIHEAP Applications
Property Tax Rebates
Rent Rebates
Housing/Rental Assistance and Much More!



A note from Senator Flynn

Dear Constituents,

Winter has a way of slowing things down just enough to take stock of what matters.

It is a season that reminds us how connected we all are, whether it is checking on a neighbor, making sure families have what they need to get through the colder months, or continuing the work that keeps our communities strong year-round. As we move through the winter of 2026, my focus remains the same. Showing up for the people of our district and making sure your voices are reflected in the work being done in Harrisburg. That means advocating for resources that help working families, supporting our schools and local organizations, and staying engaged with the issues you raise when you reach out to my office. This time of year also brings important conversations at the Capitol, including budget discussions that shape everything from public safety to education and community services. I take that responsibility seriously and remain committed to fighting for fair funding and thoughtful investments that benefit our region.

Thank you for taking the time to read this winter edition of our newsletter. I hope you find the updates helpful and informative, and as always, my office is here if you need assistance or want to share your thoughts.

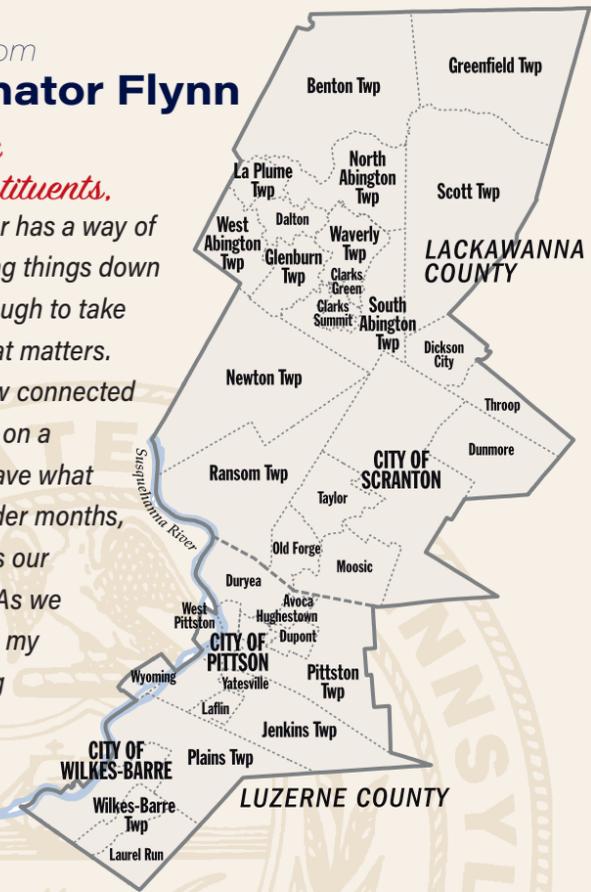
Wishing you a safe and healthy winter. in our district.

Handwritten signature of Marty Flynn

Marty Flynn - State Senator
22nd Senatorial District

Lackawanna County: Benton Township, Clarks Green, Clarks Summit, Dalton, Dickson City, Dunmore, Glenburn, Greenfield Township, La Plume, Moosic, Newton, North Abington, Old Forge, Ransom, Scott Township, Scranton, South Abington, Taylor, Throop, Waverly, West Abington

Luzerne County: Avoca, Dupont, Duryea, Hughestown, Jenkins, Laflin, Laurel Run, Pittston City, Pittston Township, West Pittston, Plains, Wilkes-Barre City, Wilkes-Barre Township, Wyoming, Yatesville



ALLOCATION OF LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT (LSA) FUNDS

- AVOCA BOROUGH: Avoca Borough Police Department Body Worn and Vehicle Fleet Cameras Award: \$88,956 LSA funds will be used for the purchase and installation of equipment and professional services costs.
AVOCA BOROUGH: Borough of Avoca Police Department UTV Project Award: \$30,000 LSA funds will be used for the purchase of equipment.
DUPONT BOROUGH: Fire Alarm System for Borough Building Award: \$28,987 LSA funds will be used for the purchase and installation of equipment.
DURYEA BOROUGH: Municipal Building Roof Replacement Award: \$200,000 LSA funds will be used for construction and engineering costs.
DURYEA BOROUGH: Police Department Vehicles Award: \$141,073 LSA funds will be used for the purchase of vehicles and equipment.
HUGHESTOWN BOROUGH: Hughestown Borough Police Department Equipment Acquisition Award: \$77,393 LSA funds will be used for the purchase of a vehicle and equipment.
JENKINS TOWNSHIP: Trucking Solutions for Efficient Public Works Award: \$150,000 LSA funds will be used for the purchase of vehicles.
LAFLIN BOROUGH: Public Works Truck Award: \$127,994 LSA funds will be used for purchase equipment.
PITTSION CITY: Meals on Wheels HVAC Award: \$75,000 LSA funds will be used for construction, engineering, and administrative costs.

- PITTSION TOWNSHIP: Pittston Township Administration Building Improvements Project Award: \$31,958 LSA funds will be used for renovation costs.
PITTSION TOWNSHIP: Sewer Authority of the Township of Pittston Wastewater System Improvements Award: \$100,000 LSA funds will be used for construction, engineering, and administrative costs.
PLAINS TOWNSHIP: Municipal Building Rehab Award: \$86,935 LSA funds will be used for construction and engineering.
WILKES-BARRE CITY: Domestic Violence Service Center (DVSC) HVAC Replacement Award: \$107,650 LSA funds will be used for construction costs.
WILKES-BARRE CITY: New Cab & Chassis Refuse Trucks with Rear Compaction Packers Award: \$494,006 LSA funds will be used for the purchase of equipment.
WILKES-BARRE CITY: St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church Renovation Award: \$91,314 LSA funds will be used for construction costs.
WILKES-BARRE TOWNSHIP: Wilkes Barre Township Police Vehicle Acquisition Award: \$141,062 LSA funds will be used for vehicle purchases.
WILKES-BARRE TOWNSHIP: Mohegan Arena at Casey Plaza Safety, Security and Signage Upgrades Award: \$239,757 LSA funds will be used for the purchase and installation of equipment.
WYOMING BOROUGH: 2024 Wyoming Borough Street Paving Project Award: \$200,000 LSA funds will be used for construction, engineering, and administrative costs.

RECENT FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS

MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

Luzerne County

- Avoca Borough: \$241,076 for sidewalk, crosswalk, and signage improvements on McAlpine Street
The Multimodal Transportation Fund supports locally owned transportation projects across Pennsylvania, including roads, bridges, pedestrian infrastructure, and multimodal connections that enhance mobility and economic development.

PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY (PCCD)

Luzerne County

- Luzerne County Chief Executive Officer - STOP Program 2025-2027 Fund Name: Federal STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Funds - \$125,000
Luzerne County Chief Executive Officer - 2025 VOJO/RASA Services Fund Name: VOCA, CVSC & Victims of Juvenile Offender (VOJO) Funds - \$261,900

PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY (PCCD)

- Luzerne County Child Advocacy Center - \$199,694 for Child Abuse Services (Luzerne County)

- Domestic Violence Service Center, Inc. - \$670,914 for Domestic Violence Program Services (Luzerne, Carbon, and Wyoming Counties)
Victims Resource Center - \$632,220 for VOCA Services to Victims of Crime (Luzerne, Carbon, and Wyoming Counties)

\$1.2 MILLION IN RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEMS INFRASTRUCTURE (RFSI) GRANTS

Luzerne County

- The Food Dignity Project - \$723,839 (Infrastructure Grant) Building cold storage, processing, and delivery systems to support 29 farms and launch 15 new value-added products in Luzerne County.
Michael Family Farm - \$77,023 (Equipment-Only Grant) Purchasing and installing on-farm dairy processing equipment to expand product offerings and markets for farms in Lackawanna, Luzerne, and Wyoming Counties.

FAMILY LITERACY DIRECT SERVICE GRANT

Luzerne County

- Luzerne County Community College, \$378,200
To provide comprehensive family literacy programming that integrates adult education, early learning, and parent-child engagement activities.

CFA FUNDING

MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUND GRANTS

- Avoca Borough Awarded: \$250,000 from the Multimodal Transportation Funds for installation of street lighting along Main Street.
City of Pittston Awarded: \$100,000 from the Multimodal Transportation Funds for streetscape improvements on Plank Street.
City of Wilkes-Barre Awarded: \$500,000 from the Multimodal Transportation Funds for Phase II streetscape improvements along North Main Street.

- City of Wilkes-Barre Awarded: \$300,000 from the Multimodal Transportation Funds for Phase II streetscape improvements along South Main Street.
Pittston Township Awarded: \$476,600 from the Multimodal Transportation Funds to make pavement improvements to multiple roads located in Pittston Township.
SMALL WATER & SEWER PROGRAM GRANTS
Duryea Borough Awarded: \$278,341 for the Mitchell & Grove Street Stormwater Drainage Project 2025.
City of Pittston Awarded: \$308,037 for the Blueberry Lane Sewer Grant.



On The Move in the 22nd DISTRICT



At Frances Willard Elementary School, I had the chance to recognize students who earned first place in the Love Math Challenge after solving more than 115,000 math problems. Seeing that level of focus and teamwork, along with strong support from teachers and staff, was impressive.



During National Diaper Awareness Week, more than 100 diapers were donated through my office to Saint Joseph's Center, helping support families who rely on community resources year-round.



On September 16, a press conference at Dunmore High School highlighted a partnership between UnitedHealthcare and the Commonwealth focused on expanding services available to students. It was an important conversation about meeting young people where they are.



While at the Capitol, a conversation with Mike Tyson focused on adult-use cannabis legalization and how Pennsylvania can move forward responsibly while creating jobs and protecting communities



In Wilkes-Barre, our community came together with one clear message: Social Security must be protected. Standing alongside local leaders and Action Together NEPA, I was proud to support seniors and working families who depend on these earned benefits.



A strong turnout made this year's Senior Expo at the Steamtown Mall a great day of conversation and connection. It was encouraging to see so many seniors engaging with resources designed to support healthy and independent living.



Nearly doubling last year's effort, 2,000 bikes are being distributed to local schools across the district, working alongside It's All About the Kids Bicycles, Inc. This year's donation was dedicated in memory of Pete Sabia of Pete's Garage, whose commitment to helping others continues to inspire.



Thanks to generous donations through our Senate food drive, food was delivered to St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen just ahead of the holiday season.



Inside PA Medical Solutions, a licensed medical marijuana cultivation and processing facility, I saw how indoor agriculture and advanced technology are supporting more than 200 union jobs in our region. Hearing directly from the workers reinforced the need for Pennsylvania to keep pace with responsible cannabis policy that protects public health while keeping jobs and investment here at home.



The 91st Scranton Lions Club Dream Game was a night to remember at John F. Henzen Veterans Memorial Stadium. Cheering on the City and County teams alongside SportzWire, I was proud to recognize the effort, sportsmanship, and heart shown by both the players and cheerleaders who made the event special.





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BUDGET

"This budget delivers for the people of the 22nd Senatorial District. By prioritizing education and economic growth, without increasing taxes, we are laying a foundation for a brighter, more prosperous Northeastern Pennsylvania. I am proud to have worked with my colleagues across the aisle to get this done, and I look forward to seeing these investments translate into real progress in our region."

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2025 - 2026 BUDGET

Tax policy

- No tax increases. The plan follows through on Democrats' commitment to keep rates level.
- Creates the "Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit". This new credit cuts taxes for nearly one million working Pennsylvanians. In the 22nd Senatorial District alone, over 28,000 households, representing nearly 42% of households in our community, are projected to be eligible for the Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit.

Education funding

- \$526 million to meet the Commonwealth Court mandate for adequate and constitutional school funding (Adequacy & Equity, year two).
- \$175 million in district savings from cyber charter funding reform.

- \$40 million increase for special education.
- \$125 million for school facilities improvements.
- \$100 million for school safety and student mental health initiatives.
- \$30 million for student teacher stipends to strengthen the educator pipeline.

First Responders

- \$75M for Firefighters and EMS (\$30M increase from FY25-26) - Fire Company and Emergency Medical Services (FCEMS) Grant.
- \$16M for 380 new state police officers.

Childcare and basic needs

- \$25 million for childcare workforce retention and recruitment to stabilize programs and expand access.
- \$11 million increase for the State Food Purchase Program and Farmers' Market Coupons, ensuring food banks and pantries can meet growing demand.

"At the end of the day, this budget is about people and ensuring every family, student, and community in Pennsylvania has the tools to thrive. It's proof that when we work together, we can deliver real results that move our Commonwealth forward. This plan invests in childcare, strengthens food assistance programs, and helps families manage rising costs. It is a responsible budget that reflects real priorities, focusing on education, opportunity, and stability for working people."

- Senator Marty Flynn