



STATE REP. TIM O'NEAL



STATE BUDGET PROTECTS TAXPAYERS, HELPS COMMUNITIES

After much hard work, a \$50.8 billion Fiscal Year 2026-27 state budget was completed and reflects the Commonwealth's fiscal reality. It is a 3.7% increase over the past fiscal year, which is well below what the governor was seeking, and allowed us to not tap into the Rainy Day Fund. This will be key in holding off tax increases in future years.

More specifically, this state budget is a roadmap for stability, and one that helps communities grow stronger and creates opportunities for everyone. While not perfect, it includes no new taxes on hardworking Pennsylvanians. On top of that, we are able to help older retired municipal police officers, firefighters, teachers and state employees by providing a cost-of-living increase for their pensions. These public servants who all retired before 2001 and served their communities need to know they have not been forgotten.

Another item of note is this budget allocates \$775 million in funding for shovel-ready rural road and bridge projects. These are projects that have been approved and ready to go but lacked funding until now. These repairs will reduce the wear and tear on vehicles, which will benefit drivers' pocketbooks.

Finally, the budget includes an additional \$903 million for PreK-12 education. Schools within the 48th Legislative District stand to receive a combined additional \$7.36 million in funding.

In just a few short months, preliminary work will begin on the next state budget. I remain committed to always putting the residents of the 48th District first.

APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR 2025 PROPERTY TAX/RENT REBATE PROGRAM

The deadline for senior citizens and Pennsylvanians with disabilities to apply for rebates on rent and property taxes paid in 2025 has been extended to Dec. 31.

Income limits for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program increased again this year to \$48,110 for both homeowners and renters. Remember to exclude 50% of Social Security when determining your income. The maximum rebate is \$1,000.

The program is open to residents age 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older.

Remember – you do not need to pay anyone for assistance to apply for the rebates. Apply online at my.path.pa.gov, or contact my district office for help. Additional information about the program is available at pa.gov/agencies/revenue/ptrr.

Rebates began to be distributed on July 1, as required by law.

AROUND THE DISTRICT



It was my great privilege this year to host the Ringgold High School Hockey Team and Bentworth High School Soccer Team in Harrisburg and to honor both teams on the House Floor for their championship wins.



In May, I hosted my annual Veterans Brunch to commemorate Memorial Day. Our keynote speaker was Clay Kilgore from the Washington County Historical Society who discussed America 250 and the role Washington County had in forming our great nation.

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Telephone Town Hall | Monday, Aug. 31, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

I will be hosting a telephone town hall meeting for residents of the 48th Legislative District. The program will consist of a legislative update, as well as a question-and-answer session.

Residents of the 48th Legislative District should expect a telephone call shortly before 5:30 p.m. Those interested also can call in at 1-877-229-8493 and use ID Code 118400.

Pizza & Policy | Friday, Sept. 18, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Washington County Public Meeting Room, 95 W. Beau St., Suite G16, Washington

Ask questions and leave with information. Residents of the 48th Legislative District are invited to participate. No RSVP is necessary.

Washington County Senior Expo | Thursday, Sept. 24, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Washington County Fairgrounds, 2151 N. Main St., Washington

Again this year, I will be co-hosting the Washington County Senior Expo at the Washington County Fairgrounds with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging, Sen. Camera Bartolotta and Washington County Commissioners Nick Sherman, Electra Janis and Larry Maggi. More than 100 vendors and representatives from local, state and federal agencies are expected to be on hand to answer questions and provide information on topics such as Social Security, transportation, Medicare, legal services, in-home services, legislation, consumer protection, long-term care and utility services.

Pizza & Policy | Friday, Oct. 16, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

North Strabane Township Building, 1957 Route 519, Canonsburg

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Second Amendment Seminar | Thursday, Oct. 29, 5:30–8 p.m.

Lone Pine Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall, 328 Weaver Run Road, Washington

Residents of the 48th Legislative District who are interested in learning more about their Second Amendment rights and the Castle Doctrine can sign up by calling 724-223-4541 or visiting www.RepONeal.com/events.

UPCOMING EVENTS