



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I've been having an eventful summer representing the 176th District in Harrisburg. It's an honor to represent you and our beautiful community at our state Capitol. I appreciate the emails, phone calls and visits I get that show me how to serve our district better. Your opinions matter to me.

This newsletter is meant to be a helpful aid. In this letter, you will find information about free services through my district offices along with important details about state programs. My Effort and Blakeslee district offices are full of great resources readily available to you. As your state representative, it's important to me that I equip my constituents with the tools they need to be most successful.

If you have questions or need assistance regarding any of the services or programs enclosed, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,



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Effort, PA 18330
570-620-4341

BLAKESLEE DISTRICT OFFICE

**Blakeslee Medical
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DISTRICT OFFICE SERVICES

My district offices are here to serve you. Services we can provide include:

- Driver's license and vehicle registration applications and renewals.
- Assistance with PennDOT paperwork (lost cards, changes, corrections, special registration plates, vanity plates, and temporary placards for persons with disabilities).
- Discount vehicle registration.
- PACE and PACENET applications for seniors.
- Property tax and rent rebate applications.
- Homestead/farmstead exclusion applications.
- Voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications.
- State tax forms.
- Unemployment compensation questions.
- Free state maps, state park information and PA vacation guides.
- Do-Not-Call list enrollment.
- Unclaimed property.
- LIHEAP applications (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program).
- Copies of legislation.
- Tours of the state Capitol.
- Referrals to agencies to resolve state-related matters.

SAVE THE DATE



Identity Theft Seminar | Aug. 13

Speaker David Shallcross, director of senior protection from the PA Office of Attorney General

6–8 p.m. (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Co. | 2176 PA-715, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Please call our Blakeslee district office to register.

West End Fair | Aug. 23–29, Gates Open at 2 p.m. Daily

570 Fairground Road, Gilbert, PA 18331

Stop and visit our booth! **Senior Citizens Day is Wednesday! \$4 admission -65 years of age or older.**

Annual Shredding/Tire Event | Oct. 17

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Pocono Raceway | 1234 Long Pond Road, Long Pond, PA 18334

Convenient drive-thru event. No need to register beforehand. Dispose of:

- Paperwork (up to four boxes per vehicle on-site).
- Old tires (up to four, no rims).
- Gas grill propane tanks (up to four per vehicle).
- Slightly used books.
- Glasses/sunglasses.
- Expired prescription drugs.

Veterans Assistance Available | 3rd Tuesday of Every Month

Blakeslee District Office | 395 Route 940, Suite 104, Blakeslee, PA 18610

Appointments are required. Please call 570-643-7683 to arrange an appointment.

Community Photos

*Over the past few months, I've been able to partner with our community at different events.
Take a look at what has been keeping me busy.*



Bingo at Mrs. Bush's Personal Care Home in Kunkletown.



Cub Scout Blue and Gold at Kunkletown Fire Company.



Members of PAIU visit in Harrisburg.



The unveiling of Jackson Twp. keystone.



West End Fire Co. annual banquet.



Ross Twp. Keystone unveiling with Commissioner David Parker and local artist Gary Embich.



West End Food Pantry distribution in Eldred Twp. with Dustin Maas.

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OCT. 19: Last day to register before the November election.

OCT. 27: Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot.

NOV. 3: General Election.

Note: Only one vehicle per qualified applicant may be registered for the retired status fee.

If you need assistance, call our office in Blakeslee 570-643-7683.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program deadline has been extended until Dec. 31 for property taxes or rent paid in 2025. If you haven't applied, you still have time. If you haven't applied, you still have time. This rebate is for eligible seniors, widows, widowers and people with disabilities 18 years and older. The income limit is \$48,110 for both homeowners and renters. Remember to exclude 50% of Social Security income. ***There are also local school rebates available for homeowners we can assist with.***

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LEGISLATION I'VE BEEN WORKING ON

Data center water usage: In June, I released a memo on a data center proposal focused on water usage. My legislation would require all large data centers to use a closed-loop system to recycle their water or another method of cooling that significantly reduces their water use, to be constructed and operated in Pennsylvania. A data center would have to certify and provide evidence to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission that they will be using this type of system before they can begin operating. We have a responsibility as legislators to protect our residents and small businesses from threats to our water supply.

HOA Declaration Amendments: Many HOAs are comprised of vacation or second homes, which makes it difficult for owners to participate in community votes. State law does allow bylaw changes with approval from 51% of votes collected; the same does not apply to changes to the community declaration. This bill would make it so declaration amendments would require approval from 67% of votes collected, rather than all possible votes. This is necessary for communities to enact change despite low participation.

House Bill 2638: This bill would offer a provision enforcing the legal duty of telecommunication carriers in PA to address dangerous tree-limb interference with lines when notified. Our communities depend on reliable telecommunications infrastructure, but even more importantly, they depend on safe roadways and sidewalks. This bill provides clarity, accountability and a reasonable framework to address hazardous conditions promptly.

House Bill 702: This bill would modify the definition of "claimant" in the Taxpayer Relief Act (2006) to include widows and widowers of any age. The Property Tax Rent Rebate Program currently benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older, widowers and widows age 50 and older, as well as individuals living with a disability age 18 and older. By eliminating this age requirement, we can provide relief to those who need it most.

GET WEEKLY UPDATES FROM HARRISBURG

Each week, I send email updates about important legislation, events in the district, traffic updates and other information you will find helpful.

It's simple to receive these updates directly. Just visit my website at www.RepRader.com to subscribe to my email list. Without signing up, you will not receive this continual communication.