

**WEST END**  
**FIREMEN'S FESTIVAL**  
**Chris Eckert**  
**AT**  
**THE WEST END**  
**FIREMEN'S FESTIVAL**  
**LIVE COUNTRY MUSIC**  
**MAY 30, 2026**  
**3:00 PM**  
**WEST END FAIRGROUNDS, GILBERT, PA**

**LEGISLATIVE SPOTLIGHT**  
 MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH STATE SENATOR \*\*\*\*\* 18  
**LISA BOSCOLA**



## Boscola Announces \$3 Million in State Grants for Community Development Projects

By Senator Lisa Boscola

State Senator Lisa Boscola announced state funding totaling \$3,079,291 for community development projects in the 18th Senatorial District through the Local Share Account – Northampton and Lehigh Counties and the Local Share Account-Monroe County.

These state grants will have a positive impact on our quality of life especially in providing critically needed equipment for our police, fire and EMS providers,” Boscola stated. “These grant awards coming to these important community projects demonstrate the positive impact we continue to see through the state gaming act.”

Boscola added that these grant awards were made possible by the collective efforts of the Lehigh Valley legislative delegation, Representatives Emrick, Flood, Freeman, Mackenzie, McNeill and Samuelson, working in a bipartisan fashion to secure the state funds, approved by the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for investment in the following projects:

- Bethlehem Township – \$60,339 Purchase of EMS Cardiac Monitor-Bethlehem Township Volunteer Fire Company
- Bethlehem Township – \$25,000 EMS Firefighter Monitoring Equipment
- Bethlehem Township – \$110,580 Radios for Nancy Run Fire Company
- Bethlehem Township – \$70,000 Bethlehem Twp Police Patrol Vehicles
- Bethlehem Township – \$22,190 EMS Stair Chair Purchases
- Bethlehem Township – \$75,000 Radios for Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Company
- East Bangor Borough – \$75,000 Public Safety Radios
- City of Easton – \$75,000 Downtown Sidewalk Improvements Phase II
- Easton Redevelopment Authority – \$95,437 Roof Top Air Handler Replacement at the Crayola Experience Building
- Forks Township – \$55,805 Community Park Inclusive Playground
- Freemansburg Borough – \$175,000 Community Amphitheater Seating
- Freemansburg Borough- \$99,396 Municipal Community and Cultural Center (Phase 4)
- Glendon Borough – \$25,000 Borough Hall Improvements
- Hellertown Borough – \$105,057 Police Vehicles
- Lower Mount Bethel Township- \$74,231 Riverton Park Amphitheater/Bandshell
- Lower Nazareth Township- \$21,659 Bethlehem Township Volunteer Volunteer Fire Company Carbon Monoxide Protectors
- Lower Nazareth Township- \$63,556 Bethlehem Township Volunteer Volunteer Fire Company Cardiac Monitor
- Lower Nazareth Township- \$62,699 BTVFC Motorola Portable Radios
- Lower Saucon Township- \$385,589 LST Public Works Garage
- Nazareth Borough – \$60,000 LifePak AED Nazareth Regional Ambulance Corps
- Nazareth Borough – \$30,000 Moravian Woods Maintenance Vehicle
- Nazareth Borough – \$50,000 Police Patrol Vehicle
- Nazareth Borough – \$75,000 Senior Assist Stretcher Van Nazareth Regional Ambulance Corps
- Northampton County – \$75,000 Heritage Infrastructure and Accessibility Project – 1761 Tannery Historic Bethlehem Museum and Sites
- Northampton County – \$75,000 Paving The Way: A Campaign for Our Neighbors Phase II New Bethany
- Palmer Township – \$95,000 Mobile Incident Command Trailer
- Palmer Township – \$25,000 P25 Radio Equipment
- Palmer Township – \$32,000 Suburban EMS Outfitted 2026 Ford Crestline Ambulance
- Pen Argyl Borough – \$20,955 Emergency Preemptive Device
- Pen Argyl Borough – \$75,000 State Belt Regional Police Department Police Vehicles
- Plainfield Township – \$110,000 Plainfield Township Fire Department P25 Radios
- Portland Borough – \$25,000 Police Vehicle
- Roseto Borough – \$45,576 Police Radios
- Upper Mount Bethel Township- \$50,000 Public Works Tandem Truck
- Upper Nazareth Township – \$75,000 Upper Nazareth Township Fire Police Truck
- Wilson Borough – \$48,897 Bucket Truck
- Wilson Borough – \$25,000 Wilson Borough Fire Department Radios
- Wind Gap Borough – \$69,536 Wind Gap Park Pavilion
- City of Bethlehem – \$313,608 Bethlehem Emergency Shelter-Conversion to Year Round
- City of Bethlehem – \$27,181 West Broad Street Renovations

The Local Share Accounts (LSA) were established by the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act. The funds are generated by the state’s gaming facilities and may be used for economic development, community development and public interest projects in Northampton, Lehigh and Monroe County and its contiguous counties.

The grants were approved this week by the state Commonwealth Financing Authority Board in Harrisburg.

**WEST END FAIR 2026**  
 PROUDLY PRESENTS  
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| <b>THURSDAY</b>           | <b>FRIDAY</b>           | <b>SATURDAY</b>              |
| 5:30 - MERE MORTALS       | 5:30 - JOEY LANNIGAN    | 4:00 - SKYDIVERS             |
| 6:00 - QUARTER MIDGETS    | 7:00 - JUNK CAR RACING  | 4:00 - DEMOLITION DERBY      |
| 7:00 - DON JOVI           | 7:00 - STEEL CREEK BAND | 5:30 - PATRICK CONKLIN       |
| 7:30 - TRINITY CENT. BAND |                         | 7:00 - BRIAN DEAN MOORE BAND |

**9:30 - FIREWORKS THURSDAY NIGHT!**

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