



Boscola Announces Nearly \$500,000 In State Funding For Fire Departments And EMS Providers

By Senator Lisa Boscola

BETHLEHEM (FEB 11, 2025) – State Senator Lisa M. Boscola announced today that thirty-two grants were approved for fire departments and emergency medical services (EMS) providers in the 18th Senatorial District totaling \$484,234.20 through the 2024-25 Fire Company and Emergency Medical Services (FCEMS) Grant Program, which is administered by the Office of the State Fire Commissioner (OSFC).

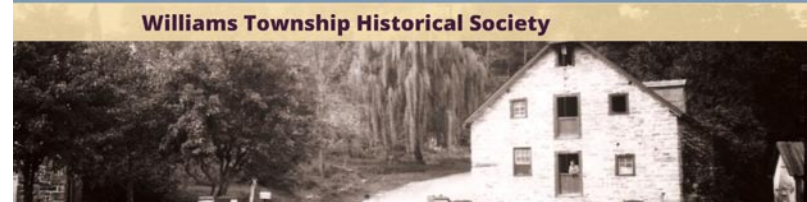
“It is extremely important that our Commonwealth continue to provide critical financial assistance to the most vital organizations in our local communities: our fire and emergency medical services providers,” Boscola said. “Our fire departments and EMS provide essential services throughout our local communities that protect our citizens in their time of need.”

In accordance with program guidelines for 2024-25 program, eligible projects for funding include facility construction or renovation, equipment, debt reduction, training, education, recruitment and retention, construction savings account (fire companies only), and overtime costs associated with backfilling positions while firefighters are attending training (career departments only).

Grants approved in Senator Boscola's District are as follows:

- City of Bethlehem – Fire - \$16,322.02
- City of Bethlehem – EMS - \$14,296
- Blue Valley Rescue Squad - \$12,018.46
- City of Easton Fire Department - \$16,322.02
- Columbia Fire Company - \$12,018.46
- Dewey Fire Company No 1 – Fire - \$15,676.48
- Dewey Fire Company No 1 – EMS - \$15,000
- East Bangor Volunteer Fire Co - \$12,233.63
- Easton Emergency Squad - \$10,000
- Hecktown Volunteer Fire Company No 1 - \$16,322.02
- Liberty Fire CPNY - \$12,018.46
- Lookout Fire Company No 1 - \$12,018.46
- Lower Mount Bethel/Sandts Eddy Fire Co - \$12,663.99
- Lower Saucon Fire Rescue - \$52,322.02
- Mount Bethel Vol Fire Company, Inc - \$13,094.35
- Nancy Run Fire Company of Butztown - \$8,394
- North Bangor Fire Company - \$12,879.17
- Palmer Municipal Fire Department - \$16,322.02
- Plainfield Township Volunteer Fire Co - \$15,676.48
- Portland Hook & Ladder Co #1 - \$12,018.46
- Rescue Fire Company #1 - \$12,448.81
- Second Ward Fire Company - \$12,448.81
- Suburban EMS Inc. - \$28,143
- Tatamy Fire Company - \$12,233.63
- Upper Nazareth Fire Department - \$15,030.95
- Vigilance Hose Company No 1 - \$16,106.84
- Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company - \$13,739.88
- West Easton Volunteer Fire Company No 1 - \$13,094.35
- Williams Township Fire Company #1 - \$14,170.24
- Wilson Borough Fire Department - \$16,322.02
- Wind Gap Ambulance Corps Inc - \$10,000
- Wind Gap Fire Company - \$12,879.17

Companies have until May 30, 2025, to submit their 2024-25 FCEMS Grant Agreements. More information on the Fire Company and Emergency Medical Services Grants program can be found online at <https://www.osfc.pa.gov/> or by contacting Senator Boscola's office at (610) 868-8667.



“The Lost Covered Bridges of the Delaware River”

Presentation by the Williams Township Historical Society.

By Linda Heindel

WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP - Just about every resident of (and visitor to) Williams Township has crossed the Delaware River, possibly many times. But how many times did we wonder about the bridges – how old are they? Who built them? Why were they built? What motivated these early efforts? We today usually just seek out the closest bridge to get where we are going. . . fast.

One person who has studied these bridges in detail is Scott Bomboy, manager of digital editions and technical operations at the National Constitution Center. Scott will speak on “The Lost Covered Bridges of the Delaware River” on Sunday, March 16, 3 pm, at St John's Church on Morgan Hill, 2720 Morgan Hill Rd., Easton (Williams Twp.) Scott has studied the impact of the river especially during the pre-Industrial Era and has written several books about the bridges over the river.

The meeting is free and open to the public. We'll have our own publications available for sale, and contributions to the goody table will be welcome!



Bangor Area School District 2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration

**Do you know a child who will be 5 on or before August 25, 2025?
If so, register for kindergarten and follow these three steps:**

A complete registration must be submitted by Monday, August 18, 2025 to guarantee a first day start on Monday, August 25, 2025.

1

Gather Your Documents

1. Parent/Guardian Photo Identification
2. Proof of child's birth date
3. Two Proofs of Residency

One proof from List A:

- Mortgage agreement
- Lease agreement
- Rent payment receipts (with address)
- Property tax payment receipts
- Moving permit

One proof from List B:

- Utility bill with current address (dated within the last 3 months)
- Paycheck stub with employer and employee's address
- Current voter registration with Bangor residency address
- PA Driver's license with Bangor residency address
- PA vehicle registration with Bangor residency address

4. Immunization Record
5. Physical Exam Record
6. Dental Exam Record

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Register

Visit
www.bangorslaters.com
OR

[Register Online Here](#)

If you do not have access to a computer or cell phone, please call District registration at 610-588-2163 to schedule a time to complete it at the District office.

To complete registration all documents must be:

Uploaded online

OR

Submitted to the registration secretary.

Once online registration is complete and approved by the registration secretary, Five Points Elementary School will contact you to schedule a kindergarten screening appointment.

3

Attend Screening Appointment

Kindergarten screening appointments for the 2025-2026 school year are in June.

All screenings are by appointment only, and are only scheduled when the online registration process is complete and approved by the registration secretary. Completed packets must be received and approved no later than May 15, 2025 to guarantee a June screening appointment.

When attending the appointment be sure to bring...

- Your child(ren).
- Photo identification to verify parent/guardian identity.
- Any other updated documents.