

## PA ABLE Helps Save for Disability-Related Expenses

By Rep. Ann Flood

The PA ABLE Savings Program, an initiative created to help people with disabilities and their families save for future expenses, continues to grow in the Commonwealth. The Pennsylvania Treasury, which oversees the program, recently announced it has surpassed \$150 million in assets.

ABLE stands for Achieving a Better Life Experience. The program offers multiple savings and investment options, including an interest-bearing checking account. PA ABLE accounts owners can contribute up to \$19,000 per year. Contributions can be deducted on PA state income taxes, and PA ABLE account owners pay no federal or state income tax on account growth when used for qualified withdrawals.

The money can be used for everything from groceries, rent, health care and transportation to longer-term expenses including education and assistive technology.

Learn more at [PAABLE.gov](http://PAABLE.gov).



## Fun Times at My Farmers Town Hall Dinner

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I had a wonderful time hosting my annual Farmers Town Hall Dinner on Thursday night! This event is always special to me because it is an opportunity to recognize the hardworking farmers and families who keep our communities strong.

A huge thank you to our speakers, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Lisa Graybeal and Game Warden David Furmato, for sharing their insights. I also want to express my gratitude to our sponsors, the Northampton/Monroe County Farm Bureau, Stephanie Bastian of the Kathy Barry Agency LLC, and Growmark FS, LLC, for making this evening possible.

From discussing farmland preservation to hearing industry updates and enjoying a great meal provided by Joel and Erin Geiger of Country View Meats, it was a fantastic evening. We also discussed measures to address the Highly Pathogenic Avian Flu and deer management options to deal with crop damage, two critical issues impacting our agricultural community.

Your dedication to agriculture is truly inspiring, and I will continue to advocate for policies that support you in Harrisburg!

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