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## SENATOR ROSEMARY BROWN

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## PA Recovers \$11.3 Million in Medicaid Fraud

By Senator Rosemary Brown

Attorney General Dave Sunday's Medicaid Fraud Team recovered more than \$11.3 million in misused Medicaid funding in fiscal year 2024.

In fact, a federal annual report ranked Pennsylvania first in the nation for number of Medicaid fraud charges filed against individuals and third in convictions secured. The report also states that Medicaid Fraud units across the country recover \$3.46 for every \$1 spent by the units. Retrieving this funding gave limited-income and vulnerable populations access to health care as intended.

The Medicaid Fraud Team prosecutes those who defraud the program through unlawful billing or failure to provide services. It also prosecutes those who neglect or abuse Pennsylvanians dependent on their care and those who financially exploit older adults or care-dependent persons.



## Returning to East Stroudsburg High School for Women's History Month

By Senator Rosemary Brown

Last week, I had the privilege of returning to my alma mater, East Stroudsburg High School, to participate as a panelist for a Women's History Month event.

It's always incredibly meaningful to engage with students. We had thoughtful conversations about civic engagement and the importance of having accessible and responsive government officials.

I'm so grateful to Mr. Healey for his dedication and for organizing such a valuable event. It was an honor to be part of the conversation and to hopefully inspire the next generation of leaders.



## Supporting Meals on Wheels During Community Champions Week

By Senator Rosemary Brown

This week, my office was proud to take part in Community Champions Week by supporting the incredible work of Meals on Wheels. Mackenzie from my team had the privilege of joining Kathleen Field, a dedicated volunteer who has served the program for 16 years, to help deliver meals and connect with members of our community.

Meals on Wheels provides more than just food—it offers companionship, daily wellness checks, and critical support that help seniors and individuals in need maintain their independence at home.

A heartfelt thank you to Kathleen and all the volunteers and staff who make this program possible. Your compassion and service are making a real difference every day.



## How Funds Support Plainfield Township

Host Community Spotlight 2024

Funding from the host agreement provides the municipality opportunities to support special projects, capital projects, and more.

In 2024, WM's tipping fees provided the following:

**\$1/ton = \$693,756**

Infused into the General Fund in 2024

**\$1.65/ton = \$1,150,664**

Infused into the Host/Capital Improvement Budget

**\$0.45/ton = \$313,817**

Transferred into the Municipal Trust Fund

Total Received From  
Landfill Operations in 2024 **\$2,158,238**

## Did you know?

Landfills in Pennsylvania are required to provide at least \$1<sup>per ton</sup> to a Host Community

Since 2005, Host Municipality Benefits have totaled \$32,336,987.95 to Plainfield Township. These benefits are the sum of \$3.10 per ton of waste disposed at Grand Central.



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## Grand Central Landfill Community Investment

A look back at 2024 and the investments made to help the Slate Belt thrive:

- In 2024, the Facility Cooperation Agreement provided Pen Argyl Borough with \$903,204.95 (\$1.30 per ton).
  - These funds were used for community improvements and to match grants that help fund street improvements.
- Pen Argyl Borough residents received free trash and recycling collection and disposal worth an estimated value of \$713,340 (1,321 households<sup>1</sup>).
- In 2024, the Neighboring Municipality Agreement provided Wind Gap Borough with \$836,846.47 (\$1.20 per ton).
  - A portion of this funding supported the paving of Constitution Avenue and Oak Street.
- Wind Gap Borough residents received free trash and recycling collection and disposal worth an estimated value of \$699,340 (1,221 households<sup>1</sup>).



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## Contributions At a Glance

Local Non-Profit  
Charitable Donations in 2024 **\$102,585**

Since 2020 WM provided \$510,185 in charitable donations to local non-profits.

\$146,464.48 voluntarily contributed to Northampton County Recycling and Sustainability fund to offset the costs for electronic recycling and household hazardous waste event.

## Calendar of Events

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<b>MAR 16</b>	Sustainability Tour 8:00pm	<b>MAR 07</b>	Bird Walk 11:30am   Ed. Center
<b>JUN 16</b>	Talking Trash Tour 5:00pm	<b>MAR 18</b>	Count The Butterflies Walk 5:00pm   Ed. Center
<b>SEPT 27</b>	Chili Cookoff + Tours 11:00am-2:00pm	<b>OCT 11</b>	Migration Walk 11:30am-12:30pm   Ed. Center
<b>NOV 01</b>	E-Waste Collection 9:00am   Main Office Lot	<b>NOV 13</b>	Sustainability Tour 5:00pm