



## Boscola Announces Over \$3 Million in State Funding for Lehigh Valley Transportation Projects

Bethlehem, March 26, 2024 - - State Senator Lisa Boscola announced today that \$3,061,186 in state funding has been approved for nine transportation projects in the 18th District through the Multimodal Transportation Fund Program (MTF).

"These state funds will have a tremendous impact on in making critically needed roadway improvements and pedestrian safety enhancements throughout Northampton County." Boscola stated. "Working with my legislative colleagues of both parties and both chambers made bringing this funding back to the Valley a reality."

The Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) approved the following Lehigh Valley projects:

- Bethlehem Township, Emergency Pre-Emption Traffic Signal: \$341,963;
- Borough of Wilson, S. 20th Street Paving & Pedestrian Improvement Project: \$50,000;
- City of Bethlehem, Third Street Multimodal Connections: \$900,000
- City of Easton, College Hill Intersection Improvements: \$194,223
- Freemansburg Borough, Pedstrian and Vehicular Safety Improvements on Main Street, \$350,000

- Lower Nazareth Township, Butztown Road Realignment and Rehabilitation Project: \$725,000
- Plainfield Township, Engler Road Rehabilitation: \$225,000
- Stockertown Borough, Lincoln Avenue Reconstruction Project: \$75,000
- Wind Gap Borough, Male Road Bridge Replacement and Pedestrian Improvements: \$200,000

Funding for the projects were approved Tuesday by the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The Multimodal Transportation Fund was created as part of Act 89 to promote economic development and ensure that a safe and reliable system of transportation is available throughout the Commonwealth.

## Boscola Offers Amendment to Allow Independents to Vote in Primaries in Senate State Government Committee

Harrisburg, PA – March 19, 2024 – Senator Lisa M. Boscola (D-Northampton) today renewed her efforts to allow Independents the right to vote in primary elections by offering an amendment to Senate Bill 250 that would provide for open primaries in the Commonwealth.

"There are more independents in Pennsylvania today because so many Pennsylvanians are tired of not having issues important to them considered here in Harrisburg," Boscola stated. "I believe there would be even more if we allowed Independents to vote in primaries. It's time we shake things up in today's political landscape and my amendment would shake up our state's status quo."

Senator Boscola is a longstanding advocate for open primaries having introduced her first bill to repeal the closed primary system in 1996 and has consistently supported efforts to allow the approximately 1.1 million unaffiliated voters in Pennsylvania the right to vote in primaries since.

This session, Boscola and Senator Dan Laughlin (R-Erie) introduced a bipartisan proposal (Senate Bill 400) to repeal closed primary elections in Pennsylvania, allowing registered voters who selected 'none' or 'no affiliation' on their voter registration form to exercise their voting rights during a primary election.

"The aim of my amendment is to dismantle the state's closed primary system and to provide an inclusive platform for unaffiliated voters, otherwise known as independents, the full voice they deserve in the electoral process," Boscola added. "It would send a message to this growing segment of our population, especially young voters. We see you, and we want your voice to be heard in our government."

Boscola's motion to amend Senate Bill 250 failed on a party line vote with Democratic Senators voting in favor and Republican Senators voting against.

## Poll Workers Needed for Upcoming Election

By Brittney Waylen

EASTON - Northampton County Elections Office reminds registered voters who live in Northampton County that they are seeking workers for poll worker positions for the upcoming Primary Election on Tuesday, April 23rd, and General Election on Tuesday, November 5th.

Every year, elections in Northampton County are made possible by citizens who serve as poll workers. These people do the important work of checking in voters at polling places and setting them up with a ballot. At the end of the night, poll workers deliver the returns to county election officials. The County depends on these workers to ensure fair, accurate, and legal elections.

Poll workers must attend mandatory training prior to the Primary Election and are also paid for their training time and work on Election Day. Northampton County poll workers may earn between \$175 and \$200 for serving all of Election Day, depending on the poll worker's assignments and training. Typical Election Day hours are from 6:30 a.m. until after the polls close at 8 p.m. Individuals who bring supplies back to the Government Center receive additional compensation and mileage.

Registered voters interested in becoming poll workers in your community, email the Northampton County Elections Office at [election@norcopa.gov](mailto:election@norcopa.gov) or call 610-829-6260.

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