

# a WILD IN REVIEW



## At Roundtable, Rep. Wild Discusses Work to Lower Energy Costs for Local Farmers

By Congresswoman Susan Wild

I hosted a roundtable at Northampton Community College to discuss federal programs that are helping farmers in our community save on their energy bills. USDA Senior Advisor Cindy Axne, representatives from USDA Rural Development and officials from NCC joined me to talk about how the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) is impacting the Greater Lehigh Valley.

REAP grants help farmers and rural small businesses implement energy efficient improvements, allowing them to lower energy costs, generate new income, and strengthen the resiliency of their operations. I was proud to vote for the Inflation Reduction Act, which made this program possible, and I'm glad that several farms in our area have already begun to receive these resources, including Holy Cow Farm & Franklin Hill Vineyards in Bangor, Newhard Farms in Coplay, Aspen Industries in Mount Bethel, and Heidel Hollow Farms in Germansville.



## Rep. Wild Tours Ardent Mills Martins Creek Facility

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On Wednesday, I visited the Ardent Mills Martins Creek facility to tour and learn more about the work their team does throughout our community. It was so interesting to learn more about the flour manufacturing process and get to see the grains at all their different stages. I'm so impressed that this facility is able to produce over 1.6 million pounds of flour each day!

While on the tour, I also heard more about the work Ardent Mills is doing to give back to our community and their partnership with local food pantries and community development organizations. I'm so proud of all the amazing manufacturers and producers that call the Greater Lehigh Valley home – and I will keep fighting to bring federal resources back to our district to help them, and our community, flourish.



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