



SLATE BELT RISING

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Residential and Commercial Façade Improvement Programs are designed to help improve the exterior appearance and condition of residential and commercial properties within the four boroughs. The program's goals are to maintain historical and architectural integrity, improve neighborhood appearance, and help property owners make exterior repairs to their homes or businesses while increasing property values for all borough residents.



ABOUT SLATE BELT RISING

Slate Belt Rising is a neighborhood revitalization initiative designed to integrate and capitalize on the substantial assets of the individual Slate Belt boroughs of Wind Gap, Pen Argyl, Bangor, and Portland. While Slate Belt Rising specifically targets these four boroughs, some initiatives promote development and coordination of services throughout the entire region. More information is available on our website under the Services tab, including program guidelines and applications Visit slatebeltrising.org.

PROGRAM OF COMMUNITY ACTION

Community Action Lehigh Valley is an anti-poverty non-profit offering programs and services in Advocacy, Business Start-Up and Development, Food Access and Nutrition, Housing, Neighborhood Revitalization, and Youth.

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Back Row - Quinly Hanna, Olivia Brozman, Taliha Wagner, Darren Bowman, Olivia Wisser, Ethan Brozman
Front Row - Hailey Lichtenwalner, Tucker Clement, Cole Clement, Katniss Lazarus, Grace Clement, Caroline Clement
Missing From Picture: Emmalyn Fink, Emily Luadenslager, Faith Smith

Lehigh 4-H Livestock 2026 Shawl Project

By 4-H

LEHIGH VALLEY - The Lehigh County 4-H Livestock Club once again has created a 100% woolen shawl that reflects the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States. This shawl will be sold at the livestock sale at the Allentown Fair on September 5th at 1 pm. This is the fifth year that the club has made a shawl, under the direction and guidance of Roger and Nancy Bowman, with the proceeds from the sale going to charities here in the Lehigh Valley. Members chose the colors, designed the shawl, and completed the weaving project. In order to create the shawl with red and white striped, blue weft and a star pattern, they learned a new weaving technique called "over-shot."

They were taught this new technique by Margaret Wright, a member of the "Baaad Girls" sheep to shawl team. Winterville Farm provided yarn and weaving equipment. The shawl was woven on a rigid needle loom and the wool used includes Corriedale wool yarn from sheep raised in Berks County. The 4-H Youth have chosen to divide the proceeds of the shawl auction between "Special Fairs Fund" of The Great Allentown Fair Foundation and Battle Borne both organizations are located here in the Lehigh Valley. The 4-H members are proud to be part of the celebration of our country's 250th anniversary.

Administered in Pennsylvania by Penn State Extension, 4-H is a community of more than six million young people across America learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills. Penn State Extension 4-H youth development educators in all 67 counties throughout the commonwealth administer local 4-H programs through non-formal education and outreach. To find your local program, visit the Penn State Extension website at <https://extension.psu.edu/programs/4-h>.



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