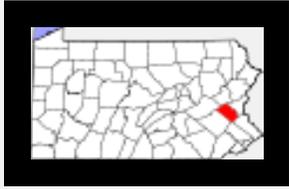


## LEHIGH COUNTY



Lehigh County has benefitted significantly from the Recovery Act. As a direct result, over 161,000 constituents received a tax cut. In addition, Lehigh County has received over \$232 million in funding for education, transportation, and infrastructure and other projects.

### Funding

The Recovery Act is providing much-needed federal funding for local school districts. School districts are using these funds for a variety of purposes, including special education, educational technology, and basic education needs. These funds have unequivocally prevented the elimination of teaching positions and have helped stabilize education budgets throughout the Commonwealth. **Total Education Funding:** \$43,249,394

The Recovery Act is helping Pennsylvania revitalize its transportation infrastructure through highway resurfacing and bridge rehabilitation projects. It is also providing funding for key infrastructure projects designed to improve water quality. **Total T& I Funding:** \$20,860,673

In addition, the Recovery Act provided direct funding for key programs and projects throughout the Commonwealth, including funds for homeless shelters and low-income housing, education programs, and job training programs. **Total Direct and Indirect Funding:** \$168,038,316

**Total Funding: \$232,148,383**

### Helping Children and Families

The Recovery Act is helping those hit hardest by the economic downturn. Here is how Lehigh County residents are benefiting:

- 161,681 residents of Lehigh County have enjoyed federal tax relief as a result of the Recovery Act
- 16,700 jobless adults will receive a boost in unemployment compensation
- 16,800 unemployed persons qualify for more help purchasing health insurance
- 58,143 low income children and adults will continue to have access to health care through Medical Assistance
- 40,031 children and adults will receive more help through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)

This data was gathered from state and federal sources. For further information and a complete list of projects, please visit <http://recovery.pa.gov> and <http://www.recovery.gov/Pages/home.aspx>.