

Lackawanna County Working



Community Re-Invest



Wireless Technology Infrastructure Initiative

STRONG INFRASTRUCTURE

- Lackawanna County's Wireless Technology infrastructure provides carrier-grade bandwidth and internet service with fiber optic network capability
- 26 Mixed-use business and industrial parks totaling over 5,200 acres
- Convergence of five major Interstates: 80, 81, 84, 380, and 476
- Ability to penetrate market of 96 million American and Canadian consumers within overnight delivery
- Two Class 1 railroads: Canadian Pacific, Norfolk Southern, and the Lackawanna County Short Line service
- Wilkes Barre/Scranton International Airport offers cargo service, one-stop travel to hundreds of destinations worldwide, and a U.S. customs port of entry
- More than 100 FTL and LTL trucking firms serve the region
- KOZ: Over 1,000 acres and buildings with up to 10 years of NO TAXES

UNPARALLELED ECONOMIC AND TAX ADVANTAGES

- 💰 Funding
- 👤 Workforce
- 🏗️ Infrastructure
- 🏠 Tax

According to the Tax Foundation's Business Tax Climate survey, Pennsylvania ranks 19th best of the 50 states and easily outperforms neighboring New York (#50), New Jersey (#49), Ohio (#39), and West Virginia (#23).

- **SBA LOAN FEE WAIVER PROGRAM**
Lackawanna County will reimburse SBA loan origination fees for qualified businesses. 💰
- **KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROGRAM**
Businesses receive state and local tax abatements for the development and use of underdeveloped properties for up to 10 years. 🏠
- **LAND DEVELOPMENT & CONSTRUCTION FEE WAIVER PROGRAM**
Lackawanna County will pay the land development and construction permit fees for companies relocating or expanding in the county. 💰
- **COMMUNITY RE-INVEST**
Micro grants available for high-impact community development projects. 💰 🏠
- **WORKFORCE TRAINING & HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANCE**
Full HR services and up to 90 percent wage reimbursements during the initial training period of new hires for qualified employers. 💰 🏠
- **JOB CREATION TAX CREDIT**
\$1,000-per-job tax credit to approved businesses that agree to create jobs within three years. 💰 🏠
- **PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY (PEDFA) TAX EXEMPT BOND PROGRAM**
Low interest, tax exempt and taxable bond financing for land, equipment, working capital and refinancing needs. 💰 🏠
- **PENNSYLVANIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PIDA) LOAN PROGRAM**
PA funds low interest loans up to \$2 million

to finance land and building acquisition or construction or renovation that creates or retains jobs.

- **GUARANTEED FREE TRAINING PROGRAM (WEDNETPA)**
Provides grants to eligible businesses to offer basic skills (\$450 per employee) and information technology training (\$850 per employee) for current staff. 💰 🏠
- **METROACTION**
A non-profit organization that provides business development assistance and small business loans up to \$75,000. 💰
- **BEN FRANKLIN TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS**
PA provides technology companies with funding, business and technical expertise, and a network of resources to foster innovation and development. 💰 🏠
- **WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE**
Carrier grade wireless network reduces start up and on-going technology costs for businesses and improves emergency management telecommunications. 🏠
- **KEYSTONE INNOVATION ZONE PROGRAM**
Tax credits for for-profit companies less than eight years old operating within specific targeted industries within the boundaries of KIZ. 💰 🏠
- **REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP)**
Funding from PA for the acquisition and construction of regional, economic, civic and historical improvement projects. 💰 🏠

Lackawanna County and The Scranton Plan will serve as your liaison with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the PA Department of Community and Economic Development to craft a customized financial incentive and workforce training package and guide you through every step of the application process.



SBA Loan Fee Waiver Program



Land Development & Construction Fee Waiver Program



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Micro & Revolving Loan Programs



Workforce Training & Human Resources Assistance

For more information about Lackawanna County's Economic Development Programs, call 570.963.6830 or visit www.lackawannacounty.org