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## Township Video News



### **TVN's Coffee & the Capitol | Sen. Wayne Langerholc Jr., Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee: Where Do We Go from Here for Transportation Funding?**

Sen. Wayne Langerholc Jr., chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, talks about his time serving Richland Township, Cambria County, and how it has prepared him for his work as a legislator and now head of the committee leading the way in figuring out how to fund the commonwealth's future transportation needs. The senator talks about his Drive Smart Act proposal and how townships are an important part of the state's transportation network. (8:27)

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## Latest News

### **L&I Announces Free Statewide Virtual Job Training Program for Pennsylvanians**

The state Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) has announced a free online job training program, SkillUp® PA, which will launch statewide August 14 to help Pennsylvania job seekers gain the new skills they need to join the workforce or advance their career.

As part of L&I's initiative to transform the workforce landscape, [PA CareerLink®](#) is bolstering its program offerings with SkillUp® PA and the new program's enhanced virtual options to support reskilling and upskilling Pennsylvania's workforce.

The following are some of the online trainings that will be available beginning August 14 through SkillUp® PA:

- Accounting/Finance
- Clerical
- Customer Service
- Human Resources
- Information Technology (IT)
- Marketing
- Microsoft Office
- Project Management
- Soft Skills (communication, time management, professionalism, etc.)

Pennsylvanians interested in SkillUp® PA virtual training should visit PA CareerLink® at [pacareerlink.pa.gov](http://pacareerlink.pa.gov) for more information, including how to register.

### **DEP Accepting Applications for Recycling Grants**

The state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is accepting applications for Municipal Recycling Program Development and Implementation Grants (Section 902 Grants) **until September 24**. Eligible recycling program development and implementation costs are eligible for 90% funding.

Municipalities that did not receive a Section 902 grant award in 2020 will receive additional consideration during this solicitation period. All municipalities compliant with Act 101 may apply. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **PennDOT Accepting Applications for Funding Opportunity**

The state Department of Transportation will accept applications for the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program **until October 15**. \$18 million is available for projects that enhance pedestrian and bicycle facilities, improve access to public transportation, create safe routes to schools, preserve historic

transportation structures, provide environmental mitigation, create trails that serve a transportation purpose, and promote safety and mobility.

Local governments are eligible to apply. For more information, [click here](#). Questions about the TA Set-Aside program can be directed to [RA-pdTASA@pa.gov](mailto:RA-pdTASA@pa.gov) or (717) 775-3276.

### **Today in History....**

On August 10, 1776, news reaches London that the Americans had drafted the Declaration of Independence. Until the Declaration of Independence formally transformed the 13 British colonies into states, both Americans and the British saw the conflict centered in Massachusetts as a local uprising within the British empire.

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## Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

### **PSATS Regional Forums**

“PSATS Live” is back, and we’re going on the road again with our ever-popular Regional Forums at a location near you starting in July in Erie and running through November in Wilkes-Barre. We have all-new content and a one-day-only format now. Be sure to sign up for the one closest to you!



**PSATS Southcentral 2021 Regional Forum - 8/17/21 - Grantville**  
**PSATS Southwest 2021 Regional Forum - 8/24/21 - Canonsburg**  
**PSATS Southeast 2021 Regional Forum - 10/27/21 - Exton**  
**PSATS Northeast 2021 Regional Forum - 11/10/21 - Wilkes-Barre**

### **Developing Your Township Budget**

This class will provide proven and effective methods and techniques to help new and veteran township supervisors, secretaries, treasurers, managers, road masters and public works officials develop budgets that work.

[8/13/21 - Lancaster Co.](#)

[8/19/21 - Bradford Co.](#)

[8/24/21 - Cumberland Co.](#)

[8/25/21 - Lackawanna Co.](#)



### **[2021 PSATS HR & Labor Management Institute - 9/23-24/21](#)**

This day and a half class is a must-attend for anyone who has responsibility for HR and personnel management in their township.



### **2021 Solicitors Fall Seminar**

In the Solicitors Fall Seminar learn from experts on a wide variety of topics critical to the practice of a municipal solicitor.

[9/28/21 - West](#)

[10/7/21 - Central](#)

[11/4/21 - East](#)



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