# State Representative MIKE CABELL 117<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT



More Pennsylvania seniors and people with disabilities are eligible for increased property tax or rent relief this year under a new law I supported in 2023.

Under the expanded program:

- Income eligibility INCREASED to \$45,000 this year for both homeowners and renters. Remember to exclude 50% of Social Security when calculating income.
- Maximum rebate INCREASED TO \$1,000.

As always, my district office staff stands ready to help people apply for their rebates **FREE OF CHARGE**. Applicants should be prepared to provide all the necessary income, property tax or rental information required to process claims quickly and accurately. Applications are due by June 30.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program benefits eligible residents 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older. More information is available at **RepCabell.com**.

#### MOBILE VETERANS CENTER TO VISIT DALLAS MONTHLY

I am pleased to announce I have joined with Rep. Aaron Kaufer and Sen. Lisa Baker in hosting monthly visits by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Mobile Veterans Center (MVC) to Dallas. The MVC provides free outreach and counseling services to veterans and their families.

The MVC will be located in the parking lot of the Dallas Shopping Center, 1 Tunkhannock Highway in Dallas, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on the third Friday of each month, weather permitting. It will remain in place until all veterans in attendance are served.

Trained personnel will be on hand to provide a variety of services including individual, marital, family and bereavement counseling; medical referrals; assistance in applying for VA benefits; employment guidance and referrals; alcohol and drug assessments and referrals; and information and referrals to community resources.

Veterans in need of individual counseling should call 570-344-2676 to schedule an appointment.

Our veterans have made great sacrifices in their service to the nation. We owe it to them and their families to reach out and make them aware of the many programs and services for which they are eligible. These monthly visits by the MVC in our area will go a long way toward achieving that goal.

#### SUPPORTING **PARENTAL RIGHTS** IN EDUCATION

Parents should know what their children are being exposed to at school. It's one of my top priorities and that's why I'm co-sponsoring a package of bills to protect and promote parental rights.

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The legislation requires parental involvement for a wide variety of things, including:

- Notification if a school plans to implement a digital platform that provides mental health services, as well as an approval from parents or guardians to opt-in to the service.
- Written notification to review materials used in guidance and counseling programs. Parents also must be included in their child's counseling.
- Parental permission to participate in clubs and organizations.



Dropped off my contributions for the Harveys Lake Police Department Toys for Tots drive.

Attended the Wreaths Across America ceremony in Butler Township, organized by Cub Scout Pack 63.





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#### **Coffee and Conversation**

Tuesday, March 12, 1-2 p.m. Butler Township Community Center, 411 W. Butler Drive, Drums Grab a coffee and ask any question you would like about state government. No topics are off-limits. I will be joined by state Sen. Lynda Schlegel-Culver.

# License Plate Replacement Event

Thursday, April 4, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Salem Township Municipal Building, 38 Bomboy Lane, Berwick We will have police officers on hand to assist you with the PennDOT form to replace worn or faded license plates. Please bring your registration card.

#### **Coffee and Conversation**

#### Thursday, April 11, 9-10 a.m.

Salem Township Municipal Building, 38 Bomboy Lane, Berwick

This is another opportunity to quiz me on any state-related topic you might have questions about. I will again be joined by state Sen. Lynda Schlegel-Culver.

Please note that our satellite office hours will begin again in April. Call one of my district offices for information on where my staff will be to serve you.

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# Senior Fraud and ID Theft Seminar with PA Office of Attorney General

Thursday, March 14, 11 a.m. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 4 E. Center Hill Road, Dallas

### **Shredding and Spring Cleanup Day**

Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### Luzerne County Fairgrounds, 3605 State Route 118, Dallas

Free document shredding, tire disposal and much more. No RSVPs required but there will be a limit on the number of boxes and tires. Blue Chip Farm Animal Refuge will also be accepting donations of canned pet food.

### Farmers Breakfast with PA Secretary of Agriculture Russell Redding

Late March or early April. More details coming soon.