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Message from Senator Kearney

The outbreak of COVID-19, or coronavirus, has presented many challenges for all of us. But we are all in this together. Below you will find information and resources to support our families and communities during this time. Stay safe and stay healthy.



My Thoughts on the Pandemic

The past few months have been gut-wrenching for Pennsylvania and the nation. I recently wrote an op-ed in the Delaware County Daily Times about how we will get through this pandemic. Read my thoughts <u>here</u>.

Unemployment Benefits for Self-Employed and Gig Workers

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PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

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IS NOW LIVE!

Self-employed workers, gig workers, and 1099-independent workers

can now complete their weekly certification and receive benefits



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Pennsylvania's Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) system is now fully operational. Self-employed workers, gig workers, and 1099-independent workers can now complete their weekly certification and receive benefits. File here.

Foreclosures & Evictions Suspended Til July 10



Families shouldn't have to worry about losing their home during a pandemic. On May 7, Governor Wolf has signed an executive order protecting Pennsylvanians from foreclosures and evictions until July 10.

Create Cards & Signs for Nursing Homes





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CARDS & SIGNS FOR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES

Show your support and gratitude to residents and staff at our long-term care facilities.



Cards and signs can be addressed to "LTC residents" or "LTC employee" and mailed to:

> 1AE Foundation 2545 Market Street Aston, PA 19014

This has been an incredibly difficult time for our long-term care facilities. Create a card or sign for residents and staff to show your support and gratitude. Address items to "LTC residents" or "LTC employee" and mail to:

IAE Foundation 2545 Market Street Aston, PA 19014

Grants for Chester County Small Businesses

COMMISSIONERS ESTABLISH
MAIN STREET PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM
UP TO \$25,000 IN FUNDING FOR
SMALL BUSINESSES AND
AG ENTERPRISES AFFECTED BY COVID-19

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agricultural enterprises impacted by COVID-19. The Main Street Preservation Program will provide grants of up to \$25,000 and will accept applications on May 11 between 5:00 am and 9:00 pm. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

Mental Health Resources



May is Mental Health Awareness Month. This has been a particularly difficult time for everyone, and many are struggling even harder with fear and anxiety. I encourage you to take time to take care of your mental health and check out these resources:

- PA Support & Referral Helpline: 1-855-284-2494
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Línea Nacional de Prevención del Suicidio: 1-888-628-9454
- Crisis Text Line: Text "PA" to 741-741
- Safe2Say: 1-844-723-2729 or http://safe2saypa.org
- Veteran Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990
- Get Help Now Hotline (for substance use disorders): 1-800-662-4357
- Pennsylvania Sexual Assault Helpline: 1-888-772-7227 or https://pcar.org/help-in-pa
- National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 or http://PCADV.org
- United Way of Pennsylvania: Text your zip code to 898-211 or visit http://uwp.org/211gethelp
- Comprehensive mental health resources for PA: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Mental-Health-In-PA/Pages/default.aspx

Stay Updated

Stay informed via the <u>Pennsylvania Department of Health</u>, <u>Delaware County</u> and <u>Chester County</u> websites. Please follow me on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> for updates. While my district offices in Springfield and Upper Darby are temporarily closed, you can call us at 610-544-6120 if you need services and we will do our best to help you.

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Mon.-Fri.: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Upper Darby, PA 19082 Phone: 610-352-3409 Fax: 610-352-3641

Mon.-Thurs.: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

403 Main Capitor Building Harrisburg, PA 17120-3026 Phone: 717-787-1350 Fax: 717-787-0196 Mon.-Fri.: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Easttown Mobile Office

Easttown Library 720 First Avenue Berwyn, PA 19312

2nd Wed. of the month: 1 pm - 3 pm