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Dear Neighbor,

I hope this email finds you well. Below is some useful information on legislation I've supported, available grants, and what I have been doing on your behalf as representative of the 95th Legislative District.

If you would like more updates like this as they happen, be sure to like and follow me on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. As always, I invite you to call my office or send me an email with any questions or concerns. Please feel free to pass this update along to friends throughout our community.

Around the Capitol



After Presidents Day this week we returned to Harrisburg for a Special Session to work on the rules and specific legislative matters only. During the week I took every opportunity to speak with my colleagues about priorities for Central PA, including with the Lt. Governor's office. This will be my first opportunity to be in the majority since I have been elected to serve the 95th Legislative District.

Today in the House we took a major step toward delivering long-awaited justice for survivors of childhood sexual abuse, by passing legislation that would open a two-year window to allow survivors to sue their abusers and the institutions that enabled the abuse.

Justice is long overdue for these survivors, and I was proud to vote in favor of this legislation, which now heads to the Senate for their vote.

I am not holding back, and going full steam ahead to get our legislation moving out of the House during this term. I want to see meaningful change through legislation I have introduced, most of which has been brought to me by constituents or their advocates.



Special Announcement



I was invited to attend a celebration by my neighbors, York Revolution, who announced Wellspan Health as the new sponsor of their ballpark. It is an exciting time for the team and owners of the stadium when they secure sponsorship to keep this valuable attraction in York.

Upcoming Events



Please RSVP with my office at 717-848-9595 if you would like to join my tea on March 15th. See the graphic above for more details.

SAVE THE DATES

Spring Shredding Event:
Saturday, April 15th
York City Hall Parking Lot, 101 S. George St., York

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Cut off time for this event is strict; please arrive BEFORE 12:45 p.m.

Teacher Town Hall:
Wednesday, May 10th
My District Office, 53 E. North St., York
4:30-6:30 p.m.
Doors will open for light refreshments at 4:30 p.m. and the program will start at 5:00 p.m. I will be inviting representatives from PDE, PSBA, and PSEA to help facilitate concerns and advise on new initiatives. I am calling on all teachers to share their issues so I can advocate for legislative changes that can improve this still noble profession.

Annual Open House:
Saturday, May 20th
My District Office, 53 E. North St., York
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
My doors are open to you. This free indoor/outdoor event will have resources, entertainment, food, and fun. The PA Constables Association will be here to sign up those who are interested in a "Refuse to be a Victim" class that will be held in June at my office. You can also learn about their services by attending the Open House. But you can sign up for the class now here.

Black History Month Recognition of Living History Makers

YORK CITY ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF WILLIAM L. COLLINS, JR.



Assistant York City Fire Chief William L. Collins, Jr. was born and raised in Birmingham, Alabama where he attended A. H. Parker High School. Following graduation, he served 10 years in the U.S. Marine Corps and reached the rank of

Sergeant. During Chief Collins' years of military service, he worked as a Heavy Vehicle Operator and a Recruiter until honorably discharged in 1994. In his subsequent career, he continued serving the federal government by working for the U.S. Postal Service, both in maintenance and as a letter carrier.

Chief Collins has been a member of the York City Fire Department for the past 26 years. Throughout his tenure with the YCFD, he spent four years as a Captain on a fire suppression platoon as a supervisor of over 12 firefighters; coordinated the City's fire extinguisher program for over three years, managing over 500 fire extinguishers; and assisted with the Fire Department's Vehicle Maintenance Program since becoming a member of the fire department.

He is the recipient of both the Firefighter of the Year Award (2013) and the Black Ministers' Association Community Achievement Award (2016). Chief Collins is also an active member of the community, having headed a Feed the Vets Thanksgiving Program for the Vigilant Fire Company Club.

In 2020 he was promoted to York City Assistant Fire Chief, the first African American to hold this position. Chief Collins continues serving the city of York, currently in Fire Prevention, Fire Safety and Codes Enforcement.

He lives in the city of York along with his wife of 27 years, Kaji. They have three sons and one daughter.

Thank you for all your service!

DIANNA L. THOMPSON



Continuing to celebrate our living Black History Makers is another distinguished Veteran.

Dianna L. Thompson served as a Radioman second class in the United States Navy from 1986 to 1990. Her time in the military taught her sound decision-making skills, dependability, discipline, and teamwork. After her time in the military, Dianna continued her education at Penn State York, where she obtained her paralegal certification and later became a notary. Her military experience, and education played a direct role in her being chosen by York City Council to serve as City Clerk for the City of York, PA - a position she has held proudly for 26 years. As York City Clerk (first African American to hold this position) Dianna is custodian of city records dating back to 1787. She drafts legislation, performs legal research, and keeps a written record of City Council's official actions. Dianna states, "My time in the Navy

helped to define who I am today. I am proud to have served my country, and I am grateful for the wonderful opportunities that have been afforded to me during and after my military service.”

Safe Schools

Congratulations to the School District of the City of York, one of the latest recipients of a state Safe Schools grant!

The grant, totaling $49,514, will be used to implement school safety equipment and programs.

It was awarded as part of the targeted grant program administered by the PA Department of Education’s Office for Safe Schools. The program aims to reduce unnecessary student disciplinary actions and promote an environment of greater productivity, safety, and learning; and to enhance anti-violence efforts between schools and parents, local governments, law enforcement, and community organizations.

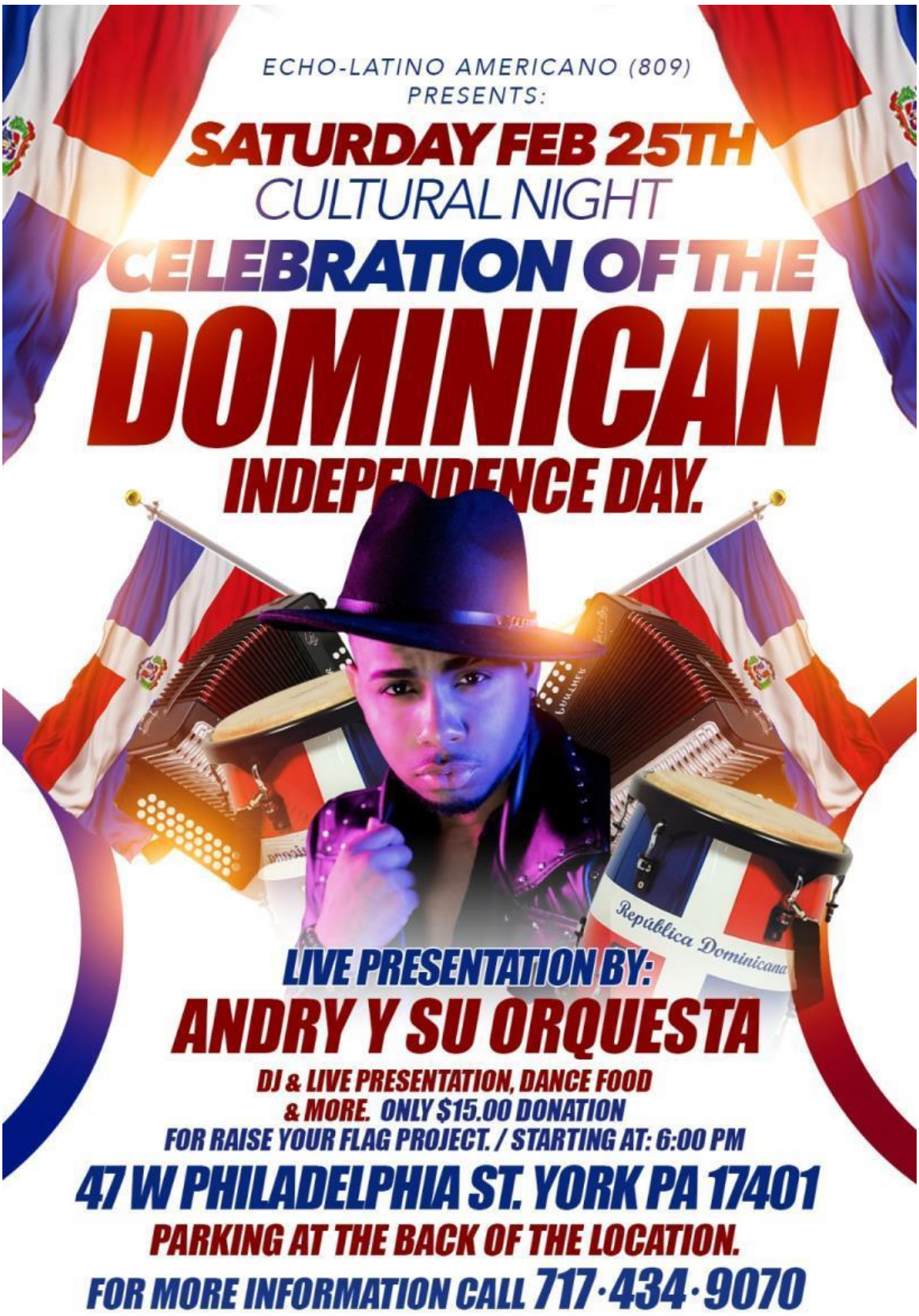
Now Hiring



School districts across the 95th legislative district (and everywhere else) are hiring for multiple positions including support staff, food service, custodial, and safety/security. If you need a job or a change, a career with a school district is a great place to be. Our children need you to bring your caring, devoted heart to them no matter what position you have.

The School District of the City of York would like you to look at their current openings here.

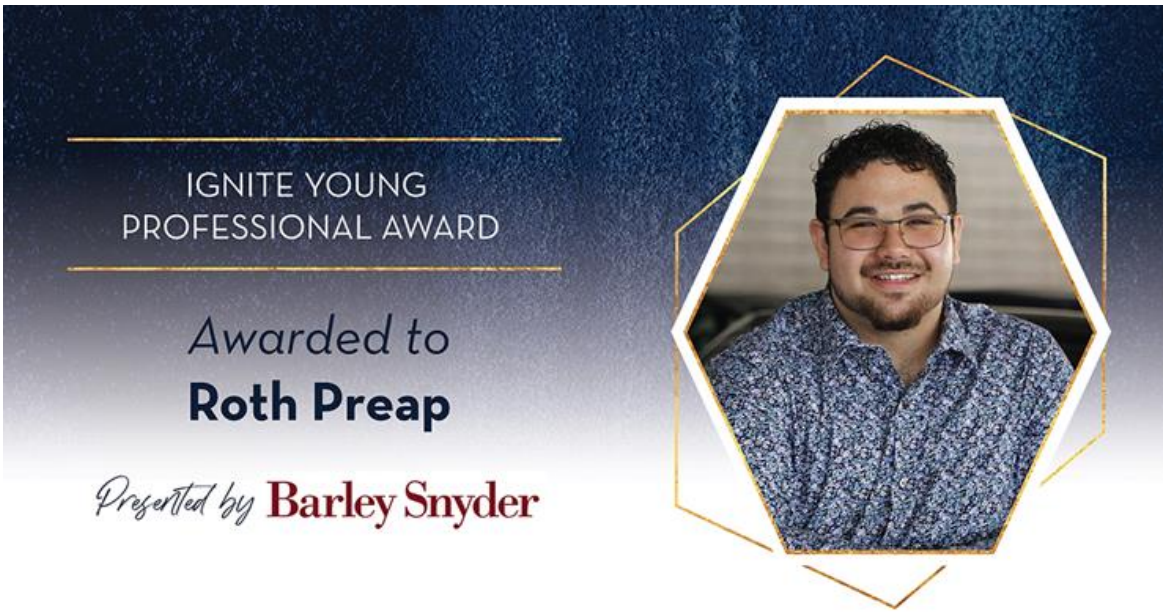
Cultural Event This Saturday



Join me on Saturday at Heidelberg United Church of Christ as Echo Latino Americano 809 hosts a celebration for Dominican Independence Day. I have been to this event annually, and know how truly special the cultural entertainment, food, and dance are. This group of community volunteers are looking to raise money for the

Congratulations Awardees





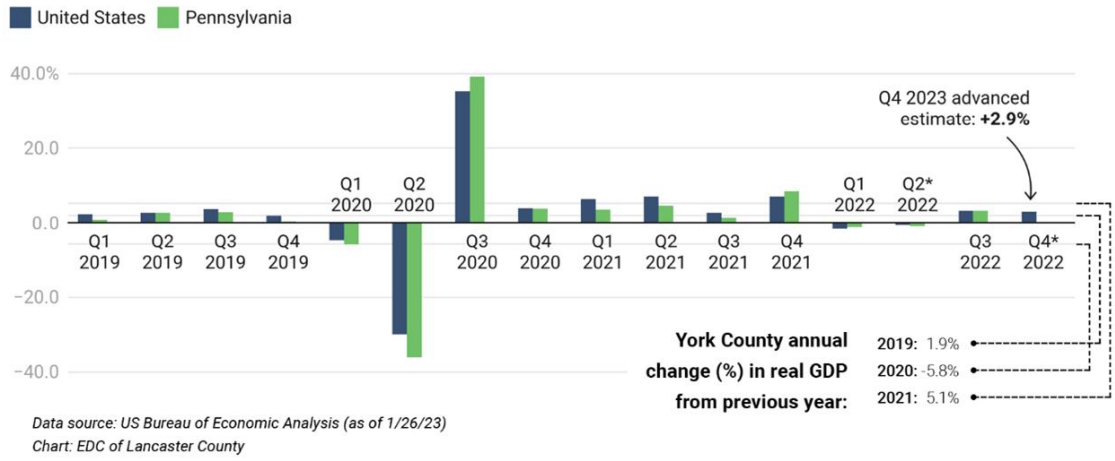


At the upcoming York County Economic Alliance Showcasing York County Keynote Event, several individuals and companies will be highlighted. Among them are 2 of my constituents, Jack Kay, MPA and Roth Preap, BS, BA. These constituents represent the arts and industries that make York a great place where I have spent my life. Also being honored is Roxanna Gapstur, PhD, RN who is President and CEO of Wellspan. We all know the major impact Wellspan has on our community and health in York.

York County Economy Update from the Economic Alliance

Data Snapshot

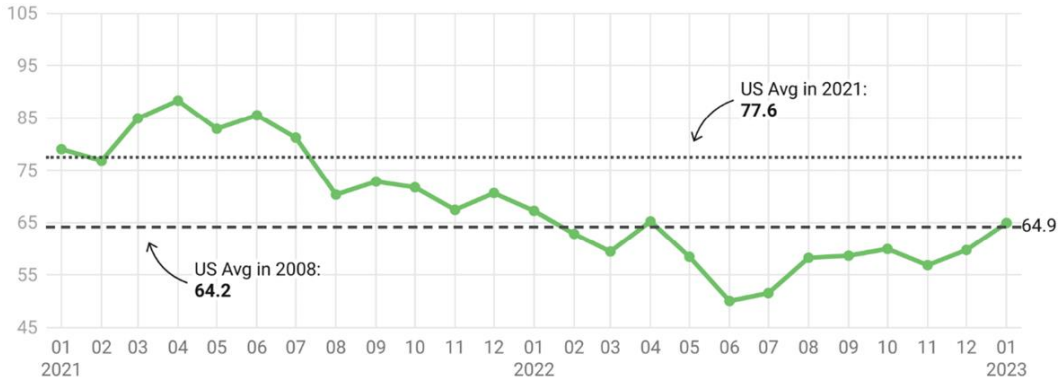
Real GDP: Change (%) from Previous Quarter



Data source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis (as of 1/26/23)
Chart: EDC of Lancaster County

- +3.2% » Final estimate for US GDP growth in Q3 2022
- +2.9% » Advanced estimate for US GDP growth in Q4 2022
- +3.2% » Estimated PA GDP growth in Q3 2022

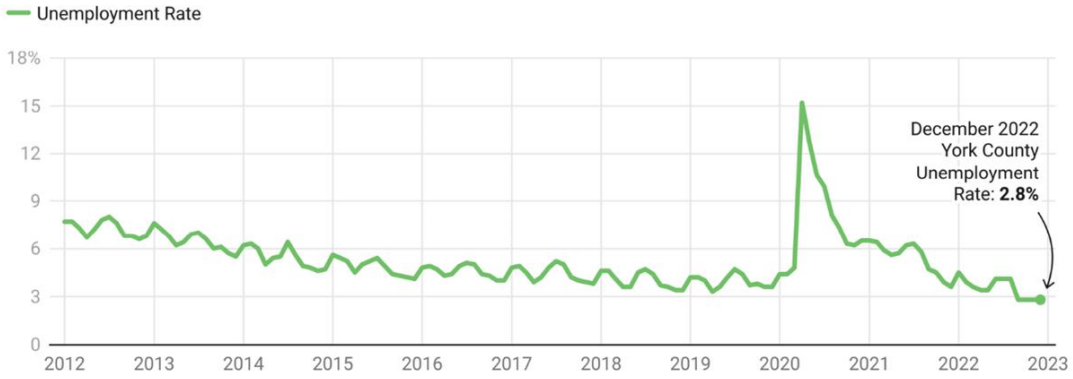
U.S. Consumer Sentiment (2021-2023)



Data source: University of Michigan Surveys of Consumers (1/27/23)
Chart: EDC of Lancaster County

- 64.9 » US consumer sentiment index score for January 2023 (+5.2 points since December, but still at 2008 recessionary levels)
- +30% » Increase since the June 2022 low index score of 50.0

York County Unemployment Rate (2012-2022)



Data source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics (1/23/23)
Chart: EDC of Lancaster County

Change in Q2 Employment by Sector in York County (2019-2022)



Change in Q2 Average Weekly Wages by Sector (2019-2022)



Data source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics (2/1/23)
Chart: EDC of Lancaster County

- 2.8% » York County unemployment rate in December (fourth consecutive month)
- 237,900 » Total labor supply in York County as of December
- 231,200 » Total employment in York County as of December



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