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## Legislative Initiative Grant Program Description

Legislators have limited access to discretionary funds under the control of legislative leadership officers called the Legislative Initiative Grant (LIG) Program. This program is designed to address local community funding needs in each legislator's district that have no access to a funding stream within state government.

Legislative Initiative Grants (LIGs), once authorized, are usually awarded the following calendar year.

### Procedure for Legislative Initiative Grants

1. Obtain request in writing.
2. Get a brief description of item or service preferably on organization's stationery.
3. Cost
4. Obtain any other funding needs, of varying amounts, that may be of lesser amount so that if a less expensive funding request could be satisfied that too could also be considered.
5. Emphasize that due to the discretionary nature of these funds, their notification of availability is at the pleasure of the legislative leadership officers.
6. Any other pertinent information.

### To Qualify for Funding

Typically, the intent of this program is to fund relatively small, one-time funding needs for equipment, a program or service. Moreover, a funding need that extends beyond the interest to augment annual operating revenues to meet yearly expenses.

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September 6, 1994

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Dear 2~:

It gives me great pleasure to report that a Legislative Initiative Grant has been awarded to 3~ to assist with 4~. I believe that this program is vital because it provides a one time appropriation of state funds to help meet local needs and assist with community endeavors which otherwise would receive little or no state assistance.

If I had my choice, I would provide more Legislative Initiative Grant funding to a greater number of organizations. In this era of government belt tightening, however, these appropriations are becoming quite difficult to secure. Nevertheless, I have received a commitment for \$5~ in funding.

This recommendation for funding is currently being processed. Once the initial processing is complete, you will receive an application package in the mail. When you have completed this package, please forward it to my office so that we may assist you in expediting the process. In addition, please feel free to contact my office with any questions you may have about your grant or the Legislative Initiative Grant program in general.

Again, I am glad that I could assist you in securing these funds. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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July 12, 1994

Hon. Thomas J. Scrimenti  
9 W. Main Street  
North East, PA 16428

Dear Tom:

We would like to inform you that, for fiscal year 1994/95, each member of the House Democratic Caucus will have available \$75,000 in initiative funding.

This year, we are asking that you continue your close review of the projects for which your non-profit organizations or political subdivisions request funding. The projects should be one time and must meet constitutional standards. As you know, the grants must be used for a public purpose and cannot be used to support or promote activities of a religious or political nature.

To expedite the process, we ask that you submit information for each grant to the Appropriations Committee by August 29, 1994. Please include the name of the organization, the contact person, address, phone number, Federal I.D. number, a brief description of the project and how the funds will be spent.

As a reminder, all grants must go through the contract process of the state. We have attached for your information the steps of this process.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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H. WILLIAM DEWEESE  
SPEAKER

Handwritten signature of Ivan Itkin in black ink.

IVAN ITKIN  
MAJORITY LEADER

Handwritten signature of Dwight Evans in black ink.

DWIGHT EVANS  
CHAIRMAN

**A CONTRACT PROCESS**

1. Upon receipt of a contact sheet, a Department remits an application to grantee requesting:
  - a. Official Name of Organization and address
  - b. Contact person's name, address, phone number
  - b. Federal Employer's I.D. Number
  - c. Project Description
  - d. Project Budget
  - e. Appropriate signatures
2. Completed application is reviewed by Department for requested information. Organization/municipality is processed through Governor's Contractor Responsibility Program to assure no outstanding taxes (workman's or unemployment comp) are owed to the State. A contract is remitted to grantee for signature.
4. Upon receipt of signed contract, the Department's Chief Counsel reviews contract for legal/constitutional issues. For example, a grant cannot be for any religious or political purposes. Counsel signs off and forwards to the Office of the Attorney General.
5. Office of Attorney General reviews contract for form and legality. Attorney General signs off and returns contract to the Secretary of the Department.
6. Secretary of Department reviews contract for form, signs off and sends to Comptroller of the Department.
7. The Department's Comptroller reviews contract:
  - a. Adheres to Commonwealth Contracting Procedures
  - b. Determines funds are available
  - c. Form
  - d. Content
  - e. Appropriate authorized official signatures
  - f. Comptroller signs off and forwards to Office of the Budget
8. Secretary of Budget reviews contract for correctness. When satisfied that every requirement has been met, the Budget Secretary authorizes Treasury to issue a check.
9. Department of Treasury reviews contract for form and then issues a check.
10. Upon expiration of a contract, the Department's require grantees to submit closeout forms.
11. Any amendment to a contract such as project, budget or time extension needs to be reviewed and approved by the Department and Office of the Budget.
12. The Auditor General is responsible for any audits.

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July 28, 1994

Honorable Tom Tigue  
House of Representatives  
125B East Wing  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Tom:

I am providing you with a list of Legislative Initiative Grant Funds I have requested for fiscal year 1994-95. I appreciate your interest in seeing that worthy projects such as these receive the much needed funds to see that their efforts come to fruition. It is my intent to distribute the funds to the following list of recipients:

1. North East Chamber of Commerce for the purchase of a copier and a fax machine - \$5,000.00

North East Chamber of Commerce  
South Lake Street  
North East, PA 26428  
(814) 725-4262  
contact: Mrs. Esther Pearsall, Manager  
Federal ID #: 25-1330153

2. Harborcreek Area Chamber of Commerce for the purchase of a computer system, a copier, and a fax machine - \$5,000.00

Harborcreek Area Chamber of Commerce  
5601 Buffalo Road  
Harborcreek, PA 16421  
(814) 899-9173  
contact: Mr. James V. DeSantis, Community Development Coordinator  
Federal ID # 25-1602184

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3. Corry Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for the purchase of a copy machine - \$5,000.00

Corry Area Chamber of Commerce  
127 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 665-9925  
contact: Mr. Jan Morgan, Manager  
Federal ID # 25-0508250

4. Wattsburg Hose Company for the purchase of a deck gun - \$1,500.00

Wattsburg Hose Company  
P O Box 9  
14415 Main Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 796-9925  
contact: Mr. Gilbert Allen, Chief  
Federal ID #: 25-1305304

5. Corry Higher Education Council for the purchase of computers - \$10,000.00

Corry Higher Education Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-9405  
contact: Mrs. Peg McCarthy, Director  
Federal ID # 25-1659759

7. Fairfield Hose Company for construction costs toward a new fire department - \$10,000.00

Fairfield Hose Company  
4896 East Lake Road  
Erie, PA 16511  
(814) 838-5235  
contact: Mrs. Carolyn Parrish, Secretary  
Federal ID # 75-05831-0



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8. Summit Township for kitchen furniture and furnishing for the senior center - \$10,000.00

Summit Township  
8900 Old French Road  
Erie, PA 16509  
(814) 868-9686  
contact: Mr. Jim Steigerwald, Township Supervisor  
Federal ID # 25-6003146

9. City of Corry for the purchase of bullet proof vests, 2 special nozzles with section hoses, rescue saw, a portable pump, facade improvements, and new furniture - 25,000.00

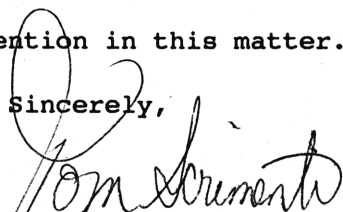
City of Corry  
100 South Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 663-7041  
contact: Mr. Bob Grice, City Administrator  
Federal ID # 25-6000854

10. Union Township Municipal Authority for Official Sewage Plan - \$10,000.00

Union City Office  
43 North Main Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-2522  
contact: Mr. David Hancock, Esquire  
Federal ID # 25-1723580

Thank you in advance for your kind attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
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cc William DeWeese  
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August 8, 1994

Honorable Dwight Evans  
Chairman Representatives  
House Appropriations Committee  
512-E-3 Main Capital  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Dwight:

Let me express my appreciation for awarding me Legislative Initiative Grant Funds for fiscal year 1994-95. I would like to request your office begin the process of distributing these funds from the amount allotted to me. It is my intent to distribute the funds to the following list of recipients:

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Legislative Initiative Grants

Legislative Initiative Grants are awarded at the request of state lawmakers. The grants are given to worthy community projects that would not qualify for more traditional state grant programs. The projects that have benefitted from Representative Scrimenti's efforts with this program are as follows.

1989-1990 Legislative Session

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Donation</u>
<b>PA GRAPE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION</b> -- Grape research, development, and promotion	\$20,000
<b>NORTH EAST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b> -- North East Child Care Program startup costs	\$ 5,000
<b>HARBORCREEK TOWNSHIP</b> -- Construction of a veterans memorial in Harborcreek Township	\$10,000
<b>REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR CITY OF CORRY</b> -- Purchase of equipment needed to open and operate the Corry Industrial Incubator	\$50,000
<b>ERIE COUNTY</b> -- Relocation of utility connection in downtown Union City for street widening project	\$11,000
<b>UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY</b> -- Various maintenance and equipment needs	\$ 6,900
<b>CORRY CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b> -- Purchase of bullet proof vests	\$ 5,300
<b>CORRY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY</b> -- Implementation of economic development study specifically for recruitment efforts	\$10,000
<b>NORTH EAST FIRE DEPARTMENT</b> -- Public safety and fire prevention program	\$ 3,000
<b>KUHL HOSE COMPANY</b> -- Equipment purchase	\$ 1,000
<b>ELGIN-BEAVERDAM VOLUNTEER HOSE CO.</b> -- Equipment purchase	\$ 2,000

GREENE TOWNSHIP	\$ 2,800
-- Purchase of IBM Personal Systems computer	
CORRY AREA HOSPICE INC.	\$ 900
-- Office equipment purchase	
WATTSBURG FAIR ASSOCIATION	\$ 4,500
-- Rebuild damaged fair property	
WATTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$ 5,000
-- Renovation of Seneca High School football field	
HARBORCREEK YOUTH SERVICES	\$ 4,500
-- Equipment purchase	
MCCORD MEMORIAL LIBRARY	\$ 1,000
-- Equipment purchase	
GREENE TOWNSHIP	\$ 3,500
-- Air conditioner system for township hall	
BROOKSIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 4,500
-- Equipment purchase	
CORRY FIRE DEPARTMENT, STATION #1	\$12,600
-- Digital alarm decoder (alarm processing system)	
CORRY AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$ 2,500
-- Computerization of the genealogical records	
HARBORCREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 7,500
-- Equipment purchase	
WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$ 9,100
-- Equipment purchases for the school breakfast program	
LAWRENCE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 6,000
-- Radio control console for the Consolidated Dispatch Center	
LAWRENCE PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 6,000
-- Equipment purchase	
ELGIN BOROUGH COUNCIL	\$ 4,000
-- Construction of a parking lot	
WESLEYVILLE HOSE COMPANY	\$ 1,300
-- Equipment purchase	
WATTSBURG HOSE COMPANY	\$ 6,000
-- Equipment purchase	
UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$ 5,000
-- Equipment purchase	
MCCORD MEMORIAL LIBRARY	\$10,000
-- Handicapped elevator	
STANFORD HOSE COMPANY	\$ 3,500
-- Equipment purchase	
CORRY SALVATION ARMY	\$ 7,000
-- Equipment purchase for soup kitchen	
CORRY PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$ 3,200
-- Equipment purchase	

UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 1,000
-- Computer purchase	
UNION CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$ 3,500
-- Community pool renovation	
FAIRFIELD HOSE COMPANY	\$ 3,800
-- Equipment purchase	

1991-1992 Legislative Session

WATTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$ 3,500
-- Computer package for the Instruction Support Team	
GREENE TOWNSHIP	\$ 2,500
-- Equipment purchase	
WATTSBURG AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY	\$ 4,500
-- Restoration of four buildings located on Wattsburg-Erie County Fairgrounds	
HEARD MEMORIAL SCHOOL	\$10,000
-- Erection of a Community Fitness and Creative Playground	
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$ 4,000
-- Science and art enrichment activities	
BENEDICTINE SISTERS	\$ 4,000
-- Funding of the Resettlement Program	
HARBORCREEK TOWNSHIP	\$ 4,000
-- Purchase of a computer	
CORRY FOOD PANTRY	\$ 1,000
-- Meals and food for low-income families	
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ST. BONIFACE FOOD PANTRY	\$ 1,000
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ERIE CIVIC CENTER	\$ 9,000
-- Maintenance improvements at the Warner Theater	
WATTSBURG BOROUGH	\$ 6,500
--Construction of gazebo at Della Bayle Park	
WATTSBURG HOSE COMPANY	\$ 1,000
-- Equipment purchase	
CORRY CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	\$10,000
-- Recruitment for the Corry Industrial Incubator	
PREGNANCY AID CENTER	\$ 5,000
-- Office equipment purchase	
UNION CITY BOROUGH	\$ 1,500
-- Office equipment purchase	
CORRY CITY	\$31,500
-- \$14,500 for purchase of turf maintenance equipment for Corry Airport	
-- \$17,000 for construction of a turning lane on State Rt. 6 in front of Corry Plaza	

1993-94 Legislative Session

<b>UNION CITY RECREATION COMMISSION</b>	\$2,500
-- Purchase of materials for playground equipment	
<b>CITY OF CORRY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$4,000
-- Purchase of three Mobile Video Systems	
<b>NORTH EAST POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$6,500
-- Purchase of eight bullet proof vests and a Mobile Video System	
<b>UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	\$5,500
-- Conversion of book collection to a computerized circulation	
<b>WATTSBURG AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b>	\$3,500
-- Purchase of new windows	
<b>GREENFIELD TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$8,500
-- Outdoor Emergency Telephone and large diameter hose and three way ball valve	
<b>GREENE TOWNSHIP</b>	\$6,000
-- Construction of a fireproof room and purchase of computer database program	
<b>SUMMIT TOWNSHIP</b>	\$10,000
-- Construction of a senior center	
<b>BOROUGH OF UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$4,500
-- Secondary police dispatch center and purchase of Mobile Video System	
<b>HORNBY SCHOOL RESTORATION SOCIETY</b>	\$2,500
-- Restoration of artifacts and memorabilia	
<b>EAST ERIE SUBURBAN RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY</b>	\$7,500
-- Rehabilitating Tri-Community Swimming Pools	
<b>UNION CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY</b>	\$3,500
-- Purchase of a new computer system	
<b>KUHL HOSE COMPANY, INC.</b>	\$3,500
-- Purchase and installation of dry hydrants	
<b>CORRY HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL</b>	\$2,500
-- Purchase computer equipment and related software	
<b>STANFORD HOSE CO.</b>	\$2,500
-- Purchase of a portable pump and suction hose	
<b>HARBORCREEK FOOD PANTRY</b>	\$2,000
-- Food Distribution	
<b>GLINODO CONFERENCE CENTER</b>	\$5,000
-- Improvement of roads and parking area	

1994-95 Legislative Session

<b>NORTH EAST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
-- Office equipment purchase	
<b>HARBORCREEK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
-- Office equipment purchase	
<b>CORRY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
-- Purchase of a copy machine	
<b>WATTSBURG HOSE COMPANY</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
-- Purchase of a deck gun	
<b>CORRY HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
-- Purchase of computers	
<b>FAIRFIELD HOSE COMPANY</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
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<b>UNION TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
-- Official Sewage Plan	

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February 5, 1991

**SUBJECT:** Draft Letter Requesting Lapsing of General Assembly Surplus

**TO:** Rep. Tom Scrimenti  
25B, East Wing

**FROM:** Jeff Foreman, Director *JF*  
Research & Legislative Services Office

As you requested through Bill Patton, I have attached for your review a draft letter requesting the General Assembly lapse its surplus funds into the General Fund in the new budget. I have drafted this letter to the Speaker, though you may want to consider sending it to the Appropriations Chairman.

You will note there is no specific dollar figure mentioned. This is because there is apparently some real discrepancy as to what the surplus figures currently are. We could, of course, put in figures from the last budget cycle, although they are probably high and may therefore cloud the issue.

Also note that the letter addresses all General Assembly funds - House and Senate. You might want to consider limiting your request only to House funds, although it seems to me a stronger case is made by including the Senate. Alternately, if you include the Senate, you may want to write to the Senate President Pro Temp or the Senate Appropriations Chairman.

JF/lh

Attachments

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February 6, 1991

Honorable Robert W. O'Donnell, Speaker  
Pennsylvania House of Representatives  
139 Main Capitol Building  
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Dear Bob:

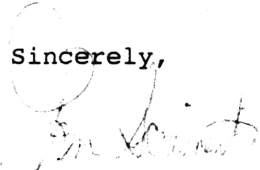
Pennsylvania, like states across the nation, is facing difficult economic times. We are all mindful of the difficult choices we as public officials are now facing. In the months ahead we may be forced to cut back on critical programs we want to fund, and to stop services vital to some Pennsylvanians.

Before we consider doing that I think it is important that the General Assembly recognize its responsibility by publicly agreeing to turn all surplus funds in all State House and State Senate accounts back to the General Fund for the 1991-92 budget cycle. The tens of millions of dollars held in these accounts are not legislators' funds - they are taxpayers' funds.

At a time when citizens are being asked to understand cuts in services needed to balance our budget and some employees are being terminated to affect budget savings, it is only right that the General Assembly forego its normal reserves. I might add, this should be viewed as only a first step. Additionally, I think we must find ways to cut back on other discretionary spending in the legislature.

No legislator wants to cut back important services or vote for a tax increase. I certainly do not. Before we get to that point, we must assure our constituents we have made sacrifices in our own operation. This would be a beginning.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Scrimenti  
State Representative

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March 25, 1991

Honorable Robert W. O'Donnell  
The Speaker  
House of Representatives  
139 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Mr. Speaker:

As part of state government's response to our difficult financial situation our taxpayers have a right to expect every department and agency to take exceptional measures to reduce their spending. The legislative branch cannot be exempt. As you know, I have already publicly and privately called on legislative leaders to lapse surplus legislative funds back to the state general fund and to review all legislative expenditures. I have also cut my own office expenditures.

I am requesting legislative leaders cut off all out-of-state travel for legislators and legislative staff as a temporary measure until the current fiscal shortfall is resolved. I fully recognize this is an extraordinary request. Nor am I intending to question that many, indeed most, of the out-of-state trips taken by our membership and staff are for both legitimate and worthwhile purposes. Nonetheless, the current circumstances do call for such extraordinary measures.

Rightly or wrongly there is a public perception that too much of this out-of-state travel is extravagant and not cost effective. To the extent that perception is right we must absolutely cut legislative travel. Even to the extent it is not correct I think it is appropriate to curtail such travel as both a cost saving item and a public expression of concern until we deal with the budget dilemma.

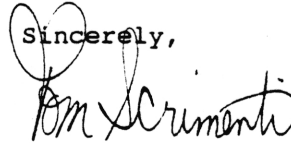
I am in my third year as a member of this House and have never traveled out-of-state at taxpayers' expense. While trips to conferences, meetings, hearings or public functions in resort communities or major cities might be educational and productive this is a time our constituents



Honorable Robert W. O'Donnell  
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have a right to expect us to cut back, stick to business in Pennsylvania, and conduct our affairs economically. Even productive out-of-state travel seems inappropriate amidst state layoffs, human service cutbacks, and proposed school and hospital closings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Scrimenti". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Tom Scrimenti  
State Representative

TS/jf

cc: Hon. H. William DeWeese  
Hon. Matthew J. Ryan



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

**MEMO**

March 20, 1991

**SUBJECT:** Research requests from Rep. Scrimenti

**TO:** Jeff Foreman

**FROM:** Bill Patton *BP*

Rep. Scrimenti is planning to do two news releases for which he wants some additional information from your office.

#1 { The first is a release saying that TS is calling on the state Consumer Advocate and Attorney General to investigate gasoline pricing throughout the state. Prices seem to be artificially high in some areas, and artificially low in other places.

\*\*\*\* Rep. Scrimenti wants you to provide supporting data which shows the state average gasoline price, and some examples of places where there are wide variations from this average.

#2 { The second release is a continuation of the legislative reform series. This time, TS is calling on the Speaker to restrict reimbursed travel by legislators and staff to in-state conferences only. This would be a cost-cutting move, and TS wants it for one year only, with a subsequent evaluation to see if it should be continued longer.

\*\*\*\* The two items TS wants you to provide are 1) a letter to the Speaker making this request; and 2) supporting data on travel expenses which shows how much money is spent by legislators and staff in an average year for travel to out-of-state meetings, as well as to in-state meetings.

I want to thank you and your people for working on these projects for Rep. Scrimenti. The information you gather will make these topics much more newsworthy, in my opinion.

I will encourage Tom to make any such future requests directly to you, because I fear in relaying such things through me, something may be lost in translation. It will be better if Tom tells you what he wants from you, rather than having me try to transmit it.

THOMAS J. SCRIMENTI  
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November 13, 1991

Honorable Dwight Evans  
Chairman  
Appropriations Committee  
512-E-3 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Dwight:

I would like to request the following legislative initiatives for funding.  
They are as follows:

1. \$17,000 for the City of Corry for the construction of a turning lane on State Route 6 in front of the Corry Plaza.

City of Corry  
100 South Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 663-7041  
Contact person: Mr. Robert Grice, Dir., Admin.

2. <sup>9,000</sup>\$6,000 for the Erie Civic Center for maintenance improvements at the Warner Theatre.

Erie Civic Center  
809 French  
Erie, PA 16501  
(814) 453-7117  
Contact person: Jay Ambruster, Managing Director

3. \$14,500 for the City of Corry for the purchase of turf maintenance equipment for the Corry Airport.

City of Corry  
100 South Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 663-7041  
Contact person: Mr. Robert Grice, Dir., Admin.

4. \$10,000 for the City of Corry Redevelopment Authority for recruitment for the Corry Industrial Incubator.

City of Corry Redevelopment Authority  
108 South Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 665-5161  
Contact person: Virginia S. Grice, Executive Director

5. \$6,500 for Wattsburg Borough to build a gazebo at the Della Boyle Park.

Wattsburg Borough  
14431 Main  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2048  
Contact person: S. Gene Combs, Mayor

6. \$1,500 for the Borough of Union City for a fax machine.

Borough of Union City  
13 South Main Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-2331  
Contact person: Cheryl Cappela, Borough Secretary

7. \$1,000 for the Wattsburg Hose Company for a portable pond tank.

Wattsburg Hose Company  
P.O. Box 9  
14415 Main Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2069  
Contact person: Gilbert Allen, Chief

8. \$5,000 for the Pregnancy Aid Center for a ~~computer and hardware~~.

Pregnancy Aid Center  
R.D. 2, Box 178  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-7037  
Contact person: June M. Niedomys, Director

9. \$3,500 for the Wattsburg School District for a computer package for the Instruction Support Team.

Wattsburg School District  
Wattsburg Central Elementary School  
9771 Schoolhouse Drive  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2111  
Contact person: Marianne Heck

*the purchase of a TV, VCR + office equipment*

10. \$2,500 for Greene Township for the purchase of a Base Radio.

Greene Township  
8661 Old Wattsburg Road  
Erie, PA 16510  
(814) 825-3347  
Contact person: Clarence Hess, Chairman

11. \$5,000 for the Wattsburg Agricultural Society for the restoration of four buildings located on the Wattsburg Erie County Fairgrounds.

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out  
Wattsburg Agricultural Society  
9595 North Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2952  
Contact person: Thomas Coatoam, Secretary

12. \$10,000 for Heard Memorial School for the erection of a Community Fitness and Creative Playground.

Heard Memorial School  
40 North Lake Street  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-8671  
Contact person: Tim Walsh, Principal

13. \$4,000 for the Corry Area School District for science and art enrichment activities.

Corry Area School District  
800 E. South Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-4677  
Contact person: John W. McCracken, Superintendent

14. \$4,000 for the Benedictine Sisters for funding of Resettlement Program (housing, food and shelter for refugees).

Benedictine Sisters  
Mount Saint Benedict  
6101 E. Lake Road  
Erie, PA 16511  
(814) 899-0614  
Contact person: Sr. Pat Lupo, O.S.B.

15. \$4,000 for Harborcreek Township for a computer

Harborcreek Township  
5601 Buffalo Road  
Harborcreek, PA 16421  
(814) 899-3171  
Contact person: Donna Mindek, Chairman

16. \$15,000 for Stanford Hose Company for the purchase of a full-size pickup truck used for testing the fire alarm system, as a backup rescue truck and as a HAZMAT response vehicle.

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Stanford Hose Company  
Corry, PA 16407  
Contact person: Jeff Davis, Chief

17. \$2,000 for the North East Food Pantry for meals and food for low-income families.

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North East Food Pantry  
East Street  
North East, PA 16428  
Contact person: Lee Corbin, Director

18. \$2,000 for the Corry Food Pantry for meals and food for low-income families.

1,000

Corry Food Pantry  
Corry Rubber Building  
Rt. 77  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-4916  
Contact person: Mamie Smith, Chairman

19. \$2,000 for the Harborcreek Food Pantry for meals and food for low-income families.

1,000

Harborcreek Food Pantry  
Our Lady of Mercy  
Bartlett Road  
Harborcreek, PA 16421  
(814) 899-3885  
Contact person, Ella Cochran, Chairman

20. \$2,000 the St. Boniface Food Pantry for meals and food for low-income families.

1,000

St. Boniface Food Pantry  
St. Boniface Church  
Erie, PA 16509

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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cc: Honorable H. William DeWeese

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**Legislative Initiative Grant Program**

**1993-94**

Legislators have limited access to discretionary funds under the control of legislative leadership officers called the Legislative Initiative Grant (LIG) Program. This program is designed to address local community funding needs in each legislator's district that have no access to a funding stream within state government.

Legislative Initiative Grants (LIG's), once authorized, are usually awarded the following calendar year.

<u><b>NAME AND DESCRIPTION</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u>
<b>UNION CITY RECREATION COMMISSION</b> -- Purchase of materials for playground equipment	\$2,500
<b>CITY OF CORRY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b> -- Purchase of three Mobile Video Systems	\$4,000
<b>NORTH EAST POLICE DEPARTMENT</b> -- Purchase of eight bullet proof vests and a Mobile Video System	\$6,500
<b>UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY</b> -- Conversion of book collection to a computerized circulation	\$5,500
<b>WATTSBURG AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b> -- Purchase of new windows	\$3,500
<b>GREENFIELD TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT</b> -- Outdoor Emergency Telephone and large diameter hose and three way ball valve	\$8,500

<b>GREENE TOWNSHIP</b>	\$6,000
-- Construction of a fireproof room and purchase of computer database program	
<b>SUMMIT TOWNSHIP</b>	\$10,000
-- Construction of a senior center	
<b>BOROUGH OF UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$4,500
-- Secondary police dispatch center and purchase of Mobile Video System	
<b>HORNBY SCHOOL RESTORATION SOCIETY</b>	\$2,500
-- Restoration of artifacts and memorabilia	
<b>EAST ERIE SUBURBAN RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY</b>	\$7,500
-- Rehabilitating Tri-Community Swimming Pools	
<b>UNION CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY</b>	\$3,500
-- Purchase of a new computer system	
<b>KUHL HOSE COMPANY, INC.</b>	\$3,500
-- Purchase and installation of dry hydrants	
<b>CORRY HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL</b>	\$2,500
-- Purchase computer equipment and related software	
<b>STANFORD HOSE CO.</b>	\$2,500
-- Purchase of a portable pump and suction hose	
<b>HARBORCREEK FOOD PANTRY</b>	\$2,000
-- Food Distribution	
<b>GLINODO CONFERENCE CENTER</b>	\$5,000
-- Improvement of roads and parking area	
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	\$80,000



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September 30, 1994

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Dear 2~:

Thank you for your funding request for 3~.

As you know, in the past, legislators have had limited access to discretionary funds under the control of legislative leadership officers called the Legislative Initiative Grant Program. This program is designed to address local community funding needs in each legislator's district that have no access to a funding stream within state government. Typically, the intent of this program is to fund relatively small, one-time funding needs for equipment, a program or service. Moreover, a funding need that extends beyond the interest to augment annual operating revenues to meet yearly expenses.

Therefore, I have retained your request for full consideration this year based on the availability of funds from the 1994-95 budget. It should be noted that those funds, if they do become available, usually are awarded after undergoing several months of review for processing and to ascertain that all appropriation guidelines are satisfied.

Please be assured that, based on the availability of these funds, your request will receive my utmost consideration. Also, I must emphasize that due to the discretionary nature of these funds, their notification of availability is at the pleasure of the legislative leadership officers. Therefore, if you wish to inquire about the status of your request you are invited to contact my office any time.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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September 29, 1993

Honorable Dwight Evans  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
512-E-3 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Dwight:

I would like to request the following legislative initiatives for funding. They are as follows:

1. North East Police Department for the purchase of eight bullet proof vests \$4,500. (7400) And A mobile video system  
6500.00 Terry Still, Chief - Contact Person  
North East Police Department  
58 E. Main Street  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-4407

2. Hornby School Restoration Society for the restoration of artifacts and memorabilia at the Hornby School \$2,500.  
Carol Thompson, Secretary - Contact Person  
Hornby School Restoration Society  
11288 Hill Road  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2754

~~3. Horizon House for the purchase of a computer package \$2,500. 2,000 no longer needed  
Martie Lee, Director - Contact Person  
Horizon House  
27 2nd Avenue  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-2675~~

4. Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department for an Outdoor Emergency Telephone and kitchen appliances \$3,000. 2500.00  
1000 (726.90) Michael D. Goodman, Fire Asst. Chief - Contact Person  
Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department  
P.O. Box 67  
10160 Station Road  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-5641 (work) 725-2403 (home)

1500 (1340) Sandie Fedele, Secretary - Contact Person  
The Greenfield Ladies Auxiliary  
10516 Ashton Road  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-5082  
6,000 new large diameter hose and ball valve 3 way  
David Janson  
725-3291

4,000 Architectural drawings  
5800 collection conversion  
9500 - circulation system

- ✓ 5. Union City Public Library for exterior drawings and a floor plan for a new library and to convert the collection to a computerized bar code \$9,500

Barry Smith, President, Board of Trustees - Contact Person  
Union City Public Library  
South Main and Stranahan Streets  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3209

- ✓ 6. Union City Volunteer Fire Company for purchase of accessory equipment ~~\$9,500~~ 2500.00 ?

Edward Eastman, Chief - Contact Person  
Union City Volunteer Fire Company  
50 Second Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3331

Combine w/ #4

- ✓ 7. Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department for a new large diameter hose and three way ball valve \$6,000.

David Janson, Chief - Contact Person  
Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department  
9115 Station Road  
Erie, PA 16510  
(814) 725-3291

- ✓ 8. Wattsburg Area Historical Society for the purchase of new windows \$3,500.

Thomas Coatoam, Secretary - Contact Person  
Wattsburg Area Historical Society  
P.O. Box 240 - Main Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2952 (Home)

- ~~9. Corry Higher Education Council towards the purchase of 10 personal computers \$5,000.~~

~~Margaret I. McCarthy, Director - Contact Person  
Corry Higher Education Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-9405~~

10. Harborcreek Youth Services for structural enhancements ~~\$5,000~~ 3,000

~~Jerome M. Pelowski, Executive Director - Contact Person  
Harborcreek Youth Services  
5712 Iroquois Avenue  
Harborcreek, PA 16421  
(814) 899-7664~~

\$2639.00 actual cost  
~~2000~~

2500.00  
(1500.00)

~~11.~~ *NO* The Wattsburg Hose Company for the purchase of a deck gun \$3,000.  
Gilbert E. Allen, Chief - Contact Person  
The Wattsburg Hose Company  
P.O. Box 9  
14415 Main Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2627 (Home)

~~12.~~ Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center for the acquisition of the Corry Christian School \$10,000.  
Dr. Gertrude A. Barber, Pres./C.E.O. - Contact Person  
Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center  
136 East Avenue  
Erie, PA 16507

✓ 13. Greene Township for construction of a fireproof room and a computer database \$6,000.  
*Program*  
Clarence Hess, Supervisor  
Greene Township  
8861 Old Wattsburg Road  
Erie, PA 16510  
(814) 825-3347

Maybe  
14. Glinodo Conference Center for the improvement of the roads and parking area \$5,000. *10,000*  
Carolyn Gorny-Kopowski, OSB - Contact Person  
Glinodo Conference Center  
6270 Conference Center  
Erie, PA 16511  
(814) 899-4584  
*OK for 5,000 mailed 1/25/95*

✓ 15. Summit Senior Citizens for construction of a senior center \$20,000. *10,000*  
*George Michaels*  
Amelia Goetz - Contact Person  
Summit Senior Citizens  
8252 Johnson Road  
Erie, PA 16509  
(814) 866-5469

~~16.~~ St. Pauls Neighborhood Free Clinic to establish free medical clinic \$6,000.  
Vincent L. Jenco, D.O. - Contact Person  
St. Paul's Neighborhood Free Clinic  
453 W. 16th Street  
Erie, PA 16509  
(814) 454-8755

Secondary  
~~Secure~~ Police Dispatch Center  
New Emergency Comm. Equipment

17. Borough of Union City Police Department for implementation of a county-wide E911 emergency response system \$2,500. 4500

Marvin W. Tubbs, Contact Person  
Borough of Union City Police Department  
13 S. Main Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3441

18. ~~Wattsburg Fair Association for building improvements \$5,000.~~

~~Thomas Coatoam, Contact Person  
Wattsburg Fair Association  
Wattsburg Road, R.D. 1  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2232~~

19. North East Police Department for purchase of two Mobile Video Systems \$3,800. 2000 one

Terry Still, Chief - Contact Person  
North East Police Department  
58 E. Main Street  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-4407

20. Union City Police Department for purchase of two Mobile Video Systems \$3,800. 2000.

Marvin W. Tubbs, Contact Person  
Borough of Union City Police Department  
13 S. Main Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3441

21. City of Corry Police Department for purchase of two Mobile Video Systems \$3,800.

Dana Scouten, Chief - Contact Person  
City of Corry Police Department  
415 Euclid Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
(814) 664-2881

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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cc: Honorable H. William DeWeese

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October 5, 1993

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Honorable Dwight Evans  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
512-E-3 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Dwight:

Let me express my appreciation for awarding me \$75,000 in Legislative Initiative Grant Funds. It is my intent to partially distribute the funds to the following list of recipients:

1. North East Police Department for the purchase of eight bullet proof vests and a Mobile Video System \$6,500.

North East Police Department  
58 E. Main Street  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-4407  
Terry Still, Chief - Contact Person

2. Union City Public Library for conversion of book collection to a computerized circulation system \$5,500

Union City Public Library  
South Main and Stranahan Streets  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3209  
Barry Smith, President, Board of Trustees - Contact Person

3. Wattsburg Area Historical Society for the purchase of new windows \$3,500.

Wattsburg Area Historical Society  
P.O. Box 240 - Main Street  
Wattsburg, PA 16442  
(814) 739-2952 (Home)  
Thomas Coatoam, Secretary - Contact Person

4. Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department for an Outdoor Emergency Telephone

Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department  
P.O. Box 67  
10160 Station Road  
North East, PA 16428  
(814) 725-5641 (work) 725-2403 (home)  
Michael D. Goodman, Fire Asst. Chief - Contact Person

47,000  
~~43,000~~  
total \$45,000

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total \$4 & \$5  
\$7,000

Honorable Dwight Evans  
October 5, 1993  
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5. Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department for a new large diameter hose and three way ball valve \$7,000.

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Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department  
9115 Station Road  
Erie, PA 16510  
(814) 725-3291  
David Janson, Chief - Contact Person

6. Greene Township for construction of a fireproof room and the purchase of a computer database \$6,000.

Greene Township  
8861 Old Wattsburg Road  
Erie, PA 16510  
(814) 825-3347  
Clarence Hess, Supervisor

7. Summit Senior Citizens for construction of a senior center \$10,000.

Summit Township  
8900 Old French Road  
Erie, PA 16509  
(814) 868-9686  
Kevin Lentz, Chairman, Board of Supervisors - Contact Person

- Secondary 8. Borough of Union City Police Department for implementation of a ~~county-wide E911~~ emergency response system and for the purchase of a Mobile Video System \$4,500.

Borough of Union City Police Department  
13 S. Main Street  
Union City, PA 16438  
(814) 438-3441  
Marvin W. Tubbs, Chief - Contact Person

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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October 6, 1993

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Ms. Carol Thompson  
Secretary  
Hornby School Restoration Society  
11288 Hill Road  
Wattsburg, PA 16442

Dear Ms. Thompson: — *Carol*

In tough economic times, such as these, its a real rarity to have the opportunity to report good news to the many people in our community with worthwhile and even critical services that need and deserve government assistance. This is especially good news for the Hornby School Restoration Society because it means that you will receive a grant toward the costs of restoration of artifacts and memorabilia at the Hornby School.

As you may know, there has been, for several years now, a state program that affords each State Representative the opportunity to allocate very limited funds to especially worthwhile services in their district. This year I have received a commitment of a \$2,500 grant.

This appropriation has been particularly difficult to come by in these tough times for state government. Budgets are tight, as they should be. But even in tough times we must do all we can for crucial services like yours. In fact, I only wish more could be available.

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Sincerely,

*Tom Scrimenti*  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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HARRISBURG

October 6, 1993

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David Janson, Chief  
Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department  
10160 Station Road  
North East, PA 16428

Dear Chief Janson: - *Dave,*

In tough economic times, such as these, its a real rarity to have the opportunity to report good news to the many people in our community with worthwhile and even critical services that need and deserve government assistance. This is especially good news for the Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Department because it means that you will receive a grant for the purchase of an Outdoor Emergency Telephone and a new large diameter hose and three way ball valve.

As you may know, there has been, for several years now, a state program that affords each State Representative the opportunity to allocate very limited funds to especially worthwhile services in their district. This year I have received a commitment of a \$8,500 grant.

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DANA L. SCOUTEN  
Chief of Police

Jack Armitage, Mayor

JAN 19 1994

*City of Corry*

## Bureau of Police

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January 17, 1994

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative  
9 West Main Street  
North East, Pennsylvania 16428

Dear Representative Scrimenti,

Please find enclosed the completed application forms for the *Legislative Initiative Program Grant* in the amount of \$4000.00.

Please let me take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the Corry Police Department, to express my sincere gratitude for your consideration and generosity in your efforts to secure these funds for us.

The Mobile Video Systems which will be purchased with these funds have been on my "wish list" for the past year and I had intended to purchase one system in 1993 but other unanticipated equipment purchases prevented me from doing this.

Again, THANKS.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dana Scouten", is written over a horizontal line.

Dana L. Scouten  
Chief of Police

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October 13, 1993

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FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS

Dana Scouten, Chief  
City of Corry Police Department  
415 Euclid Street  
Corry, PA 16407

Dear Chief Scouten: — *Dana,*

In tough economic times, such as these, its a real rarity to have the opportunity to report good news to the many people in our community with worthwhile and even critical services that need and deserve government assistance. This is especially good news for the City of Corry Police Department because it means that you will receive a grant toward the purchase of two Mobile Video Systems.

As you may know, there has been, for several years now, a state program that affords each State Representative the opportunity to allocate very limited funds to especially worthwhile services in their district. This year I have received a commitment of a \$4,000 grant.

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February 7, 1994

Honorable Dwight Evans  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
512-E-3 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Dwight:

I am writing to request an additional \$7,500 in legislative initiative funding from the \$75,000 allotment you have designated for my use for:

- East Erie Suburban Recreation and Conservation Authority for the purpose of rehabilitating the Tri-Community Swimming Pools

Contact Person:

Albert U. Gesler, Jr.  
Chairperson  
East Erie Suburban Recreation and Conservation Authority  
2121 Nagle Road  
Erie, PA 16510

East Erie Suburban Recreation and Conservation Authority has requested a total of \$15,000 in funding. Representative Linda Bebko-Jones and I are each allocating \$7,500 from our individual Legislative Initiative funding allotment. Therefore, Representative Bebko-Jones and I would like to respectfully request that one check in the amount of \$15,000 be issued to the Authority.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Thomas J. Scrimenti*  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

JOANNA GERDY, DIRECTOR  
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**M E M O**

**SUBJECT:** Uses of Key '93 Funds

**TO:** Representative Thomas J. Scrimenti  
25B East Wing

**FROM:** Jeannine M. Marttila, Research Analyst   
Research and Legislative Services

I am responding to your inquiry regarding the possible use of Key '93 funds for local projects. The Key '93 funds, which will be derived from the \$50 million bond issue and the dedicated funding source from the realty transfer tax, will be deposited into the Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund. These funds are then to be allocated, as provided in the legislation, to the following agencies: Departments of Environmental Resources, Community Affairs and Education; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission; Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission; and the Pennsylvania Game Commission. These funds will not be available for allocation through any other agency other than those enumerated above nor to legislators for LIGs.

Each of the above agencies will disburse their respective funds through their existing grant programs. The project described in Mr. Albert Gesler's letter could only have the benefit of the Key '93 funds through the RIRA grant program administered by the Department of Community Affairs ("DCA"). Prior to the Key '93 funds becoming available, funding for only one in four RIRA grant applications was available. With the injection of Key '93 funds, it is projected that funding for four out of five grants will now be available.

I trust this answers your question on the availability of Key '93 funds for LIGs. If you would like additional information on the breakdown of Key '93 funds, details of the intended uses as outlined by the various agencies, etc., please do not hesitate to contact me at 3-3051 or 3-1588. Thank you.

JMM/jmm



APR 8 1993

**UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
 South Main and Stranahan Streets  
 Union City, PA 16438  
 (814) 438-3209

Representative Tom Scrimenti  
 9 West Washington Street  
 Corry, PA 16407

April 7th, 1993

Dear Representative Scrimenti,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Union City Public Library Board of Trustees regarding two projects which we are planning.

We are planning to build a new 4000 sq.ft. library right across the street from where we are currently located, and are beginning to interview architects for the job. Our immediate need is for some exterior drawings and a floor plan which could be used during our capital fund drive next spring. We estimate that these could amount to \$4,000 in fees.

We also look forward to the day when we can convert our collection over to a computerized bar-code system and we estimate the costs of this to be as follows:

\$2,000	Computer Work Station
\$1,000	Software
\$500	Bar Code Equipment
<u>\$2,000</u>	Conversion Costs
\$5,500	

Your financial assistance in the past has been very generous. If you could again provide us with any help in these areas, we would be very thankful. We look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Barry Smith  
 President, Board of Trustees

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CONTACT: Angelia L. Halaja (717) 787-7895**

HARRISBURG, April 29 -- State Rep. Tom Scrimenti, D-Erie, will present a \$5,500 check to the Union City Public Library at 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 4 at the library, South Main and Stranahan streets.

The state Education Department grant will help the library to computerize its book tracking system. The funding covers a computer work station, software, bar code equipment and conversion costs. The library is planning to build a new 4,000-square-foot facility and to convert its book collection to a computerized bar-code system.

"I was happy to honor their request for assistance," said Scrimenti. "Our public libraries are a fundamental part our communities and should receive any help we can offer."

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April 1, 1992

Mr. Edward L. Eastman, Chief  
Union City Volunteer Fire Company  
50 Second Street  
Union City, PA 16438

Dear Chief Eastman: - ED,

Thank you for the information you provided to me relating to the needs of the Union City Volunteer Fire Company.

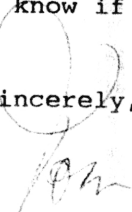
Unfortunately, as is always the case, the needs of vital services like yours far out pace available state funding. As you know, that situation has been further exacerbated by the current economic difficulties in the state and the country, and the ongoing critical need to cut state spending and stretch available state resources.

While there has been some limited discretionary funds available in the past for legislators to funnel to especially important services like yours in each district, in all honesty I'm not confident those funds will be available in the future. To the extent that they are appropriated they will probably be more limited than in the past.

Nonetheless, I will keep this need in mind for any funding that may be available in the next fiscal year. The needs you seek to address are critical and deserve action and support. If adequate funds are available, I would certainly support that effort.

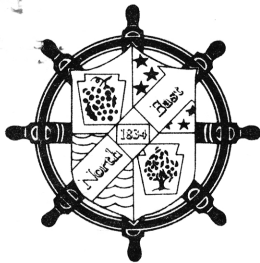
In the meantime, please let me know if there is any other way that I can assist you in carrying out your services.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

TJS/kb





# North East Police Department

TERRY M. STILL, CHIEF

NOV. 17 1992

November 16, 1992

The Honorable Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative  
9 West Main Street  
North East, Pennsylvania 16428

Dear Tom:

I would first like to congratulate you on winning this past election. We knew you had the support in North East Borough, but it is difficult at times with the amount of Republican voters. I believe you have finally put a stop to Mr. Marshall running for any State office.

I had spoken to you in the past about assisting the North East Police in funding for bullet proof vests. The vests that we presently have and use are almost ten years old. The life expectancy for vests are five years and I would like to upgrade our present vests.

If you could assist the Department with a grant for funding the eight vests needed, the cost would be \$4320.00 and would be purchased from the Second Chance Company. The vests would not be replaced for years to come and hopefully, the economic picture in the area would grow and the Community would have the ability to make the purchase in the future.

If you have any questions concerning this request or if I can be of service to you, please contact me.

Warm and personal regards,

Terry M. Still  
Chief of Police

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November 24, 1992

Mr. Terry M. Still, Chief  
North East Police Department  
58 East Main Street  
North East, PA 16428

Dear Chief Still: - *Terry,*

Thank you for your letter of November 16, addressing the needs of the North East Police Department. As you know from the past, you have my continued support and sponsorship. I assure you should there be Legislative Initiative Grant monies available in this fiscal year, I will give your \$4,320 request my utmost consideration.

As always I appreciate the work you do in meeting the needs of the residents of the North East community. The North East Police Department is to be commended for their outstanding record of service. Please be assured that I will certainly lend my efforts when and wherever possible.

Sincerely,

*Tom*  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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September 6, 1994

Peg McCarthy, Director  
Corry Higher Education Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry PA 16407

Dear Ms. McCarthy: - Peg,

It gives me great pleasure to report that a Legislative Initiative Grant has been awarded to Corry Higher Education Council to assist with the purchase of computers. I believe that this program is vital because it provides a one time appropriation of state funds to help meet local needs and assist with community endeavors which otherwise would receive little or no state assistance.

If I had my choice, I would provide more Legislative Initiative Grant funding to a greater number of organizations. In this era of government belt tightening, however, these appropriations are becoming quite difficult to secure. Nevertheless, I have received a commitment for \$10,000 in funding.

This recommendation for funding is currently being processed. Once the initial processing is complete, you will receive an application package in the mail. When you have completed this package, please forward it to my office so that we may assist you in expediting the process. In addition, please feel free to contact my office with any questions you may have about your grant or the Legislative Initiative Grant program in general.

Again, I am glad that I could assist you in securing these funds. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom'.

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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Ms. Peggy McCarthy  
Director  
Corry Higher Educational Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407

Dear Ms. McCarthy: - *Peggy,*

In tough economic times, such as these, its a real rarity to have the opportunity to report good news to the many people in our community with worthwhile and even critical services that need and deserve government assistance. This is especially good news for the Corry Higher Education Council because it means that you will receive a grant toward the purchase of a computer equipment and related software.

As you may know, there has been, for several years now, a state program that affords each State Representative the opportunity to allocate very limited funds to especially worthwhile services in their district. This year I have received a commitment of a \$2,500 grant.

This appropriation has been particularly difficult to come by in these tough times for state government. Budgets are tight, as they should be. But even in tough times we must do all we can for crucial services like yours. In fact, I only wish more could be available.

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This really is good news for our area. Please let me know if I can do anything else to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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June 6, 1994

The Honorable Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative  
Commonwealth of PA  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Tom:

In response to a phone call from Judy Sterner, your aide in Harrisburg, I am submitting an updated request to you for computer equipment and related software for the Corry Higher Education Council in Corry, PA.

The Council does in fact need financial assistance for the purchase of computers to be used for computer training, career development, remedial adult education, and resume preparation for the Corry area dislocated workers and others seeking employment and skill upgrading. As you know, the Corry Higher Education Council provides these services and programs all on-site in Corry at the Smith Education Center.

As you also know, the Corry area has been severely affected by the plant closings of Barnes and Corry Hiebert. We are assisting the workers who lost their jobs in finding long-range employment through the provision of on-site job training, career counseling, and help with resume preparation. Everyday, more and more persons are seeking our services, and are using the Center as the point from which to begin their road to job recovery.

Computer literacy is an absolute necessity for most persons seeking employment in this technological age. Funds have been scarce for the purchase of computer equipment; we are seeking other sources of funding but time is running out. A grant of \$5,000 would provide what we would need to purchase equipment for instructional use, availability of a PC for resume preparation, and software for adult career development and exploration.

We appreciate your consideration of this request, and would be most happy to discuss our needs in greater detail, if necessary. Thank you very much for attention to these needs.

Sincerely,

Peggy McCarthy, Director  
Corry Higher Education Council

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May 19, 1993

Ms. Margaret I. McCarthy  
Director  
Corry Higher Education Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407

Dear Ms. McCarthy: - *Peggy*

Thank you for your funding request towards the purchase of 10 personal computers for the Corry Higher Education Council.

As you know, in the past, legislators have had limited access to discretionary funds under the control of legislative leadership officers called the Legislative Initiative Grant Program. This program is designed to address local community funding needs in each legislator's district that have no access to a funding stream within state government. Typically, the intent of this program is to fund relatively small, one-time funding needs for equipment, a program or service. Moreover, a funding need that extends beyond the interest to augment annual operating revenues to meet yearly expenses.

Unfortunately, there is no Legislative Initiative Grant Program funding available from the 1992-93 budget. Therefore, I have taken the liberty to retain your request and submit it this year based on the availability of funds from the 1993-94 budget unless I hear from you to the contrary. It should be noted that those funds, if they do become available, usually are not awarded to the recipient until the following calendar year.

Please be assured that, based on the availability of these funds, your request will receive my utmost consideration. Also, I must emphasize that due to the discretionary nature of these funds, their notification of availability is at the pleasure of the legislative leadership officers. Therefore, if you wish to inquire about the status of your request you are invited to contact my office any time.

Sincerely,

*Tom Scrimenti*

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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September 14, 1992

Thomas J. Scrimenti, State Representative  
Commonwealth of PA  
9 West Washington Street  
Corry, PA 16407

SEP 16 1992

Dear Tom,

Thank you for taking the time to talk with me by phone several weeks ago about possible funding for the Corry Higher Education Council.

As we discussed on the phone, the Corry Higher Education Council has experienced a tremendous growth since its development in May of 1991. We are now offering a diverse array of courses and programs for area residents that range from graduate teacher education courses to basic adult education and GED preparation classes. Enclosed are a facts sheet and a list of activities to date to support the number of people now being served by the Council.

As you know, we receive funding from two sources - from Senator John Peterson's legislative budget and from corporate and private pledges that are being given over a five-year period. While we are very pleased with the funds that have been provided to date, our budget currently covers basic capital and operating expenses. That is why we are asking you to consider the possibility of assisting us in the funding of a special project: **the purchase of 10 personal computers, software, and one printer.**

The accessibility of computers for persons using the Corry Higher Education Council's services will greatly enhance the potential for persons to become computer literate, and to become better qualified to compete in the employment market.

Specifically, the computers will be used in three ways: for remedial adult education instruction, for non-credit computer training for area industries and businesses, and for resume preparation.

The approximate cost for ten IBM-compatible personal computers, one printer, and software is expected to be **\$20,000**. Matching support for this project will come from the Corry Higher Education Council in the amount of **\$10,000**. The Council has also requested **\$5000** from the Erie County Council's Executive "grants to other



organizations" budget.

Therefore, we formally request **\$5000** from your legislative funds in support of this project.

I would appreciate any assistance you are able to give us, because, as discussed in previous correspondence and on the phone, the Corry Higher Education Council's services are making a noticeable impact upon the Corry community. The provision of computers to assist us in providing the education needed here will strengthen our mission.

Thank you again for your willingness to support the Corry Higher Education Council. I appreciate the concern and attentiveness you have shown us, and look forward to hearing from you about our request. If you'd like any more information about our services, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

*Margaret I. McCarthy (Peggy)*

Margaret I. McCarthy, Director  
Corry Higher Education Council

Enclosures





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September 25, 1992

Ms. Margaret I. McCarthy, Director  
Corry Higher Education Council  
221 North Center Street  
Corry, PA 16407

Dear Ms. McCarthy: - *Peggy*

Thank you for the information you provided to me, soliciting my financial support toward the purchase of 10 personal computers for the Corry Higher Education Council.

Unfortunately, as is always the case, the needs of vital services like yours far out pace available state funding. As you know, that situation has been further exacerbated by the current economic difficulties in the state and the country, and the ongoing critical need to cut state spending and stretch available state resources.

While there has been some limited discretionary funds available in the past for legislators to funnel to especially important services like yours in each district, in all honesty, I'm not confident those funds will be available in the future. To the extent that they are appropriated they will probably be more limited than in the past.

Nonetheless, I will keep this need in mind for any funding that may be available in the next fiscal year. The needs you seek to address are critical and deserve action and support. If adequate funds are available, I would certainly support that effort.

In the meantime, please let me know if there is any other way that I can assist you in carrying out your services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Scrimenti".

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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September 6, 1994

Mr. Jim Steigerwald  
Township Supervisor  
Summit Township  
8900 Old French Road  
Erie, PA 16509

Dear Mr. Steigerwald: *Jim,*

It gives me great pleasure to report that a Legislative Initiative Grant has been awarded to Summit Township to assist with the purchase of kitchen furniture and furnishings for the senior center. I believe that this program is vital because it provides a one time appropriation of state funds to help meet local needs and assist with community endeavors which otherwise would receive little or no state assistance.

If I had my choice, I would provide more Legislative Initiative Grant funding to a greater number of organizations. In this era of government belt tightening, however, these appropriations are becoming quite difficult to secure. Nevertheless, I have received a commitment for \$10,000 in funding.

This recommendation for funding is currently being processed. Once the initial processing is complete, you will receive an application package in the mail. When you have completed this package, please forward it to my office so that we may assist you in expediting the process. In addition, please feel free to contact my office with any questions you may have about your grant or the Legislative Initiative Grant program in general.

Again, I am glad that I could assist you in securing these funds. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom".

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
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September 20, 1994

Charles Mack, Chief  
Corry Fire Department  
14 E. South Street  
Corry, PA 16407

Dear Chief Mack:

It gives me great pleasure to report that a Legislative Initiative Grant has been awarded to Corry Fire Department to assist with the purchase of two special nozzles, a section hose and a rescue saw. I believe that this program is vital because it provides a one time appropriation of state funds to help meet local needs and assist with community endeavors which otherwise would receive little or no state assistance.

If I had my choice, I would provide more Legislative Initiative Grant funding to a greater number of organizations. In this era of government belt tightening, however, these appropriations are becoming quite difficult to secure. Nevertheless, I have received a commitment for \$1,500 in funding.

Again, I am glad that I could assist you in securing these funds. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Scrimenti".

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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cc: Mr. Kenneth Nichols  
Mr. Don Dodd

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January 25, 1995

Mr. James V. DeSantis  
Community Development Coordinator  
Harborcreek Area Chamber of Commerce  
5601 Buffalo Road  
Harborcreek, PA 16421

Dear Mr. DeSantis:

It is with great pleasure that I present Harborcreek Area Chamber of Commerce with the enclosed Legislative Initiative Grant check for \$2,500. This grant check will cover the cost of an office copier.

I would like to thank you for this opportunity to be of assistance to you. If I can be of any service to you in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
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