

Lackawanna County Working



Community Re-Invest



Wireless Technology Infrastructure Initiative

STRONG INFRASTRUCTURE

- Lackawanna County's Wireless Technology** infrastructure provides carrier-grade bandwidth and internet service with fiber optic network capability
- 26 Mixed-use business and industrial parks** totaling over 5,200 acres
- Convergence of five major Interstates:** 80, 81, 84, 380, and 476
- Ability to penetrate market** of 96 million American and Canadian consumers within overnight delivery
- Two Class 1 railroads:** Canadian Pacific, Norfolk Southern, and the Lackawanna County Short Line service
- Wilkes Barre/Scranton International Airport** offers cargo service, one-stop travel to hundreds of destinations worldwide, and a U.S. customs port of entry
- More than 100 FTL and LTL trucking firms** serve the region
- KOZ:** Over 1,000 acres and buildings with up to 10 years of NO TAXES



SBA Loan Fee Waiver Program



Land Development & Construction Fee Waiver Program



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UNPARALLELED ECONOMIC AND TAX ADVANTAGES

- Funding
- Infrastructure
- Workforce
- Tax

According to the Tax Foundation's Business Tax Climate survey, Pennsylvania ranks 19th best of the 50 states and easily outperforms neighboring New York (#50), New Jersey (#49), Ohio (#39), and West Virginia (#23).

- SBA LOAN FEE WAIVER PROGRAM**
Lackawanna County will reimburse SBA loan origination fees for qualified businesses.
- KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROGRAM**
Businesses receive state and local tax abatements for the development and use of underdeveloped properties for up to 10 years.
- LAND DEVELOPMENT & CONSTRUCTION FEE WAIVER PROGRAM**
Lackawanna County will pay the land development and construction permit fees for companies relocating or expanding in the county.
- COMMUNITY RE-INVEST**
Micro grants available for high-impact community development projects.
- WORKFORCE TRAINING & HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANCE**
Full HR services and up to 90 percent wage reimbursements during the initial training period of new hires for qualified employers.
- JOB CREATION TAX CREDIT**
\$1,000-per-job tax credit to approved businesses that agree to create jobs within three years.
- PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY (PEDFA) TAX EXEMPT BOND PROGRAM**
Low interest, tax exempt and taxable bond financing for land, equipment, working capital and refinancing needs.
- PENNSYLVANIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PIDA) LOAN PROGRAM**
PA funds low interest loans up to \$2 million

to finance land and building acquisition or construction or renovation that creates or retains jobs.

- GUARANTEED FREE TRAINING PROGRAM (WEDNETPA)**
Provides grants to eligible businesses to offer basic skills (\$450 per employee) and information technology training (\$850 per employee) for current staff.
- METROACTION**
A non-profit organization that provides business development assistance and small business loans up to \$75,000.
- BEN FRANKLIN TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS**
PA provides technology companies with funding, business and technical expertise, and a network of resources to foster innovation and development.
- WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE**
Carrier grade wireless network reduces start up and on-going technology costs for businesses and improves emergency management telecommunications.
- KEYSTONE INNOVATION ZONE PROGRAM**
Tax credits for for-profit companies less than eight years old operating within specific targeted industries within the boundaries of KIZ.
- REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP)**
Funding from PA for the acquisition and construction of regional, economic, civic and historical improvement projects.

Lackawanna County and The Scranton Plan will serve as your liaison with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the PA Department of Community and Economic Development to craft a customized financial incentive and workforce training package and guide you through every step of the application process.



Micro & Revolving Loan Programs



Workforce Training & Human Resources Assistance

For more information about Lackawanna County's Economic Development Programs, call 570.963.6830 or visit www.lackawannacounty.org