



CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PA

REQUESTS TO SHAPIRO ADMINISTRATION & JOHNSTOWN'S PA LEGISLATOR FOR JOHNSTOWN REVITALIZATION

KEY ISSUE	LEGISLATIVE & LEADERSHIP HELP NEEDED
Local Services Tax Rate	When Johnstown had the good fortune of leaving Act 47 Distress status, PA code requires its local services tax (LST) be reduced from \$3per person/week, to \$1, which will result in a 6% total budget decrease. Johnstown requests the same legislative treatment that Harrisburg and Scranton got, to continue the same \$3 LST through this year's PA tax code bill, or obtain other relief to cover this \$900,000 annual budget hole and devote the funding exclusively to police and fire first responders.
U.S. HUD Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant	Johnstown has 1,900 HUD public housing and voucher supported units which include several obsolete complexes. Johnstown is now seeking a \$500,000 U.S. HUD Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant that will create a "Transformation Plan" for the most problematic complexes, and set Johnstown up for as much as \$50 million in HUD implementation grant funding. Johnstown asks for Governor Shapiro's support to HUD on this pending application.
U.S. DOT RAISE Grant Implementation	Johnstown seeks to convene with PennDOT about the potential for the state agency to help manage the implementation of Johnstown's \$24.6 million U.S. DOT RAISE grant.
Backing on pending ARC ARISE, DOE Manufacturing, and DOD Manufacturing Grants	Johnstown seeks Governor Shapiro's advocacy for key, pending federal grant applications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ \$750,000 National Park Service, "Save America's Treasures" grant for upgrades to the Johnstown Flood Museum ➤ \$10 million Appalachian Regional Commission ARISE Grant for regional "Building the New Energy Economy in Appalachia" grant ➤ \$2 million U.S. Department of Energy "Smart Manufacturing" grant to PA DCED and seven PA Industrial Resource Centers ➤ \$5 million from the U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, "Defense Manufacturing Communities" grant for "AIM Higher Consortium" that is promoting robotics, AI and advanced manufacturing by PA and WV manufacturers

STATE FUNDING PROJECTS	SOURCE	AMOUNT
Johnstown Public Safety Building – The Johnstown Police and Fire Departments are in obsolete facilities, and the City is moving forward with the construction of a new, 20,000 sq. feet Johnstown Public Safety Building for these first responders. PCCD Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for operating costs	RACP, PCCD, other State Sources	\$5 million
Johnstown "FutureWorks" with University of Pittsburgh at the Jupiter Building – Pitt seeks to expand its School of Engineering to downtown Johnstown, into the historic Jupiter Building on Main Street, to better interact with local manufacturers, catalyze entrepreneurship, and boost workforce development. Non-profit Pittsburgh Gateways, backed by the R.K. Mellon Foundation, is ready for an \$11 million upgrade the Jupiter Building to make this jobs center possible.	RACP and Other State Sources	\$3 million
Johnstown State Theater – Johnstown seeks to renovate the historic, 5-story 1926 State Theater Building for a 285 seat state-of-the-art IMAX theater, a 300 seat performing arts stage, luxury overnight suites, a return of the historic underground speakeasy and cabaret jazz club, and a restaurant.	RACP, PA Historical Tax Credit, Keystone Grants, other	\$3.15 million (total project = \$8.14M)
Main Street Health Clinic/Parking at Johnstown Intermodal Transit Center – As the Cambria County Transit Authority moves forward on upgrades of its main Intermodal Transit Center on Main Street, Johnstown seeks to upgrade its adjacent, publicly-owned, deteriorated parking garage, to not only serve the Intermodal Center, but to support a new, downtown center for a federally qualified health, dental, and mental health clinic creating 50 new jobs and services to the distressed families.	CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant, PennDOT support, RACP	\$6 million