



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
VIA ZOOM/In Person
Knowledge Park; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510
February 20, 2025

ZOOM Meeting Information:

Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88673901836>

Password: not required

AGENDA

An Executive Session of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on Thursday, February 13, 2025 at Knox Law Firm, 120 West 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501 at 12:00 noon for the purpose of personnel.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 2025
5. DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS
6. COMMENTS BY CHAIRMAN
7. PUBLIC COMMENT
8. PRESENTATION
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a. Treasurer’s Report
 - i. Financial Statements
 - ii. 2025-2026 DRAFT Budget Review
 - b. Strategic Planning Committee
 - c. Update from County Council
 - d. Update from County Executive’s Office
10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

11. SOLICITOR’S REPORT

12. OLD BUSINESS

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. ADJOURNMENT

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of ECGRA

Date: Thursday, March 20, 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m. – BOARD Meeting
Location: 5240 Knowledge Parkway, Erie, PA 16510; Board Room
ZOOM meeting – details to follow



Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting

January 16, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on January 16, 2025 in the Jordan Room; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510. Legal Notice of the meeting was given through an advertisement appearing in the Erie Times-News. The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 8:30 am.

Mr. Cleaver: I'd like to wish everybody a Happy New Year and welcome our new Board member. Welcome aboard; we'll keep you busy, that's for sure.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Louis, Mr. Oberlander, and Mr. Smith are present in person. Ms. Amatangelo, Ms. Hess, and Mr. Winschel are present via zoom. Mr. Copeland is present in person (arrives late). Mr. Scutella and Mr. Sinnott (arrives late) are present via zoom. Mr. Wachter and Dr. Wood are present in person.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Hess makes a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Oberlander seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the agenda. Motion carries 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 2024

Mr. Oberlander makes a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Amatangelo seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the minutes. Motion carries 7-0.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Louis: I just wanted to make a quick comment on the scheduling of the grant reviews. It's just tough a week out. I know this is the second time I've missed one of those meetings because of short notice. I know the first time I was told it was because of the auditor and the demands on staff related

to that. But you know, a week out, just for me, is going to be hard sometimes, and I want to participate; that's why I said yes when I was asked. So, if there's anything we can do to even make a two-week notice, I would appreciate that.

Mr. Cleaver: Is there a problem with that suggestion?

Dr. Wood: There is no problem with that suggestion.

Mr. Cleaver: Okay, any other comments?

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Mr. Cleaver has no comment at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is no one from the public present.

PRESENTATIONS

There are no presentations scheduled for today.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Amatangelo: Good morning, everybody. I'll be very brief; I don't have a lot of questions. Looking at the December Profit & Loss, I had no questions, and talking with Tammi and Dr. Wood, if we jump over to the Balance Sheet, we'll see if we look at our CDs that we've got a couple coming up to look at in February. I'm going to pass up and then jump back to the Budget vs Actual in just a second. The December Schedule of Grant Reserve for the third quarter - you'll note that we spent about \$111,000 and then our year-to-date is at \$4.8 million for those disbursements. If you want to look at a detailed account of where that is going, that is included in the financials that Tammi sends us.

Looking at our December Transaction List, you'll see payroll, health insurance, legal fees, and the regular bills that we are paying. Turning our Visa statement, just a couple things on there. It looks like there was some food from, I believe, our grant review and one of our regular subscriptions.

Jumping back to the Budget vs Actual. I did talk to Tammi and Dr. Wood a little bit about this, because looking at some of our budget lines, we're over budget. For example, we look at our legal services under Expenses, and that is largely due to the extra work going on with the childcare initiative, if I am correct in remembering that conversation. But if you look at our overall budget, we're well below. We're only about 67% so I just wanted to point that out.

But this does bring up a question. I was wondering, Dr. Wood or Mr. Wachter, if the looking at the legal services here, ECGRA has done its part as far as all this, do we know if or when the \$2.5 million is going to be released to us from the County for the childcare initiative?

Mr. Wachter: I think that's a very good question. The last communication I had with the County Solicitor was that the checks were cut on Thursdays. He said the earliest the check could have been cut would have been last Thursday. If we don't receive a check today or an ACH today, then I would suggest that we reach back out to the County later today or tomorrow to get a better idea as to where that is, but that's a very timely question.

Ms. Amatangelo: Is that something where either Dr. Wood or Mr. Wachter, you could let us know what happens with that today or tomorrow, just send out a text or email?

Dr. Wood: Of course.

Ms. Amatangelo: Thank you. That is my report. Everything is business as usual as far as the finances.

Mr. Cleaver: Are there any other questions or comments on the Treasurer's Report?

Mr. Winschel: Yes. As Angie said, we have a couple of CDs coming due in February. I noticed that our Money Market account at Erie Bank is swelling again, so I'll just ask Perry to go out before the next Board meeting and take a look and don't be too swayed by some teaser rates. I mean the Federal Reserve has kind of slowed down in cutting interest rates projections from 2025, and actually rates have been backing up a little bit and rates are a little higher now than they were even a month ago. So, and then we have two CDs coming due in February and the Money Market, so I just ask Perry to take a look at the cash flow needs for the rest of the year and don't be afraid to spread that out like we did with the three-month, six-month, and a year. Now that year has kind of moved into six or nine months, so I just ask Perry to take a look at that in preparation of next month's Board meeting.

Dr. Wood: Will do.

Mr. Winschel: Thanks.

Mr. Cleaver: When are those coming due?

Dr. Wood: February 21st.

Mr. Louis makes a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Winschel seconds the motion. There is no further discussion on the Treasurer's Report. Motion carries 7-0.

b. Strategic Planning Committee

Dr. Wood: Strategic Planning Committee was held and grant reviews were done on January 9 here at Knowledge Park. We reviewed the community center grant applications, which will be represented in resolution number one on the agenda today. We also reviewed a municipal collaboration grant for the West Erie County Paramedics Association, so that will be represented in resolution two on the agenda. We had a conversation about Special Events,

which will be released soon, well, they're currently open, and they are due in February. They will then be reviewed by you and approved in March.

We also talked about the childcare initiative. I did provide you a handout today, so if you're in the room, there's a handout on the childcare initiative that just gives you a general overview of the communications that we've had. It's a two-pager basically describing the project overview, how it's going to be evaluated and the intended audience, how the County would like us to measure progress, and then how it relates to the pandemic. What it does not say here is that we need to have the funds matched as part of our contract. So, what I'm going to be asking, and Tim, I'm assuming we should pass some type of resolution on this because this is a brand-new grant program. So, I'll bring the guidelines to you guys for review as part of our next grant review. Those guidelines are going to be really unique. In the past, we pass a set of guidelines, I bring it to the board, we have a discussion about it, we revise it, we put it in resolution, we move forward. But we're going to attempt to do something different with this set of guidelines. We're going to attempt to get more funding partners engaged in the initiative through Infinite Erie. So, we're going to have some type of input session with them as well, in which we get feedback from those other funders like the Hamot Health Foundation, Erie Insurance, Community Foundation, GEDIC, and some of the other funders. I don't know where this is headed, but we'll bring the guidelines back for this group for review and official approval, and at that time, we'll ask you to put it an additional two and a half million dollars into the concept. Let me pause there and see if the board wants to have any dialog on this.

Let the record reflect that Mr. Sinnott has joined the meeting.

Mr. Cleaver: Welcome to the meeting. Happy New Year, Joe.

Mr. Sinnott: Same to all of you.

Mr. Winschel: Dr. Wood, I'm sure you will, but if you could just send that two-page handout to those who are on zoom.

Dr. Wood: Yes. You actually already have it because I gave you the contract at the last Board meeting and it is page 11 or 12 of that contract.

Mr. Wachter: Ten and eleven.

Dr. Wood: Thank you.

Mr. Winschel: Thank you.

Mr. Wachter: Mr. Chair, if I may, I see that Mr. Sinnott has now joined us, and our treasurer had asked a question about when the County was anticipating releasing the two and a half million dollars of ARPA funding to the Gaming Authority pursuant to our agreement. And Joe, I didn't know if you had any insight. I know checks are cut on Thursdays in the county.

Mr. Sinnott: Tim, I have not been a part of those discussions, any of those discussions, so I really don't know. I don't have an answer for you. I just don't know. I don't know where any of it is, to tell you the truth. I don't mean the money, but I mean the process. So sorry, I wasn't prepared for that.

Mr. Wachter: That's fine. The contract is done, it's been signed by both parties. We've requested release of the funds. We're just waiting for that to happen. My understanding from Speros is that checks are cut on Thursdays, and we're hoping today might be the day.

Mr. Sinnott: I will talk to Bill and the finance department after this and see where that is at.

Mr. Wachter: I appreciate your cooperation, sir. Thank you.

Mr. Cleaver: Then Joe, you'll get back to Perry on that?

Mr. Sinnott: Someone will.

Mr. Wachter: Okay. Thank you.

c. Update from County Council

Chairman Scutella: I have nothing to report.

Mr. Cleaver: Good to see you, and congratulations again your yearly appointment.

d. Update from County Executive's Office

Mr. Sinnott: Nothing from the County Executive's Office today.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Wood: I just wanted to give you an example of how we've done on the original 4 million for ARPA funds. It's known as the CSLFRF monitoring plan. So, this is the report that was handed in to the County. These are the groups that we have funded with our \$4 million in ARPA funds, all approved by this Board of Directors. What we've done here for the County is we've created kind of a monitoring system within their monitoring system. So, one of the things that was clear in working with the County Grants Office was that we're the only real subrecipient that has dozens and dozens of subrecipients ourselves. So, most people have received ARPA funds for a specific project, they've taken those funds, and they've implemented their project - it's pretty straightforward. But our role is to regrant those funds. So, in order to make the County aware, we created these status categories so they would understand which ones are complete, which ones are coming due, and then which ones are in compliance with final closeout reporting. This was part of the communication issue, I think, that was going on between us and the County. So, because we have this new active report in place, I think it's going to proactively answer a lot of their questions about the status of the funding we have. Once again, this is the original 4 million which is separate from the two and a half that we're talking about here today with childcare.

Mr. Oberlander: Asks inaudible question.

Ms. Michali: What was the question?

Dr. Wood: The question is under the Close Out Report Received column, what does the S, the D, the A, and the C mean?

Ms. Michali: That is explained on the bottom of the second page – Completed, Submitted, Draft, or Assigned.

Mr. Oberlander: Thank you.

Dr. Wood: Does anyone have any questions about the original 4 million that we have invested? Okay, I think it's good that we're continuing to tune up our communications with the County on that funding. If anyone has any suggestions, I'll take them.

Moving on in the report, we do have a report from our communications person on what they did this month. Of course, Strategic Planning took a lot of time; there were several grants reviewed at that as well as updates. A nice letter came in from Erie Arts & Culture and the Erie Art Museum that I wanted to share with you, a couple of newsletters, a couple of newspaper articles about the trials and tribulations of ECGRA. There has been a lot of preparation going on for the childcare initiative. So, let me pause there and see if you have any questions for your director.

Tim, did the Knox Law Firm rates go up again this year?

Mr. Wachter: Like the rent.

Dr. Wood: There's the letter on the rates. You know, we don't have to take official action on that, but I just wanted to make sure you guys were aware of it. I'm just waiting for that year that they go down. Are there any other questions for me? How about online? Any questions online? It was a busy December, and it's going to start off being a really busy January. I look forward to working with you, and I'll turn it back over to Mr. Cleaver.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wachter: With the annual rate increase letter that we had sent out, I also wanted to point out that from time to time with our institutional clients, it's important that we reach out and remind you to the terms of our engagement, what data we collect, the information that we maintain, how we maintain it, how we manage confidentiality issues. And so we added a reconfirmation of the terms of our legal engagement to that letter, just so that you have it for your records. It's just a requirement of our profession from time to time to remind you of those terms. So those have been included.

I did have a really good conversation with the staff here the other day regarding preparation for the childcare grant process. It's nice working with a client that spends so much time in advance of the creation of guidelines to make sure that we're compliant and to really understand what those compliance terms are. So, I appreciated the opportunity to have that conversation.

Dr. Wood: That was a very productive meeting. We're in a slightly different category than we were before with the ARPA law, so we had to do a review and make sure that we are up to speed on all those requirements and regulations.

Ms. Amatangelo: I actually have a question, as Tim was talking, not about that, but is there any update on the audit?

Mr. Wachter: The audit is ongoing. We're a very well-studied organization. I think we're on the sixth request for additional information as the auditor is dialing down into individual projects. I know that we'll have a conversation, I believe, after this meeting, about response to that. To our knowledge, there's been nothing concerning found. There's been some clerical issues, transposition of numbers and things on some internal reports that were fixed within audits, but there's nothing that I've seen of

any concern. And we've responded to some of their questions and thanked them for opportunities to tighten up some procedures. But I think overall, it's going very well.

Ms. Amatangelo: Great.

Mr. Wachter: That's my impression. I don't know for Tammi that has to deal with it on a daily basis, if she agrees with that position, but overall, I believe we're doing very well.

Mr. Cleaver: I see that Mr. Copeland has come in from County Council. Do you have any comments?

Mr. Copeland: No, I'm hoping that they bring that to a resolution soon. It's no concerns of being under the microscope, but it gets uncomfortable over a period of time, I'm sure. Sorry I'm late, and that Zoom link, for some reason, was dead; it didn't work.

Ms. Michali: I'm sorry.

OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution Number 1, 2025 – Resolution to enter into agreements with sixteen (16) Erie County community organizations and municipalities engaged in Community Centers as part of the Community Assets

Dr. Wood reads the resolution.

Ms. Amatangelo makes a motion to accept the resolution. Mr. Oberlander seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the resolution. Motion carries 7-0.

- b. Resolution Number 2, 2025 – Resolution to enter into agreement with one (1) entity that comprises the sole recipient of the 2024 Multi-Municipal Collaboration grant, Round 3

Dr. Wood reads the resolution.

Mr. Oberlander makes a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Amatangelo Seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the resolution. Motion carries 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Amatangelo moves to adjourn. Mr. Oberlander seconds the motion. Meeting is adjourned at 8:53am.

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

Profit & Loss

January 2025

	January	YTD	Budget YTD	2024-25 Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
44000 • ARPA Fund				
44800 • Gaming Revenue		2,774,777.92		
44801 • Interactive Gaming Revenue		1,998,846.01		
46400 • Other Types of Income				
46410 • Interest Income - Savings	6,163.02	217,066.45		
46422 • Interest Income - BWC - Erie Growth		22,916.67		
46424 • Interest Income - Progress Fund	5,000.00	15,000.00		
46424.5 • Interest Income - 1855 Capital				
46425 • Interest Income - EDF Restruct		9,750.00		
46426 • Interest Income - BWC - Inclusive		19,097.22		
46427 • Interest Income - Blue Highway	15,715.75	17,112.58		
46428 • Interest Income - eCAT	2,556.00	10,224.00		
46450 • Dividend Erie Bank MMKT	42,090.18	144,033.95		
46451 • Dividend Erie FCU CD_12	22,462.14	108,492.08		
46452 • Dividend Flagship CD_6		26,213.70		
46453 • Dividend FNB CD_3		13,222.54		
46454 • Dividend FNB CD_6		12,980.07		
46455 • Dividend FNB CD_9		12,737.34		
Total Income	93,987.09	5,402,470.53		
Expense				
62100 • Contracted Services	3,186.74	68,590.36	59,710.00	71,650.00
62800 • Facilities & Equipment	1,677.50	16,822.99	19,330.00	23,200.00
65000 • Office Administration	2,386.98	11,931.87	16,460.00	19,750.00
65100 • Other Types of Expenses	2,968.15	43,256.13	45,830.00	55,000.00
66000 • Payroll Expenses	36,816.41	274,439.93	243,290.00	291,950.00
67000 • Building a Better Future (ARPA)		537,977.29	724,510.00	869,408.00
7000 • Provision for Uncollect Notes		(2,172.24)		
Total Expense	47,035.78	950,846.33	1,109,130.00	1,330,958.00
Net Ordinary Income	46,951.31	4,451,624.20		

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Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

Profit & Loss

January 2025

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>	<u>2024-25 Budget</u>
Other Income/Expense				
70000 · Grants / Settlements / MRIs				
70030 · Community Assets	78,244.56	424,378.49		
70050 · Municipal Settlements		1,193,405.99		
70070 · Special Events		199,090.70		
70090 · Multi-Municipal Collaboration		153,625.00		
70100 · Mission Main Street		1,167,281.18		
70120 · Summer Jobs Program				
70125 · Neighborhoods & Communities MRI				
70130 · Small Business Financing				
70136 · Ignite Erie_Beehive				
70140 · Pilot Projects		75,000.00		
70150 · Shaping Tomorrow				
70170 · Renaissance Block		213,334.00		
70180 · Anchor Building		505,000.00		
70190 · COVID-19 Immediate Human Relief				
70300 · Transformational Grants	125,000.00	728,077.00		
Total 70000 · Grants / Settlements	<u>203,244.56</u>	<u>4,659,192.36</u>		
Net Other Income	<u>(203,244.56)</u>	<u>(4,659,192.36)</u>		
Net Income	<u>(156,293.25)</u>	<u>(207,568.16)</u>		

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2025

	<u>January</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings/Money Market	
10000 · ErieBank - Checking	44,932.04
10100 · ErieBank - Savings	
10101 · Committed Funds	1,170,735.51
10102 · Restricted Funds	4,564,029.91
10104 · ARPA Fund	329,930.61
10100 · ErieBank - Savings - Other	(2,863,672.70)
Total 10100 · ErieBank - Savings	<u>3,201,023.33</u>
10110 · Erie Bank Money Market 12/12/24	<u>6,193,019.95</u>
Other Current Assets	
10300 · Erie FCU CD 8/28/25	5,108,492.08
10400 · Flagship CD 2/21/25	2,026,213.70
10510 · FNB CD_6 2/21/25	1,012,980.07
10520 · FNB CD_9 5/21/25	<u>1,012,737.34</u>
Total Checking/Savings/Money Market/CDs	18,599,398.51
Other Current Assets	
12000 · Notes Receivable	
12004 · NR - BWC - Erie Growth	1,000,000.00
12005 · NR - Progress Fund	1,000,000.00
12010 · NR - 1855 Capital	500,000.00
12050 · NR - EDF Restructured	1,300,000.00
12060 · NR - BWC - Inclusive Erie	2,500,000.00
12070 · NR - Blue Highway	250,000.00
12080 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Sm Bus	520,000.00
12085 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Nnp Profit	100,000.00
12090 · NR - eCAT	500,000.00
12500 · NR - Youth Leadership Institute	98,506.00
12900 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	(1,553,881.00)
Total 12000 · Notes Receivable	<u>6,214,625.00</u>
14500 · Prepaid Insurance	5,942.19
Total Other Current Assets	<u>6,220,567.19</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>24,819,965.70</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>24,819,965.70</u></u>

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Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2025

	<u>January</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
20100* - Deferred Revenue	(4,000,000.00)
20300 - Unearned Revenue	4,869,407.88
Total Current Liabilities	<u>869,407.88</u>
Total Liabilities	869,407.88
Equity	
30000 - Opening Balance Equity	2,927,064.18
32000 - Unrestricted Net Assets	21,231,061.80
Net Income	(207,568.16)
Total Equity	<u>23,950,557.82</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>24,819,965.70</u></u>

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Budget vs. Actual
January 2025

	January	YTD	Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	% of Budget
Expense					
62100 · Contracted Services					
62110 · Accounting Fees	0.00	8,150.00	8,150.00	0.00	100.00%
62130 · Professional Services	3,000.00	31,500.00	40,000.00	(8,500.00)	78.75%
62140 · Legal Services	0.00	26,196.00	20,000.00	6,196.00	130.98%
62145 · Website Design	0.00	1,682.56	2,000.00	(317.44)	84.13%
62150 · Payroll Services	186.74	1,061.80	1,500.00	(438.20)	70.79%
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	3,186.74	68,590.36	71,650.00	(3,059.64)	95.73%
62800 · Facilities & Equipment					
62840 · Office Equipment	0.00	47.99	3,000.00	(2,952.01)	1.60%
62890 · Rent	1,677.50	16,775.00	20,200.00	(3,425.00)	83.04%
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,677.50	16,822.99	23,200.00	(6,377.01)	72.51%
65000 · Office Administration					
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	11.99	1,018.91	3,000.00	(1,981.09)	33.96%
65020 · Postage	0.00	38.96	100.00	(61.04)	38.96%
65040 · Office Supplies	281.32	1,362.04	2,000.00	(637.96)	68.10%
65050 · Cell Phone	155.95	2,025.96	3,000.00	(974.04)	67.53%
65060 · Copier Lease	345.95	3,459.50	4,200.00	(740.50)	82.37%
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	0.00	32.07	200.00	(167.93)	16.04%
65080 · Bank Fees	34.00	169.00	500.00	(331.00)	33.80%
65085 · Professional Development	1,500.00	2,290.00	3,000.00	(710.00)	76.33%
65090 · Meeting Expenses	57.77	1,509.58	3,500.00	(1,990.42)	43.13%
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	25.85	250.00	(224.15)	10.34%
Total 65000 · Office Administration	2,386.98	11,931.87	19,750.00	(7,818.13)	60.41%
65100 · Other Types of Expenses					
65105 · Outreach	0.00	4,986.50	5,000.00	(13.50)	99.73%
65110 · Advertising	171.03	4,048.57	4,000.00	48.57	101.21%
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	1,157.48	14,637.27	18,000.00	(3,362.73)	81.32%
65120 · Insurance	1,393.55	12,760.73	18,000.00	(5,239.27)	70.89%
65130 · Grant Management Software	0.00	5,562.00	6,000.00	(438.00)	92.70%
65150 · Travel	246.09	1,261.06	4,000.00	(2,738.94)	31.53%
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	2,968.15	43,256.13	55,000.00	(11,743.87)	78.65%
66000 · Payroll Expenses					
66005 · Salaries & Wages	32,459.37	242,615.90	250,000.00	(7,384.10)	97.05%
66010 · FITW Tax	2,179.11	15,976.79	20,000.00	(4,023.21)	79.88%
66015 · FUTA Tax	114.94	114.94	150.00	(35.06)	76.63%
66020 · PASUI Tax	483.79	483.79	2,000.00	(1,516.21)	24.19%
66700 · PMRS	1,579.20	15,248.51	19,800.00	(4,551.49)	77.01%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	36,816.41	274,439.93	291,950.00	(17,510.07)	94.00%
67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)					
67005 · Contracted Services - ARPA	0.00	10,499.00	11,000.00	(501.00)	95.45%
67010 · Subawards - ARPA	0.00	527,478.29	858,408.00	(330,929.71)	61.45%
67025 · Indirect Costs - ARPA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
67030 · Salaries & Wages - ARPA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Total 67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)	0.00	537,977.29	869,408.00	(331,430.71)	156.89%
7000 · Provision for Uncollect Notes	0.00	(2,172.24)			
Total Expense	47,035.78	950,846.33	1,330,958.00	(380,111.67)	71.44%

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

Schedule of Grant Reserve

as of
January 31, 2025

	January	YTD	Totals/Subtotals
Restricted Uncommitted Funds	4,564,029.91		
Committed Funds	1,170,735.51		
ARPA Funds	329,930.61		

2024 Restricted Funds: (75% - after settlement payments)

First Quarter Gaming Revenue	277,740.51		
Second Quarter Gaming Revenue	1,159,818.47		
Third Quarter Gaming Revenue	1,337,218.94		
Fourth Quarter Gaming Revenue			2,774,777.92

2024 Interactive Gaming Revenue

FY 2023-2024	1,998,846.01		1,998,846.01
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FY Disbursements:

First Quarter Disbursements	2,202,281.44		
Second Quarter Disbursements	1,465,714.91		
Third Quarter Disbursements	1,140,429.74		
Fourth Quarter Disbursements	203,244.56	203,244.26	5,011,670.35

Disbursements Detail

Grants/Settlements/MRIs

	January	YTD	Subtotal
MUNICIPALITIES			
Settlements			
Summit Township		312,162.54	
Greene Township		76,306.39	
McKean Township		76,306.39	
Millcreek Township		76,306.39	
Waterford Township		76,306.39	
Erie County		76,306.39	
			693,694.49
Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
Jefferson Educational Society		100,000.00	
Girard Township		10,000.00	
Washington Township		43,625.00	
			153,625.00
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT			
Community Facilities			
Harvest 912		10,050.00	
Union Township		33,500.00	
			43,550.00

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AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (cont)

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
Erie County Investment Playbook			
Nonprofit Partnership		32,043.47	
			32,043.47

NEIGHBORHOODS & COMMUNITIES

Anchor Building

2019 Impact Corry	60,000.00	
2022 East Side Renaissance	50,000.00	
2024 Borough of Union City	75,000.00	
Explore the Possibilities	100,000.00	
Fort LeBoeuf Historical Society	70,000.00	
Greater Erie Community Action Committee	50,000.00	
Impact Corry	100,000.00	
North East Community Foundation	50,000.00	
		555,000.00

Mission Main Street

2019 Borough of Union City	125,000.00	
Borough of North East	125,000.00	
City of Erie	205,000.00	
Downtown Girard	125,000.00	
Fairview Township	175,000.00	
Impact Corry	125,000.00	
SSJ Neighborhood Network	100,000.00	
2022 Downtown North East	87,500.00	
		1,067,500.00

Renaissance Block

Bayfront Eastside Taskforce	100,000.00	
Borough of Edinboro	80,000.00	
Borough of North East	80,000.00	
Borough of Union City	100,000.00	
Downtown Girard	80,000.00	
Impact Corry	100,000.00	
		540,000.00

PILOT PROJECT

Erie City Moms	75,000.00	
		75,000.00

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
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	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
Arts, Culture, & Heritage			
Albion Area Fair, Inc.		7,000.00	
AmeriMasala		10,000.00	
Community Resources for Independence		3,138.93	
Dafmark Dance Theater		10,000.00	
Downtown North East, Inc.		12,000.00	
Edinboro University Foundation		5,500.00	
Edinboro Arts & Music Fest		13,000.00	
Erie Art Company		5,000.00	
Erie Arts & Music Festival		12,000.00	
Erie Yesterday		14,000.00	
Erie's Black Wall Street		12,000.00	
Film Society of Northwestern PA		10,000.00	
Heberle's Heartstrings		1,500.00	
Hornby School Restoration Society		6,300.00	
Impact Corry		11,000.00	
Lake Erie Fanfare, Inc.		12,000.00	
Messiah Lutheran Church		5,000.00	
Springfield Township		1,445.00	
Triangle DAR		10,000.00	
Veterans Miracle Center Erie		15,000.00	
Waterford Community Fair Association		13,500.00	
Wattsburg Agricultural Society		11,000.00	
WQLN Public Media		13,000.00	
YMCA of Corry		7,000.00	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra		15,000.00	
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			235,383.93
Community Centers			
Harvest 912		4,950.00	
Union Township		16,500.00	
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			21,450.00

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January 31, 2025

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
Parks, Fields, Trails			
Asbury Woods Partnership Inc	21,350.00	21,350.00	
Borough of Edinboro		25,000.00	
Borough of Union City		25,000.00	
Edinboro Legion Pool Inc	5,394.56	5,394.56	
Elk Creek Recreation & Leisure Board	16,500.00	16,500.00	
Erie Area Council of Governments	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Headwaters Natural Resource Center Trust		9,500.00	
McKean Recreation Authority	25,000.00	50,000.00	
Presque Isle Partnership		7,500.00	
			170,244.56
	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
Special Events			
Albion Area Fair, Inc.		13,700.25	
Americans for Competitive Enterprise Sys		2,700.00	
AmeriMasala		1,683.00	
Asbury Woods Partnership, Inc.		3,363.73	
Barber National Institute		12,516.08	
Borough of Edinboro		1,507.50	
Borough of Girard		572.93	
Borough of Wesleyville		869.40	
Borough of Union City		207.00	
CAFE		15,000.00	
Crime Victim Center of Erie County, Inc,		3,313.85	
Downtown North East, Inc.		3,044.70	
Edinboro University Foundation		2,553.75	
Edinboro Arts & Music Fest		3,420.00	
Erie Art & Music Festival		5,130.00	
Erie County Bar Association		2,250.00	
Erie Homes for Children and Adults, Inc		3,288.60	
Erie Latino Leadership Association		1,391.18	
Erie Lions Club Save an Eye Game		1,125.00	
Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partner.		4,500.00	
Erie Roller Derby		364.14	
Erie United Methodist Alliance		3,150.00	
Erie-Western PA Port Authority		5,652.90	
Film Society of Northwestern PA		5,458.50	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead		2,947.50	
Harborcreek Community Engagement Team		936.00	
Harborcreek Township		1,350.00	

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	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
Special Events (cont)			
Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church		7,065.00	
Humane Society of NWPA		7,074.00	
Impact Corry		3,472.79	
Jefferson Educational Society of Erie		15,000.00	
Lake Erie Fanfare, Inc.		2,245.50	
Lake Erie Greek Cultural Society		7,375.50	
Mercy Center for Women		4,059.00	
Orthodox Church of the Nativity		2,700.00	
Presque Isle Light Station		1,011.15	
Presque Isle Partnership		4,990.50	
Saint Patrick Church		7,389.66	
SSJ Neighborhood Network		5,031.16	
Union City Pride		946.13	
Waterford Community Fair Association		8,685.00	
Wattsburg Agricultural Society		12,651.75	
YMCA of Greater Erie		330.75	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra		4,366.80	
		<u>4,366.80</u>	<u>196,390.70</u>

SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING

TRANSFORMATIONAL GRANTS

Enterprise Development Fund		250,000.00	
Erie Center for Arts & Technology		103,077.00	
Fly Erie Fund LLC		125,000.00	
Minority Community Investment Coalition	125,000.00	250,000.00	
	<u>125,000.00</u>	<u>250,000.00</u>	<u>728,077.00</u>

YOUTH & EDUCATION

Summer Jobs & More

0.00

Total Funds Disbursements	203,244.56	4,511,959.15	<u>4,511,959.15</u>
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Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
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as of
January 31, 2025

	<u>January</u>	<u>Amount Remaining</u>	<u>Original Commitment</u>
Committed Funds:			
N&C			
	Renaissance Block 2018		
1	Academy Neighborhood Association	11,250.00	22,500.00
	SSJ Neighborhood Network	7,000.00	70,000.00
2	Bayfront Eastside Taskforce	25,000.00	50,000.00
	ServErie	29,000.00	58,000.00
	Renaissance Block 2022		
	Borough of Edinboro	50,000.00	100,000.00
	Renaissance Block 2023		
	Borough of Edinboro	50,000.00	100,000.00
	Borough of Union City	50,000.00	100,000.00
	Anchor Building		
20	Borough of Union City	15,000.00	64,375.00
	Mission Main Street 2022		
	Edinboro Community & Economic Development	62,500.00	125,000.00
	Our West Bayfront	125,000.00	125,000.00
MUN	Multi-Municipal Collaboration		
21	Borough of North East	50,000.00	100,000.00
SB	Beehive Network		
	Community Enterprise Financing Loan		
QP	Transformational Grants		
	Erie Center for Arts & Technology	125,983.00	229,060.00
	Fly Erie Fund LLC	125,000.00	250,000.00
	Minority Community Investment Coalition	125,000.00	250,000.00
PP	Pilot Program		
Y&E	Shaping Tomorrow		
	Summer Jobs 2023	25,002.51	150,000.00
	Summer Jobs 2024	200,000.00	200,000.00
	Empower Erie - Community College	220,000.00	400,000.00
Total Committed Funds	125,000.00	1,170,735.51	2,393,935.00
ARPA Transformative Funds			
	Subawards	0.00	324,430.61
	Contracted Services	0.00	5,500.00
	Salaries & Wages	0.00	93,406.00
	Indirect Costs	0.00	11,295.00
Total ARPA Funds	0.00	329,930.61	4,000,000.00

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Transaction List Detail
January 2025

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
01/02/2025	EFT	VISA	2024 December Invoice	-282.85
01/03/2025	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	12/14/2024 to 12/27/2024 Payroll	-10,032.32
01/06/2025	EFT	Fidelity Investments	12/14/2024 to 12/27/2024 Simple IRA	-500.00
01/09/2025	EFT	Local iQ	Meeting 12/9 and 12/19	-171.03
01/09/2025	EFT	Altair Real Estate	2025 January Rent	-1,677.50
01/09/2025	EFT	The Hartford	2025 January Disability Insurance	-109.39
01/09/2025	EFT	Highmark Health Insurance	2025 January Health Insurance	-3,214.53
01/09/2025	EFT	Asbury Woods Partnership, Inc.	2024 Community Assets - PFT	-21,350.00
01/09/2025	EFT	Claremont Lincoln University	Lincoln Land Institute Cohort	-1,500.00
01/09/2025	EFT	Dale Barney	2024 Q4 Travel	-26.93
01/09/2025	EFT	Edinboro Legion Pool, Inc.	2024 Community Assets - PFT	-5,394.56
01/09/2025	EFT	Elk Creek Recreation & Leisure Board	2024 Community Assets - PFT	-16,500.00
01/09/2025	EFT	Gary Winschel	2024 Q4 Travel	-115.24
01/09/2025	EFT	Kate & Co., Inc	2024 January Professional Services	-3,000.00
01/09/2025	EFT	McKean Recreation Authority	2024 Community Assets - PFT	-25,000.00
01/09/2025	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 12/27/2024	-819.60
01/09/2025	EFT	Tammi Michali	2024 Q3,4 Travel, Q4 Phone	-328.10
01/09/2025	EFT	Velocity Network, Inc.	2025 January Phone/IT	-1,157.48
01/13/2025	EFT	Erie Bank	Wire Fee - Blue Highway x2	-34.00
01/15/2025	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	12/258/2024 to 01/10/2025 Payroll	-10,036.68
01/15/2025	EFT	Fidelity Investments	12/28/2024 to 01/10/2025 Simple IRA	-500.00
01/15/2025	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 01/10/2025	-759.60
01/15/2025	EFT	Erie Area Council of Governments	2024 Community Assets - PFT	-10,000.00
01/24/2025	EFT	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2022 January Copier Lease	-345.95
01/24/2025	EFT	Erie Insurance	2025 Business Catastrophe Liability	-861.00
01/24/2025	EFT	Erie Insurance	2025 Workers Compensation	-687.00
01/24/2025	EFT	Erie Insurance	2025 Ultraflex	-1,309.00
01/27/2025	EFT	Minority Community Investment Coalition	MCIC Grow Erie - Final Payment	-125,000.00
01/29/2025	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	01/11/2025 to 01/24/2025 Payroll	-9,880.82
01/29/2025	EFT	Fidelity Investments	01/11/2025 to 01/24/2025 Simple IRA	-500.00
01/29/2025	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 01/24/2025	-759.60

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 ERIE COUNTY GAMING
 Account Number: #####-8643
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VISA

SCORECARD	CASHBACK CURRENT BALANCE	CASHBACK PAYOUT DATE
	\$0.00	05/15/2026

Account Summary

Billing Cycle	12/10/2024
Days In Billing Cycle	30
Previous Balance	\$83.44
Purchases	+ \$280.66
Cash	+ \$0.00
Balance Transfers	+ \$0.00
Special	+ \$0.00
Credits	- \$0.00
Payments	- \$83.44
Other Charges	+ \$2.19
Finance Charges	+ \$0.00

NEW BALANCE \$282.85**Credit Summary**

Total Credit Line	\$40,000.00
Available Credit Line	\$39,717.15
Available Cash	\$39,717.15
Amount Over Credit Line	\$0.00
Amount Past Due	\$0.00
Disputed Amount	\$0.00

Account Inquiries

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Go to WWW.MyCardStatement.com

Write us at PO BOX 30495, TAMPA, FL 33630-3495

Payment Summary

NEW BALANCE	\$282.85
MINIMUM PAYMENT	\$282.85
PAYMENT DUE DATE	01/04/2025

NOTE: Grace period to avoid a finance charge on purchases, pay entire new balance by payment due date. Finance charge accrues on cash advances until paid and will be billed on your next statement.

Corporate Activity

TOTAL CORPORATE ACTIVITY					\$83.44-
Trans Date	Post Date	Reference Number	Transaction Description		Amount
12/03	12/03	1640053042	INTERNET PMT-THANK YOU		\$83.44-

Cardholder Account Summary

TAMMI MICHALI #### 9468	Payments & Other Credits \$0.00	Purchases & Other Charges \$282.85	Cash Advances \$0.00	Total Activity \$282.85
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Cardholder Account Detail

Trans Date	Post Date	Plan Name	Reference Number	Description	Amount
11/13	11/14	PBUS01	24259404318153200351548	HiDock Hong Kong	\$219.00
11/13	11/14	PBUS01	24259404318153200351548	INTERNATIONAL TRANS FEE	\$2.19
11/21	11/21	PBUS01	24692164326107918832384	GANNETT MEDIA CO 888-426-0491 VA	\$11.99

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Account Number

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AMOUNT OF PAYMENT ENCLOSED

Closing Date	New Balance	Total Minimum Payment Due	Payment Due Date
12/10/24	\$282.85	\$282.85	01/04/25

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 ERIE COUNTY GAMING
 5340 FRYLING ROAD
 SUITE 201
 ERIE PA 16510-4672

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Final Details for Order #111-3799534-4124215

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Order Placed: November 25, 2024
Amazon.com order number: 111-3799534-4124215
Order Total: \$49.67

Shipped on December 4, 2024

Items Ordered	Price
1 of: <i>Binder Clips,48 Pcs Medium Binder Clips, 1.25 Inch,Black Metal Binder Clips and Paper Clips for Office, Home, School</i>	\$6.69
Sold by: Qimailer (seller profile)	
Supplied by: Qimailer (seller profile)	
Condition: New	
1 of: <i>Logitech Signature M550 Wireless Mouse - for Small to Medium Sized Hands, 2-Year Battery, Silent Clicks, Customizable Side Buttons, Bluetooth, Multi-Device Compatibility - Black</i>	\$19.99
Sold by: Amazon.com Services, Inc	
Supplied by: Other	
Condition: New	
1 of: <i>Grove Square Tea, Chai Latte, 24 Single Serve Cups</i>	\$22.99
Sold by: Coffee Mocha (seller profile)	
Supplied by: Coffee Mocha (seller profile)	
Condition: New	

Shipping Address:
Perry N. Wood
5340 FRYLING RD STE 201
ERIE, PA 16510-4672
United States

Shipping Speed:
FREE Prime Delivery

Payment information

Payment Method:	Item(s) Subtotal:	\$49.67
Visa ending in 9468	Shipping & Handling:	\$0.00

Billing address	Total before tax:	\$49.67
Perry N. Wood	Estimated tax to be collected:	\$0.00
5340 FRYLING RD STE 201		-----
ERIE, PA 16510-4672	Grand Total:	\$49.67
United States		
Credit Card transactions	Visa ending in 9468: December 4, 2024:	\$49.67

To view the status of your order, return to Order Summary.

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Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Draft Budget
2025-26

Expense	<u>2024-25 Budget</u>	<u>2025-26 Budget</u>
62100 · Contracted Services		
62110 · Auditing Fees	8,150	8,150
62130 · Professional Services	40,000	40,000
62140 · Legal Services	20,000	30,000
62145 · Website Design	2,000	3,000
62150 · Payroll Services	1,500	1,500
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	<u>71,650</u>	<u>82,650</u>
62800 · Facilities & Equipment		
62840 · Office Equipment	3,000	2,000
62890 · Rent	20,200	20,200
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	<u>23,200</u>	<u>22,200</u>
65000 · Office Administration		
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	3,000	2,000
65020 · Postage	100	100
65040 · Office Supplies	2,000	2,000
65050 · Cell Phone	3,000	3,000
65060 · Copier Lease	4,200	4,200
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	200	100
65080 · Bank Fees	500	300
65085 · Professional Development	3,000	4,000
65090 · Meeting Expenses	3,500	3,500
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	250	100
Total 65000 · Office Administration	<u>19,750</u>	<u>19,300</u>
65100 · Other Types of Expenses		
65105 · Outreach	5,000	6,000
65110 · Advertising	4,000	5,000
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	18,000	18,000
65120 · Insurance	18,000	18,000
65130 · Grant Management Software	6,000	6,000
65150 · Travel	4,000	4,000
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	<u>55,000</u>	<u>57,000</u>
66000 · Payroll Expenses		
66005 · Salaries, Wages, Benefits	250,000	276,000
66010 · FITW Tax	20,000	20,000
66015 · FUTA Tax	150	150
66020 · PASUI Tax	2,000	2,000
66700 · PMRS	19,800	22,100
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	<u>291,950</u>	<u>320,250</u>
7000 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expense	<u>461,550</u>	<u>501,400</u>



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ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S
REPORT
FOR
FEBRUARY
2025**



AGENDA

Infinite Erie Board of Managers Meeting

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025

Time: 2:30pm–4:00pm

Location: The Barn at the Erie Community Foundation

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Karen Bilowith, Chair
2. Orientation/Overview for New Board Members
 - Overview of Infinite Erie
 - Discussion/Vote to Appoint new Chairperson
3. Professional Services Agreement Review
 - Proposal by Enterprise Development Fund (CDFI, 501c3)
 - Board Discussion and Vote
4. 2024 Successes / Strategic Priorities for 2025
5. Open Forum
6. Executive Session (if needed)
7. Closing Remarks and Adjournment





ECGRA Communications Services Report

January 2025 Comms.

BiWeekly Meeting with ECGRA Executive Director

Ongoing Social Media Management

Ongoing Consulting

IMPLEMENTED

January social media posts
8 new graphics scheduled in Jan.
BiWeekly planning meeting with Executive Director
EOY Recap Newsletter
Press Conference – Community Centers
Press Release – Community Centers
Invite – Community Centers
Photos – Community Centers Press Conference
Video – Community Centers Press Conference
Photos – SSJNN Bike Program (post in Feb.) via CC Funding
Video – SSJNN Bike Program (post in Feb.) via CC Funding

IN PROGRESS

Holiday Graphics
Brand guide updates - #ECGRAworks content from grant recipients
Little Explorers Op-Ed
Press Release – West County Paramedics
Photos – SSJNN Bike Program
Video – SSJNN Bike Program
Child Care ARPA Funding Posts – Graphics and reels w/ approved language

IN PLANNING

Event planning /scheduling (First Assent, Lead Assets, Grant Workshops)
Annual Report 2024



Tammi Michali

From: Samuel Peterson <peterson@kateco.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 1:59 PM
Subject: Release - Infinite Erie Represents Erie On House Floor For PA Governor's Executive Budget Address
Attachments: harrisburg_default.jpeg; IMG_8458.jpg; [INFINITE ERIE] Release - Post Executive Budget Announcement.pdf

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PA BUDGET SUPPORTS ERIE FAMILIES, BUSINESSES AND WORKERS
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Sam Peterson
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ERIE, PA (February 4, 2025) — Infinite Erie represented Erie at Governor Shapiro's Executive budget address today in Harrisburg. Infinite Erie Executive Director Kim Thomas was recognized before the address by House Speaker Joanna McCClinton.

"Governor Shapiro's budget supports Erie's economic development efforts investing in programs that fuel our renaissance and by investing in the families that fuel our economy," said Kim Thomas, Executive Director, Infinite Erie. "The Governor's budget proposal includes new workforce development programs, tackles the childcare crisis, focuses in on proven economic development strategies, and supports our ongoing efforts to invest in safe affordable housing, while upgrading our aging housing stock."

Highlights of the Governor's proposed budget include:

- New investments in public schools;
- Cutting and simplifying taxes to incentivize economic development;

- Funding childcare with \$55 million investment to attract and retain workers, including a \$1,000 incentive for hiring and retention;
- Legalization of marijuana, with a goal of increasing state revenue;
- Supporting safe and affordable housing, investing in aging housing stock;
- Supporting public transportation and maintaining roads and bridges;
- Raising the minimum wage to \$15/hour;
- Supporting PA Agriculture and Life Sciences as a core of the economy,
- Regulating skill games to help increase state revenues.

Infinite Erie will convene leaders tomorrow morning to discuss highlights of the proposed budget and hear from economic development leaders as they preview the year ahead.

Please read the full summary prepared by the governor, here <https://www.pa.gov/governor/newsroom/2025-press-releases/governor-shapiro-unveils-2025-26-budget-proposal.html>.

Erie County residents can stay updated with Infinite Erie on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [X](#).

ABOUT INFINITE ERIE

Infinite Erie is a community and economic development strategy designed to harness funding opportunities, unify diverse public, private, and civic stakeholders around a common vision, and advance equitable economic development across Erie County, Pennsylvania.

The current projects Infinite Erie supports put money directly back into our community. If fully implemented, these projects would generate \$500 million of economic impact, support and sustain over 3,500 jobs and contribute \$21 million to the state and local tax base.

Coordinating inclusive growth strategies for transformative change, Infinite Erie brings together a cross-sector coalition with shared goals to: Foster economic growth; Promote vibrant neighborhoods; Build a diversified economy that benefits everyone.

Powered by the Erie Action Team, Infinite Erie is committed to coordinating solutions of excellence to overcome complex challenges and to putting plans into action - ultimately catalyzing transformational growth and driving Erie County toward a more vibrant, equitable future.

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