

# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIA ZOOM/In Person

Knowledge Park; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510 May 15, 2025

# **ZOOM Meeting Information:**

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#### **AGENDA**

An Executive Session of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 5350 Technology Drive, Room 128A Erie, PA 16510 at 10:00 am for the purpose of personnel.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES April 2025
- 5. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS
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# 10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

11. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

# 12. OLD BUSINESS

# 13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution Number 12, 2025 Resolution to enter into agreements with thirty (30) community organizations and municipalities engaged in Arts, Culture, & Heritage
- b. Resolution Number 13, 2025 Resolution to enter into agreement with two (2) entities that comprise the recipients of the 2025 Renaissance Block Round 1
- c. Resolution Number 14, 2025 Resolution to enter into agreements with Early Learning Childcare agencies for the Educator Retention Awards as part of the Erie County Investing in Families Initiative
- d. Resolution Number 15, 2025 Resolution to Adopt the Childcare Startup & Expansion Grant Guidelines as part of the Investing in Erie County Families Initiative

# 14. ADJOURNMENT

# Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of ECGRA

Date: Thursday, June 19, 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 April 17, 2025

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Just warning you, I'm losing my voice, so I'm going to do my best to project. Mr. Cleaver will open the meeting, and he'll just turn it over to me, and I'll walk through the election of the officers. Then whoever becomes Chair takes over the meeting. Any questions about that? We'll just go one at a time to elect officers; let's not have a debate about whether or not to do a slate. Let's just go one at a time, take motions and elect each of the four officers. And of course, I want to remind you that I'll put my name for Secretary, as I have done it for the last 10 years or so.

# CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on April 17, 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 8:33 am.

# ROLL CALL

Ms. Amatangelo, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. Hess, Mr. Louis, Mr. Oberlander, and Mr. Winschel are present in person. Mr. Scutella is present in person. Ms. Glasoe (in attendance for Mr. Wachter) and Dr. Wood are present in person.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Cleaver: I'll relinquish this to Perry to go through the election of officers for the up and coming year, and I want to stay upon leaving is that I appreciate the support and help I had from everybody. It was a very easy year, and hopefully all goes well next.

Dr. Wood and several Board members thank Mr. Cleaver for his service.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Okay, election of officers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. We'll start by taking motions for the office of Chair.

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to nominate Kelly Hess as Chair. Ms. Amatangelo seconds the motion.

Dr. Wood: Are there any other nominations?

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to close nominations. Mr. Winschel seconds the motion to close nominations. Motion to close nominations for Chair carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Nominations are closed, so now we can vote on the Chair. Motion is made by Mr. Cleaver, seconded by Ms. Amatangelo, to make Kelly Hess the Chair.

Motion to elect Kelly Hess as Chair of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Now we'll open up for Vice Chair.

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to nominate Angela Amatangelo as Vice Chair. Ms. Hess seconds the motion.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Do we have any other nominations for Vice Chair?

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to close nominations. Mr. Oerlander seconds the motion to close nominations. Motion to close nominations for Vice Chair carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Nominations are closed, so now we can vote on Vice Chair. Motion is made by Mr. Cleaver, seconded by Ms. Hess, to make Angela Amatangelo the Vice Chair.

Motion to elect Angela Amatangelo as Vice Chair of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority carries 6-0.

Dr. Wood: Let's do Treasurer next. Are there any nominations for Treasurer?

Ms. Amatangelo makes a motion to nominate Gary Winschel as Treasurer. Mr. Cleaver seconds the motion.

Dr. Wood: Are there any other nominations?

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to close nominations. Ms. Amatangelo seconds the motion to close nominations. Motion to close nominations for Treasurer carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Nominations are closed, so now we can vote on the Treasurer. Motion is made by Ms. Amatangelo, seconded by Mr. Cleaver, to make Gary Winschel the Treasurer.

Motion to elect Gary Winschel as Treasurer of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority carries 6-0.

Dr. Wood: Congratulations to those three officers. Now we'll take nominations for the Secretary.

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to nominate Perry Wood as Secretary. Mr. Louis seconds the motion.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Are there any other nominations for Secretary?

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to close nominations. Ms. Amatangelo seconds the motion to close nominations. Motion to close nominations for Secretary carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Nominations are closed, so now we can vote on the Secretary. Motion is made by Mr. Cleaver, seconded by Mr. Louis, to make Perry Wood the Secretary.

Motion to elect Perry Wood as Secretary of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority carries 6-0.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: We have our official officers for the 2025-26 fiscal year.

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Winschel seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the agenda. Motion carries 6-0.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 2025

Ms. Amatangelo makes a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Louis seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the minutes. Motion carries 6-0.

# **DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

Ms. Hess: The only thing I would say is thank you very much for your confidence for this position. This is an organization that I guess I've been here six years now, so I certainly feel comfortable in the role, but if anybody has any questions, always feel free to reach out to me. I'm happy to either try to find you the answer, or, you know, maybe I know the answer, but I'll definitely get you an answer. So, I really, really appreciate that. This is a great organization and I just feel so proud to be a part of it and proud to be a part of it with this board. So, thank you very, very much. Also, I wanted to just, of course, thank Whitey for the last year. I've sat and watched you do it over the last year, so hopefully I can follow in your footsteps.

#### COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Ms. Hess already made her comments.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There is no public present.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Today we will hear from our esteemed colleagues from Erie County and GECAC. Gentlemen, if you can go up and introduce yourselves.

Mr. Massey: Good morning, everyone. My name is Doug Massey. I am the Director of Economic Development for Erie County, and I'm rather new to the role. I've been here for, well this is my first

year. But I come from a history of economic development going all the way back to the early Erie Chamber of Commerce days, and then also with the Governor's Action Team on the state level. And I did also some work with the Erie County Community College, helping them develop their workforce development and student engagement roles there.

So currently in my economic development role I'm working with GECAC on some of their initiatives like the Earn & Learn Program, which is what we're going to present to you today.

<u>Dr. Wilson</u>: My name is Ben Wilson. I have been working as the new CEO of GECAC for four and a half months, and so it's been a whirlwind, but it's a job that I thoroughly enjoy, just because of the community impact that GECAC makes every day in our community with our programs and the services that we offer.

Prior to coming to GECAC, I was a senior advisor at a company called Thomas P. Miller and Associates, where we did economic development work, workforce development work throughout the country. So, there was a lot of travel, a lot of working with government officials, colleges, universities, all kinds of stuff. I was delivering a lot of good information across the country, and decided, "I want to do this at home." So, when the opportunity for GECAC came up, I applied, and here I am.

Another reason why I'm excited about GECAC is because of the Earn & Learn Program; it's a program that is really near and dear to my heart. I've been working with ECGRA for many, many years with the program in the early days, and so being able to present and talk a little bit about some of the things that make an impact on the lives of our youth in Erie County is really near and dear to my heart. So near and dear that I did my dissertation work around the program. I just think it's a very impactful program. It's changed many, many lives throughout Erie County. There's been a lot of tweaks and turns in the program, but it's all for the better.

Without going too deep into it, that's why we're here today, to really just talk a little bit about the impact and how we plan to proceed, to continue to provide program services here throughout Erie County through the Earn & Learn Program.

Mr. Massey: I want to start by thanking ECGRA for the collaboration and the contributions that you've made towards the Earn & Learn Program in the past. I think it's been since 2014 that you've been partnering with GECAC and with the County to help make this program what it is and help its growth and development and we appreciate that. We have been working diligently on improving the program. I don't know if you guys know any of the details or statistics of the program, but I do happen to have a sheet that I will get to you guys, so I'll be kind of looking at the sheet and getting the data right from the formula.

Since 2014 Earn and Learn has been an integral part of pipeline development for youth into the workforce and building a work ethic and also giving the exposure and experience to actually engage in and work in businesses in our community. Over the past, there's been an investment of over \$2.5 million and we have served over 1,200 youth. This is actually giving people an opportunity to see what it's like to be in a work environment, teaching them teamwork, teaching them some work ethic, and then also segueing, possibly into some long term, permanent employment. ECGRA has been right there since the beginning. This is a great opportunity to continue this work, this effort, this initiative to improve the lives of our youth who are disadvantaged and wouldn't normally have the opportunity to have an income and then develop a skill set and have a sense of direction.

Looking forward to 2025, ECGRA along with Erie County's contributions, could help impact I think over 150 students for the 2025 year. Looking at some of last year's data, it looks like over 19,000 hours of work was paid to students who actually have gone through the program just in 2024. So, the program is working. It's growing, it's developing. We are working, once again, closely with GECAC to improve the outcomes, we're expanding the reach and engaging with manufacturers in the

area. There will be a buy-in to any of the employers who actually partner with us on this program to help at least have a stake in the game and to help increase wages for the youth for the program.

<u>Dr. Wilson</u>: A lot of people ask, "What's the value of the program?" As I mentioned earlier, a lot of my work when I was working on my doctorate involved looking at the value of the Earn & Learn Program. I always tell people that it's the soft skills piece. Growing up, getting that first job, working your nine to five or whatever, you don't get that mentorship on a job. And so, the program really prides itself on not only providing a soft skills training piece on the onset of the program, but throughout the whole program, and a lot of students don't get that. You go to work, you do the job, and if expectations aren't met, you could potentially lose your job. And so, I really love the fact that we have a really robust soft skills training piece, and then the peer counselors working with the students throughout the whole program adds value. And then hopefully, you know, throughout the whole program, you're building that relationship with that employer. And we all know that building those relationships are very important, and hopefully can turn into a full-time job. And so, this is just a great opportunity to provide that mentorship, provide that extra set of hands on a job.

A lot of our employers are have an aging population, and so bringing these new young people in to teach them the value of work and some of the things that they can do to contribute to a society is just a key piece. And so, with ECGRAs help and your buy in, this is what you're all about, this is what we're all about, community, and uplifting our community and preparing the next generation is going to be key.

Thank you for all the generous help that you've provided over the last almost decade, right? You're continued support will definitely help elevate the program to the next level.

Mr. Massey: I don't know if you guys saw the cost sheet for the program, but Erie County is committing \$263,000 towards the program. The total cost of the program is \$458,403. We are asking for \$200,000 from ECGRA in partnership with Erie County. Now, if you put those two numbers together - the \$263,000 that we committed and the \$200,000 from ECGRA, you would think, "Wait a minute, the cost is \$458,000; that's a little bit skewed." Well, we had discussions earlier about the process for payroll for the students, and that's a challenge. So, Erie County added a little bit of extra resources to cover the cost for - I think it's for ECCA that you guys might be using - to cover the cost of handling that payroll process. So, if you're looking at the numbers and you're adding them together and saying, "Wait a minute, 263 and 200 is more than what the cost is", we've added a little bit extra to cover the cost of the of the payroll process

We look forward to collaborating with ECGRA on this great endeavor and look for good things to come from this program in the future. We have a lot of great ideas for using the community college for the next steps for those who are 18 to 21. We are going to be working closer with CareerLink systems to help develop more of a pipeline into other areas of employment for those who are at the Tier Two level and going into the next phase of their lives. I think this is going to be a fantastic synergy, and then I think we'll be building a nice pipeline of workers for our desperately needed workforce challenge that we're facing today.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Okay. To the board, Resolution Number 11 is on the agenda today for \$200,000 to support the program. We will vote on that during that section of the meeting. Thanks for your time, gentlemen.

Mr. Massey and Dr. Wilson: Thank you very much.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# a. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Winschel: Perry, maybe I'll turn that over to you or Angie.

Ms. Amatangelo: I reviewed the financials. I had no major questions. I did notice the new Cash Detail was in there, so I was going to ask questions about that anyway.

Mr. Winschel: I had a couple questions on that, but Perry, go ahead.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: The Cash Asset Analysis - this is a work in progress I will say. It's not exactly complete, but it gives you a good idea of current cash position. The top is, technically, what's in the savings account that we have and below are the CDs and the money market. Although the savings at the top, the \$6.2, is actually in the money market. If you look at the top, the ARPA funds are in the 2.3% savings account. This is what's confusing about this; we have to figure out a way to visualize this a little bit better and structure these columns. ARPA funds are in savings. Restricted funds are below. You'll see them represented as \$4.5 up top, but they're actually below in the CDs. Committed funds are available in a mixture of the two and the savings. The straight up savings account is actually in the money market account. So that's why this report is confusing. I would say that's why this is a draft report. Gary and I are going to be working on this to make it clear for the board. It's growing pains; it's a brand-new report. I'm glad we have it. I think it's a good summary of where the cash is. If anyone has suggestions on how to make it more accessible to you as a board member . . .

Mr. Winschel: Some of those funds are double counted; you are saying they are reported in two different areas.

Dr. Wood: Yes, they are at the top and below.

Mr. Winschel: We can get that straightened out. I guess we just kind of want to make it easy for you and Tammi to take a look at those CDs and see that there's one coming up in May. Right?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: The bottom piece is crystal clear, right? On the left column, there's the money market and then the rest are the CDs - where they're at, how much they are, the rate they're at, the maturity date, and then liquidity based on the investment ladder, as Gary would say. The top piece is the one that we need to figure out how to make it coincide with the bottom. Maybe we eliminate the top piece, I don't know. We'll have to talk about it.

<u>Mr. Winschel</u>: The key thing is just, what are the amounts, what's the rate, and to see if those things are locked in for certain times. And if we don't need them right away, maybe we can get a little better rate and make the money work a little harder for us. We will sort that up for the next meeting. It's a work in process.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Fantastic. Gary and I will work on that for sure. But the overall report, the P&L, the Balance Sheet amounts - everything is a summary of the year, it's a general summary of our fiscal year. April begins the new fiscal year so next month's financial reports will be the first month of the fiscal year.

Let's just go through it briefly. Are there any questions on the P&L? Moving over to the Balance Sheet – are there any questions on the Balance Sheet? There shouldn't be any major changes there. We will skip through the Cash report and move to the Budget vs Actual. This is where we ended with the budget. We went a little over on legal expenses, slightly over on professional development. Then for some reason the Phone/IT/Fax, one of those things went up, I think the internet coverage, and so it's at 115%.

<u>Mr. Winschel</u>: Perry, I know we talked about this when we discussed the budget, the Payroll Expense and Wages we went over but I guess that was due to an error last year the budget process.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: That's what we came up with for the answer, unfortunately. We made that correction for this year. The Schedule of Grant Reserve, there is a slight variation on how we've done this report before. As you can see, we're going to actually put the formula in on the Restricted Funds piece. We hadn't put the formula in there before, and that formula might change, by the way. It's good that it's there, but just a quick reminder that formula is actually not serving us well because it's shorting the organization some cash which we'll talk about in the Auditor General's Report.

Mr. Winschel: The withdrawal for the land bank, that only comes out in the first two quarters?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Yes, the first two quarters. It's front loaded in the first quarter, which was a decision by the finance department. I've been okay with it.

Mr. Winschel: The percentage of 55/45 is okay for the first two quarters but on the back end it needs to go back the other way.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: That's exactly what's happening. For the Schedule of Grant Reserve, are there any questions? Let's go to the Transaction List. That's the list of all the transactions that were made. You'll see the Settlements were paid and all the typical expenses like rent, insurance, personnel. Are there any questions about the Transaction List?

Tammi, why don't you tell us why there's no Amazon report or Visa statement.

Ms. Michali: We had our account compromised so we were in the process in January of getting a new credit card, so that's why there was no statement last month or this month.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: I just want to be clear on that whenever there's no report, it's because there was no financials to report; there were no transactions to report.

Ms. Amatangelo 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 6-0.

# b. Strategic Planning Committee

There was no meeting held.

# c. Update from County Council

Mr. Scutella has nothing to report.

d. Update from County Executive's Office

Mr. Sinnott is not present for an update.

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: I'm going to be brief on this since we're going to go into Executive Session to talk about the draft Auditors report. But I did want to let everyone know that the early childhood learning initiative is in full swing. We've conducted several sessions with the lead of the JAM Team, which is Elena Cuomo's group. There's been 35 attendees to those; most folks have said they understand Phase One of the program, which is the employee retention piece, because we patterned it after what the state did right after COVID. So, most have not attended the seminars, but everyone I've talked to in the daycare community has said, "We're excited, we're up to speed, we can't wait to apply for it." Round One is due April 25<sup>th</sup>, so we'll see those applications. And of course, those will be run by Elena Cuomo's group, they will come in with a recommendation from us, and then we'll discuss it. So, we'll hold a special planning session and we'll go over the results of Phase One.

Mr. Scutella: On the daycares in Erie County, do they contact them to get involved in the whole group?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: The way it started is I would hold Zoom calls with all of them. Most of them attended, by the way. It was a great way to get 130 agencies up to speed on something. But the truth is there is a more robust early childhood development system that exists because the state of Pennsylvania has something called the Early Learning Resource Center, the ELRC. They meet once a month already. In fact, all of Northwest PA meets once a month. So, what I did was I went to them, and I said, "Can you carve out 30 to 45 minutes for me before or after that meeting so that I can inform all these daycares just from the Erie County perspective on what's going on with this initiative?" They were excited about it. So, they've been facilitating that for me; I've done that several times. And then these workshops that I'm talking about above and beyond were done as well, just to make sure that the guidelines were clear. I put the presentation in here, what it looks like, so you guys can review it. And if you have any questions, I'll try to answer them. But I think it's pretty straightforward.

Mr. Scutella: I'm just asking because I started the first because it's kind of a passion of mine and a couple of other Council members. But say I want to get into a daycare – because we're short daycares – I have to get certified by the state as part of this group. That's how it works, right?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: In order to ensure some level of quality standard for who we grant to, we decided to only grant to folks that are certified with the state. And the state has a four-star system, one through four, four being the best, one being the lowest. And we decided to only do the retention program for star two, three, and four institutions. If you're star one, you simply don't qualify.

Now, that being said, there's incentive for you to move up because we budgeted \$1.5 million for this first phase. We don't think we'll use that one and a half million; I hope I don't have to eat my words on that. But if that's not the case, then we'll have a Round Two. So, folks that are in the process of becoming two star or three star, as they're increasing, will be able to apply for the funds in September.

The star system is a key part of the quality, but if you're starting a brand-new center, this first round you would not qualify for because this is only employee retention grants. But in Round Two,

which we're developing the guidelines for as we speak, Tom and I are working on it, it will be startup and expansion grants. And that's where we get more of the slots.

So Round One was about retention of the workforce; Round Two is about adding those 2,500 slots. We're not going to add 2,500, but if we can half it, I'd really be happy; we can half that problem. Those are the grants that will allow us to add more slots. And then potentially Round Three would be money toward the capital stack of building a brand new early childhood learning facility, which I've been telling everyone we probably need two or three more based on where the daycare deserts are throughout Erie County. That's the most expensive one, by the way, and we'll have to see if we even have any cash left for Round Three by the time we get there. I think that's an ongoing discussion for the board. And it might be a combination of grants and loans. We'll have that discussion as well.

Mr. Scutella: If it is at all possible, when you have these meetings, could you notify someone on Council like me or Chris to attend, is that possible?

Dr. Wood: You mean the Zoom calls with the other folks?

Mr. Scutella: Is that what you're doing, the Zoom? Is that how you are doing it?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: We've done everything on Zoom to date because there's just so many of them to deal with. I don't want to deal with the logistics of putting people in a room, but they're used to doing Zoom because that's what they do at the state. So, we just piggybacked off that. But absolutely, we would - I think it would be great to have a member of Council check it out.

Mr. Scutella: Because you never know when you're going to have to come back to Council.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: What would I have to come back to Council for?

Mr. Scutella: What do you come to Council for?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: I meant on this initiative. I would like to do probably a six-month report and come back to Council and give an interim report and say this is the progress we've made. I'd like to do something like that.

Mr. Scutella: Thank you, sir. Anything else on the early childhood initiative? So, we're moving full steam ahead on that. Let's move quickly through the report here. We got some great articles announcing what we've been doing funding for. The I-HACK press conference was a big one; the largest grant in the history of ECGRA. Gannon did a really nice job on that. The state of Pennsylvania came in for a big grant for that. There's some press on the Edinboro Market. Kate & Co. decided to break ground on a new building downtown, which was cool. And then the refugee stuff, which I want to give you an update on real quick. Then there are a couple of thank you letters, one from Erie Downtown Partnership and one from Bishop Brock.

Here's a quick update on the refugee stuff. I know last month we got those three key agencies on the agenda as soon as possible to give an update. We got a lot of information from that. There's still a lot of unanswered questions about how we might help in the process. But we are moving forward; I've had multiple meetings since then. It's clear the Community Foundation is taking some type of lead on the initiative, not only in creating a response fund, but also in doing some research, which was nice because it's really not an area we specialize in. So, they're doing some research on two levels. Number one, if we use that response fund immediately to alleviate them, what can they actually accomplish and how much will they need? A realistic figure, that \$10 million figure was not

realistic. Nobody in town has that kind of money. But what do you initially need to get you over the next year with the idea that we'll have a five-year runway plan at some point? And that would be phase two, which is how can the system itself evolve based on the fact that we know that there are about 5,000 refugees in that system right now, and we think that there will not be any refugee funding for the next four years. Based on that assumption, how can we provide services for the next four years? So, there's two questions to be asked at a research level. I'm not ready to bring anything to you at this point. If you want to participate in that research, I can certainly invite you to those meetings. Pat Herr from the Erie Community Foundation is taking point on that research.

Now we did get a letter from the County Executive that recaps the issue of the refugee crisis. I'm just going to quote you this one paragraph: "To accomplish this, I'm proposing that each of your organizations," and by each he means ECGRA and the DEI Commission, "I propose that each of your organizations donate \$250,000 from your funding streams to this cause. I will also pledge to propose to Council that Council will donate another \$250,000. Together we will be providing \$750,000, a sum which offers substantial relief in time of crisis." This letter came in March 29th. I don't know what to do with this letter other than share it with you, but I think the research is a really key part right now. I don't know where the number \$250,000 comes from, but here's that letter. Any questions about the refugee piece of it? That will conclude my report.

Mr. Louis: I've got a question. The report, the request, the million dollars that Behrend came to us with, is that formal? Are we going to talk about that at some point at a grant committee meeting? I'm just kind of curious as to that.

Dr. Wood: I'm glad you brought that up.

Mr. Louis: I'm very interested in that project.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Tom and I were just looking at the grants management plan and we have a bunch of stuff that's building up. That's one of them. We went back to them and said, "The board gave us a thumbs up; they liked the concept. We want you to go to the grant level." So, they wrote a transformational grant and we have a draft copy. But there are some things missing from it. So as soon as we get those extra pieces, because it's a phenomenal project, but as soon as we get some extra pieces from it, we'll bring it back to you for strategic planning. I also want to review the guidelines for transformational grants with you guys as well. We haven't done that for a while, so I want to review those guidelines, and I want to talk about the Behrend project for sure. That's the status of it.

Mr. Louis: Perfect. Thank you. And I'll add for the group, I'm hearing impaired, so you're talking softly. I've got two devices.

Dr. Wood: I got you. We will try to project. Anything else for the Director?

# SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Glasoe has nothing to report.

### OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Winschel: Are there any updates on the Fly Erie Fund? I know you're on the Board. Any updates on that? It seems to be going well with Breeze.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: The question was about an update on the Fly Erie Fund. The Fly Erie Fund was going really well in the first two or three months. And there is no way to predict how much that Fund is going to pay out on a month-to-month basis; that's what I've realized. There's no way to project. They have requested year two of the drawdown of the funds. It's hard to believe it's been that long already. But the tariffs bring a whole new level of complexity to this project, and the director of the airport basically said this is definitely going to increase costs, and we're going to be following it to figure out how. But the airlines have both notified the airport that their costs are going up. So, I don't know. I don't know how this affects it long-term. There's a lot of complexities being introduced to that equation. I think if you want a more in-depth report, just keep in mind we can always ask Jake Rao to zoom in or come into the meeting and give us an updated report. But if they are too sophisticated of questions, I'm just not going to be able to answer them because I'm just a board member there. And he's basically staffing that board.

Mr. Winschel: It would be interesting to see the explanation on the tariffs and how that affects the airport.

Dr. Wood: I'll forward to you what they sent to us.

Mr. Winschel: Sounds good.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Resolution Number 11, 2025 – Resolution to approve the funding for the 2025 Erie County Earn & Learn Program

Dr. Wood reads the resolution.

Mr. Oberlander makes a motion to accept the resolution. Ms. Amatangelo seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the resolution. Motion carries 6-0.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Ms. Amatangelo moves to adjourn. Mr. Oberlander seconds the motion. Meeting is adjourned at 9:14.

The Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority begins executive session at 9:15am for legal purposes and no action will be taken.

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Profit & Loss April 2025

	April	YTD	Budget YTD	2025-26 Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income		Ī		
44800 · Gaming Revenue		į		
44801 · Interactive Gaming Revenue		i		
46400 · Other Types of Income		i		
46410 · Interest Income - Savings	11,448.00	11,448.00		
46422 · Interest Income - BWC - Erie Growth		Į.		
46424 · Interest Income - Progress Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00		
46424.5 · Interest Income - 1855 Capital		Ī		
46425 · Interest Income - EDF Restruct		i		
46426 · Interest Income - BWC - Inclusive		i		
46427 · Interest Income - Blue Highway				
46428 · Interest Income - eCAT				
46450 · Dividend Erie Bank MMKT	20,214.21	20,214.21		
46451 · Dividend Erie FCU CD_12	22,017.46	22,017.46		
46452 · Dividend Flagship CD_7		į		
46453 · Dividend FNB CD_3		i		
46454 · Dividend FNB CD_6		į		
46455 ⋅ Dividend FNB CD_9				
Total Income	58,679.67	58,679.67		
Expense		!		
62100 · Contracted Services	12,470.16	12,470.16	6,888.00	82,650.00
62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,797.08	1,797.08	1,850.00	22,200.00
65000 · Office Administration	935.32	935.32	1,608.00	19,300.00
65100 · Other Types of Expenses	3,226.19	3,226.19	4,750.00	57,000.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses	26,216.53	26,216.53	26,688.00	320,250.00
67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)	8,710.00	8,710.00	18,407.00	220,891.00
7000 · Provision for Uncollect Notes				
Total Expense	53,355.28	53,355.28	60,191.00	722,291.00
Net Ordinary Income	5,324.39	5,324.39		

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# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Profit & Loss April 2025

<u>-</u>	April	YTD	Budget YTD	2025-26 Budget
Other Income/Expense		<u> </u>		
70000 · Grants / Settlements / MRIs		į		
70030 · Community Assets	4,290.00	4,290.00		
70050 · Municipal Settlements				
70070 · Special Events	178,208.07	178,208.07		
70090 · Multi-Municipal Collaboration				
70100 · Mission Main Street		ļ		
70120 · Summer Jobs Program		<u>Į</u>		
70125 · Neighborhoods & Communities MRI		j		
70130 · Small Business Financing		I		
70136 · Ignite Erie_Beehive				
70140 · Pilot Projects	6,890.00	6,890.00		
70150 · Shaping Tomorrow		l		
70170 · Renaissance Block				
70180 · Anchor Building		Ī		
70190 · COVID-19 Immediate Human Relief				
70300 · Transformational Grants		I		
Total 70000 · Grants / Settlements	189,388.07	189,388.07		
Not Other Income	(400, 200, 07)	(400, 200, 07)		
Net Other Income	(189,388.07)	(189,388.07)		
Net Income	(184,063.68)	(184,063.68)		

# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2025

	April
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings/Money Market	
10000 · ErieBank - Checking	56,117.42
10100 · ErieBank - Savings	
10101 · Committed Funds	820,733.00
10102 · Restricted Funds	4,575,966.49
10104 · ARPA Fund	212,181.12
10105 · ARPA Childcare	2,500,000.00
10100 · ErieBank - Savings - Other	(2,083,323.74)
Total 10100 · ErieBank - Savings	6,025,556.87
10110 · Erie Bank Money Market 4/12/25	6,252,736.88
Other Current Assets	
10300 · Erie FCU CD 8/28/25	5,173,538.80
10400 · Flagship CD 9/26/25	2,054,100.50
10510 · FNB CD_7 8/21/25	1,026,128.62
10520 · FNB CD_9 5/21/25	1,025,636.92
Total Checking/Savings/Money Market/CDs	21,613,816.01
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	482,922.27
12085 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Nnprofit	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)
12000 · Notes Receivable - Other	37,077.73
Total 12000 · Notes Receivable	6,214,625.00
14500 · Prepaid Insurance	16,140.45
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	6,230,765.45
Total Current Assets	27,844,581.46
TOTAL ASSETS	27,844,581.46

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# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2025

	April
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
20100* · Deferred Revenue	2,500,000.00
20300 · Unearned Revenue	220,891.10
Total Current Liabilities	2,720,891.10
Total Liabilities	2,720,891.10
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	2,927,064.18
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	22,380,689.86
Net Income	(184,063.68)
Total Equity	25,123,690.36
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	27,844,581.46

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Cash Asset Analysis as of April 30, 2025

# CHECKING/SAVINGS ACCOUNT

FUND	LOCATION	AMOUNT	RATE	MATURITY DATE	LIQUIDITY
Checking Account		\$56,117.42	0.00%	N/A	daily
Committed Funds		\$820,733.00		N/A	daily
Restricted Funds	Erie Bank	\$4,575,966.00		N/A	yearly
ARPA Fund	Elle Dank	\$212,181.12		N/A	daily
ARPA Childcare		\$2,500,000.00		N/A	daily
Savings - Other		-\$2,083,323.74		N/A	daily
Total Savings		\$6,025,556.38	2.32%	N/A	daily

# MONEY MARKET / CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT

FUND	LOCATION	AMOUNT	RATE	MATURITY DATE	LIQUIDITY
Money Market	Erie Bank	\$6,252,737.00	4.25%	N/A	daily
<b>Certificate of Deposit</b>	FNB	\$1,025,636.00	5.15%	5/21/2025	9 month
Certificate of Deposit	FNB	\$1,026,129.00	4.00%	8/21/2025	7 month
Certificate of Deposit	Erie FCU	\$5,173,539.00	5.33%	8/28/2025	12 month
Certificate of Deposit	Flagship	\$2,054,101.00	4.46%	9/26/2025	7 month

Total Checking/Savings/MMKT, CD \$21,613,816

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Budget vs. Actual April 2025

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	April	YTD	Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	% of Budget
Expense	<del></del> .				
62100 · Contracted Services					
62110 · Accounting Fees	6,800.00	6,800.00	8,150.00	(1,350.00)	83.44%
62130 · Professional Services	3,000.00	3,000.00	40,000.00	(37,000.00)	7.50%
62140 · Legal Services	2,577.00	2,577.00	30,000.00	(27,423.00)	8.59%
62145 · Website Design	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	0.00%
62150 · Payroll Services	93.16	93.16	1,500.00	(1,406.84)	6.21%
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	12,470.16	12,470.16	82,650.00	(70,179.84)	15.09%
62800 · Facilities & Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.000.00	(0.000.00)	0.000/
62840 · Office Equipment	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00%
62890 · Rent	1,797.08	1,797.08	20,200.00	(18,402.92)	8.90%
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,797.08	1,797.08	22,200.00	(20,402.92)	8.09%
65000 · Office Administration					
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	36.99	36.99	2,000.00	(1,963.01)	1.85%
65020 · Postage	0.00	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	0.00%
65040 · Office Supplies	243.85	243.85	2,000.00	(1,756.15)	12.19%
65050 · Cell Phone	153.31	153.31	3,000.00	(2,846.69)	5.11%
65060 · Copier Lease	345.95	345.95	4,200.00	(3,854.05)	8.24%
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	0.00	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	0.00%
65080 · Bank Fees	0.00	0.00	300.00	(300.00)	0.00%
65085 · Professional Development	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	(4,000.00)	0.00%
65090 · Meeting Expenses	155.22	155.22	3,500.00	(3,344.78)	4.43%
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	0.00%
Total 65000 · Office Administration	935.32	935.32	19,300.00	(18,364.68)	4.85%
65100 · Other Types of Expenses					
65105 · Outreach	215.00	215.00	6,000.00	(5,785.00)	3.58%
65110 · Advertising	155.71	155.71	5,000.00	(4,844.29)	3.11%
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	1,157.61	1,157.61	18,000.00	(16,842.39)	6.43%
65120 · Insurance	1,559.97	1,559.97	18,000.00	(16,440.03)	8.67%
65130 · Grant Management Software	0.00	0.00	6,000.00	(6,000.00)	0.00%
65150 · Travel	137.90	137.90	4,000.00	(3,862.10)	3.45%
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	3,226.19	3,226.19	57,000.00	(53,773.81)	5.66%
66000 ⋅ Payroll Expenses					
66005 · Salaries & Wages	23,155.33	23,155.33	276,000.00	(252,844.67)	8.39%
66010 · FITW Tax	1,496.36	1,496.36	20,000.00	(18,503.64)	7.48%
66015 · FUTA Tax	0.00	0.00	150.00	(150.00)	0.00%
66020 · PASUI Tax	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00%
66700 · PMRS	1,564.84	1,564.84	22,100.00	(20,535.16)	7.08%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	26,216.53	26,216.53	320,250.00	(294,033.47)	8.19%
67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)					
67005 · Contracted Services - ARPA	0.00	0.00	5,500.00	(5,500.00)	0.00%
67010 · Subawards - ARPA	8,710.00	8,710.00	212,181.12	(203,471.12)	4.10%
Total 67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)	8,710.00	8,710.00	217,681.12	(208,971.12)	4.10%
7000 · Provision for Uncollect Notes					
Total Expense	53,355.28	53,355.28	719,081.12	(665,725.84)	7.42%
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# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

# **Schedule of Grant Reserve**

as of April 30, 2025

_	April	YTD	Totals/Subtotals
Restricted Uncommitted Funds	4,575,966.49		
Committed Funds	820,733.00		
ARPA Funds	212,181.12		
ARPA Childcare	2,500,000.00		
2024 Restricted Funds: (75% - after settlement payments)			
First Quarter Gaming Revenue			
(land bank/county)			
(county)			
(ECGRA)			
Second Quarter Gaming Revenue			
(land bank) =			
(county)			
(ECGRA)			
Third Quarter Gaming Revenue			
(county)			
(ECGRA)			
Fourth Quarter Gaming Revenue			
(county)			
(ECGRA)			
			0.00
2025 Interactive Gaming Revenue			
FY 2024-2025			
(county)			
(ECGRA)			
			0.00
Total Gaming Revenue			0.00
FY Disbursements:			
First Quarter Disbursements	198,098.07	198,098.07	
Second Quarter Disbursements			
Third Quarter Disbursements			
Fourth Quarter Disbursements			198,098.07

# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

# **Schedule of Grant Reserve**

as of April 30, 2025

Disb	ursements Detail		
Grants/Settlements/MRIs			
	April	YTD	Subtotal
MUNICIPALITIES			
Settlements			
Summit Township			
Greene Township			
McKean Township			
Millcreek Township			
Waterford Township			
Erie County			
			0.00
Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT			
Erie County Investment Playbook			
NEIGHBORHOODS & COMMUNITIES			
Anchor Building			
Alichor Bulluling			
Mission Main Street			
Renaissance Block			
PILOT PROJECT			
Mercyhurst University	6,890.00	6,890.00	
			6,890.00
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
Arts, Culture, & Heritage			
Community Centers			
Bethany Outreach Center	13,000.00	13,000.00	
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Parks, Fields, Trails

# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Schedule of Grant Reserve**

# as of

as April 3			
April	April	YTD	Subtotal
Special Events			
Albion Area Fair, Inc.	12,777.05	12,777.05	
AmeriMasala	1,366.99	1,366.99	
	-1,366.99	-1,366.99	
Asbury Woods Partnership, Inc.	2,828.85	2,828.85	
Borough of Edinboro	1,265.90	1,265.90	
Borough of Wesleyville	1,071.00	1,071.00	
CAFE	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Community Blood Bank of NWPA	1,190.00	1,190.00	
Community Resources for Independence	2,975.00	2,975.00	
Compton's Table	425.00	425.00	
Crime Victim Center of Erie County, Inc,	3,151.20	3,151.20	
Downtown North East, Inc.	3,825.00	3,825.00	
Dr. Gertrude A Barber Foundation	8,911.07	8,911.07	
Edinboro Arts & Music Fest	3,867.50	3,867.50	
Edinboro University Foundation	2,295.00	2,295.00	
Erie Art & Music Festival	5,525.00	5,525.00	
Erie Cancer Wellness Center	448.21	448.21	
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre	4,731.31	4,731.31	
Film Society of Northwestern PA	3,267.53	3,267.53	
Friends of the Erie County Library	1,062.50	1,062.50	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead	2,475.25	2,475.25	
Greater Erie Economic Development Corp	12,750.00	12,750.00	
Harborcreek Community Engagement Team	600.25	600.25	
Harborcreek Township	1,396.60	1,396.60	
Heberle's Heartstrings	2,397.00	2,397.00	
Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church	6,948.75	6,948.75	
Jefferson Educational Society of Erie	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Lake Erie Ballet	6,397.74	6,397.74	
Lake Erie Fanfare, Inc.	2,507.50	2,507.50	
Mercy Center for Women	1,790.31	1,790.31	
NAMI Erie County PA	850.00	850.00	
Nonprofit Partnership	3,545.25	3,545.25	
Presque Isle Audubon	1,062.50	1,062.50	
Presque Isle Light Station	1,289.92	1,289.92	
Presque Isle Partnership	6,226.25	6,226.25	
Saint Patrick Church	6,698.13	6,698.13	
SSJ Neighborhood Network	6,498.89	6,498.89	
Waterford Community Fair Association	8,223.75	8,223.75	
Wattsburg Agricultural Society	12,672.66	12,672.66	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra	4,260.20	4,260.20	

# **Schedule of Grant Reserve**

as of April 30, 2025

	April	YTD	Subtotal
SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING			
TRANSFORMATIONAL GRANTS			
YOUTH & EDUCATION			
<b>Total Funds Disbursements</b>	198,098.07	198,098.07	198,098.07

# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

# **Schedule of Grant Reserve**

# as of April 30, 2025

Committ		April	Remaining	Commitment
	ed 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 2020			
	Borough of Union City		15,000.00	64,375.00
	Mission Main Street 2022			
	Edinboro Community & Economic Development		62,500.00	125,000.00
MUN	Multi-Municipal Collaboration 2021			
	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
PP	Pilot Program			
Y&E	Shaping Tomorrow			
	Empower Erie - Community College		220,000.00	400,000.00
Total Com	mitted Funds	0.00	820,733.00	1,668,935.00
ARPA Tr	ansformative Funds			
	Subawards	8,710.00	206,681.12	3,622,025.00
	Contracted Services	0.00	5,500.00	273,274.00
	Salaries & Wages	0.00	0.00	93,406.00
	Indirect Costs	0.00	0.00	11,295.00
Total ARP	A Funds	8,710.00	212,181.12	4,000,000.00

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Transaction List Detail April 2025

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
04/03/2025	EFT	VISA	2025 March Visa Statement	-326.79
04/08/2025	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	03/22/25 to 04/04/2025 Payroll	-10,074.98
04/08/2025	EFT	Fidelity Investments	03/22/2025 to 04/04/2025 Simple IRA	-500.00
04/08/2025	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 04/04/2025	-782 42
04/10/2025	EFT	Local iQ	Meetings 3/10, 3/17	-155.71
04/10/2025	EFT	The Hartford	2025 April Disability Insurance	-109.39
04/10/2025	EFT	Highmark Health Insurance	2025 April Health Insurance	-3,594.89
04/10/2025	EFT	Altair Real Estate	2025 April Rent	-1,677.50
04/10/2025	EFT	W. B. Mason Co., Inc.	2025 April Office Supplies	-147.96
04/10/2025	EFT	Albion Area Fair, Inc.	2025 Special Events	-12,777.05
04/10/2025	EFT	Borough of Edinboro	2025 Special Events	-1,265.90
04/10/2025	EFT	Borough of Wesleyville	2025 Special Events	-1,071.00
04/10/2025	EFT	CAFE	2025 Special Events	-15,000.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Community Resources for Independence	2025 Special Events	-2,975.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Compton's Table	2025 Special Events	-425.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Crime Victim Center of Erie County, Inc.	2025 Special Events	-3,151.20
04/10/2025	EFT	Downtown North East, Inc.	2025 Special Events	-3,825.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Barber National Institute	2025 Special Events	-8,911.07
04/10/2025	EFT	Edinboro Arts & Music Fest	2025 Special Events	-3,867.50
04/10/2025	EFT	Edinboro University Foundation	2025 Special Events	-2,295.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Erie Art & Music Festival	2025 Special Events	-5,525.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre	2025 Special Events	-4,731.31
04/10/2025	EFT	Film Society of Northwestern PA	2025 Special Events	-3,267.53
04/10/2025	EFT	Friends of the Erie County Library	2025 Special Events	-1,062.50
04/10/2025	EFT	Gary Winschel	2025 Q1 Travel	-137.90
04/10/2025	EFT	Goodell Gardens & Homestead	2025 Special Events	-2,475.25
04/10/2025	EFT	Harborcreek Community Engagement Team	2025 Special Events	-600.25
04/10/2025	EFT	Harborcreek Township	2025 Special Events	-1,396.60
04/10/2025	EFT	Heberle's Heartstrings	2025 Special Events	-2,397.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Jefferson Educational Society of Erie	2025 Special Events	-15,000.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Kate & Co., Inc	2025 Special Events	-3,000.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Lake Erie Ballet	2025 Special Events	-6,397.74
04/10/2025	EFT	Lake Erie Fanfare, Inc.	2025 Special Events	-2,507.50
04/10/2025	EFT	Mercyhurst University	2025 Pilot Program	-6,890.00
04/10/2025	EFT	Mercy Center for Women	2025 Special Events	-1,790.31
04/10/2025	EFT	NAMI Erie County PA	2025 Special Events	-850.00
04/10/2025	EFT	The Nonprofit Partnership	2025 Special Events	-3,545.25
04/10/2025	EFT	Presque Isle Audubon	2025 Special Events	-1,062.50
04/10/2025	EFT	Presque Isle Light Station	2025 Special Events	-1,289.92

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Transaction List Detail

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
04/10/2025	EFt	Presque Isle Partnership	2025 Special Events	-6,226.25
04/10/2025	EFT	Saint Patrick Church	2025 Special Events	-6,698.13
04/10/2025	EFT	SSJ Neighborhood Network	2025 Special Events	-6,498.89
04/10/2025	EFT	Velocity Network, Inc.	2025 April Phone/IT	-1,157.61
04/10/2025	EFT	Waterford Community Fair Association	2025 Special Events	-8,223.75
04/10/2025	EFT	Wattsburg Agricultural Society	2025 Special Events	-12,672.66
04/10/2025	EFT	Young Artists Debut Orchestra	2025 Special Events	-4,260.20
04/10/2025	EFT	Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church	2025 Special Events	-6,948.75
04/11/2025	EFT	Tammi Michali	2025 Q1 Phone, Expenses	-204.62
04/11/2025	EFT	Bethany Outreach Center	2024 Community Centers	-13,000.00
04/12/2025	EFT	AmeriMasala	2025 Special Events	-1,366.99
04/21/2025	EFT	Asbury Woods Partnership, Inc.	2025 Special Events	-2,828.85
04/21/2025	EFT	Community Blood Bank of NWPA	2025 Special Events	-1,190,00
04/21/2025	EFT	Greater Erie Economic Development Corp	2025 Special Events	-12,750.00
04/21/2025	EFT	Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett	2025 April Legal	-2,577.00
04/21/2025	EFT	MaherDuessel, CPA	2024-25 Audit	-6,800.00
04/28/2025	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	04/05/2025 to 04/18/2025 Payroll	-10,074,98
04/28/2025	EFT	Fidelity Investments	04/05/2025 to 04/18/2025 Simple IRA	-500.00
04/28/2025	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 4/18/2025	-782.42
04/28/2025	EFT	Erie Cancer Wellness Center	2025 Special Events	-448.21
04/28/2025	EFT	Altair Real Estate	2025 April Rent balance due	-119.58
04/28/2025	EFT	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2025 April Copier Lease	-345.95
04/28/2025	2947	Uplift Foundation	10th Annual My Brother's Keeper Program	-125.00

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Account Number: #### ####-###-0623

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**CASHBACK CURRENT** SCOR=CARD **BALANCE** \$0.00

**CASHBACK PAYOUT DATE** 05/15/2025

Account Summary		
Billing Cycle		03/10/2025
Days In Billing Cycle		31
Previous Balance		\$0.00
Purchases	+	\$326.79
Cash	+	\$0,00
Balance Transfers	+	\$0,00
Special	+	\$0.00
Credits	-	\$0.00
Payments	•	\$0.00
Other Charges	+	\$0.00
Finance Charges	+	\$0,00
NEW BALANCE		\$326.79

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**NEW BALANCE** 

\$326.79

**MINIMUM PAYMENT** 

\$326.79

**PAYMENT DUE DATE** 

04/04/2025

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.

# **Credit Summary**

Total Credit Line	\$40,000.00
Available Credit Line	\$39,673,21
Available Cash	\$39,673.21
Amount Over Credit Line	\$0.00
Amount Past Due	\$0.00
Disputed Amount	\$0.00

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**ERIEBANK PO BOX 42 CLEARFIELD PA 16830-0042**  Account Number #### #### #### 0623

\$31.02 8.56 mig exp

Check box to indicate name/address change on back of this coupon

AMOUNT OF PAYMENT ENCLOSED

03/10/25

\$326.79

Payment Due \$326.79

04/04/25

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Trans Date	Post Date	Plan Name	Reference Number	Description	Amount		
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03/09	03/10	PBUS01	24692165069108099988365	TOPS MARKETS #601 ERIE PA	\$43.46		

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Days In Billing Cycle: 31

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<sup>\*</sup> Periodic Rate (M)=Monthly (D)=Daily

<sup>\*\*</sup> includes cash advance and foreign currency fees

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FCM = Finance Charge Method

<sup>(</sup>V) = Variable Rate. If you have a variable rate account the periodic rate and Annual Percentage Rate (APR) may vary.



# Final Details for Order #111-4156252-4049857

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Order Placed: January 30, 2025

Amazon.com order number: 111-4156252-4049857

Order Total: \$25.00

# Shipped on February 21, 2025

 Items Ordered
 Price

 1 of: Economic Development That Benefits Everyone: Poverty Reduction Is a Key Strategy, Mary Cacioppi
 \$25.00

1 or: Economic Development That Benefits Everyone: Poverty Reduction Is a Key Strategy, Mary Cacloppi

Sold by: Amazon.com Services, Inc

Supplied by: Other

Condition: New

#### **Shipping Address:**

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

# **Shipping Speed:**

FREE Prime Delivery

Pa	syment information	
Payment Method:	Item(s) Subtotal:	\$25.00
Visa ending in 0581	Shipping & Handling:	\$0.00
Billing address	Total before tax:	\$25.00
Perry N. Wood	Estimated tax to be collected:	\$0.00
5340 FRYLING RD STE 201		
ERIE, PA 16510-4672	Grand Total:	\$25.00
United States		
Credit Card transactions	Visa ending in 0581: February 21, 2025:	\$25.00

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

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#### Final Details for Order #111-5551469-0445850

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Order Placed: February 24, 2025

Amazon.com order number: 111-5551469-0445850

Order Total: \$40.48

#### Shipped on February 26, 2025

**Price Items Ordered** \$40.48

1 of: Green Mountain Coffee Roasters Half Caff Keurig Single-Serve K-Cup pods, Medium Roast Coffee, 72 Count, Green

Mountain Coffee Roasters

Sold by: Amazon.com Services, Inc. Supplied by: Other

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: Visa ending in 0581 Item(s) Subtotal:

Shipping & Handling:

**Grand Total:** 

\$0.00 -----

**Billing address** 

Perry N. Wood

Total before tax: Estimated tax to be collected: \$40.48 \$0.00 ----

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5340 FRYLING RD STE 201 ERIE, PA 16510-4672

**Credit Card transactions** 

\$40.48

**United States** 

Visa ending in 0581: February 26, 2025:

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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**FOR** 

MAY 2025

# Tammi Michali

From:

RV, BFM Gaming <RA-BFM-Gaming@pa.gov>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 2:17 PM

To:

plichtenwalter@eriecountypa.gov

Cc:

Perry Wood; Tammi Michali

Subject:

Local Share Assessment Payment Notification - Erie County

External Sender - From: ("RV, BFM Gaming" <RA-BFM-

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Gaming@pa.gov>)

This message came from outside your organization.

Dear Mr. Lichtenwalter:

In accordance with the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act 42 of 2017, the Department is required to distribute quarterly the Local Share Assessment collected for interactive gaming and slots to the municipalities in which a licensed gaming entity is located. This distribution is based on the interactive gaming and slots local share assessment amount collected plus the slot machine license operation fee amount collected over Summit Township's budget limitation.

Erie County: \$617,350.44

Land Bank Jurisdiction: \$617,350.44

An ACH for the 1st quarter of 2025 payment in the amount of \$1,234,700.88 should be deposited in your bank account within 7 - 10 business days. This payment includes the slots local share assessment of \$389,621.12, the slot machine license operation fee of \$765,386.00, and the interactive gaming portion of \$79,693.76. Any reductions to the Gross Interactive Gaming Revenue (GIGR) and Gross Terminal Revenue (GTR) for promotional items is the result of the Gaming Bulletin 2015-01 and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's April 28, 2014 decision in Greenwood Gaming and Entertainment Incorporated v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Revenue (90 A.3d 699 (Pa. 2014)).

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you.

Jennifer Heckert | Division Chief
PA Department of Revenue
Bureau of Fiscal Management | Gaming Division
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- AHN/St. Vincent
- Altair Real Estate
- City of Erie
- Erie Bank
- Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
- Erie Events
- Erie Federal Credit Union
- Erie Homes for Children & Adults

- Erie Insurance
- Erie Regional Chamber
- Gannon University
- Hardinger Transportation
- Industrial Sales & Manufacturing
- Knox Law
- Manufacturers & Business Association
- Marquette Savings Bank

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- Millcreek Township
- Sarah Reed
   Children's Center
- Summit Township
- Value Momentum
- VisitErie
- Wabtec



ECGRA Executive Director Perry Wood announces nearly \$600,000 in grant funding to nine nonprofit organizations at the Erie Zoo on April 10.

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# ECGRA awards \$600,000 to nine place-shaping nonprofits

A.J. Rao Erie Times-News USA TODAY NETWORK

The Brie County Gaming Revenue Authority on Thursday awarded \$594,154 to nine organizations that ECGRA describes as "nine of Brie County's most impactful nonprofit organizations."

These nonprofits, which ECGRA designates as lead assets, are considered by ECGRA to be "place-shaping culture-, heritage- and recreation-based non-profits."

Since 2011, ECGRA has committed more than \$18 million in grants and endowment support to these lead assets, driving tourism, preserving Brie's identity, enriching families and supporting Brie's creative economy, according to an ECGRA news release.

"These funds represent our ongoing commitment to create positive impact to some of the primary pillars of Erie County's quality of place," ECGRA Executive Director Perry Wood said. "Improving the quality of place is vital to advancing community and economic development strategies being implemented across Erie County."

Wood added that lead assets not only

help preserve Erie County's history and culture but have a significant economic impact.

"People want to live in a community with assets like these organizations," he said. "They make the community vibrant. They make the community unique."

The announcement Thursday was made during a news conference at the Erie Zoo, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year and is one of the designated lead assets.

#### Lead asset grant awards

- Rrie Zoo: \$174,212.48
- Brie Philharmonic: \$89,429.19
- Hagen History Center: \$70,130.85
- Mercyhurst Institute for Arts & Culture: \$56,157.62
- Flagship Niagara League: \$55,263.53
  - Brie Arts & Culture: \$44,427.06
  - Brie Playhouse: \$46,026.19
  - Rrie Art Museum: \$31,858.02
- expERIEnce Children's Museum: \$26,676.06

A.J. Rao can be reached at arao@gannett.com. Follow him on X @ETNRao.

APRIL 16, 2025

# **RESOLUTION NUMBER 12, 2025**

# Resolution to enter into agreements with thirty (30) Erie County community organizations and municipalities engaged in Arts, Culture, and Heritage

Whereas, the Strategic Planning Committee reviewed funding proposals and made funding recommendations to support community assets as they relate to ECGRA's Strategic Plan and community goals;

Whereas, there were thirty (30) applicants for Community Assets funding and the Board of Directors affirms that thirty (30) applicants have met the threshold for funding including being in good standing with taxing bodies and other reporting requirements;

Whereas, the eligible applicants are awarded grants totaling \$343,883.00 to the extent outlined in the attached Exhibit "A";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to enter into agreements with thirty (30) Erie County Community Assets so they may flourish, create an economic impact on the region through tourism and continue to enrich the quality of life for Erie County residents.

On the motion of	, seconded by
This resolution was passed on 15 <sup>th</sup> day	y of May 2025 by a vote of
	ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY
	Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority May 15, 2025
ATTEST:	
Secretary, ECGRA	



# 2025 Community Assets

# ARTS, CULTURE, & HERITAGE

		Amount	Amount
Organization	Project	Requested	Recommended
Albion Area Fair	Albion Area Fair	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Americans for the Competitive			4
Enterprise System	Pennsylvania Business Week	\$4,800.00	\$1,300.00
AmeriMasala	The AmeriMasala	\$13,000.00	\$8,000.00
Borough of Union City	Union City Borough Carvings	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Burleigh Legacy Alliance	BLA Erie Community Programming	\$14,750.00	\$14,750.00
Dafmark Dance Theatre	Arts Education for Youth who Live in Public Housing	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00
Downtown North East	Enjoy North East in 2025	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00
Edinboro Arts & Music Festival	The Downtown Edinboro Arts & Music Fest	\$15,000.00	\$11,133.00
Edinboro University Foundation	Highland Games and Scottish Festival	\$15,000.00	\$7,000.00
Erie Art Company	Lake Erie Literary Festival 2025	\$12,000.00	\$10,000.00
Erie Arts & Music Festival	2025 Erie Blues & Jazz Festival	\$15,000.00	\$9,475.00
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre	The Nutcracker with Live Music	\$15,000.00	\$10,269.00
Ene contemporary bance meatre	THE NUCLEUCKET WITH LIVE INVASIC	713,000.00	710,203.00
Erie County Veterans Memorial Park	Security Cameras Project	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Erie PAL	Erie PAL Unlocking the Cop Kid Relationship	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00
Frie Mastern DA Deut Autheuitu	Presque Isle Water Taxi Community Access	¢15 000 00	¢0.00
Erie Western PA Port Authority	Program Strengthening the Capacity of Erie County's	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
Erie Yesterday	Heritage Community	\$14,756.00	\$14,756.00
Erie's Black Wall Street	Juneteenth 2025	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00
Film Society of NWPA	Film Erie: A New Era	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00
Firefighters Historical Museum Inc.	Restoration Project 2025	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00
Fort LeBoeuf Historical Society	Campus Facilities Improvements	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
,	Camp and Outdoor Education Programming at	. ,	. ,
Girl Scouts Western PA	Camp Hawthorne Ridge	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Lake Erie Ballet Company	Erie's Nutcracker Reimagined	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00
North East Arts Council	Community Programming	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Northwestern Community Educational Foundation	Valley Cabaal Myssyra Dastaration	¢15 000 00	¢12,000,00
	Valley School Museum Restoration	\$15,000.00	\$12,000.00
Penn State University Performing Artists Collective	Music at Noon: The Logan Series 2025-26	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
Alliance	2025-26 Theatrical Season	\$15,000.00	\$9,000.00
Rhoxon Productions Incorporated	The Lake Effect Film Festival	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Wattsburg Agricultural Society	Livestock Barn Phase 1	\$11,700.00	\$11,700.00
WQLN Public Broadcasting	Pauline: From 2 to 3 - Documentary	\$15,000.00	\$8,000.00
YMCA of Corry	CorryFest Chainsaw Carving Festival	\$15,000.00	\$7,000.00
	21st Season - Presenting 10 Public	713,000.00	\$7,000.00
Young Artists Debut Orchestra	Performances	\$15,000.00	\$12,000.00
TOTAL		\$400,506.00	\$343,883.00

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 13, 2025**

## Resolution to enter into agreement with two (2) entities that comprise the recipients of the 2025 Renaissance Block Program – Round 1

Whereas, ECGRA was formed to oversee and administer the investment and distribution of gaming funds in Erie County, Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, ECGRA's mission of economic and community development recognizes the importance of reinvigorating neighborhoods and main corridors, combatting blight, and maintaining a strong housing market; and

Whereas, ECGRA seeks to use gaming funds as a catalyst to address and reverse housing blight in Erie County;

Whereas, ECGRA believes that community efforts to remove housing blight and reverse deterioration will incentivize and spur private investment, make neighborhoods and communities more walkable, safe and attractive, increase market values of homes, and improve the municipal tax base; and

Whereas, the two (2) recipients are identified as the following applicants: Borough of Union City and Impact Corry;

Whereas, the eligible applicants are awarded grants totaling \$200,000 to the extent outlined in the attached Exhibit "A";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to enter into agreements with two (2) recipients of the Renaissance Block Program so the community served may flourish, create an economic impact on the region and continue to improve upon local neighborhoods on behalf of the people of Erie County.

On the motion of	, seconded by
This resolution was passed or	n the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 by a vote of
	ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY
	Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
	May 15, 2025
ATTEST:	
	-
Secretary, ECGRA	



# 2025 Renaissance Block Round 1

Geganization	Representative	Project	Amount Requested	Amount Approved
Borough of Union City	Cindy Wells	Renaissance Grant 2025-2026	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
Impact Corry	Charles Gray	Restoring Corry's Neighborhoods	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
		Total Requests	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 14, 2025**

## Resolution to adopt the Funding for the Educator Retention Awards as part of the Erie County Investing in Families Initiative

Whereas, ECGRA's mission of economic and community development recognizes the importance of local government, businesses, and citizen groups working together in a public-private partnership to address the needs of early childhood education and development;

Whereas, the Economic Development Financing Law states that one purpose of ECGRA is to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the people of this Commonwealth and to further encourage economic development and efficiency within this Commonwealth by providing basic services;

Whereas, the Economic Development Financing Law recognizes that the present and prospective health, safety, morals and general welfare of the people of this Commonwealth require as a public purpose the promotion and development of new, expanded and rehabilitated industrial, commercial and other economic activities;

Whereas, the ECGRA seeks to strengthen provider capacity and ensure continuity of services for thousands of families throughout Erie County;

Whereas, the ECGRA believes the stipulations resulting from the careful deliberation with Northwest Institute of Research creates a wise and appropriate framework to be applied to childcare and early learning providers across the county;

Whereas, there were sixty (60) providers submitting funding requests and the Board of Directors affirms that fifty-eight (58) providers have met the threshold for funding including being in good standing with taxing bodies and other reporting requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to administer funding for the Educator Retention Awards as part of the Erie County Investing in Families Initiative to the extent outlined in Exhibit A.

On the motion of	, seconded by
This resolution was passed on the 1	5 <sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 by a vote of
	ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY
	Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority May 15, 2025
ATTEST:	
Secretary, ECGRA	

Name of Provider	Address of Provider	Phone Number	STAR Level	# children Served	Total Award Amount
A Child's World Daycare & Learning	10067 Keystone Drive, Lake City 16423	814-474-3160	4	64	\$ 23,683.00
Annie's Bubble Care	4023 Rice Ave, Erie , PA 16510	814-403-7202	4	6	\$ 6,459.00
Barb's Care A Lot	3880 Davison Rd, Harborcreek, PA, 16421	814-899-9254	4	61	\$ 19,377.00
Barbs Family Learning Group Daycare LLC	1256 West 20th St, Erie, PA, 16502	814-413-2986	4	3	\$ 6,459.00
Blessed Hope DayCare	4 West 38th St, Erie, PA, 16508	814-864-6744	2	0	\$ -
Boro Babies Child Care Center	101B Walker Dr, Edinboro, PA, 16412	814-734-5384	4	20	\$ 9,688.50
Bright Horizons at Erie	5450 Merwin Lane, Erie, PA 16510	814-898-6175	4	115	\$ 29,065.50
Corry Alliance Childcare Learning Center	721 Hatch St, Corry, PA, 16407	814-664-8658	2	76	\$ 8,073.75
Creative Learning Childcare - iRock	2312 West 15th St, Erie, PA, 16505	814-454-5437	4	99	\$ 35,524.50
Cuddle Time Daycare	702 Parade Street, Erie PA 16503	814-459-0170	2	15	\$ 1,076.50
Dr Gertrude Barber Corry	423 Wayne St Corry PA	814-878-4052	4	15	\$12,918.00
Dr Gertrude Barber Happy Hearts	100 Barber Place Erie , PA 16507	814-878-4052	4	67	\$ 46,289.50
Eagles Nest Group Daycare	1124 Pennsylvania Ave, Erie, PA, 16503	814-616-8887	4	12	\$ 6,459.00
Early Connections City Center	704 State St, Erie, PA, 16501	814-456-4576	4	40	\$ 16,147.50
Early Connections Harbor Homes Early Learning Center	1841 E 18th St, Erie, PA, 16510	814-899-3310	4	17	\$ 6,459.00
Early Connections North East	50 E. Division St, North East, PA, 16428	814-315-2915	4	33	\$ 6,459.00
Early Connections Union City	16380 Route 8, Union City, PA, 16438	814-438-7016	4	33	\$ 23,683.00
Early Learning Center	3507 Poplar Street, Erie, PA 16508	814-464-4980	4	43	\$ 19,377.00
Early Learning University	301 Darrow Road, Edinboro, PA 16412	814-734-8020	4	58	\$ 24,759.50
Eastside YMCA	2101 Nagle Road, Erie, PA 16510	814-899-9662	4	170	\$ 33,371.50
Elk Valley Elementary YMCA	2556 Maple Ave., Lake City PA 16423	814-774-5602	4	20	\$ 9,688.50
EPS Pennbriar Childcare LLC	100 Pennbriar Drive, Erie, PA, 16509	814-825-8686	3	72	\$ 16,416.63
Erie First Early Education Center	8150 Oliver Rd, Erie, PA 16509	814-866-6979	3	75	\$ 11,303.25
Fit Kids	3515 McClelland Ave, Erie, PA 16510	814-451-1555	3	68	\$ 10,226.75
Glenwood YMCA	3727 Cherry Street, Erie, PA 16508	814-868-0867	4	82	\$ 17,224.00
Growing and Learning Center	5390 Rt 6N, Edinboro, PA, 16412	814-734-5164	4	164	\$ 43,060.00
Handled with Care	925 State Street, Erie, PA 16501	814-453-7777	4	96	\$ 37,677.50
I Love It Daycare Learning Center	4603 Peach Street, Erie, PA 16509	814-920-5023	4	31	\$ 15,071.00
Javonne Beason	1420 East 20th St, Erie, PA, 16503	814-460-0237	2	12	\$ 1,076.50
Jumpstart Early Learning Center LLC	1720 Holland St, Erie, PA, 16503	814-920-3544	4	30	\$ 6,459.00
KinderCare 1279	625 Holland St, Erie, PA, 16501	814-453-5260	4	94	\$ 8,612.00
Learning Ladder	2502 Peach Street, Erie, PA 16502	814-315-0401	4	50	\$ 18,300.50

Name of Provider	Address of Provider	Phone Number	STAR Level	# children Served	Total Award Amount
Little Explorers Christian Academy	101 Ohn Avenue, Girard, PA 16417	216-509-9791	3	0	\$ -
Lollipop U Daycare	7547 West Ridge Rd Fairview, PA 16415	814-474-2616	3	45	\$ 8,612.00
McKean Elementary YMCA	5120 West Road, McKean PA 16426	814-273-1033	4	47	\$ 2,153.00
Milestones Early Learning Academy	5109 Iroquois Ave, Erie PA 16511	814-520-5658	4	26	\$ 13,994.50
Milestones Early Learning Center	5163 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510	814-899-6352	4	36	\$ 21,530.00
Miss Julies Childcare	2543 Maple Ave, Lake City, PA 16423	814-402-1261	4	42	\$ 11,841.50
Miss Rose's Learning Center	3305 Pittsburgh Ave, Erie, PA, 16508	814-920-4120	2	16	\$ 8,612.00
Montessori in the Woods	1390 Townhall Rd W, Erie, PA, 16509	814-866-3760	2	62	\$ 9,150.25
My Terra Village	5100 Club House Dr, Erie, PA, 16509	814-825-1396	2	13	\$ 4,844.25
New Horizons Early Learning Center	930 Liberty St, Erie, PA, 16502	814-790-8561	3	17	\$ 10,750.00
Northwestern YMCA	10450 John Williams Ave., Albion, PA 16401	814-815-8082	4	28	\$ 8,612.00
Playway Loving Childcare Center LLC	2741 West 8th St, Erie, PA, 16505	814-5520-5143	2	21	\$ 5,382.50
Saint Benedict Center	345 East 9th St, Erie, PA, 16503	814-454-4514	4	111	\$ 52,748.50
Saint Vincent Child Care Center	123 West 25th Street, Erie PA	814-452-5803	4	45	\$ 34,448.00
South Hills Child Development Center	3808 Caughey Rd Erie PA 16506	814-838-7114	4	63	\$ 37,139.25
St. Martin Early Learning Center	1727 State Street, Erie, PA 16501	814-454-1675	4	178	\$ 76,431.50
St. Paul's Child Development Center	3108 Sterrettania Road Erie PA	814-833-1761	4	61	\$ 24,759.50
Summit YMCA	1510 Town Hall Road, Erie, PA 16509	867-582-7511	4	28	\$ 6,459.00
Teresa Jordan	1037 East 32nd Street	412-657-8763	4	2	\$ 6,000.00
The International Institute of Erie	517 E 26th Street Erie, PA 16504	814-452-3935	4	27	\$ 10,765.00
Tracy Heutsche	4113 Parade Blvd, Erie, PA, 16504	814-392-4608	2	8	\$ 4,844.25
Twinkle Time Child Care Center	106 Vine St Girard PA 16417	814-774-0925	2	23	\$ 5,920.75
Waterford YMCA	112 West 3rd Street, Waterford, PA	814-679-2074	4	52	\$ 10,765.00
Wattsburg Elementary YMCA	10780 Wattsburg Road, Erie, PA 16509	814-824-4150	4	52	\$ 9,688.50
World of Care	1202 Buffalo Road, Erie PA	814-452-2407	4	66	\$ 12,918.00
YMCA Camp Sherwin	8600 West Lake Road, Lake City, PA 16423	814-774-9460	4	28	\$ 2,153.00
YMCA of Corry Daycare	906 N Center Street, Corry, PA 16407	814-664-7757	4	142	\$ 47,366.00
Young Environment	1120 W 26th Street Erie 16508	814-455-1741	4	15	\$ 20,991.75
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2,995 Children in Care \$ 986,407.38

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 15, 2025**

## Resolution to Adopt the 2025 Childcare Startup & Expansion Grant Guidelines as part of the Erie County Investing in Families Initiative

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to adopt the guidelines known as "Childcare Startup & Expansion Grant Program" as part of the Erie County Investing in Families Initiative.

On the motion of	, seconded by
This resolution was passed o	the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 by a vote of
	ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORIT
	Chairm Erie County Gaming Revenue Authori
ATTEST:	May 15, 20
Secretary ECGRA	



## Childcare Startup & Expansion Grant Program

## Grant Guidelines | March 2025

### Erie County Investing in Families



**Erie County Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund** 

2.11 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care

#### Section I. Introduction & Purpose of the Program

#### Introduction

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 is a federal relief package providing \$1.9 trillion in funding, program changes, and tax policies aimed at mitigating the continuing effects of the COVID-19 public health crisis. As a result of this historic legislation, Erie County is receiving a federal grant of \$52,391,502 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF).

The Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority (ECGRA) is a subrecipient of Erie County's grant award and was awarded \$2.5 million in funding by Erie County Council in 2024 to stabilize and improve the early childhood learning and daycare industry throughout Erie County. Erie County and its subgrantees must <u>spend</u> all grant funding by December 31, 2026. Grant funds are being deployed to help Erie County recover from the impacts of the pandemic.

#### **About ECGRA**

In 2008, ECGRA was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purpose of creating and administering economic development grants with local share gaming revenue. ECGRA's mission is to elevate Erie County by galvanizing nonprofits and small business toward economic and community development and this is done through impact investing. This type of investing considers the social, cultural, and environmental effects of investments.

#### **Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care**

Across Pennsylvania, parents are struggling to find safe and reliable childcare that allows them to work and support their families. As more childcare centers close, the number of facilities without access to essential services continues to grow. According to the 2024 State of Early Childhood Education report, Pennsylvania is facing a historic shortage of early learning educators, exacerbated by unlivable wages that do not meet the cost of living. A recent report from the Jefferson Education Society found that there is a deficit of approximately 2,500 childcare slots in County shortage with of 1,500 in the city of Erie alone. (https://www.jeserie.org/uploads/GOULD%20--%20ECIPI%20Final.pdf),

ECGRA has developed a three-pronged approach to address stabilizing and developing the childcare industry: 1.) Stabilizing the Workforce, 2.) Startup & Expansions, and 3.) New Facility Construction. ECGRA will solicit grant applications for each of the three areas that follow an evidence-based approach to addressing Erie County's childcare industry needs.

#### **Purpose of the Erie County Investing in Families Funding**

The purpose of the federal Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Program is to:

- Fight the pandemic and support families and businesses struggling with its public health and economic impacts;
- Maintain vital public services, even amid declines in revenue resulting from the crisis; and
- Build a strong, resilient, and equitable recovery by making investments that support long-term growth and opportunity.

#### **Phase I - Educator Retention Awards**

Before ARPA dollars can support the expansion and creation of new childcare slots across Erie County, the community needs to stabilize the industry's workforce. According to recent testimony, Erie County is experiencing historic shortages of early learning educators, exacerbated by low wages. This area of funding will solicit proposals for worker retention incentives.

Project Funding: \$1.5 million

#### Phase II - Incentivizing Startup & Expansions

Erie County has several facilities that are either underutilized or in need of expansion to accommodate additional slots. This area of funding will solicit proposals for renovations and expansions.

Project Funding: \$2,000,000

#### Phase III

#### **New Facilities Grant**

According to testimony, all of Erie County is a childcare desert. This area of funding will solicit proposals for construction of new daycare facilities.

Project Funding: \$1,500,000

#### **Priority Areas**

This program requires that grant-funded activities take place within Erie County with priority given to geographic areas and populations that have faced long-term economic challenges, disinvestment, and poverty.

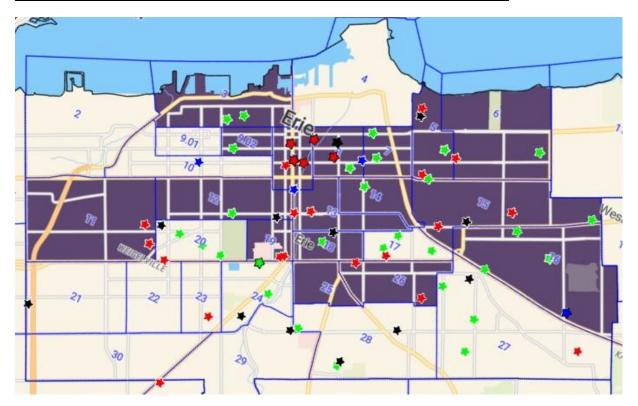
Proposals or work elements with an emphasis on federally protected classes that were disproportionately impacted during the pandemic are acceptable regardless of location.

There are four criteria to determine if projects will be considered targeting economically disadvantaged communities. <u>Projects taking place in these geographic areas do not need justification in terms of reaching disadvantaged populations.</u>

- 1. In HUD Qualified Census Tracts (QCT); (Figure 1)
- 2. Where primary beneficiaries earn less than 60% of median income for Erie County; (Figure 2)
- 3. Where 25% of the primary beneficiaries are below the federal poverty level; (Figure 3) or
- 4. In Erie County Census Block Groups where 50% of Households make less than \$35,000 (Figure 4)

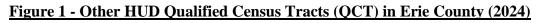
The following maps generally illustrate the location of the Census Tracts or Census Block Groups which fall into the county parameters. <u>Projects and programs are not restricted to these locations.</u>

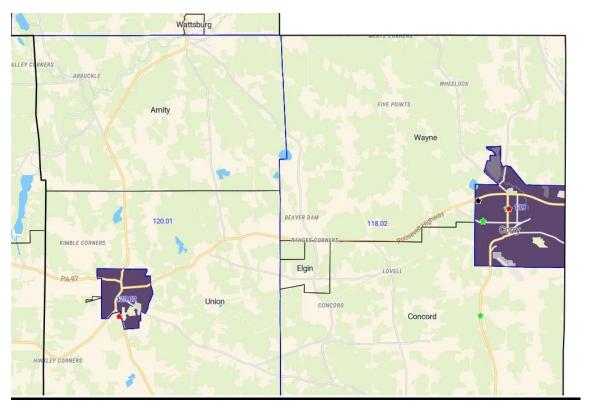




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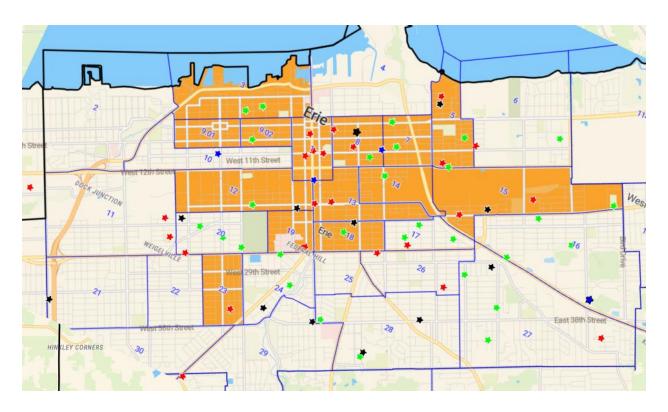
STAR 2 daycare centers represented by green stars. STAR 1 daycare centers represented by black stars.





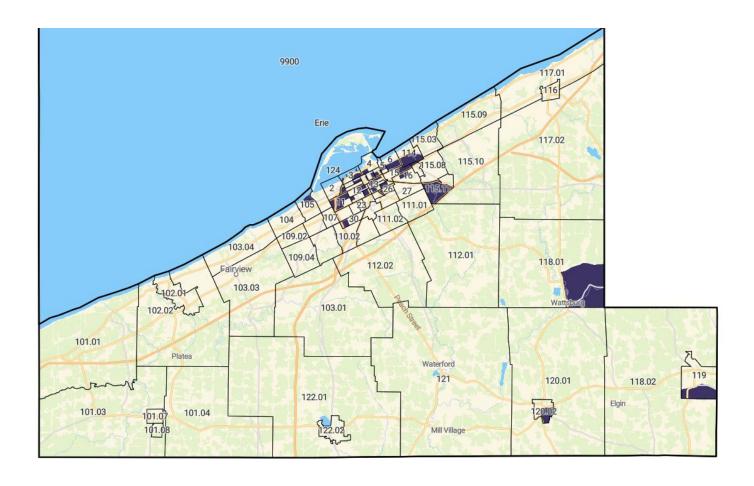
- STAR 4 daycare centers represented by red stars.
- STAR 3 daycare centers represented by blue stars.
- STAR 2 daycare centers represented by green stars.
- STAR 1 daycare centers represented by black stars.

Figure 2 - Erie County Census Tracts with Median Family Income less than 60%



- STAR 4 daycare centers represented by red stars.
- STAR 3 daycare centers represented by blue stars.
- STAR 2 daycare centers represented by green stars.
- STAR 1 daycare centers represented by black stars.

Figure 3 - Erie County Census Block Groups with over 25% of Families Living in Poverty



Block Groups where 50% of HH make < \$35,000 Percent HHs with Income \$35,000 or More Source: Census Year: 2019-2023 Insufficient Data × 49.99% or less 50.00% or greater North East Shaded by: Block Group, 2022 Harborcreek Lawrence Park Greenfield Millcreek Greene Avonia Venango Summit Lake City Fairview Wattsburg McKean McKean Girard

Washington

Edinboro

Springfield

Conneaut

Platea

Cranesville

Franklin

<u>Figure 4 - Erie County Census Block Groups where 50% of Households make less than</u> \$35,000.

Wayne

Concord

Corry

Amity

Union City

Waterford

Waterford

MillVillage

#### **Section II. Program Guidelines**

#### **Purpose**

This program is designed to support Early Care and Education (ECE) programs in Erie County. The program focus is on Department of Human Services (DHS) Early Care and Education (ECE) programs serving vulnerable or at-risk populations. If there are available funds, they may be awarded to programs who have Pre-K Counts (PKC), Head Start and Head Start State Supplemental (HS & HSSP), Early Head Start (EHS), and/or Private Academic Pre-School (PDE) certification. Provider must be STAR 2, 3, or 4, or equivalent at time of application. Pre-K counts is considered STAR 4 equivalent.

#### **Basic Applicant Eligibility and Requirements**

- The provider must be designated at and meet all Keystone STARS Performance Standards associated with a STAR 2 (or higher) designation or equivalent as of July 1, 2025.
- It is expected that the provider is making a commitment to maintain the awarded STAR designation. If a provider moves down to a STAR 1 prior to payment, the provider will no longer be eligible to receive a grant.
- The provider must hold a regular Department of Human Services (DHS) Certificate of Compliance. If a provider has a Provisional Certificate of Compliance, award funds may be available upon return to a full DHS Certificate of Compliance. PKC, HS, HSSP, EHS, or PDE certification may apply and will be awarded based on available funding.
- The provider must have an agreement with Child Care Works (CCW) through the Early Learning Resource Center (ELRC). Furthermore, the provider must be willing to enroll a child who qualifies for subsidy, if space is available.
- Providers who have liens/liabilities to the commonwealth and/or federal government, including tax liabilities, filed against them (not UCC-1 filings) will not be able to receive grants and awards until those liens/liabilities are fully satisfied and the program provides the ELRC a clearance certificate issued by the Department of Revenue. Clearance certificates can be obtained at the provider's local tax office.
- Applicant must be located in Erie County
- Applicant must align proposed projects and programs with priorities and recommendations identified by Positioning Erie To Prosper and Compete (2024), Child Care Crisis in Erie testimony (2024), as well as any other relevant existing community plans.
- Other American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding may not serve as match.
- Applicant must adhere to contemporary practices/policies with regards to diversity, equity, and inclusion and reflect the spirit and intent of Erie County's Diversity Commitment Statement (Appendix B.)

#### Right to Know Law

Federal funding and local share gaming revenue (State funding) is being used as a source for the program funding. As such, Erie County, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, or their authorized representatives shall have right of access to records of the grantee to conduct audits or other investigations. Grantee records including the grant application, may be subject to disclosure under Pennsylvania's Right to Know Law.

#### **Section III. Eligibility**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Applicant's daycare is located in Erie County, Pennsylvania.
- Applicant is in good standing with the IRS and state and local taxing bodies.
- Applicant is in good standing with ECGRA's reporting requirements to date.
- Applicant is current on payment of any mandated workers compensation, payment of unemployment or other required employee related insurances, and real estate taxes.
- A daycare entity may submit proposals for multiple facilities.
- Applicant must either own or lease property to be improved.
- Pass through grants are not permissible.
- Eligible grant or match costs can include expenses incurred beginning 1/1/2025

#### **Eligible Uses of Funds**

- Administration costs (Maximum of 15% of grant award.)
- Materials, equipment, supplies
- Contracted services (e.g. Design)
- Personnel costs such as training and clearance checks
- Software

- Construction see Appendix for policy on Prevailing Wage
- Permit fees

#### **Ineligible Uses of Grant Funds**

- Advocacy
- Conference attendance
- Debt service
- Fundraising
- Memberships/ subscriptions

- Research
- Travel
- Awards
- Meals
- Flowers
- Food/drink

- Executive/Board Insurance
- Personal cell phone
- Gifts

#### Section IV. Budget Form & Cash Match

Each application shall be complete in its entirety in order to be eligible. It will also demonstrate the following in the form of a budget:

- Requested amount from ECGRA
- Your agency contribution in the form of cash (do not list in-kind)
- Other agency or funder contribution include source, cash only
- Total project or programming cost cash only
- A 1:1 cash match.

The following are generally considered <u>cash-match</u> contributions:

- Cash contributed by your organization
- Equipment or supplies to be purchased by your organization for project, program, or event activities
- Paying for an event brochure and/or its dissemination
- Grants from other government agencies or foundations (not gaming funds)

The following are generally considered <u>in-kind</u> contributions:

- Personnel time given to the project
- Person on loan from another organization
- Use of existing equipment or supplies
- Use of existing laboratory equipment or facilities
- Waived or unrecovered indirect cost amount
- Office space

#### **Section V. Approval Process & Terms**

#### **Application Assistance**

Application for ECGRA Community Assets Grants shall be completed online at <a href="https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=ecgra">https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=ecgra</a>.

Program inquiries should be directed to:
Tom Maggio
ECGRA Grants Manager
(814) 897-2694
tmaggio@ECGRA.org

#### **Pre-approval Process**

<u>Receipt:</u> Upon submission of the application and required supporting material, ECGRA staff, working with the ECGRA board of directors' review committee, will determine eligibility.

<u>Review:</u> The review committee will evaluate the application and determine if it meets the required parameters outlined by the board.

<u>Approval:</u> ECGRA's board of directors will receive funding recommendations from the review committee. <u>Notification:</u> ECGRA will notify all applicants via email.

#### **Post-approval Process**

Following approval by the ECGRA board of directors, the executive director will issue a letter of agreement, which must be electronically signed by an officer of the organization within 30 days of the date of said letter. The agreement may detail additional requirements with which the grantee must comply, including but not limited to project audit, financial grant closeout report, maintenance of records, public relations, and any other information the board or staff deem relevant.

The grant contract agreement and any subsequent amendments will not be executed until all of the following have been resolved to the satisfaction of the executive director:

- The grantee must be in compliance with ECGRA's policies on audits relative to the submission of closeout reports on any previous contracts with ECGRA, regardless of the program or funding source.
- The grantee must provide all supplemental documentation requested by ECGRA.
- The grantee must be in compliance with IRS reporting standards.
- The grantee must be current in payment of all federal, state, and local taxes unless it has entered into an agreement satisfactory to the respective taxing authority and is fully in compliance with the terms thereof.
- The grantee must not discriminate against any employee or against any applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, handicap, national origin, age, or sex.

After the grant agreement has been fully executed and the proper documentation provided to ECGRA, the payment to the grantee will be made by check.

ECGRA will monitor the activities of the applicant and the grant contract agreement to ensure that the grantee fulfills the conditions of the grant. This may include a site visit or random audit of income and

expenses. Upon request and as required by the agreement, the grantee must furnish ECGRA with all data, reports, contracts, documents, and other information relevant to the activities of the applicant.

#### **Contract Terms**

- Grant contracts for Community Assets Grants funding shall be for a period of 12 months.
- One (1) option to extend the terms of the contract for a period of six (6) months may be granted by ECGRA. Detailed, written justification for the contract extension shall be submitted to ECGRA for review and consideration. Extensions are not automatic.
- If the funds allocated to the applicant are not expended on or before the expiration of the grant contract, including the extension period, the unused portion of funds shall be returned to ECGRA.

#### **Closeout Requirements**

- All recipients of funds are required to submit an online closeout report at <a href="https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=ecgra">https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=ecgra</a> quantifying the progress toward accomplishing approved deliverables.
- Closeout reports are due no later than 12 months after the grant agreement is signed.
- All grant recipients will be required to submit financial documentation as part of the online closeout report which includes invoices and proof of payment.
- **Non-compliance** with these requirements may prevent the grantee from obtaining funding or payment from any ECGRA grant program and/or funding from ECGRA's programmatic partners.
- If it is determined that the grantee provided any material misrepresentations or that funds were used for activities not permitted under the terms of the grant contract agreement, the grant contract agreement will be considered in default and immediate repayment will be demanded. In addition, the matter may be referred to the appropriate authorities for investigation.
- The provider must retain original documentation for all award expenditures for seven years and ensure the documented amounts match total expenditures as reported on the respective budget form. Non-compliance will result in grantee being ineligible for future grants.

#### **ARPA Reporting Requirements**

ECGRA must submit quarterly reports to Erie County. Grantees will need to furnish the following information each quarter:

- 1. Number of households served
- 2. Number of children served
- **3.** Race, ethnicity, gender, and income level of families supported.

#### Section V. 2025 Grant Schedule

- June 1, 2025 Grant application opens
- July 31, 2025 Applications must be submitted by midnight
- July 17, 2025 ECGRA's board of directors will make the final review and approve funding recommendations
- August 1, 2025 last day to submit signed agreement letter
- July 31, 2026 last day to submit a closeout report online

#### Appendix A. Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act Summary

Summary of Applicable Provisions of the

PREVAILING WAGE ACT 43 P.S. §§ 165-1 et seq 34 Pa. Code §§ 9.101 et seq

The Prevailing Wage Act (the "Act"), 43 P.S. §§ 165-1 et seq., and the various laws and regulations governing the Act apply to Public Works projects funded by the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority ("ECGRA"). A Public Work is defined as including construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration and/or repair work other than maintenance work, done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of the funds of a public body where the estimated costs of the entire project exceed \$25,000.

ECGRA fund recipients shall require their contractor, if any, and contractors shall agree to require their subcontractors, to comply with the Act and the associated laws and regulations issued pursuant thereto.

Wage rates paid workmen employed in the Work shall not be less than the rates determined in the applicable wage rate determination by the Secretary of Labor and Industry for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and no workmen may be employed in the Work except in accordance with the classifications in Secretary's determination.

The recipient of ECGRA funds shall be required to obtain the aforementioned public wage minimum rate determination prior to drafting project specifications or engaging in a contract with a contractor on a Public Work project.

Workmen employed or working in the Work shall be paid unconditionally, regardless of whether a contractual relationship exists or the nature of the contractual relationship. Payments shall be at least once a week and be the full amounts due at the time of payment, computed at the rates applicable to the time worked in the appropriate classification, without deduction or rebate, on any account, either directly or indirectly, except authorized deductions.

The contractor and each subcontractor shall post, for the entire period of construction, the wage determination decisions of the Secretary, including the effective date of changes thereof, in a prominent and easily accessible place or places at the site of the Work and at the places used by them to pay workmen their wages. The posted notice of wage rates shall comply with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Code, Title 34.

The contractor and subcontractor shall keep an accurate record showing the name, craft or classification, number of hours worked per day and the actual hourly rate of wage paid, including employee benefits, to each workman employed by him in connection with the Public Work. The record shall include deductions from each workman. The record shall be preserved for two (2) years from the date of payment and shall be open at reasonable hours to the inspection of ECGRA and to the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Industry or his authorized representatives.

Apprentices shall be limited to the numbers in accordance with a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with and approved by The Pennsylvania Apprenticeship and Training Council and only apprentices whose training and employment are in full compliance with the Apprenticeship and Training Act (43 P.S. §§ 90.1 – 90.10), as approved July 14, 1961, and the regulations issued thereto, shall be employed on the Public Work project. A workman using the tools of a craft who does not qualify as an apprentice shall be paid the rate predetermined for journeymen in that particular craft or classification.

Payment of compensation to workmen for work performed on a Public Work in a lump sum basis, or a piece work system, or a price certain for the completion of a certain amount of work, or the production of a certain result shall be deemed a violation of the Act and associated regulations, regardless of the resulting average hourly wage.

Each contractor and subcontractor shall file a statement each week and a final statement at the conclusion of the work with the recipient of ECGRA funds, under oath and in a form satisfactory to the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Industry, certifying that workmen have been paid wages pursuant to the contract and the Act, or if wages remain unpaid, to set forth the amount of wages due and owing to each workman respectively.

The provisions of the Act, and its associated regulations shall be incorporated by reference in each contract.

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#### Appendix B. Erie County Statement Regarding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

#### **Erie County Diversity Commitment Statement**

Erie County government values the power of diversity. Our goal is to develop an inclusive workforce that will uphold racial equity, support the diversity of employee experiences, and include unique perspectives. Through our commitment to inclusion and diversity, Erie County will provide repeated opportunities for training and professional development that will support on-going positive change. We affirm a zero-tolerance attitude toward any form of discrimination. We pledge to maintain our mission to promote justice and equity in the community we serve.

#### Defined Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for Erie County

**Diversity** is simply the presence of differences. Diversity is achieved when we ensure that the county employs and engages individuals at a level that reflects the population it serves.

**Equity** is promoting fairness (not a one size fits all approach) providing as much as possible to support individual needs. Equity exists when current and future employees have access to opportunities necessary to satisfy essential needs and advance their well-being and achieve their full potential as a county employee.

**Inclusion** is creating a space where all diversities are empowered to contribute to decision making. Inclusion occurs when the structures and practices that support employees make them feel welcomed, affirmed, and respected across the county system.