

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

Knowledge Park; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510 September 16, 2021

#### **ZOOM Meeting Information:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89228549454

Meeting ID: 892 2854 9454 Password: not required

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 2021
- 5. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS
- 6. COMMENTS BY CHAIRMAN
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 8. PRESENTATION
- 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - a. Treasurer's Report
  - b. Strategic Planning Committee
  - c. Update from County Council
  - d. Update from County Executive's Office
- 10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 11. SOLICITOR'S REPORT
- 12. OLD BUSINESS
- 13. NEW BUSINESS
- a. Resolution Number 13, 2021 Resolution to adopt the 2020-21 Annual Report

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

#### Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of ECGRA

Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021 Time: 8:30 a.m. – BOARD Meeting

Location: 5240 Knowledge Parkway, Erie, PA 16510; Jordan Room

ZOOM meeting – details to follow



#### **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting August 19, 2021

Meetings for the Board of Directors of ECGRA can begin meeting in a physical location per Governor Wolf's proclamation of June 11, 2021. However, each member and ex-officio has the option to attend in person or virtually. Members of the public can now speak at the physical location of 5240 Knowledge Parkway.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on August 19, 2021 at 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.

#### ROLL CALL

Mr. Barney, Ms. Hess, Ms. Loll, and Mr. Sample are present via Zoom. Mr. Paris is present in person. Mr. Wachter, Mr. Lee are present via Zoom, and Dr. Wood is present in person.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Sample makes a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Hess seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the agenda. Motion carries 5-0.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 2021

Mr. Sample makes a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Paris seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the minutes. Motion carries 5-0.

#### **DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

There are no comments at this time.

#### COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Mr. Barney has no comments at this time.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There is no public present for comments.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

There are no presentations scheduled.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Treasurer's Report: <u>Dr. Wood</u>: I just got off the phone with Mr. Cleaver; he is not feeling well so he asked me to present the Treasurer's Report. Has everyone had a chance to review the financials? Are there any questions about the financials?
  - Mr. Sample makes a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Ms. Hess seconds the motion. There are no questions or discussion of the Treasurer's Report. Motion carries 5-0.
- b. Strategic Planning Committee: There was no meeting held, so there is nothing to report.
- c. Update from County Council: Mr. Anderson is not present to give an update.
- d. Update from County Executive's Office: Mr. Lee: Good morning, everyone. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just want to give an update on the Summer Jobs and More Program. GECAC is completing our program this week. We had a total of 134 students participate, 48 employers. The breakdown was 56% outside the City of Erie and 44% inside the City of Erie. Our goal is to try to get an even 50/50. In prior years, with the exception of last year, it was always a little higher in the City, and less outside the City. The last two years we have seen that reverse, mainly because, I believe, because of the pandemic. Again, we will continue to strive to get that 50/50%.

I am very pleased in how GECAC has conducted the program. In saying that, I would ask that Board if there are any questions of me in reference to the Summer Jobs and More Program? That concludes my update. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Good morning, everyone. If you look in your Executive Director's Report, you'll see it contains a progress report of Parker Philips, a summary of Anchor Building projects that we're going to vote on today in Resolution Number 11. Next you will see some testimonials, one specifically in here on the Beehive project, and then a series of news and media clippings in which ECGRA-funded

projects were highlighted. Does anyone have any questions of me of the Director's Report? Things continue to progress well; the train is running on time.

I will give you a preview of next month's meeting. Tim and I are working on the details of the money that was awarded to us from Erie County. If you missed it in the news, there is \$26 Million in ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) money coming; of that \$26 million, County government has tasked us with administering \$4 million of it for something that they call transformative grants. As Tim and I look at both the policy and legal aspects of those funds, we will be communicating with you on what we find. In addition, we will have a second layer of compliance available to us through Maher Duessel, which has been selected as the CPA firm to act as compliance on behalf of Erie County, so we will be interacting with them as well. Does anyone have any questions? Thank you for your time.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wachter: I just wanted to reiterate what Dr. Wood said about ARPA funds. I have nothing further to report at this time.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There is no Old Business to cover at this time.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Resolution Number 11, 2021 Resolution to enter into agreements with two (2) entities that comprise the recipients of the 2021 Anchor Building Program
  - Dr. Wood reads the resolution.
  - Mr. Paris makes a motion to accept the resolution. Mr. Sample seconds the motion. There is no further discussion of the resolution. Motion carries 5-0.
- b. Resolution Number 12, 2021 Resolution to enter into agreements with thirteen (13) additional Erie County Special Events Grant applicants for the Supplemental Extension
  - Dr. Wood reads the resolution.
  - Mr. Sample makes a motion to accept the resolution. Ms. Hess seconds the motion. There is no further discussion of the resolution. Motion carries 5-0.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Paris moves to adjourn.

## Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Profit & Loss August 2021

_	August	YTD	Budget YTD	2021-22 YTD
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
44800 · Gaming Revenue	1,240,185.95	1,572,600.15		
46400 · Other Types of Income		<u> </u>		
46410 · Interest Income - Savings	253.83	2,664.40		
46422 · Interest Income - BWC - Erie Growth	1	7,583.33		
46424 · Interest Income - Progress Fund		5,000.00		
46425 · Interest Income - EDF Restruct		6,500.00		
46426 · Int. Income - BWC - Inclusive		6,319.44		
46427 · Interest Income - Blue Highway		0.00		
46428 · Interest Income - eCAT		5,112.00		
Total Income	1,240,439.78	1,605,779.32		
Expense		l		
62100 · Contracted Services	7,434.04	27,364.78	33,125.00	79,500.00
62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,456.67	7,283.35	8,540.00	20,500.00
65000 · Office Administration	743.15	5,477.81	7,145.00	17,150.00
65100 · Other Types of Expenses	1,704.51	13,641.67	20,415.00	49,000.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses	22,221.29	113,528.19	129,730.00	311,352.00
Total Expense	33,559.66	167,295.80	198,955.00	477,502.00
Net Ordinary Income	1,206,880.12	1,438,483.52		
Other Income/Expense		ļ		
70000 · Grants / Settlements / MRIs				
70030 · Community Assets	12,500.00	109,511.36		
70050 · Municipal Settlements	310,046.49	393,150.04		
70070 · Special Events		117,164.98		
70090 · Multi-Municipal Collaboration		147,000.00		
70100 · Mission Main Street		179,702.00		
70120 · Summer Jobs Program		8,221.67		
70125 · Neighborhoods & Communities MRI				
70130 · Small Business Financing		207,500.00		
70140 · Pilot Projects		40,000.00		
70150 · Shaping Tomorrow		<u> </u>		
70170 · Renaissance Block	25,000.00	185,000.00		
70180 · Anchor Building		į		
Total 70000 · Grants / Settlements	347,546.49	1,387,250.05		
Net Other Income	(347,546.49)	(1,387,250.05)		
Net Income	859,333.63	51,233.47		

## Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Balance Sheet

As of August 31, 2021

	August
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · ErieBank - Checking	185,929.13
10100 · ErieBank - Savings	
10101 · Committed Funds	2,722,243.29
10102 · Restricted Funds	3,469,358.62
10100 · ErieBank - Savings - Other	3,764,952.54
Total 10100 · ErieBank - Savings	9,956,554.45
Total Checking/Savings	10,142,483.58
Other Current Assets	
12000 · Notes Receivable	
12003 · Note Receivable - CIBA	18,846.25
12004 · Note Receivable - BWC - Erie Growth	1,000,000.00
12005 · Note Receivable - Progress	1,000,000.00
12010 · Note Receivable - 1855 Capital	500,000.00
12050 · Note Receivable - EDF Restruct	1,300,000.00
12060 · Notes Receivable - BWC - Inclu	2,500,000.00
12070 · Note Receivable - Blue Highway	250,000.00
12080 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Sm Bus	520,000.00
12085 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Nnprofit	100,000.00
12090 · Notes Receivable - eCAT	500,000.00
12900 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	(1,540,000.00)
Total 12000 · Notes Receivable	6,148,846.25
14500 · Prepaid Insurance	1,057.98
Total Other Current Assets	6,149,904.23
Total Current Assets	16,292,387.81
TOTAL ASSETS	16,292,387.81
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20200 · Retirement Payable	(4,250.00)
Total Liabilities	(4,250.00)
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	2,927,064.18
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	13,318,340.55
Net Income	51,233.08
Total Equity	16,296,637.81
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	16,292,387.81

## Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Budget vs. Actual

August 2021

	August	YTD	Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	% of Budget
Expense					
62100 · Contracted Services					
62110 · Accounting Fees	0.00	8,600.00	15,000.00	(6,400.00)	57.33%
62130 · Professional Services	6,000.00	15,000.00	40,000.00	(25,000.00)	37.50%
62140 · Legal Services	1,349.00	2,641.00	20,000.00	(17,359.00)	13.21%
62145 · Website Design	0.00	717.99	3,000.00	(2,282.01)	23.93%
62150 · Payroll Services	85.04	405.79	1,500.00	(1,094.21)	27.05%
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	7,434.04	27,364.78	79,500.00	(52,135.22)	34.42%
62800 · Facilities & Equipment					
62840 · Office Equipment	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	(2,500.00)	0.00%
62890 · Rent	1,456.67	7,283.35	18,000.00	(10,716.65)	40.46%
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,456.67	7,283.35	20,500.00	(13,216.65)	35.53%
65000 · Office Administration					
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	72.30	2,024.18	3,000.00	(975.82)	67.47%
65020 · Postage	69.07	145.35	500.00	(354.65)	29.07%
65040 · Office Supplies	75.95	632.02	2,000.00	(1,367.98)	31.60%
65050 · Cell Phone	0.00	0.00	2,200.00	(2,200.00)	0.00%
65060 · Copier Lease	345.95	1,729.75	4,200.00	(2,470.25)	41.18%
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	0.00	12.69	500.00	(487.31)	2.54%
65080 · Bank Fees	35.00	175.00	500.00	(325.00)	35.00%
65085 · Professional Development	99.00	649.93	2,000.00	(1,350.07)	32.50%
65090 · Meeting Expenses	45.88	108.89	2,000.00	(1,891.11)	5.44%
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	0.00%
Total 65000 · Office Administration	743.15	5,477.81	17,150.00	(11,672.19)	31.94%
65100 · Other Types of Expenses					
65105 · Outreach	-106.74	1,246.08	5,000.00	(3,753.92)	24.92%
65110 · Advertising	0.00	223.10	4,000.00	(3,776.90)	5.58%
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	976.75	7,999.99	18,000.00	(10,000.01)	44.44%
65120 · Insurance	834.50	4,172.50	10,100.00	(5,927.50)	41.31%
65130 · Grant Management Software	0.00	0.00	4,900.00	(4,900.00)	0.00%
65150 · Travel	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	(7,000.00)	0.00%
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	1,704.51	13,641.67	49,000.00	(35,358.33)	27.84%
66000 · Payroll Expenses					
66005 · Salaries & Wages	19,609.05	100,294.86	274,400.00	(174,105.14)	36.55%
66010 · FITW Tax	1,276.90	6,556.63	17,302.00	(10,745.37)	37.90%
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	1,335.34	6,676.70	17,500.00	(10,823.30)	38.15%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	22,221.29	113,528.19	311,352.00	(197,823.81)	36.46%
Total Expense	33,559.66	167,295.80	477,502.00	(310,206.20)	35.04%

## **Schedule of Grant Reserve**

#### as of August 31, 2021

	August	YTD	Totals/Subtotals
Restricted Uncommitted Funds	3,469,358.62		
Committed Funds	2,722,243.29		
2020 Restricted Funds: (75% - after settlement payments	5)		
First Quarter Gaming Revenue		332,414.20	
Second Quarter Gaming Revenue	1,240,185.95	1,240,185.95	
Third Quarter Gaming Revenue			
Fourth Quarter Gaming Revenue			1,572,600.15
FY Disbursements:			
First Quarter Disbursements		782,550.20	
Second Quarter Disbursements	347,546.49	604,699.85	
Third Quarter Disbursements	2 ,2	,	
Fourth Quarter Disbursements			1,387,250.05
Disbursem	ents Detail		
Grants/Settlements			
	August	YTD	Subtotal
MUNICIPALITIES			
Settlements			
Summit Township	139,520.94	176,917.54	
Greene Township	34,105.11	43,246.50	
McKean Township	34,105.11	43,246.50	
Millcreek Township	34,105.11	43,246.50	
Waterford Township	34,105.11	43,246.50	
Erie County	34,105.11	43,246.50	
			393,150.04
Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
Girard Township		17,000.00	
Impact Corry		25,000.00	
Jefferson Educational Society		100,000.00	
West Erie County EMA		5,000.00	
	•		147,000.00

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

#### as of August 31, 2021

_	August	YTD	Subtotal
NEIGHBORHOODS & COMMUNITIES			
Anchor Building			
Mission Main Street			
Erie Downtown Partnership - 2019		45,892.00	
Our West Bayfront - 2019	_	133,810.00	
			133,810.00
Renaissance Block			
Borough of Union City - 2021		50,000.00	
Impact Corry - 2019		50,000.00	
Impact Corry - 2021		50,000.00	
Our West Bayfront		10,000.00	
Sisters of Mercy	25,000.00	25,000.00	
		_	185,000.00
PILOT PROGRAMS			
Film Society of Northwestern PA		15,000.00	
New Localism Associates	_	25,000.00	
	_	_	40,000.00
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
2018 CC - Erie Center on Health and Aging		(4,648.76)	
PFT Borough of Girard		25,000.00	
Borough of Union City		25,000.00	
City of Corry	12,500.00	12,500.00	
Fairview Prks & Recreation Authority		5,000.00	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead		12,365.12	
Headwaters Natural Resource Trust		9,295.00	
Impact Corry		25,000.00	

#### **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

### Schedule of Grant Reserve

#### as of August 31, 2021

Auguo			
	August	YTD	Subtotal
Special Events			
Albion Area Fair, Inc.		12,268.75	
Borough of Edinboro		1,000.00	
Borough of Union City		300.00	
CAFE		3,875.00	
Corry Higher Education Council		500.00	
Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Foundation		18,820.00	
Edinboro University Foundation		1,212.00	
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre		4,044.00	
Erie Downtown Partnership		7,500.00	
Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partner.		5,000.00	
Saint Joseph Church		6,000.00	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead		1,115.00	
Iroquois School District Foundation		5,200.00	
Jefferson Educational Society of Erie		20,000.00	
Lake Erie Greek Cultural Society		2,250.00	
Mercy Center For Women		1,201.00	
Sacred Heart Church (2020)		197.23	
The Nonprofit Partnership		4,046.25	
Waterford Community Fair Association		8,950.00	
Wattsburg Agricultural Society		9,700.00	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra		3,600.00	
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie		385.75	
			117,164.98
SHAPING TOMORROW			
SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING			
Beehive Network			
Edinboro University Foundation		81,000.00	
Erie Regional Library Foundation		47,000.00	
Gannon University		79,500.00	
			207,500.00
YOUTH & EDUCATION			
Summer Jobs & More			
2020 Summer Jobs		8,221.67	
			8,221.67
Total Funds Disbursements	347,546.49	1,387,250.05	1,341,358.05

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

#### as of

August 31, 2021

		August	Amount Remaining	Original Commitment
Commit	ted Funds:			
N&C	Renaissance Block 2018			
	1 Academy Neighborhood Association		11,250.00	22,500.00
	Our West Bayfront		0.00	100,000.00
	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 2020			
	Borough of Girard		25,625.00	51,250.00
	Borough of North East		30,000.00	60,000.00
	Borough of Union City		10,000.00	60,000.00
	Impact Corry		0.00	100,000.00
	Sisters of Mercy/House of Mercy	25,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
	YMCA of Greater Erie		25,000.00	50,000.00
	Renaissance Block 2021			
	Borough of Union City		50,000.00	100,000.00
	Impact Corry		50,000.00	100,000.00
	Anchor Building			
	18 Emmaus Ministries, Inc.		5,000.00	100,000.00
	Grace Church		0.00	100,000.00
	Performing Artists Collective Alliance		5,000.30	93,126.50
	19 Erie Masonic Temple Preservation Foundation		0.00	70,000.00
	Housing & Neighborhood Development Services		40,000.00	50,000.00
	Impact Corry		60,000.00	75,000.00
	Mission Main Street			
	1 Borough of North East		110,000.00	250,000.00
	City of Erie		225,000.00	250,000.00
	Erie Downtown Partnership		134,108.00	250,000.00
	2A Borough of Edinboro		34,900.00	250,000.00
	Borough of Union City		4,000.00	200,000.00
	2B Our West Bayfront		0.00	250,000.00
	Preservation Erie		122,000.00	150,000.00
	SSJ Neighborhood Network		55,500.00	250,000.00
	3 Borough of Girard		45,000.00	170,000.00
	Impact Corry		28,000.00	202,400.00
	Waterford Borough		84,600.00	249,800.00
MUN	Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
SB	Beehive Network			
	Edinboro University Foundation		5,000.00	200,000.00
	Erie Regional Library Foundation		5,877.00	200,000.00
	Gannon University		5,000.00	200,000.00
	Mercyhurst University		5,000.00	200,000.00
	Penn State University (Behrend)		100,000.00	200,000.00
PP	Pilot Program			
	Partnership for a Healthy Community		50,000.00	100,000.00
			23,000.00	.00,000.00

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

#### as of August 31, 2021

#### Committed Funds (cont):

		August	Amount Remaining	Original Commitment
QP	Response Fund (COVID)			
	Small Business		680,000.00	1,200,000.00
	Non-Profit		300,000.00	400,000.00
Y&E	Shaping Tomorrow			
	Empower Erie - Community College		220,000.00	400,000.00
	GECAC - Summer Jobs Program 2020		110,382.99	150,000.00
Total Con	nmitted Funds	25,000.00	2,722,243.29	7,132,076.50

## Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Check Detail Report August 2021

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
08/03/2021	EFT	VISA	2021 July Statement	-544.59
08/04/2021	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	07/17/21 to 07/30/21 Payroll	-8,776.80
08/04/2021	EFT	Fidelity Investments	07/17/21 to 07/30/21 Simple IRA	-250.00
08/04/2021	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 8/4/21	-667.67
08/04/2021	EFT	Parker Philips	2021 June Services	-3,000.00
08/04/2021	EFT	Velocity Network, Inc.	2021 August Phone/IT	-794.36
08/04/2021	EFT	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2021 August Copier Lease	-345.95
08/04/2021	EFT	Penn State University - Knowledge Park	2021 August Rent	-1,456.67
08/13/2021	EFT	City of Corry	2021 Community Assets - PFT	-12,500.00
08/13/2021	EFT	Sisters of Mercy	2020 Renaissance Block - Final Payment	-25,000.00
08/13/2021	EFT	Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett	2021 July Legai	-1,349.00
08/13/2021	EFT	Parker Philips	2021 July Services	-3,000.00
08/13/2021	EFT	UPMC Health Plan	2021 September Health Care	-3,417.39
08/17/2021	EFT	Erie County	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-34,105.11
08/17/2021	EFT	Greene Township	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-34,105.11
08/17/2021	EFT	McKean Township	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-34,105.11
08/17/2021	EFT	Millcreek Township	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-34,105.11
08/17/2021	EFT	Waterford Township	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-34,105.11
08/17/2021	EFT	Summit Township	2021 2nd Quarter Settlement	-139,520.94
08/19/2021	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	07/31/21 to 08/13/21 Payroll	-8,776.80
08/19/2021	EFT	Fidelity Investments	07/21/21 to 08/13/21 Simple IRA	-250.00
08/19/2021	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 8/13/21	-667.67
08/31/2021	EFT	Erie Bank	Security Token Fee	-35.00

#### BL ACCT 00100029-10000000 **ERIE COUNTY GAMING**

Account Number: ####-####-8643

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**CASHBACK CURRENT BALANCE** \$0.00

**CASHBACK PAYOUT DATE** 05/15/2022

Account Summary		
Billing Cycle		07/11/2021
Days In Billing Cycle		32
Previous Balance		\$617.92
Purchases	+	\$544.59
Cash	+	\$0.00
Balance Transfers	+	\$0.00
Special	+	\$0.00
Credits	-	\$0.00
Payments	-	\$617.92-
Other Charges	+	\$0.00
Finance Charges	+	\$0.00
NEW BALANCE		\$544.59

**Account Inquiries** 

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#### **Payment Summary**

**NEW BALANCE** 

\$544.59

MINIMUM PAYMENT

\$544.59

**PAYMENT DUE DATE** 

08/04/2021

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**

\$40,000.00 **Total Credit Line** Available Credit Line \$39,455.41 Available Cash \$39,455.41 Amount Over Credit Line \$0.00 Amount Past Due \$0.00 **Disputed Amount** \$0.00

Corporat	e Activity			
		WHILE STREET CO.	TOTAL CORPORATE ACTIVITY	\$617.92-
Trans Date	Post Date	Reference Number	Transaction Description	Amount
07/02	07/02	1597913396	INTERNET PMT-THANK YOU	\$617.92-

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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FOR

SEPTEMBER
2021

#### Sparber, James

From:

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

Serit:

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 9:58 AM

To:

Sparber, James

Subject:

Local Share Assessment Payment Notification - Erie County

#### Dear Mr. Sparber:

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: \$2,755,968.78

Land Bank Jurisdiction: \$261,301.78

An ACH for the 2nd quarter of 2021 payment in the amount of \$3,017,270.56 should be deposited in your bank account within 7 - 10 business days. This payment includes the interactive gaming local share assessment of \$19,328.87, the slots local share assessment of \$497,941.69 and the slot machine license operation fee of \$2,500,000.00 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 1147 Strawberry Square | Harrisburg PA 17128 Phone: 717.346.4004 | Fax: 717.787.6738

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#### **AUGUST 2021**

Meeting with Executive Director

**Ongoing Social Media Management** 

**Ongoing Consulting** 

**August Comms** 

#### **IMPLEMENTED**

19 August posts Press Release | Renaissance Block Grant, Multi-Municipal Collaboration Round 1, Parks Field Trails 14 Grant Recipient Graphics Annual Report

#### **IN PROGRESS**

Holiday Graphics
Parks Fields & Trails 2 Year Report
ECGRA Playbook
ECGRA Playbook Event
Roadshow Tours with ECAT, PACA, and Train Station Corry

#### IN PROGRESS | 2021 Grant Releases and Graphics

Anchor Building Grant Multi-Municipal Collaboration Round 2 grant Community Assets - Arts Culture Heritage Community Assets - Community Centers



#### Tammi Michali

From: Bridgeway Capital <kchamberlain@bridgewaycapital.org>

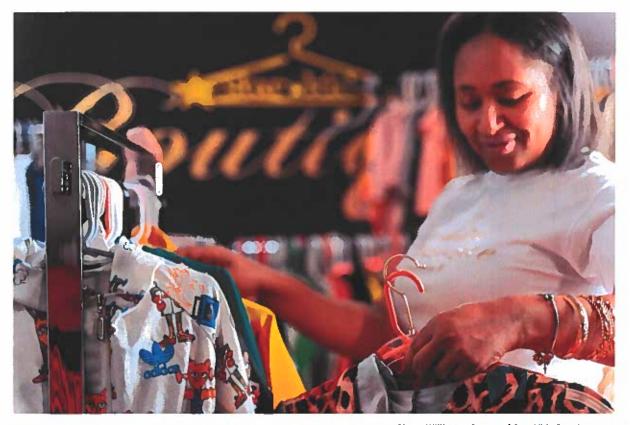
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2021 7:59 AM

To: Tammi Michali

Subject: Building a Supportive Ecosystem to Launch and Grow Businesses in Erie

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Sierra Williams, Owner of Star Kids Boutique

The Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator Builds a Supportive Ecosystem to Launch and Grow Businesses Sierra Williams, a graduate of the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator, came into the program with a dream she's had since junior high school to open a children's boutique where Erie parents could find affordable and stylish clothes. Through the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator, she was able to turn that dream into a reality to launch Star Kids Boutique. The program helped her pivot to consider changing market conditions and adapt her business model to incorporate an online retail store in response to the pandemic.

In the nine-month program, Sierra worked alongside fellow entrepreneurs and learned vital concepts that would help them succeed, such as customer discovery, market validation, and financial management. The program's business coaching sessions fostered meaningful relationships that Sierra maintains to this day. Now, Sierra's Star Kids Boutique is a growing online retailer poised to serve Erie in style.

"Participating in the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator took my business to the next level. The access to professional mentors and workshops on marketing and business strategy helped me build the brand and bottom line of Star Kids Boutique," said Sierra Williams, Owner of Star Kids Boutique.





The Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator, led by Bridgeway Capital and financed by the Erie County Gaming and Revenue Authority (ECGRA), has been valuable for early-stage entrepreneurs as they navigate the pandemic. During a time of uncertainty, the Accelerator program offered a supportive space to develop, test, and launch new business ventures with a trusted network of advisors and peers.

"The business support offered by the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator was there for entrepreneurs at a crucial time during the pandemic when communities of color faced

barriers in accessing resources to sustain small businesses. As the pandemic evolves and businesses are looking to reposition and grow, the Erie-Minority Business Accelerator will be there again for entrepreneurs to welcome its 3rd cohort," says Cathryn Easterling, Director of Bridgeway Capital's Erie Office.

Star Kids Boutique is just one of the exciting new Black-owned businesses bolstered by the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator. The accelerator has graduated 10 entrepreneurs from the program and welcomes 7 entrepreneurs to begin the program in late August 2021. Participants will engage in nine months of extensive mentoring and one-on-one tailored assistance focused on business planning and strategy.

#### Introducing the 3rd COHORT

- Terri Pacley, Galaxy Beyond Walls Childcare
- Julie Barry, JMB & Associates
- Natika Lofton, Beautiful Kurve LLC
- Juanita Smith, The Lamad Group LLC
- Sharonda Jones, Blink with flyness
- Caraneesha Morris, Xstrawdonairy Treats
- Starla Speed Starocci, StarBerry's Juice Box Fresh Fruit Smoothies

The supportive ecosystem the Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator provides comes at a time when increased business ownership is needed to help communities recover from the pandemic. We look forward to working with the next cohort of entrepreneurs to help them build successful businesses that strengthen Erie.

Read the Press Release

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## Historic preservation



The Erie Masonic Temple building at 32 W. Eighth St. opened in June 1910. The building has undergone major renovations and has been awarded placement on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. JACK HANRAHAN/ERIE TIMES- NEWS

#### **Renovations transform Erie Masonic Temple building**

Jack Hanrahan

Erie Times-News USA TODAY NETWORK

The luster has been restored.

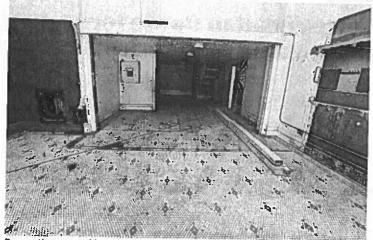
It took a lot of hard work and fundraising, but a group of volunteers from the Brie Masonic Temple Preservation Foundation are close to completing renovations on the building, which was built in 1909 and opened a year later at 32 W. Eighth St. In September it was awarded placement on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service.

The renovations started in November 2019. The organization

raised \$70,000 and received a matching Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority grant. The group also received a City of Erie grant of \$7,500 for the facade.

Much of the building's interior has been repainted, and a new

See RENOVATIONS, Page 2A



Renovations are taking place at the future home of the Purrista Cat Cafe, located inside the Erie Masonic Temple building at 32 W. Eighth St., in Erie. An original marble floor was revealed when old carpeting was removed. PHOTOS BY JACK HANRAHAN/ERIE TIMES-NEWS

#### Renovations

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kitchen is being installed in the basement and will be operated by Cali's West Catering. New LED lights have been placed in the pendant fixtures in the fourth floor Lodge Room and second floor Grand Ballroom. The building's electrical service was also upgraded.

The six-story building offers office space on the second, third, fifth and sixth floors, 80% of which is occupied. It also has six retail spaces on the ground floor. A new business, the Purrista Cat Cafe, hopes to open later this year or early in 2022.

The building could not host weddings or other functions during the height of the pandemic.

"It was the perfect time to start renovations," said Kraus. "We had a consistent group of eight people that came on a regular basis to help."

Events resumed at the building when it hosted a wedding on July 31. A murder mystery dinner theater, "Mid-Evil Faire Mayhem" will be performed by the In-All-Seriousness Troupe as a fundraiser in the Grand Ballroom on Oct. 30.



Arcadia Hall, located in the basement of the Erie Masonic Temple building, features decorative tile from the turn of the century. The space is now open for events.

"We would like to preserve this building for future generations," said Bill Rabbitt, chairman of the Erie Masonic Temple Preservation Foundation. "This building has been a meeting place for banquets and proms and weddings and we would like to continue that tradition. We are hoping the renovations will attract more people."

Contact Jack Hanrahan at jhanrahan@timesnews.com. Follow him on Twitter: @ETNHanrahan.

The Corry Journal, Friday, August 27, 2021

## UC sets trick-or-treat hours; OKs grants for blight fight

BY MARYANN MOOK Staff writer

UNION CITY — Union City Borough Council has set its Halloween hours. During its Aug. 24 meeting, Council set trick-or-treating from 6 to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31. Since Halloween falls on a Sunday this year, Council is hoping business owners will participate if the Parks and Recreation Commission hosts its annual costume parade along Main Street prior to the costume contest.

In another matter, Council accepted a draft of the Active Transportation Plan and a public review period. The plan is available for review on UnionCityPA.us until Sept. 8. The Active Transportation Plan involves having walking and biking routes and related amenities throughout the com-

munity.

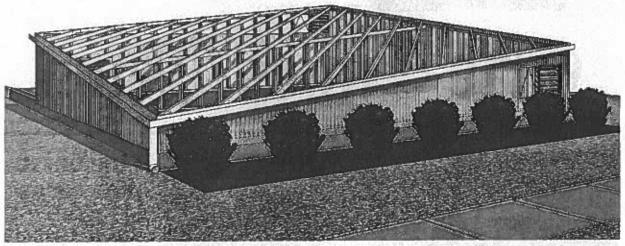
In other business, Council approved five more applications to be awarded funds through the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority (ECGRA) Renaissance Grant for 2021-2022.

The borough received seven applications totaling \$24,625,

but there is only \$18,325.19 available for 2021.

The five applications will total \$17,225 and will be based on projects that make the biggest impact in the fight against blight. Borough Manager Cindy Wells said there is \$1,725 left from previous applications.

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The Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network plans to build a new greenhouse, shown in this rendering, on property the organization owns in the 400 block of West 19th Street. The greenhouse will help support the organization's urban agriculture and food security programs. CONTRIBUTED IMAGE/BOSTWICK DESIGN PARTNERSHIP

#### Erie Greenhouse plan aims for 'durable beautification'



**Kevin Flowers** USA TODAY NETWORK

Charles Buki called it "durable beau-

Buki lobbed that term at me more than four years ago during an email exchange as I sought data and context for an article on long-term plans to improve the city. ·

Buki — the founder and principal consultant at Alexandria, Virginia-based CZB and the key architect of the Erie Refocused comprehensive plan has been a go-to source over the years regarding what any meaningful renaissance in Erie would truly take in terms of buy-in, cash and force of will, as well as what an invigorated city might look like.

It was April 2017. Our topic was urban agriculture.

I asked Buki whether the city should pursue urban farming-related zoning changes and other allowances that would make it easier to effectively reuse long-vacant properties, help curb crime, promote neighborhood unity provide education and job-training opportunities and increase residents' access to healthy foods

City officials would eventually sign off on new rules that help push urban agriculture forward.

Buki said "yes." But he stressed the importance of durable beautification, which means that urban farming plans need to be sturdy, well crafted and widely beneficial

The Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network's latest project seems to fit that description.

The nonprofit neighborhood organization plans to build a largely underground, 1,000-square-foot greenhouse in the 400 block of West 19th Street in Erie's Little Italy neighborhood

A crumbling single-story house once

occupied the property.

But that structure has been demolished by the Neighborhood Network, which intends to bring what's known as a walipini greenhouse — an underground greenhouse with a transparent or translucent roof that is naturally heated and cooled by the earth - to the

The Erie Zoning Hearing Board in July signed off on a variance for the project. Its approval was needed because under city zoning rules greenhouses are not typically permitted in residential areas like the 400 block of West 19th



The Erie Zoning Hearing Board has approved a use variance that will allow the Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network to construct a largely underground greenhouse in the 400 block of West 19th Street, shown here on July 14. KEVIN FLOWERS/ERIE TIMES-NEWS

Street.

The project's exact cost is still being determined but Heather Caspar, the Neighborhood Network's executive di-rector, said the group has secured about \$100,000 in funding and the greenhouse could be finished as early as the end of this year.

The greenhouse utilizes the former home's foundation, which is still intact.

Caspar said the new building will be used to grow produce, herbs and other plants year-round to support the Neigh-borhood Network's weekly farmer's market, urban agriculture education and food insecurity programs.

There are so many vacant and blighted properties in our neighborhoods, and you can only have so many (outdoor) gardens and green spaces. Caspar told Zoning Hearing Board mem bers. "We're always trying to find alter-nate ways to use these spaces."

A similar project in Detroit, a city that has embraced urban farming as a way to resuscitate decayed neighborhoods and bring healthy foods to city residents, inspired the Neighborhood Network's

During our email exchange, Buki cautioned that urban agriculture is not a revitalization panacea.

"One really needs to be intentional about it, and durably so," Buki said, adding that commitments to maintenance and a long-term sustainability strategy are paramount.

Further, Buki said, any project should include lots of conversation with local residents to gauge concerns and secure buy-in.

Caspar gets that,

She pointed out that the Neighborhood Network reached out to adjacent property owners about the project to secure support and has consulted with



a smart way to go. I would argue this is a very wise avenue for people to be thinking about in Erie. It can work, but it takes real

Charles Buki, founder and principal of Alexandria, Va. Consulting firm CZB

University of Michigan professor Steven Mankouche about the best ways to move forward with its project in Erie

Mankouche was instrumental in creating the sunken greenhouse in Detroit, a project that used the foundation of a battered, fire-ravaged house

"It is neighborhood improvement," Caspar said of the Brie greenhouse pro-

I suspect Buki would agree,

"Greenhouses would be a smart way to go," Buki said via email back in 2017, "I would argue this is a very wise avenue for people to be thinking about in Erie. It can work, but it takes real focus."

Contact Kevin Flowers kflowers@timesnews.com. Follow him on Twitter at @ETNflowers.

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#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 13, 2021**

#### Resolution to Adopt the 2020-21 Annual Report

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

Whereas, the ECGRA Board of Directors and staff have effectively executed on all legal agreements, designed grant guidelines and an application process that is fair, open and transparent for multiple grant categories;

Whereas, ECGRA has funded eighty-eight (88) nonprofits and municipalities in the 2020-21 fiscal year totaling an investment of \$4,474,389.87 in Erie County;

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 present an Annual Report to the community detailing the funding categories, nonprofits and municipalities that were funded, the amount they received in funding and the results of that funding, to the extent outlined in the attached Exhibit "A".

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On the motion of

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This resolution was passed on the 16 <sup>th</sup> day	of September, 2021 by a vote of
E	RIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY
	Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
ATTEST:	September 16, 2021
Secretary, ECGRA	

# ECGRA's Infrastructure Supports Erie County

# Annual Report

2020-2021



In 2020, COVID-19 laid bare the vulnerability of communities across America. Here in Erie County, the ECGRA impact investor infrastructure was invaluable in quickly deploying local resources to help keep Erie County moving, while the world stood still.

The COVID-19 Response Fund expeditiously offered aid to small businesses, nonprofits, and humanitarian aid by creating three nimble programs to address the COVID-19 crisis that wreaked havoc on communities and small businesses across the country. The Immediate Human Relief Fund was established to offer urgent relief to the populations served by food pantries, homeless shelters, childcare centers, and elder care centers. The first grant, which launched the fund, awarded \$168,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank and supported 6,000 meals to be distributed throughout Erie County. A total of \$708,794

was awarded to additional organizations.

The Nonprofit Loan Fund and Small Business Loan Fund included \$1.6 million that helped meet the rising needs of small businesses and non-profits. The loans, administered through Bridgeway Capital, included flexible payment schedules and closed on 26 loans in just seven weeks.

"American communities without a public agency like ECGRA, built to connect and invest at all levels of a community, are at a distinct disadvantage in a post-COVID world," said Bruce Katz, co-founder and inaugural director, Nowak Metro Finance Lab at Drexel University.

"ECGRA was built to move swiftly and with public accountability allowing Erie County to get ahead in the crisis, which saved many local organizations from closing their doors to the residents they serve."

## **Financials**

### **Assets:**

Checking **\$47,128.58** 

Savings \$10,042,449.42

Accounts Receivable \$6,148,846.25

Prepaid Expenses \$9,100.00

Total Assets **\$16,247,524.25** 

## **Equity:**

Begin Net Income \$12,952,783.75 \$365,556.80

#### **Board of Directors:**

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Office Manager

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## FIRST ON THE GROUND



The Erie County COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund's primary goal was to support those on the front lines of the COVID-19 battle. ECGRA grant makers were uniquely positioned in a crisis because they are regularly in touch with nonprofit institutions that provide a range of life-saving and -enhancing services. Rapid communication with the leaders in this sector led to a rapid response that allowed organizations to keep the lights on.

An impact investor, ECGRA's mission is to elevate Erie County by galvanizing nonprofits and small businesses toward economic and community development. Since February 2008, ECGRA has invested more than **\$65 million** in Erie County.

Using national best practices as models for grant making and impact investing, ECGRA has made and reported on 1,319 grants and loans to 278 nonprofits and municipalities totaling over \$65 million of investments of local share gaming revenue.



Recipient	Category	Amount	Date
Bethany Outreach Center	Immediate Human Relief	\$7,600.00	4/17/20
Bridgeway Capital	Immediate Human Relief	\$620,000.00	4/6/20
Christian Cupboard of Girard	Immediate Human Relief	\$3,000.00	5/5/20
Community Shelter Services	Immediate Human Relief	\$30,750.00	4/1/20
Corry Salvation Army	Immediate Human Relief	\$9,500.00	4/27/20
County of Erie MH/ID	Immediate Human Relief	\$12,500.00	5/5/20
Edinboro Community & Economic Development Corporation	Immediate Human Relief	\$9,370.00	5/11/20
Ella Cochran Food Pantry	Immediate Human Relief	\$1,000.00	5/5/20
Elmwood Food Pantry	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,000.00	5/11/20
Erie City Mission	Immediate Human Relief	\$39,085.00	4/6/20
Erie DAWN	Immediate Human Relief	\$10,000.00	4/2/20
Erie Family Center	Immediate Human Relief	\$20,500.00	3/26/20
Erie United Methodist Alliance	Immediate Human Relief	\$45,480.00	4/8/20
Gannon University	Immediate Human Relief	\$23,000.00	4/15/20
Harbor Creek High School	Immediate Human Relief	\$1,000.00	5/8/20
HVA Senior Living Alliance	Immediate Human Relief	\$6,800.00	4/16/20
International Institute of Erie	Immediate Human Relief	\$17,210.00	6/10/20
Meals on Wheels	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,000.00	3/27/20
Mercy Center for Women	Immediate Human Relief	\$9,525.00	3/27/20
MECA, Inc.	Immediate Human Relief	\$3,850.00	4/17/20



Recipient	Category	Amount	Date
Millcreek Counseling & Mental Health Associates	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,500.00	4/17/20
North East Community Food Pantry	Immediate Human Relief	\$1000.00	3/26/20
Northwestern Food Pantry	Immediate Human Relief	\$5,000.00	5/5/20
Pennsylvania State University	Immediate Human Relief	\$63,321.00	4/1/20
Project Face Shield	Immediate Human Relief	\$45,480.00	4/21/20
Sacred Heart Church	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,000.00	5/18/20
Safe Journey	Immediate Human Relief	\$9,000.00	4/2/20
Sarah A. Reed Children's Center	Immediate Human Relief	\$11,000.00	4/9/20
Sarah A. Reed Senior Living	Immediate Human Relief	\$5,200.00	6/4/20
Second Harvest Food Bank of NWPA	Immediate Human Relief	\$168,000.00	4/21/20
ServErie	Immediate Human Relief	\$8,710.00	5/15/20
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network	Immediate Human Relief	\$25,400.00	5/15/20
St. Martin Center	Immediate Human Relief	\$7,300.00	4/7/20
St. Patrick's Haven	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,500.00	4/1/20
The Upper Room of Erie	Immediate Human Relief	\$5,000.00	3/27/20
Union City Family Support Center	Immediate Human Relief	\$2,000.00	5/4/20
Urban Erie Community Development Corporation	Immediate Human Relief	\$76,408.00	4/24/20
Waterford Food Pantry	Immediate Human Relief	\$5,000.00	5/4/20
YMCA of Greater Erie	Immediate Human Relief	\$38,960.00	6/4/20
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie	Immediate Human Relief	\$13,960.00	5/15/20
TOTAL HUMAN RELIEF FUND		\$\$1,328,794.00	

## Small Business



"I was able to fully conceptualize my company,
Taste and See: All Things Fruits & Vegetables, and
step into the Erie renaissance effort by working
with Bridgeway Capital," said Krystal Robinson, CEO,
Taste and See: All Things Fruits & Vegetables.

Since 2016, the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority (ECGRA) has partnered with Bridgeway Capital to advance its mission to develop Erie's entrepreneurial ecosystem by spurring small business development.

Sparked by an initial \$1 million dollar investment from ECGRA, Bridgeway has made \$8 million in business loans available to 32 small business in Erie County since 2016 - that's a 700% return on investment. Important loans were granted in communities where businesses have helped create sustainable wages and revitalized the local economies they serve. The support of ECGRA's initial investment also spurred an additional \$3.2 million in private capital for small businesses



With funding from ECGRA, Bridgeway also helps minority entrepreneurs which includes women as well as people of color, to develop and launch business through its Erie Minority-Owned Business Accelerator (EMOBA). EMOBA is designed to provide developing businesses a strong foundation to launch and grow.

Recipient	Category	Amount
Edinboro University Foundation	Beehive	\$57,000.00
Erie Center for Arts & Technology	Small Business Financing	\$500,000.00
Erie Regional Library Foundation	Beehive	\$62,123.00
Gannon University	Beehive	\$90,500.00
Mercyhurst University	Beehive	\$97,500.00
TOTAL SMALL BUSINESS		\$807,123.00

#### **IMPACT**

# Neighborhoods & Local Communities



"This is a real thing," said Linda Brown, School House Block homeowner. "I just hope anyone who wants to take advantage of these grants makes the decision to do so. I'd like to see as many people as possible benefit from this."

The ECGRA impact investor infrastructure is engrained across rural and urban Erie County, serving as a mighty economic development tool consistently reinvigorating neighborhoods and main corridors, boosting buy-local efforts, and combatting blight. Through the Mission Main Street grants, Renaissance Block and Anchor Building programs, ECGRA invests in partnerships with communities to revive aging storefronts so new and existing businesses thrive.

Impact Corry was awarded \$100,000 through the local Renaissance Block project specifically focused on the neighborhood of School House Block. Rick and Linda Brown, residents in the neighborhood, received a portion of the grant to help improve their home. The couple recently installed 21 energy-efficient windows that totaled \$16,000, but with the \$5,000 matching grant, they ended up spending \$11,000 out of pocket.



Recipient	Category	Amount
Borough of Edinboro	Mission Main Street	\$119,750.00
Borough of Girard	Renaissance Block	\$25,625.00
Borough of Girard	Mission Main Street	\$45,000.00
Borough of North East	Renaissance Block	\$30,000.00
Borough of Union City	Renaissance Block	\$30,000.00
Borough of Union City	Anchor Building	\$49,375.00
Borough of Union City	Mission Main Street	\$121,000.00
Borough of Union City	Renaissance Block	\$20,000.00
Erie Center for Arts & Technology	Anchor Building	\$60,000.00
Erie Masonic Temple Preservation Foundation	Anchor Building	\$56,000.00
Gaudenzia Erie	Anchor Building	\$50,000.00
Grace Church	Anchor Building	\$80,000.00
Impact Corry	Renaissance Block	\$50,000.00
Impact Corry	Mission Main Street	\$59,200.00
Mercy Center for Women	Anchor Building	\$20,000.00
Our West Bayfront	Renaissance Block	\$25,000.00
Sisters of Mercy	Renaissance Block	\$25,000.00
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network	Mission Main Street	\$104,000.00
Waterford Borough	Mission Main Street	\$81,600.00
Woman's Club of Erie	Anchor Building	\$100,000.00
YMCA of Greater Erie	Renaissance Block	\$25,000.00
TOTAL NEIGHBORHOODS & LOCAL COMMUNITIE	es .	\$1,176,550.00

# Quality of Place



"Without the support of ECGRA we might not have been able to maintain the infrastructure in place that supports the Erie Food Truck Festival – an Erie County event that might have ended up among the stories of cultural and heritage events that didn't survive COVID-19." Janet Peters, Iroquois School District Foundation, Executive Director

As part of its core mission to improve Erie County's livability, ECGRA strategically invests to promote well-being, foster civic pride, drive tourism, and attract, retain, and mobilize creative talent and innovative businesses through cultural, heritage, and recreational organizations and projects.

In 2020, ECGRA continued to invest in Erie County's special events, community, human and lead assets.



Recipient	Category	Amount
Albion Area Fair, Inc.	Community Assets	\$9,375.00
AmeriMasala	Community Assets	\$12,000.00
Booker T. Washington Center	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Boys & Girls Club of Erie	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Corry Area Arts Council	Special Events	\$900.00
Eagle's Nest Leadership Corporation	Community Assets	\$10,000.00
Erie Bird Observatory	Community Assets	\$10,000.00
Erie Center for Arts & Technology	Community Assets	\$14,307.90
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre	Community Assets	\$7,700.00
Erie Police Athletic League	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Erie Yesterday	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Goodell Gardens & Homestead	Community Assets	\$7,901.49
Holy Trintiy Roman Catholic Church	Special Events	\$1,250.48
Impact Corry	Community Assets	\$14,000.00
International Institute of Erie	Special Events	\$350.00
International Institute of Erie	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Jefferson Educational Society	Special Events	\$2,055.22
JFK Center	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Lake Erie Greek Cultural Society	Special Events	\$1,215.00
Martin Luther King Center	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Mission Empower	Community Assets	\$6,441.09
Nonprofit Partnership, The	Special Events	\$662.50
North East Arts Council	Community Assets	\$6,500.00



Recipient	Category	Amount
Performing Artists Collective Alliance	Community Assets	\$14,000.00
Presque Isle Partnership	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Saint Joseph Church Bread of Life Community	Special Events	\$3,359.25
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network	Special Events	\$1,993.49
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Urban Erie Community Development Corporation	Community Assets	\$14,773.77
WQLN Public Media	Community Assets	\$12,000.00
Waterford Community Fair Association	Community Assets	\$2,750.00
Wesleyville Museum of Armed Forces Small Boats	Community Assets	\$3,837.50
YMCA of Greater Erie	Community Assets	\$15,000.00
Young Artists Debut Orchestra	Community Assets	\$14,000.00
Young Artists Debut Orchestra	Special Events	\$1,889.65
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie	Community Assets	\$10,954.00
TOTAL QUALITY OF PLACE		\$334,216.34

#### **IMPACT**

## Municipalities



As an impact investor, ECGRA's infrastructure provides deep relationships that reach beyond the daily headlines to help find ways to strengthen communities at their roots. The Multi-Municipal Collaboration Program works to catalyze functional cooperation among Erie County's 38 municipalities and to support economic growth and vibrancy in the community.

Impact Corry received \$ 25,000 that will help will bring together the City of Corry, Concord Township, Corry Redevelopment Authority, and regional thought leaders in aeronautics, technology, education, and business to develop a strategic business plan for the Corry-Lawrence Airport to transition from a hobbyist airfield to a revenue-generating transportation hub and training center.

"The Corry Municipal Airport is an invaluable economic development and community asset that, with Multi Municipal funds, will keep our community progressing at a very high speed." Dave Mitchell, Mayor City of Corry

Recipient	Category	Amount
City of Erie	Multi-Municipal Collaboration	(\$18,000.00)
County of Erie	Local Government Development	\$121,888.22
Girard Township	Multi-Municipal Collaboration	\$17,000.00
Greene Township	Local Government Development	\$121,888.22
Jefferson Educational Society	Multi-Municipal Collaboration	\$100,000.00
McKean Township	Local Government Development	\$121,888.22
Millcreek Township	Local Government Development	\$121,888.22
Summit Township	Local Government Development	\$498,633.59
Waterford Township	Local Government Development	\$121,888.22
TOTAL MUNICIPALITIES		\$1,207,074.69

#### **IMPACT**

## **Youth & Education**



Strengthening the Erie County workforce and schools is key to economic development efforts and reducing poverty. As part of its impact investing in Youth & Education, ECGRA invested \$250,000 in the Erie County Community College of Pennsylvania, helping to cement a foundational block in Erie's educational infrastructure.

ECGRA was an investor in the effort to bring a community college to Erie County. Its support helped with education efforts at the state level that led to the ultimate approval of the Erie County Community College.

Recipient	Category	Amount
Empower Erie, LLC	Shaping Tomorrow	\$150,000.00
Erie's Public Schools	Shaping Tomorrow	\$66,666.50
Greater Erie Community Action Committee	Summer Jobs	\$31,395.34
TOTAL MUNICIPALITIES		\$248,061.84

"Our leading business organizations, philanthropists, county government, our mayor, religious organizations, nonprofit leaders, school superintendents, other grant makers, including ECGRA, countless citizens, even local higher education has come on board in support of a local community college. Clearly, our time is now." Mike Batchelor, President of Erie Community Foundation.



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