

Ryan Will Not Seek Fourth Term



This week, I announced I will not run for re-election to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives this fall. It has been my privilege and my pleasure to serve you, the citizens of the 101st Legislative District, and I will continue to do so until my current term ends on Nov. 30. To see my announcement, [click here](#).

On Economy, Now is No Time to Rest



Bold steps are needed to fix our economy. You may not know that our economic outlook is not good. We are in an artificial growth period, propped up by stimulus dollars and the printing of new money, which will drive up wages and prices and will be particularly detrimental to retirees and others on fixed incomes. But the problem is even more dire than that. [In this episode](#) of Frankly Speaking with Frank Ryan, we discuss economic dynamics and how they affect all of us.

Free COVID-19 Tests Available

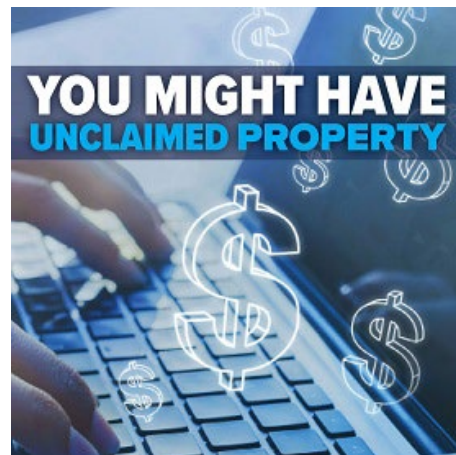
At-home COVID-19 tests are increasingly difficult to find. Now the federal government has launched a website that enables you to order a set of four rapid antigen COVID-19 tests at no cost and shipped directly to your home. Simply visit covidtests.gov and fill out your name and shipping address, then click “Check Out Now.” Orders are limited to one package of four per household and will ship free in 7-12 days.



Does Any of PA’s \$4 Billion in Unclaimed Property Belong to You?

The Pennsylvania Treasury estimates it is holding unclaimed property for about one in every 10 Pennsylvanians. Could it be you? Find out by visiting Treasury’s FREE [unclaimed property database](#). It’s quick and simple!

Unclaimed property may include dormant bank accounts, abandoned stocks, uncashed checks and more. Property is always available for the rightful owner to claim. Tangible property may be auctioned after three years, but proceeds remain available to claim in perpetuity. Military decorations and memorabilia – often turned over to Treasury from abandoned or forgotten safe deposit boxes – are never auctioned and remain in the vault for safekeeping until a veteran or their family is found. In 2021, Treasury returned more than \$135 million in unclaimed property, along with 229 military decorations and memorabilia to veterans or their families. If you are a veteran or family member of a veteran, [click here](#) to check the database of unclaimed military items. You NEVER have to pay anyone to collect your unclaimed property. Simply claim it through Treasury’s website or contact my office for assistance.



PA Homeowner Assistance Fund Opens Feb. 1

Starting Feb. 1, applications will open for the Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund (PAHAF) to help those struggling with unforeseen financial hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The PAHAF is for Pennsylvania homeowners whose household income is at or below 150% of the area median income (AMI) and need assistance to prevent and/or ease mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures, displacement and utility disconnection.



To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Household income is equal to or less than 150% area median income (AMI), which varies by locality. Priority will be given to households at or below 100% AMI.
- Homeowner owns and occupies the property as their primary residence.
- Property is in Pennsylvania.
- Homeowner experienced a financial hardship after Jan. 21, 2020, including a hardship that began before Jan. 21, 2020, and continued after that date.
- Homeowner has not received the same assistance for mortgage payment, mortgage reinstatement, property charges, and/or utility payment from another federal, state, local, nonprofit or tribal source.
- Homeowner's first mortgage is a conforming loan and meets the federal limits for the year in which the loan was taken.

To learn more, [click here](#).

Apply now for a 2022 Pennsylvania House Scholarship

High school seniors interested in receiving financial assistance to help pay for college can now apply for the Pennsylvania House of Representatives' Scholarship. Each year the program awards a four-year scholarship to two students preparing for post-secondary education. It is open to graduating high school seniors who are Pennsylvania residents with plans to attend a Pennsylvania college, university or career school as a full-time student. To qualify, students must have attained a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average in high school. Other factors taken into consideration for the awards are a student's commitment to community, leadership qualities, extracurricular activities and financial need. The scholarship program is administered through the Foundation for Enhancing Communities. Application deadline is March 1. [Click here](#) for more information and to apply. The scholarship is privately funded by individual and corporate donors; no tax or other public funds are used. Scholarships are awarded through an independent panel of judges chosen by the foundation.

