



COUNTY OF LEHIGH
Office of the County Executive

Thomas S. Muller
County Executive

March 3, 2017

Re: 2017 County of Lehigh Gaming Revenue Application

Dear County of Lehigh Gaming Grant Applicant:

The County of Lehigh is the recipient of gaming funds for distribution to affected municipalities per a revenue sharing agreement established with Northampton County, the City of Bethlehem, the City of Allentown and our Lehigh Valley legislators in 2007.

The current round of funding which will be based on the funds Lehigh County received in 2016 is planned to be announced in May of 2017. Enclosed please find the 2017 County of Lehigh Gaming Revenue Application. For your convenience, we have included the application in PDF format at www.lehighcounty.org under the heading of Community and Economic Development. Funding is at the discretion of the County of Lehigh and may be requested for capital projects, transportation needs of the municipality due to increases in traffic, safety and crime prevention programs needed to combat documented increases in crime or other requests as defined by the municipality which are needed as a result of location of the casino in South Bethlehem.

Applications must be received in Lehigh County's Office of Community & Economic Development by Thursday, April 13 at 4 p.m. The review committee's recommendations for grant awards will be announced in May 2017.

Lehigh County has continuously shown a strong commitment to the civic, cultural and recreational well-being of our community. We are proud of the support we provide to our municipalities. We look forward to your participation in this program. Please feel free to contact Frank Kane at 610-782-3001 or frankkane@lehighcounty.org or Virginia Haas at 610-782-3809 or virginiahaas@lehighcounty.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Muller", is written over a horizontal line.

Thomas S. Muller

Enclosure

Government Center
17 South Seventh Street
Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101-2401
Phone: 610-782-3001
Fax: 610-871-2755



County of Lehigh
Gaming Revenue
Grant Application Cover Sheet

Please complete the following:

Organization Name:	Date:
Contact Name:	Title:
Mailing Address:	Phone:
	Fax:
City:	Zip Code:
State:	

Type of Grant Request (Check All That Apply)

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital | <input type="checkbox"/> Matching Grant | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Support |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Please provide the following documents with the grant application:

- ☐ Detailed Description of the Project/ Request for Funds
- ☐ Copies of Bids/Quotes Received
- ☐ Current Operating Budget
- ☐ Supplemental Information including brochures, articles, etc.-optional
- ☐ Letters of Support-optional
- ☐ Current staff and board listing, with officers denoted
- ☐ Current Audited Financial Statement

Dollar Amount of the Grant Request \$ _____

Briefly describe the project being supported by this grant request:

Submit all requested information and this form to:

Office of Community & Economic Development
Attention: Virginia Haas
Lehigh County Government Center
17 S. 7th Street, Room 519
Allentown, PA 18101-2401

Deadline to Submit: Thursday, April 13, 2017



CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING 2017 COUNTY OF LEHIGH GAMING GRANT PROPOSAL

Municipalities must submit all of the following information:

An original and four (4) copies of the following:

- _____ Detailed proposal specifying the request and need for funding.
- _____ Completed application cover sheet.
- _____ Copies of bids/quotes received.
- _____ Current operating budget.
- _____ Optional: A maximum of 5 pages of supplemental information including brochures, articles or organizational information.
- _____ Optional: Letters of support.

One copy of each of the following:

- _____ A current list of staff and board members, with officers denoted.
- _____ If the grant request is for more than \$2000: Your most recent audit, compilation or review performed by an outside accounting agency. If a review is performed in-house, an officer of your organization must submit a signed statement indicating your organization's method of accounting and certifying that all records are correct.

All materials must be returned to the Lehigh County Department of Community & Economic Development Office, 17 South Seventh Street, Room 519, Allentown, PA 18101-2401, by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 13, 2017.

For questions or requests for additional information, please contact Virginia Haas, Community Revitalization & Development Manager, at (610) 782-3809 or virginiahaas@lehighcounty.org.

This form must be returned with your application.

APPROVED

First Reading: 08/12/09

Passed 9-0: 08/26/09

**COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA
COMMISSIONERS BILL 2009-85
SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONERS McCARTHY & ECKHART
REQUESTED DATE: JULY 23, 2009
ORDINANCE NO. 2009-178**

**ESTABLISHING A LEHIGH COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM FOR
MUNICIPALITIES IMPACTED BY THE SOUTH BETHLEHEM CASINO**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act (Gaming Act), the County of Lehigh will receive a portion of revenues derived from the Sands Casino in South Bethlehem for the purpose of making municipal grants within the County (*See 4 Pa.C.S. §1403*); and

WHEREAS, the County of Lehigh is interested in assisting municipalities which may be impacted by the Sands Casino in South Bethlehem and which will not receive any gaming revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Act provides that money designated for municipal grants should be used to fund the costs of human services, infrastructure improvements, facilities, emergency services, and health and public safety expenses associated with licensed gaming operations; and

WHEREAS, the Lehigh County Department of Community and Economic Development wishes to create a formal application process for these grants, which will be conducted annually; and

WHEREAS, the application process will be similar to the Department of Community and Economic Development's current Quality of Life and Tourism Grant process; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has recommended that ordinance approval be required to provide legislative review and oversight to the process and to authorize the award of the gaming revenue grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA, THAT:

1. The foregoing Whereas clauses are incorporated herein as if set forth in their entirety.
2. The County of Lehigh's grant program for municipalities impacted by the South Bethlehem casino shall be administered as follows:
 - a. The County Executive, through the Department of Community and Economic Development, shall coordinate the application, evaluation and award process for gaming funds.
 - b. An Evaluation Committee shall be organized to work with the Department of Community and Economic Development for the purpose of evaluating grant applications. The Committee shall consist of the following members: the County Executive, the Director of Community and Economic Development, the Chair of the Board of Commissioners and one (1) member of the Board of Commissions appointed by the Chair of the Board of Commissioners. The Evaluation Committee shall present its grant recommendations to the Board of Commissioners.

c. Grants may be requested for capital projects, transportation needs of the municipality due to increases in traffic, safety and crime prevention programs needed to combat documented increases in crime or other requests as defined by the municipality and which are needed as a result of the location of the casino in South Bethlehem.

d. Each grant may be for a single-year or multi-year commitment and will be subject to the availability of funds.

e. The Board of Commissioners shall approve the grants by ordinance.

3. The proper officers and other personnel of Lehigh County are hereby authorized and empowered to take all such further action and execute additional documents as they may deem appropriate to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

4. The County Executive shall distribute copies of this Ordinance to the proper offices and other personnel of Lehigh County whose further action is required to achieve the purpose of this Ordinance.

5. Any Ordinance or part of any Ordinance conflicting with the provision of this Ordinance is hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

6. This Ordinance shall become effective in ten (10) days after enactment.

ADOPTED this 26th day of August, 2009, by the following vote:

<u>Commissioners</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Dean N. Browning	X	
Percy H. Dougherty	X	
Glenn Eckhart	X	
Gloria L. Hamm	X	
David S. Jones, Sr.	X	
Bill Leiner, Jr.	X	
Daniel K. McCarthy	X	
Sterling H. Raber	X	
Andy Roman	X	

ATTEST: Daryl Bevilacqua
CLERK TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED this 31st day of August, 2009.

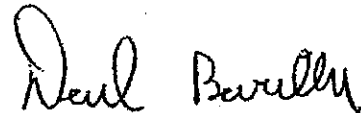
Donald T. Cunningham, Jr.
DONALD T. CUNNINGHAM, JR.
LEHIGH COUNTY EXECUTIVE

ENACTED this 31st day of August, 2009.

COUNTY OF LEHIGH ORDINANCE 2009 – NO. 178

CERTIFICATION

I, DAVID BARILLA, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Lehigh County, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the ordinance adopted at a regular meeting of the Commissioners of Lehigh County held on the 26th day of August, 2009, and approved on the 31st day of August, 2009 by the Lehigh County Executive, and effective on the 10th day of September, 2009.

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DAVID BARILLA, Clerk
Board of Commissioners