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Scranton Opens 2025 Community Center Grant Applications Through April 29

SCRANTON, PA. – Mayor Paige G. Cognetti announced today, April 2, 2025, the opening of applications for a total of \$30,000 in grants available to nonprofit community centers located within the City of Scranton. Applications are due by Tuesday, April 29, 2025, and can be submitted online through OpenGov at <u>https://bit.ly/ScrantonCommunity2025</u>.

"Community centers help bring together friends and neighbors across Scranton," Mayor Cognetti said. "This funding makes sure these facilities can continue to grow or make needed repairs in order to continue serving our residents."

The grants provide financial assistance to enhance capacity, upgrade facilities, and support programming at community centers. Eligible applicants must be **501(c)(3) or 501(c)(23) nonprofits** and demonstrate strong financial management and programmatic expertise. Funds may be awarded in full or in part, depending on availability, and must be used by **December 31**, **2025**.

In 2024, a total of \$25,000 in grant funding was awarded to the West Scranton Youth Center (1621 Washburn St.) and the Tripp Park Community Center (2000 Dorothy St.) to support their operations and facility improvements.

Applications are open now. Interested groups can contact City of Scranton Executive Director of the Office of Community and Economic Development, Sherry Frable, at sfrable@scrantonpa.gov, or Community Development Manager, Liza Carroll, at lcarroll@scrantonpa.gov.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF SCRANTON: Incorporated in 1866, the City of Scranton has a population of approximately 76,000 residents and is the sixth-largest municipality in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Scranton City Hall is located at 340 N. Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503. Residents requiring services should visit <u>www.scrantonpa.gov</u>

ABOUT MAYOR PAIGE G. COGNETTI: Paige G. Cognetti was sworn in as the 36th Mayor of Scranton in January 2020. Her administration is focused on driving economic growth, upgrading infrastructure, ensuring public safety, fostering government transparency and efficiency, and improving residents' overall quality of life.