

Major Tax Incentive Enacted for Home and Business Improvements

Holding off on renovating your business or home because of the potential property tax increase?

Wait no longer! Steelton Borough's new Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance (LERTA) and Improvement to Deteriorating Real Property (IDRP) program gives homeowners and businesses a break of up to ten years on any additional county, borough, and school district taxes that result from property improvements.

What is the LERTA/IDRP Program:

Participants receive relief on any new taxes that result from improvements to their property. As a result, residents and businesses can renovate their property and raise its value without paying additional **borough, school, and county real estate taxes**. The program also applies to new commercial and residential construction!

How to Get the Tax Break:

Step 1: Commit to improving your property.

Step 2: Fill out a LERTA/IDRP Application as part of your building permit at the Steelton Codes Office.

Step 3: Renovate your property.

Step 4: Receive a break on new real estate taxes for up to ten years.

Determining the Amount of Tax Relief You'll Receive:

The amount of tax relief received depends on which district your property is located in:

1. C-1 Town Center District: 100% break for ten years
2. Rest of the Borough: 100% break for five years. Break reduces by 20% years six through ten.



Steelton Borough, Dauphin County, and Steel-High School District Officials join the business community to announce the LERTA/EDRP Program.

[Attend the LERTA Lunch to Learn More!](#)

[Saturday, August 26 at Noon](#)

[Steelton Borough Hall](#)

[Enjoy free lunch and get more information on the both programs!](#)

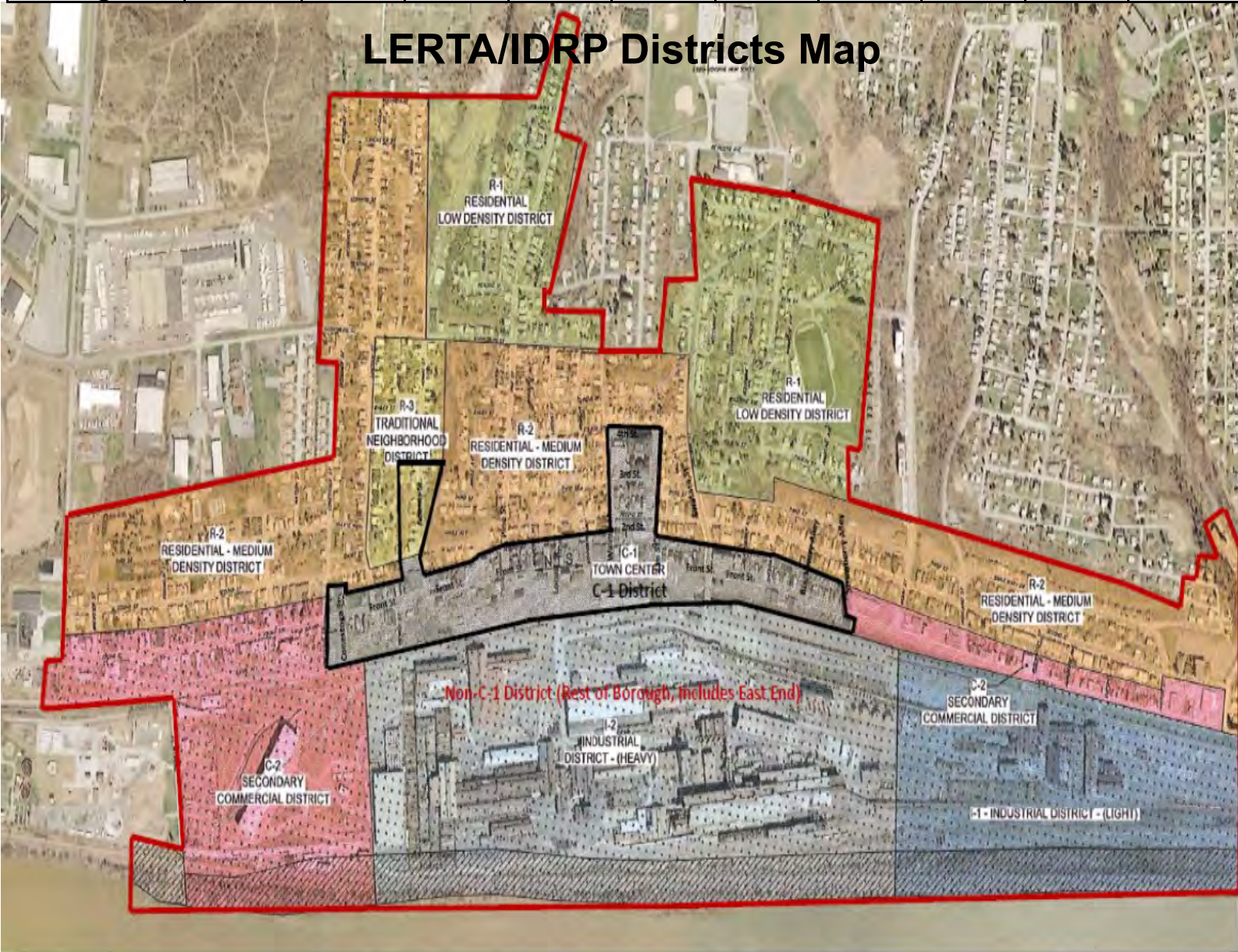
LERTA /IDRP Districts:

C-1 District: Steelton Borough's Commercial Town Center District consisting of Front Street between Conestoga Street and Strawberry Alley, and portions of Second, Third, Fourth, and Adams Street in certain areas (see map below for details).

Rest of Borough: All areas outside of the C-1 District including the entire East End.

District	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	4 th year	5 th year	6 th year	7 th year	8 th year	9 th year	10 th year
C-1	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Rest of Borough	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	80%	60%	40%	20%	0%

LERTA/IDRP Districts Map



TIP: The Steelton Borough Codes Office can help you fill out a LERTA/IDRP application and verify your district. Just call 717-939-9842 ext. 5019

Skate Park Nearing Completion

Opening Day Set for September 23rd at 2pm

The wait is almost over.

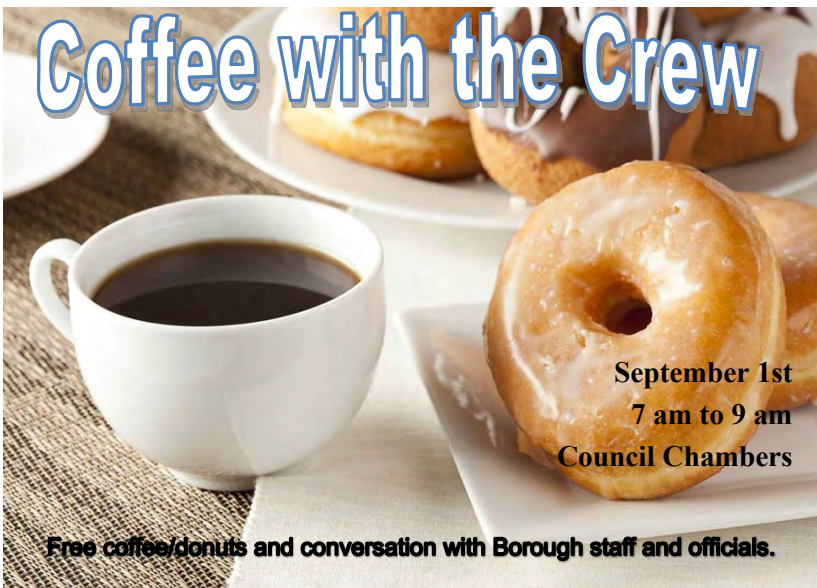
Arment Concrete is working away on the final stages of the Steelton Skate Park. In just a few weeks, the park is expected to be open to the public!

An opening day ceremony is planned for Saturday, September 23rd at 2pm. Opening Day will include music, food, skate contests, prizes, and the dedication of the Steelton Skate Park. The event is free and open to the public. Bring your board and join us in opening this exciting new addition to Steelton.

The Steelton Skate Park will be the only free public, concrete skate park in the region and has already received rave reviews from the skateboarding community. The park is expected to draw skaters from the region and beyond while giving Steelton youth a new and exciting recreational amenity.



Coffee with the Crew



September 1st
7 am to 9 am
Council Chambers

Free coffee/donuts and conversation with Borough staff and officials.

ATTENTION PET OWNERS

2017 LOW COST VACCINE CLINICS FOR CATS AND DOGS



Saturday, January 7	Saturday, July 8
Saturday, February 11	Saturday, Aug. 5
Saturday, March 11	Saturday, Sept. 9
Saturday, April 8	Saturday, Oct. 7
Saturday, May 6	Saturday, Nov. 4
Saturday, June 3	Saturday, Dec. 2

NEW LOCATION & TIME:

SCC Building; 1 N. Front St., Steelton
Registration starts: 9:30 a.m.
Clinic Hours: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
First Come; First Served.

Rabies & Distemper: \$10 each.
Other services include: Microchip, \$25;
Lyme, \$25; Bordetella, Lepto, Dewormer,
Nail Clipping, \$10 each; Canine Influenza,
Feline Leukemia: \$20 each.

Thank you to Dr. Diane Ford for making these clinics possible. DOGS MUST BE ON A SHORT LEASH; CATS MUST BE IN A SECURE PET CARRIER. More info, call 717- 877-4146 or visit www.steeltoncats.org.

Steelton Community Cats (SCC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, all volunteer charitable organization providing cat population control services to municipalities and colony caretakers.

2017 FULL SERVICE TRAP/NEUTER/RETURN (TNR) CLINICS SCHEDULE

Serving Steelton Borough
& Swatara, Susquehanna &
Lower Swatara Townships
www.steeltoncats.org



Thursday & Friday, February 23 & 24
Thursday & Friday, March 23 & 24
Thursday & Friday, April 20 & 21
Thursday & Friday, May 18 & 19
Thursday & Friday, June 29 & 30
Thursday & Friday, July 27 & 28
Thursday & Friday, August 24 & 25
Thursday & Friday, September 21 & 22
Thursday & Friday, October 26 & 27
Thursday & Friday, November 16 & 17
Trapping begins the Sunday prior to the clinic dates!

To learn more about our TNR program or if you reside outside our service area and would like to participate in our program, call 717-877-4146, e-mail steeltoncommunitycatstnr@gmail.com, or visit www.steeltoncats.org.

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Mayor:

Maria R. Marcinko

Steelton Borough Council:

Jeffery L. Wright—President
Brian Proctor-Vice-President
Michael Segina - Pro Tem
Keontay Hodge—Councilperson
Mike Albert—Councilperson
Michael Segina—Councilperson
Kelly Kratzer—Councilperson
Ryan C. Maxwell—Councilperson

Upcoming Meetings:

Council:

- 1st and Third Monday of Every Month @ 6:30 pm

Water Authority:

- October 10th at 5pm

Steelton Finance Committee Budget Meetings:

- October 11, 18, 25 @ 6pm

Coffee with the Crew

- First Friday of Every Month @ 7am to 9am

For a full list of meetings visit
www.steeltonpa.com

BUDGET NOTICE:

Steelton Borough is beginning the process of planning the Fiscal Year 2018 budget. Residents are encouraged to share their input with Council at regularly scheduled meetings.

Meet Your New Councilperson: Ryan C. Maxwell

Hello Steeltonians,

My name is Ryan C. Maxwell and I was appointed by Borough Council to serve out the unexpired term left by then-Councilwoman Maria Romano Marcinko. My appointment expires December 31, 2017.

I currently reside in Steelton with my husband, Demone, our son and my stepdaughter. I graduated from Harrisburg High School, Penn State University and the University of Maryland. I have a master's degree in public policy. I also serve on Steelton's Water Authority.

I have a passion for projects that improve our community. Through my appointment to the Water Authority, I have learned a lot about our community and it has strengthened my desire to make Steelton a better place for all its residents. I promise to be a listening ear and vocal advocate for residents and businesses in our community. In my short time as a resident of the borough, I have seen Steelton as a resolute town with strong values and resourceful inhabitants. I look forward to the opportunity of working as a council member to help make Steelton a better place to live, work, play and visit.



Please feel free to introduce yourself at the next Borough Council meeting or Coffee with the Crew.

Respectfully, Ryan C. Maxwell

Borough Hall Renamed to Honor Steelton's First African-American Police Chief

At its June 19th meeting, Steelton Borough Council passed Resolution 2017-R-21 naming the municipal building the "Frederick Douglas Municipal Building."

Douglas was Steelton's first African-American Police Chief and the first African-American Police Chief to be appointed in Pennsylvania. He served from 1968 to 1975.

"Honoring Chief Douglas and preserving his legacy is of utmost importance", stated Councilman Brian Proctor, Chair of the Steelton Council Neighborhood and Economic Development Committee. "I am proud to name our municipal building after such an incredible person."

A dedication ceremony is scheduled for Fall 2017.



New Independent Businesses Opening in Steelton

Show your support by shopping locally.

The Skate Shop at Rayzor Tattoos

The Skate Shop at Rayzor Tattoos opens on the cusp of the completion of the Steelton Skate Park, the only skate park in Dauphin County and the region. The shop is owned by Ray Young, a long-time skateboarder and instrumental part of bringing a skate park to Steelton.

Check out The Skate Shop and gear up before opening day of the Steelton Skate Park.

Address: 4 South Front Street

Phone: 717-939-2222

Website: <http://www.rayzortattoos.com/>



Herbal Essentials

Looking for the latest in herbal remedies, beauty products, and healing? Herbal Essentials is *the* herbal store for bath bombs, sugar scrubs, essential oils, soaps, and much more. Herbal Essentials was established in 2017 with one mission: to open a place where people can "heal" together and be in a location that can serve the community. Their passion for herbs is what inspired Herbal Essentials to open. Herbal Essentials prides itself on the in-store shopping experience. Join us in welcoming them to Steelton.

Address: 109 S. Front Street

Phone: 717-939-4769

Email: info@herbalessentials.net



C & C Curbside Barbecue and Deli

Owned by a former executive chef, C & C offers delicious barbecue including ribs, wings, and other favorites including hoagies and cheesesteaks.

Address: 175 S. Front Street

Phone: 717-939-3800



Codes Officer Singh Awarded Master Codes Enforcement Professional Certification

Amrinder Singh, Director of Code Enforcement & Building Code Official for the Borough of Steelton, Pennsylvania has been awarded the Master Code Enforcement Professional Certification by the American Association of Code Enforcement. The Master Code Enforcement Professional (MCEP) is the highest level of certification the organization offers. While thousands of code enforcement officials are certified, only a small number have received this distinction.

Singh is the first Code Official in Pennsylvania and one of ten in the country to earn the certification, which requires and demonstrates commitment to the profession, diverse knowledge of codes, and a high level of self-initiative.



“It is with great pride and honor that the American Association of Code Enforcement grants the Certification of Master Code Professional to you. This is a very prestigious certification and shows that you are highly competent in all areas of Code Enforcement” stated Tana Bryant, 2nd Vice-President and Certification Committee Chairperson for the American Association of Code Enforcement.

To obtain this designation, Code Officials must successfully complete and pass the five exams required by the American Association of Code Enforcement. These exams are administered by the International Code Council. Code Officials must also complete training from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passing six National Incident Management System courses and exams. Lastly, must be currently employed in the field of code enforcement and have a minimum of seven years of active employment in the field of code enforcement and/or regulation of health or safety.

“I look forward to continuing to learn and grow as a code official by continuing to acquire more knowledge of codes, the latest best practices and techniques for enforcement, and learning what ordinances and methods have or have not worked in other municipalities to help eliminate blight, increasing the quality of life, and property values.” said Singh.

“Mr. Singh is an invaluable part of the new leadership team in Steelton” said Doug Brown, Borough Manager. Brown added, “We set out almost two years ago to chart a new path for the Steelton Borough Codes Office centered on integrity, knowledge, and professionalism. Mr. Singh’s attainment of Master

From Mr. Singh: Take Advantage of the LERTA/IDRP Program to Prevent Future Codes Violations

With the passage of the LERTA/IDRP Program, there is nothing standing between you and fixing up your property. Instead of continuing to receive citations for property code violations, take the initiative to fix up your property while the tax incentive is available to do so.

The Steelton Borough Codes Office is happy to assist any property owner with applying for the LERTA/IDRP and fixing up their property. Just call us or email Amrinder Singh at asingh@steeltonpa.com

There is nothing stopping you; help make Steelton shine again.



SCAM ALERT!

PPL: Don't fall for scammers

Phone scammers who impersonate PPL Electric Utilities give themselves away by doing two things the utility doesn't.

The scammers claim they'll cut off power in an hour or two if they don't get paid, and they often pressure you to pay them with prepaid cards. (In reality, PPL gives plenty of notice when there's a possible risk of shutoff, and the company doesn't pressure anyone to use specific payment methods.)

If you get one of these calls, you can always check your account status by logging on at www.ppelectric.com or hang up and call 1-800-DIAL-PPL to verify the call.

If you receive a suspicious or threatening call that claims to come from another company – like a gas utility or a bank – do the same thing: Hang up and contact the company directly using a trusted method, like the phone number on your monthly statement or from the company's website.

At PPL, service termination always is a last resort. The utility works with customers to set up payment plans or to enroll customers in income-eligible programs whenever possible. When termination does occur, it's preceded by a formal notification process that involves a letter and phone call, as well as a door posting at the address in question.

Please share this news with your family members and friends, so that they can also watch out for phone scams.

ARE YOU ABOUT TO BLOW IT,
AND NOT EVEN KNOW IT?

 **RAKE 'EM**  **BAG 'EM**

 **MULCH 'EM**  **COMPOST 'EM**

However you get rid of fall leaves, make sure
you **KEEP THEM OUT OF THE STORM DRAIN.**

Be Alerted During Emergencies: Sign Up for Code Red

Borough residents can receive phone call notifications during emergency events like the recent propane leak. All residents are encouraged to register their phone number with Code Red. During emergency events, including evacuations, the Borough will call residents in the Code Red System to keep them updated.

How to sign up for Code Red:

- Go to www.steeltonpa.com
- Click on the  link on the left side of the homepage
- Register your account. Keeping citizens informed.



Steelton

Skate

Park

Opening

Day

Saturday,

September

23rd

Food, music, skating, contests

Demos, prizes and giveaways

2pm



STEELTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHICKEN BBQ

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9

11am - Sold Out

\$9.00 Per Ticket

PRE SALE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Pre purchased meals must be picked up by 1pm

Call or Stop in for inquiries

185 N. Front St. Steelton, PA 17113

717-939-2478

Meal includes 1/2 chicken, baked beans, baked potato, apple sauce, roll & butter.



Mayor's Minute



Since my appointment on June 19, 2017, being your Mayor has been challenging and exciting all at the same time. Many of the initiatives started years ago by Borough Council are starting to become a reality and these exciting times are going to continue. I am also so excited at how engaged the community has been. Please keep the phone calls, text messages, emails, and social media posts coming. Without your input, nothing can happen. You the residents hold the key to success in this Borough.

Since this new world of social media and technology are here to stay, we are going to embrace it and use it as a way to communicate with you to listen to your issues and concerns. I promise that I will listen to you to understand and will do my best to bring my understanding of your issues to Council so that they can make the best decisions for not only current situations but for future situations also. Of course, there is always the good ole fashion phone call too!



A few initiatives that I believe are important and started to develop are working with the community to preserve our history, developing a welcome resource packet for new residents and property owners, continuing our community policing efforts, and conducting community outreach educational sessions so that residents can understand how local government works and can receive detailed updates to ongoing projects in the Borough.

Exciting things are happening....we are going to be opening the Steelton Skatepark in September, our Renaissance Row project is in full swing and hopefully by next year at this time Phase I will be complete, Council adopted a bold and simple LERTA (Local Economic Redevelopment Tax Assessment) program to help property owners and businesses fix up their properties and, finally, Steelton is going to be home to the only cannabis dispensary awarded a license in Dauphin County—which will bring jobs and revenue our town.

Steelton has always been great and there is nowhere else I would rather live. However, there is always room for improvement everywhere and I cannot do this alone. Together, we can make Steelton better! I view us as a Team....you, me, Council, Borough employees, business owners.....TEAM.....together/everyone/achieves/more!

I look forward to hearing from you! You can contact me at 717-339-3390;

Get all the latest updates at

www.steeltonpa.com