

Polish American Social Services "PASS"

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Main Office:
 308 Walnut Street • Philadelphia, PA 19106
 Open Monday to Friday • 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.
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 Outreach Services in and around the Philadelphia area

Fuel Rebate Program LIHEAP



As in previous years, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), also known as the Fuel Rebate Program, began on **November 1, 2016** and is scheduled to end on **March 31, 2017**.

For those who are not familiar with the program, there is no age restriction to apply. The household income must be within the following guidelines:

Number in Household	Approximate Monthly Income	Annual Income
1	\$1,485.00	\$17,820
2	\$2,002.50	\$24,030
3	\$2,520.00	\$30,240
4	\$3,037.50	\$36,450
5	\$3,555.00	\$42,660
6.	\$4,072.50	\$48,870

For more information on filing requirements or to get an application, call PASS at (215) 923-1900.

City of Philadelphia Property Tax FREEZE

If you are a senior citizen living in the City of Philadelphia and interested in applying for the Property Tax Freeze, call United Social Services. To qualify for the City of Philadelphia Property Tax Freeze Program, you or your spouse must be 65 years of age or older, or if you are a widow or widower over 50 years of age and your spouse was over 65 years of age, call our office for the income guidelines and an application.

Call PASS's United Social Services Outreach Program, Monday through Friday, between 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. at area code (215) 923-1900 and a staff worker will assist you with the application.

Pulaski Day Parade Report from Richard Piascik



I have had the privilege of portraying General Casimir Pulaski in the Pulaski Day Parade in Philadelphia for the past 15 years. Prior to that, I participated in the Parade as a member of PKM, and performed with the dance group for many years. I'm married to Miss PKM 1993, a lovely lady named Elizabeth, who also continues to participate in the parade each year.

Over the years, I have learned much about the history of General Pulaski and his love of freedom and independence, both in his native Poland and in the United States. I take great pleasure in telling the story of General Pulaski to school children at the Polish American Cultural Center and most recently at the Associated Polish Home.

This year, I had the pleasure of nominating Brigadier General Chahanovich as the Military Marshal of the 2016 Pulaski Day Parade. General Chahanovich served in West Germany during the height of the cold war and served in Iraq along side of Polish NATO forces. He is very proud of his Polish heritage. General Chahanovich attended the Pulaski Dinner Dance where he delivered an inspirational speech. He was impressed with the pride and culture of Polonia in the Tri-State area. Fittingly, he donated his own insignia of rank, the one star of a Brigadier General, to the Polish American Cultural Center to be included as part of Brigadier General Pulaski's uniform.

It is truly an honor to see all the hard work of the volunteers and organizations that made the 2016 Pulaski Day Parade a resounding success! Sto Lat!



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Southeastern Pennsylvania, call PCA's helpline number at (215) 765-9040 or PASS (215) 923-1900.

www.PCACares.org

"PASS" works closely with the Philadelphia Corporation for Aging to provide information and assistance to the elderly. For information regarding services available in Philadelphia and

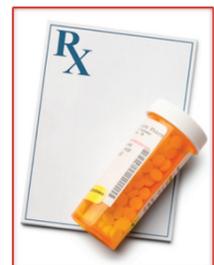
Real Estate Taxes

The Real Estate Tax/Rent Rebate Program is being administered now. New applications are available. Homeowners and renters can get back as much as \$650 on last year's real estate taxes or rent. The income limit is \$35,000 annually for homeowners and \$15,000 for renters to qualify. It is important to know that only half of your Social Security or SSI counts toward the income guideline. Age requirements are 65 or older, living with a spouse that is 65 or older, widow or widower between the ages of 50 to 64 or permanently disabled between the ages of 18 and 64. For more information call PASS at (215) 923-1900.



Medications and Prescription Plans

PACE PLUS is the name being used for the PACE/PACENET programs, (the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly) that help pay for prescription drugs. The new name reflects how this program works with Medicare Part D. It can provide better coverage for those who have both PACE/NET and Medicare D. This program has two qualifying income categories for determining eligibility. Seniors, age 65 or older with incomes as follows: for PACE, a single person \$14,500; a couple \$17,700. For PACENET, a single person between \$14,500 and \$23,500 or a couple between \$17,700 and \$31,500. For more info and to get an application call PASS at (215) 923-1900.



The Pennsylvania Patient Assistance Program Clearinghouse

This program works with **Pharma** (Pharmaceutical Manufacturers) to get prescription drugs for those unable to pay. For more information, call 1-800-955-0989.

Attention Employers!

People seeking employment often contact PASS. The staff will be pleased to alert job seekers of **Job Openings** that have been reported.

If your place of employment is about to or has posted an employment opportunity, kindly let PASS know. Call Monday through Friday, between 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. (215) 923-1900, or send the job information to:

**Attn: Employment Information
 Polish American Social Services
 308 Walnut Street
 Philadelphia, PA 19106**

Kindly include qualifications needed, starting salary and where to go for an application and interview.

Job Training Program Information

If you are considering a job training program that can help you attain or retain long-term employment, contact PASS for more information. The outreach program is especially important to individuals who are unemployed due to company closings or relocations. PASS will share information about Pennsylvania area Job Training Programs to help you become more employable in a changing job market. Call PASS's Employment Outreach Representative for more information at (215) 923-1900.

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