

The Dime Bank, Helping the Seven Libraries of Wayne County



Honesdale, PA / February 16, 2017 / The Dime Bank recently contributed \$25,000.00 to the Wayne County Public Library (WCPL) by way of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program which provides funds for WCPL, Bethany Public Library, Hawley Public Library, Newfoundland Area Library, Northern Wayne Community Library, Pleasant Mount Public Library, and Community Library of Lake & Salem. Supporting the seven libraries as vital community assets enables more students to have access to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematic resources through the libraries' teen and afterschool programs. The funds donated through the EITC program will allow access to electronic tools, such as Tutor.com, for students in the three local school districts: Wayne Highlands, Wallenpaupack, and Western Wayne.

Library Outreach Coordinator Mary Fritz continues to engage students and families through her outreach efforts, stating, "We are so fortunate to create these synergistic relationships with our schools and the students. Over 1,000 students have used the Tutor.com site since September! We are happy to announce AP exam help on the Library's Learning Express and Tutor.com. Tutor.com has also purchased The Princeton Review. Through this merger, students will have free access to ACT/SAT help and information regarding post-secondary education. Not only can students access these resources on computers, all of our sites have mobile apps."

WCPL Director Tracy L. Schwarz said, "We are so appreciative of The Dime Bank's commitment to our community and are thankful for The Dime Bank's renewed and increased support of our libraries. The programs supported through EITC are vital to the K-12 community- the students themselves, the teachers and administration, and the parents and caregivers who want their students to succeed. We simply could not provide this without help from businesses such as The Dime Bank."

The Dime Bank is dedicated to supporting education in our communities through the support of many different programs and venues. The Dime Bank has been participating in the EITC

program since 2001. The program, which is administered by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development, provides a tax rebate program for participating businesses. The Dime Bank has been helping customers meet their financial needs since 1905. Serving its primary market of Northeast Pennsylvania, the bank offers a full array of financial services and solutions. Community banking yields community benefits. For more information on The Dime Bank, visit www.thedimebank.com. Member FDIC, Equal Housing Lender.

Photo taken at Honesdale High School. Pictured left to right: WCPL Director Tracy L. Schwarz, Guidance Counselor Paul Reiprich, 12th grade student Rachel Musetti, Library Outreach Coordinator Mary Fritz, 12th grade student Ben Wilken, Guidance Counselor Paige Pinto, The Dime Bank Chief Financial Officer Maureen H. Beilman, Tennis Coach and Math Substitute Teacher Travis Moyer, 11th grade student Lacy Foster, Guidance Counselor Amy Neugebauer, Vice Principal John Kretschmer, Math Teacher Christine Weigand, Social Studies Teacher Todd D. Miller, The Dime Bank Vice President Operations Administration Officer & Library Board Member Cheryl A. Smith, English Teacher Kevin D. Lockwood, Math Teacher and Career Based Internship Program Coordinator Laura Lockwood, Principal Chris Pietraszewski.

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