

The Dime Bank Contributes to the Wayne County Library



Honesdale, PA / December 26, 2017 / The Dime Bank recently contributed \$22,500.00 to the Wayne County Public Library (WCPL) toward approved innovative educational programs for Kindergarten through 12th grade students throughout Wayne County.

This donation, which was made through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program, will provide funds for all seven WC libraries including: the WCPL in Honesdale, 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. Each year the libraries of Wayne County strive to support students in the three local school districts, as well as homeschooled students, to ensure they get the help they need to improve their grades, increase their confidence, and encourage them to expand their educational explorations. The seven libraries of Wayne County are able to provide electronic resources such as Tutor.com, Learning Express Library, Teen Health and Wellness, and Digital Literacy by using funds generously donated through the EITC program.

For younger learners, an AWE Early Literacy Station (ELS) is set up in each one of the seven Wayne County libraries to support students in Kindergarten through third grade. The ELS is a comprehensive all-in-one digital learning solution, which features more than 70 educational software titles spanning seven curricular areas. Stop in at any of the seven Wayne County Libraries to try an ELS out or to sign up for a library card to access the wide variety of free e-resources available through their website www.waynelibraries.org.

WCPL Director Tracy L. Schwarz said, "We are thrilled to have the support of The Dime Bank to provide these incredible services for our K-12 students. Outreach Coordinator, Mary Fritz does outstanding work in all three school districts making students and their families aware of all of these amazing free resources. We simply couldn't do it without The Dime Bank's commitment to supporting the library and thus the community through the EITC program."



The EITC program, which is administered by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development, provides a tax rebate program. The Dime Bank has been participating in the EITC program since 2001 and is dedicated to supporting education in our communities through the sponsorship of many different programs and venues. Serving its primary market of Northeast Pennsylvania since 1905, the bank offers a full array of financial services and solutions. For more information, visit www.thedimebank.com. Member FDIC, Equal Housing Lender.

Pictured: WCPL Board Member and The Dime Bank Vice President of Operations Administration Cheryl A. Smith; WCPL Director Tracy L. Schwarz.

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