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September Consumer Outreach Schedule Announced

Harrisburg, PA - Education and outreach staff from the Department of Banking and Securities will be meeting with senior citizens, service providers, military and veterans, and the public across Pennsylvania during the month of September to promote financial capability as part of Governor Tom Wolf's

Consumer Financial Protection Initiative(<https://www.governor.pa.gov/governor-wolf-announces-consumer-financial-protection-initiative/>.)

For General Public

Two presentations will be combined and offered at the Union County Public Library at 255 Reitz Blvd. in **Lewisburg** (Union County) on September 9 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM:

- “Avoiding Scams and ID Theft” – which helps consumers protect themselves from financial scams as well as informs victims of scams on how to get help; and
- “Cybersecurity – Staying Safe on the Internet” – covering key topics such as using secure websites, creating strong passwords, being aware of what you put on social media, and even tips for shopping online safely.

The presentation “Investment Fraud Bingo” – an interactive presentation to help participants learn ways to protect themselves from investment frauds – will be offered at the following locations:

- Friendship Community Center at 5000 Commons Drive in **Harrisburg** (Dauphin County) on September 17 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
- PA CareerLink Bucks County at Bristol at 1260 Veteran Highway in **Bristol** (Bucks County) on September 19 from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM (Seats limited; register at 215-874-2800)
- PA CareerLink Cumberland County at 1 Alexandra Court in **Carlisle** (Cumberland County) on September 25 from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

The STaRT (Start Today and Retire Tomorrow) program – which focuses on retirement planning, setting goals, and how to achieve those goals – will be offered at the following locations:

- Arc of Dauphin County at 2569 Walnut Street in **Harrisburg** (Dauphin County) on September 18. The hour-long presentation will be offered at three times: 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and 2:30 PM
- PA CareerLink Bucks County at Bristol at 1260 Veteran Highway in **Bristol** (Bucks County) on September 19 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM (**Open to the Out-of-School Youth Group ONLY**)

The presentations “Creating a Spending Plan” and “Planning for Big Purchases” – exploring budgeting a new way and covering what to expect when planning for a big purchase, such as a car or home – will be combined and offered at the following locations:

- PA CareerLink Centre County at 240 Match Factory Place in **Bellefonte** (Centre County) on September 21 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Call 814-548-7587 to register (highly encouraged)
- PA CareerLink Mifflin County at 6395 SR 103N, MCIDC Plaza, Bldg 58 in **Lewistown** (Mifflin County) on September 21 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Outreach staff will participate in the Bright Hope Baptist Church Information and Educational Fair at Bright Hope Baptist Church at 12th Street and Cecil B. Moore Avenue in **Philadelphia** on September 22 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

The presentations “Banking Basics” and “Creating a Spending Plan” will be combined and offered at Norristown CareerLink at 1855 New Hope Street in **Norristown** (Montgomery County) on September 26 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Department staff will offer the presentation “Reverse Mortgages – What Borrowers Need to Know” – which helps senior citizens and their families better understand this complicated mortgage product – at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church at 5732 Race Street in **Philadelphia** on September 27 from 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM.

For Senior Citizens

The presentation “Investment Fraud Bingo” will be offered at the following locations:

- Heritage Senior Center at 3700-4 Davidsburg Road in **Dover** (York County) on September 4 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM
- Big Spring Senior Center at 91 Doubling Gap Road, Suite 1 in **Newville** (Cumberland County) on September 5 from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM
- Newport Senior Center at 2 North 2nd Street, Suite 101 in **Newport** (Perry County) on September 6 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM
- Southern Blair Senior Center at 15229 Dunnings Highway in **East Freedom** (Blair County) on September 10 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- Philipsburg Senior Resource Center at 300 North Front Street in **Philipsburg** (Centre County) on September 11 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Department staff will be participating in several senior citizen expos sponsored by members of the General Assembly, including:

- Representative Garth Everett and Senator Gene Yaw’s Senior Expo 2018 at Lycoming Valley Baptist Church at 4980 Lycoming Mall Drive in **Montoursville** (Lycoming County) on September 13 from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM

- Representative Zachary Mako's Senior Expo at Bethany Wesleyan Church at 675 Blue Mountain Drive in **Cherryville** (Northampton County) on September 14 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Senator John Yudichak, Senator Lisa Baker, Representative Aaron Kaufer, and Representative Gerald Mullery's Senior Citizen Expo 2018 at Wyoming Valley Mall at 29 Wyoming Valley Mall in **Wilkes-Barre** (Luzerne County) on September 20 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Representative Warren Kampf's Senior Living Expo at Greater Philadelphia Expo Center at 100 Station Avenue in **Oaks** (Philadelphia) on September 20 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Senator Elder Vogel, Jr.'s 55+ Senior Expo at Cascade Park, 1928 E. Washington Street in **New Castle** (Lawrence County) on September 21 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Senator Robert Tomlinson's Senior Expo at Falls Manor Catering and Special Events, 4010 New Falls Road in **Bristol** (Bucks County) on September 27 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Representative Mike Turzai's Annual Senior Health Fair at Community College of Allegheny County – North Campus, 8701 Perry Highway in **Pittsburgh** (Allegheny County) on September 28 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

For Military and Veterans

The PA Military Finance Alliance will host "Making \$ense of Finance" – a free conference to educate members of the military, veterans, and their families on the unique financial and investment decisions they will face – at Fort Indiantown Gap, 880 Bearty Avenue in **Annvile** (Lebanon County) on September 7 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Registration is required for this event:

<https://www.secure.dobs.pa.gov/msof/fig>(<https://www.secure.dobs.pa.gov/msof/fig>.)

(Open to military, veterans, and their families ONLY)

For Social Services Providers

The STaRT (Start Today and Retire Tomorrow) program will be offered at the following locations:

- Geneia LLC in **Harrisburg** (Dauphin County) on September 18 from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (**Open to Geneia staff ONLY**)
- PA Office of Administration, Public Safety HR Delivery Center in **Mechanicsburg** (Cumberland County) on September 25 from 12:00 PM to 1:00PM (**Open to staff ONLY**)

A presentation on the illegal card skimming devices – the history behind them, their future, how to spot one, and what to do if you become a victim – will be offered to the Pennsylvania Community Police Officers Association in **Shippensburg** (Cumberland County) on September 19 from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM (**Event NOT open to the public**).

The department's Investor Education and Consumer Outreach staff works with state and local government agencies, service providers, community and trade organizations, the General Assembly, the military community, schools, and other partners to help Pennsylvanians across the commonwealth become well-informed about the financial marketplace. There are a variety of free, non-commercial programs(<http://www.dobs.pa.gov/Documents/Publications/Brochures/FSCB%20Brochure%20Web.pdf>)

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[presentations\(http://www.dobs.pa.gov/Documents/Publications/Handouts/Consumer%20Presentations%20Info%20Sheet.pdf \)](http://www.dobs.pa.gov/Documents/Publications/Handouts/Consumer%20Presentations%20Info%20Sheet.pdf)

[PDF] available, or a program can be tailored to a specific group's needs.

The department's Calendar of Events can be found online:

<http://bit.ly/1KlscBZ>(<http://bit.ly/1KlscBZ>.)

. Consumers and community groups can call 1-800-PA-BANKS or email

informed@pa.gov(<mailto:informed@pa.gov>.)

for more information. To learn more about the Consumer Financial Protection Initiative, search

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