



# Reflections

Annual Report 2001

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#### **Robert E. Eberly** Founder and President

In recognition of his devotion, dedication, and outstanding leadership during ten years of service as

PRESIDENT

of

Fay-Penn

Presented May 15, 2002

#### A Morning Prayer

"This is the beginning of a new day. God has given me this day to use as I will. I can waste it or use it for good.

What I do today is important, because I'm exchanging a day of my life for it,

When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever, leaving in its place something that I have traded for it.

I want it to be gain, not loss; good, not evil; success, not failure; in order that I shall not regret the price I paid for it."

> As inscribed on the reverse si of Mr. Eherly's business car

The above plaque was presented at Fay-Penn's 2002 Annual Meeting in honor of Mr. Eberly's support and leadership. It features a prayer that is inscribed on the reverse of Mr. Eberly's business card.

It is with great pleasure and honor that this 2001 Annual Report is dedicated to

The Eberly Foundation and Mr. Robert E. Eberly.

If it had not been for their support, there would be no ten years to reflect upon.

For the past 10 years, The Eberly Foundation and Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Eberly have generously invested in Fay-Penn's efforts through annual financial contributions to support its initiatives.

Mr. Eberly's vision, dedication, devotion, and outstanding leadership have propelled Fayette County's economic development efforts into the 21st century.

> Thank you to The Eberly Foundation:

Carolyn Blaney Ruth Ann Carter Carolyn Jill Drost Paul O. Eberly Robert E. Eberly Robert E. Eberly, Jr. Patricia H. Miller

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# president's message



Robert E. Eberly President

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Leo T. Krantz, Jr. First Vice President



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Michael W. Krajovic Executive Vice President

his year Fay-Penn is proudly celebrating its tenth anniversary. A decade can go by quickly, take it from someone who has lived through eight of them. As I look back, it is very gratifying to me to see how the organization has grown from a concept on paper to a non-profit corporation with more than \$30 million in assets. Like a tiny seed that has spread its roots and grown each year into a magnificent tree, so too has our organization flourished.

Now is also the appropriate time to take a moment to reflect on our past successes and envision our future direction. While doing so, we should consider the ways in which our collective actions will impact the lives of so many people. Even helping one unemployed individual find a job could have a profound influence on that person's life and family. When I drive through the county and see the cars of employees parked at once vacant buildings, I get a great feeling inside to know that Fay-Penn had something to do with providing employment opportunities for these people. We may never meet them, and they may never know how Fay-Penn helped them, but they have jobs and that is what makes our efforts so rewarding.

As we take pause to enjoy our accomplishments, many challenges still remain. We must stay true to our mission and move forward. We have to weather our economy's ups and downs like the seasons, but with our resources and experience, we expect to see a much greater positive impact over the next ten years than we have during the past decade.

I invite you to review this year's annual report and take a look back at Fay-Penn's projects and activities over the past ten years. Without your help, it would not have been possible. I hope that these accomplishments bring you as much joy as they have given me. Have a great day!

Robert E. Eberly

# board of directors



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**Nancy Decker** Director Laurel Business Institute



**Richard Franks** President Connellsville Industral Enterprises



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Vice President PNC Bank

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Purchasing Manage E.W. Bowman, Inc.

# organization overview

**The Mission** Fay-Penn's mission is to maintain and increase employment opportunities (jobs) in

Incorporated in 1991, Fay-Penn was formed to assist in the economic revitalization efforts of Fayette County. The organization was designated by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As a membership based organization with 209 members, funding comes from various local, public, and private contributors and foundations, in addition to grant support from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and federal government for specific projects. Funds may not be used for the benefit of or be distributed to members, directors, officers, or private persons. All contributions are used to support the economic development revitalization efforts including providing administrative assistance for other economic development organizations and initiatives.

Fayette County in an effort to improve the quality of life for all of its residents. This mission is met through a comprehensive strategy of specific economic development objectives and by providing superior services to its clients. The organization primarily focuses on the manufacturing sector in addition to a concentration on tourism and infrastructure development. The objectives and strategies listed here summarize initiatives in which Fay-Penn is involved.

Provide superior economic development services that meet the needs of Fayette County by building local capacity and capabilities.

- Develop the organization and resources needed to provide top quality, professional economic development services and programs through a strong public and private partnership.
- Build linkages with the Pittsburgh business and economic development community to increase the use of programs and other resources that can support local efforts and strengthen business activity in both Fayette County and the southwestern Pennsylvania region.
- **Establish** a business assistance network that offers a full range of support services for business and local government.
- **Conduct** an outreach to businesses throughout Fayette County to offer assistance as part of an aggressive business retention and expansion effort.

Expand tourism in Fayette County to generate new commerce and jobs, revitalize commercial areas and support new development.

- Advance the image of Fayette County's and the Laurel Highlands' tourist industry from a weekend mountain recreation area to a fullservice, multi-day vacation destination.
- Serve as a catalyst to develop multi-day tourism packages by building thematic linkages between individual attractions in an effort to increase weekday tourism.
- Assist local businesses in transitioning to better capitalize on growth opportunities presented in a dual manufacturing and tourismbased economy.
- Build linkages with local, regional and state organizations, and the private business sector to develop the resources needed to implement a comprehensive tourism development strategy.
- Assist local historical groups, businesses, and community development organizations in their efforts to develop new tourism attractions and renovate downtown areas throughout Fayette County.

Provide services to ensure that Fayette County has a qualified workforce to accommodate worldclass industry.

- Serve as a facilitator for companies to coordinate workforce delivery system services.
- Increase the use of existing programs by companies and assist in securing available job training funds.
- Support the development of employer driven workforce training programs.
- Encourage educational initiatives that address the current needs of businesses.

#### Encourage development at existing and future business sites.

- **Concentrate** marketing on vacant buildings and available land in business parks.
- Expand infrastructure capabilities at existing and future development sites.
- Improve road, air and rail transportation systems including maintaining rail service in Fayette County for existing and future rail users.
- Develop new key sites through improved planning, marketing and financing techniques.

Fay-Penn offers a full range of confidential services and works very closely with each client to provide customized service and maintain confidentiality.

### **Financing Assistance:**

The staff works hands-on with each company guiding them through the necessary procedures and coordinating efforts with the company's private lending institution to access a variety of low-interest financing programs available through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

### **Business Technical Assistance:**

Fay-Penn, with the support of a regional and state economic development team, under the "Team PA" umbrella, offers technical assistance to businesses of all types and sizes. The staff will do whatever is possible to assist companies in meeting their business development needs, including financing, marketing, process improvement, government procurement, exporting, quality improvement, as well as other services.

### **Business Park Development:**

Working with the Fayette Industrial Fund, Connellsville Industrial Enterprises, the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority, and local municipal authorities, the Fay-Penn staff acquires and develops new land and infrastructure with special focus on industrial and business parks.

### Site Selection:

Current listings of available sites or buildings are maintained by Fay-Penn and are provided to companies looking for new locations. The staff works closely with the PA Governor's Action Team and other economic development agencies on potential projects and networks with realtors and property owners to keep abreast of the industrial real estate market. Site proposals are customized with current market, workforce, utility and quality of life information.



### **Revolving Loan Funds:**

Fay-Penn administers a \$9.01 million loan fund to assist qualified businesses with financing. Low interest loans of up to \$900,000 can be made. Specific guidelines have been developed and approved by the PA DCED to determine the project eligibility. Two new loan funds have been created to support tourism and workforce development.

### Small Business Technical Assistance:

Fay-Penn's staff provides technical assistance to start-up and existing businesses. Service is provided on a private, individual basis in an effort to secure loan financing and to improve business success. The staff also participates in conducting small business seminars to ensure entrepreneurs an opportunity to keep abreast of the latest up-to-date small business issues.

### Workforce and Education Assistance:

Fay-Penn's Workforce and Education Development initiative provides services to address both the short and long term workforce needs of local businesses. The staff also coordinates meetings for local companies with experts from other regional economic development organizations specializing in customized workforce training, ISO 9002 standards and other world-class, quality training.

### **Tourism Development:**

Fay-Penn works with businesses, historical groups, and other agencies to develop the tourism industry in Fayette County beyond its already wonderful array of visitor-ready sites and attractions. Assisting to develop new businesses, attractions, community projects, and increasing tourism packaging efforts all help Fayette County's tourism industry grow.



Michael W. Krajovic Executive Vice President





Donna Bates Economic Development



Peggy Hidock Executive Assistant





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# financial statements

### Fay-Penn Economic Development Council

#### Statement of Activities January 1, 2001 thru December 31, 2001

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:	TOTALS
SUPPORT	
Contributions Grants Member Contributions	\$2,392,896 \$2,930,631 \$48,670
REVENUES	¢ 004 500
Loan and Administration Fees Interest-Revolving Loan Fund Interest-Other University Technology Park Infra. Proj. Proceeds from Sale of Assets Miscellaneous	\$ 924,563 \$ 249,673 \$ 36,962 \$2,355,000 \$ 9,417 <u>\$ 20,576</u>
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUES	\$8,968,388
EXPENSES	
Program:	
National Road Heritage Park Admin. Revolving Loan Fund Small Business Programs Fort Necessity Project Team PA Program Multi-Tenant Buildings Marketing Project Federal Enterprise Community Admin. Keystone Opportunity Zone Program University Technology Park Infra. Prj. Laurel Highland Sign System Project <b>Total Program Expenses</b>	\$ 30,705 \$2,126,500 \$ 105,296 \$ 271,268 \$ 40,953 \$ 558,341 \$ 100,235 \$ 363,861 \$ 188,639 \$2,381,324 <u>\$ 433,297</u> \$6,600,419
Support Services:	
General Administration Business Assistance Tourism Development IDC Administration Total Support Services	\$ 365,769 \$ 230,750 \$ 57,940 <u>\$ 158,520</u> \$ 812,979
Total Expenses	\$7,413,398
Increase in Net Assets	\$1,554,990
Net Assets:	
Net Assets - January 1, 2001 Assets Invested in Revolving Loan Fund Increase in Net Assets	\$9,594,113 \$2,125,000 <u>\$1,554,990</u>
Net Assets - December 31, 2001	\$13,274,103

#### Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2001

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalent Accounts Receivable Grants Receivable - UTP Infra. Proj. Net Fixed Assets Revolving Loan Fund -Cash -Loan Receivable: Capital Loans Fayette Industrial Fund -Investments-Loan Guarantee Program Other Assets	\$ 692,704 \$ 434,096 \$ 2,515,000 \$13,237,434 \$ 2,425,006 \$ 6,436,280 \$ 729,887 \$ 150,000 \$ 5,448
TOTAL ASSETS	\$26,625,855
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable:	<b>a a a a a a a a a a</b>
Operating Marting Devictor	\$ 63,120
Mortgage Payable	<u>\$13,288,632</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$13,351,752</u>
Net Assets:	
Operating:	
Unrestricted, undesignated	\$ 3,388,308
Unrestricted, designated	\$ 729,887
Temporarily restricted	<u>\$ 144,622</u>
Total operating Revolving Loan Fund:	\$ 4,262,817
Unrestricted	\$ 6,761,286
Temporarily restricted	<u>\$ 2,250,000</u>
Total Revolving Loan Fund	\$ 9,011,286
Total Net Assets	<u>\$13,274,103</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$26,625,855

### **Fayette Industrial Fund**

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets for the Period January 1, 2001 thru December 31, 2001

Fay-Penn Industrial
<b>Development Corporation</b>

#### **Statement of Activities**

#### January 1, 2001 thru December 31, 2001

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:	TOTALS		
SUPPORT AND REVENUES			
Contributions from Affiliated Organizations Land easements & leases Shortline operator lease Investment income Gain on sale of asset	\$ 10,000 \$ 9,570 \$ 9,039 \$ 1,196 \$ 8,310		
Total Support and Revenues	\$ 38,115		
EXPENSES			
Management and general	<u>\$ 41,723</u>		
Total Expenses	\$ 41,723		
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(\$ 3,608)		
Net Assets:			
Net Assets - January 1, 2001 Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$ 5,408,500 ( <u>\$3,608)</u>		
Net Assets - December 31, 2001	\$ 5,404,892		
Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2001			
ASSETS			
Cash Cash - escrow Net fixed assets	\$  26,392 \$  12,179 <u>\$ 5,378,500</u>		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,417,071		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
Liabilities:			
Escrow Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 12,179</u> <b>\$ 12,179</b>		
Total Net Assets - Unrestricted	<u>\$ 5,404,892</u>		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 5,417,071		

REVENUES		
Interest on Mortgage	\$	669
Interest on Temporary Investments	\$	52,326
Membership Dues	\$	12,250
Meeting Reimbursements	\$	910
Service Fees	\$	5,518
Gain on Sale of Land	\$	59,588
Miscellaneous	<u>\$</u>	13
Total Revenues	\$	131,274
EXPENSES		
Administration Fees	\$	28,800
Service Fees	\$	5,518
Interest Expense	\$	10,615
Insurance	\$	2,472
Office Expense	\$	981
Legal and Accounting	\$	2,180
Meetings	\$	1,143
Property Operations	\$	24,520
Engineering Fees	\$	4,905
Other	<u>\$</u>	1,483
Total Expenses	\$	82,617
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	(\$	10,931)
Gain on Sale of Land	<u>\$</u>	<u>59,588</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses		
Including Gain on Sale of land	\$	48,657
Net Assets		
Net Assets - January 1, 2001	\$2	,549,429
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses Including Gain on Sale of Land	<u>\$</u>	48,657
Net Assets - December 31, 2001	\$2	,598,086
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Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2001

#### ASSETS

Cash in Bank	\$ 33,979
Temporary Investments	\$1,627,356
Current Portion of Mortgage Receivables	\$ 3,581
Loan Receivable - UTP Infrastructure Project	\$ 100,000
Accrued Interest Receivable	\$ 9,051
Noncurrent Portion of Mortgage Receivables	\$ 16,817
Fixed Assets - Land	<u>\$2,185,285</u>
Total Assets	\$3,976,069

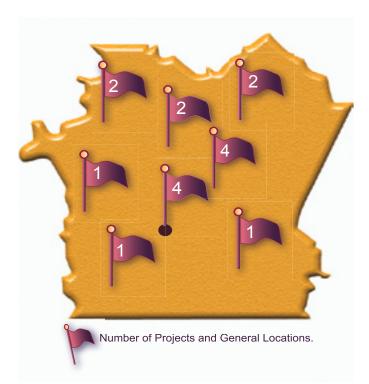
#### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	
Due to Fay-Penn	\$ 292,682
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,570
Long-Term Liabilities	
Notes Payable	<u>\$1,083,731</u>
Total Liabilities	\$1,377,983
Net Assets Contributed Capital Unrestricted Fund Equity Total Net Assets	\$ 609,855 <u>\$1,988,231</u> \$2,598,086
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$3,976,069</u>

# **2001** Summary of Completed Projects

### 2001 Business Development Projects

	Jobs Created/ Retained*
Appalachian Timber Products, Inc.	25
Arrow Paving Fabrics	4
Duke Energy North America	25
Fayette Thermal, L.L.C.	10
Glass Mart	2
Hazelbaker Recreational Services	2
Laurel Business Institute	8
McMillen Engineering, Inc.	5
Motion Industries, Inc.	8
Neubauer's Flowers, Inc.	5
NuRelm Internet Solutions	115
Specialty Conduit & Mfg., LLC	4
Stahls' Hotronix	105
The Maxx Family Entertainment Center	11
Vacuum Ceramics, Inc.	**
W.E. Motors, Inc.	50
Whipkey Trucking & Supply	2
Total:	381



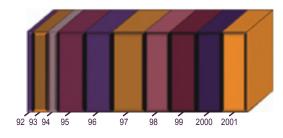
# New Project Results Overview 2001 Totals

Completed Projects	17
Jobs Created and Retained*	381
Increase in Annual Payroll Dollars	\$10,566,400
Increase in Annual Tax Dollars	\$410,375
New Investment	\$440,479,233
Public Financing Utilized	\$10,921,893
Private Investment	\$429,557,340

 \* The data recorded are based upon information provided and three year projections committed to - by the companies.
 \*\* Job numbers included in prior year

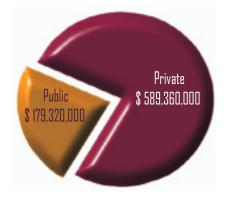
# Key Performance Indicators 1992 - 2001

### Total Completed Projects: 164



New Construction Dollars \$ 447,128,319

### New Investment Dollars \$ 768,680,000

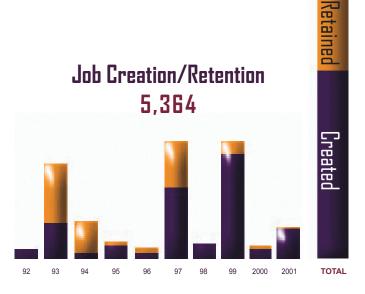


New Annual Payroll Dollars Generated \$ 80,200,000

### New Annual Taxes Generated \$ 3,386,236



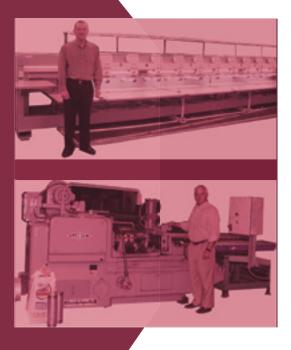
(Does not include residential municipal, school or county real estate taxes)



### progress-at-a-glance

**Duke Energy North America** made the decision to build a new electric generation facility on a 275-acre site in German Township. The \$420 million, 630-megawatt plant will employ 25 permanent skilled technicians with mechanical and computer know-how. In addition, 400 union tradesmen will perform 640,000 craft hours of work over the 18-month construction period. Fay-Penn, working with county officials, assisted in locating the project to the area by securing a tax-free designation through the state's Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone (KOEZ) Program, without which the site would not have been considered by the company.

**Stahls' Special Projects, Inc.** started as a small manufacturing company located in the Connellsville Incubator employing five people in 1989. It has turned into a major operation em- ploying 126 people, with immediate plans to hire



an additional 105. Most recently, Stahls' expanded its operations at its Fayette County facility and moved into a second facility in neighboring Greene County. The project consisted of the purchase of machinery and equipment to be used at the existing facility and the purchase of a building in the Paisley Industrial Park. In support of the Fayette County expansion, Stahls' received a \$750,000 Ioan from the Fay-Penn Revolving Loan Fund.

### Specialty Conduit & Manufacturing, LLC, a

local manufacturer that produces conduit used in the electrical industry, received a \$60,000 loan from Fay-Penn's Revolving Loan Fund and a \$200,000 loan through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Small Business First Loan Program to assist the company in purchasing the former Perma-Cote Plastics build-

ing, a 70,000 sq. ft. facility in Mt. Braddock. This loan is expected to result in the creation of four new jobs within three years.

**Fayette Thermal, L.L.C.** received \$9,510,000 in resource recovery revenue bonds from the Pennsylvania Economic Developing Financing Authority (PEDFA) to assist in the construction of a new coal-fired steam facility which will be the sole provider of thermal energy to the new SCI-Western Prison in Luzerne Township. Of the total amount received, \$8.1 million are tax-exempt bonds, while \$1.41 million are taxable bonds. Portions of the bonds were also used to purchase necessary machinery and equipment. This project will create ten new jobs.

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**W.E. Matars, Inc.,** a Singapore-based company, located its North American headquarters in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. The company is leasing Fay-Penn's new 32,400 sq. ft. building located in the Fayette Business Park, Georges Township, Pennsylvania. It is expected that \$3.5 million will be invested and 50 new jobs will eventually be created. W.E. Motors, Inc. is part of Lindeteves-Jacoberg Limited, a multinational corporation with headquarters in Singapore and offices in South-East Asia, China, Australia, Germany, and the Netherlands. The company employs more than 6,000 around the world. Fay-Penn worked with the Governor's Action Team and the Pittsburgh Regional Alliance in locating the company to Southwestern Pennsylvania. The Fayette County facility will modify and distribute electric motors imported from the company's European facility. The customized products will be distributed throughout the US, Canada, and Mexico.

**NuRelm Internet Solutions** established its company headquarters in Uniontown. The software design firm develops products for web development companies that allow them to include advanced functionality in their web sites without having to know anything about the complex programming behind the applications. In addition to providing support from its Revolving Loan Fund, Fay-Penn worked with the Governor's Action Team and the Ben Franklin Program to help the company relocate from Austin, Texas and receive financing from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This project is expected to create 115 new jobs.

**Appalachian Timber Products, Inc.** needed to purchase state-of-the-art computer positioned sawmill equipment for its new sawmill facility. This expansion

project will permit the company to offer pre-cut lumber as an additional product for its customers. Financing assistance was secured for the purchase with a \$400,000 loan through the Fay-Penn Revolving Loan Fund and a \$100,000 loan through the Washington County Council on Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund. This project will result in the creation of 25 jobs at the site.

**Motion Industries, Inc.**, the world's largest distributor of bearings, power transmission parts, and hose products, was looking for a new site for its Fayette County distribution facility. Fay-Penn constructed a new 4,550 sq. ft. office/distribution facility to lease to the company. This project helped to retain the eight jobs at the facility.

### progress-at-a-glance

**Vacuum Ceramics, Inc. (VCI),** located in Mt. Braddock, received a \$220,000 loan from Fay-Penn's Revolving Loan Fund to help purchase a 100,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility and machinery and equipment currently being leased by the company. Operating at the Mt. Braddock site since 1998, VCI is a manufacturer of refractories used primarily in steel mills and foundries. Twelve jobs will be retained as a result of this project.

**McMillen Engineering, Inc.** will construct a 6,000 sq. ft. office facility in the Route 40 business park operated by the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority. A loan in the amount of \$100,000 to McMillen Engineering was made through Fay-Penn's Revolving Loan Fund to assist in financing the building construction. Additional financing of \$100,000 was secured through a multi-county revolving loan fund administered by the Washington County Council on Economic Development. The total project cost is estimated at \$597,000 and it is expected that five new jobs will be created within three years.



**Small Business Development:** Fay-Penn's Small Business Development Program answered 158 inquiries during 2001. Seventeen individuals or businesses received technical assistance, with eight businesses securing \$1,959,228 in financing, resulting in the creation and/or retention of 46 jobs. These companies include, but are not limited to, Hazelbakers Recreational Services, Arrow Paving Fabrics, and Vacuum Ceramics, Inc. Three of the companies, Laurel Business Institute, Neubauer's Flowers, Inc., and The Maxx Family Entertainment Center received loans through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's

Community Economic Development (CED) Loan Program. Continuing to be responsive to the needs of small business, Fay-Penn provided new business workshops for those prospective entrepreneurs wanting to learn more about going into business. Fay-Penn also co-sponsored an evening outreach seminar in Uniontown with the Uniontown Public Library. Fay-Penn also worked in conjunction with the Service Corp of Retired Executives (SCORE) to present a half-day seminar for prospective entrepreneurs.

**SBA Microloan:** The Small Business Administration Microloan Program continues to provide an alternative source of financing to small business owners. The program was established in 1993 as a cooperative effort among Fay-Penn Economic Development Council, Greene County, and Washington County Council on Economic Development, the program administrator. Since then, the Economic Growth Connection of Westmoreland, the Morgantown Area Economic Partnership, and the Monongalia County Development Authority have joined the effort. To date, 19 Fayette County businesses have been assisted by the program with financing totaling \$292,020.

### Fay-Penn Revolving Loan Fund

The year 2001 was another successful year for Fay-Penn's growing Revolving Loan Fund (RLF).

Originally established in 1993, the RLF has grown from \$1 million to \$9 million by the end of 2001.

The RLF is comprised of four separate programs that assist eligible businesses by funding capital expansion projects in fixed assets, such as new equipment and facilities at low interest rates.

To date, 77 projects have been financed resulting in over \$38 million in private investment and the potential creation and/or retention of over 2,575 jobs.

In 2001, the fund grew from \$6.64 million to \$9.01 million thanks to state grants secured with the support of the Fayette County legislative delegation, and a \$1 million contribution from The Eberly Foundation.

Eight projects received \$1.93 million in financing assistance through the RLF in 2001. These projects generated additional private investment of \$4.35 million and resulted in the creation and/or retention of 276 jobs.



**Fayette Capital Loan Fund (FCLF):** The FCLF assists eligible businesses by funding capital expansion projects in fixed assets, such as new equipment and facilities at low interest rates. This program has provided assistance to 64 companies since its inception.

**Loan Guarantee Program (LGP):** The Loan Guarantee Program can guarantee a percentage of private lending institution loans to eligible companies. Since it's inception five companies have utilized this program.

**Tourism Revolving Loan Fund (TRLF):** Established in 1998, the TRLF Program is designed to encourage tourism commerce development in Fayette County. To date, seven projects have been financed through this program resulting in the expected creation of 39 tourism-related jobs.

**Enterprise Zone Loan Fund (EZLF):** The EZLF was established with the support of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners, and the state legislative delegation. Projects eligible to access these loan funds must be located within the designated Fayette County Enterprise Zone. To date, 14 projects have been financed through the program resulting in the creation and/or retention of 293 jobs.

**Workforce Development Loan Fund (WDLF):** In 2000, Fay-Penn established the new WDLF. Eligible applicants are private nonprofit or for-profit educational training providers. This program assists educational facilities to expand existing or create new workforce training programs that address the needs of the private business sector. To date, one project was funded under this program that will result in the training of 130 individuals.



### progress-at-a-glance

### University Technology Park Infrastructure Project:

Construction at the University Technology Park, currently underway, began in 2000. This \$6+ million project located adjacent to Penn State Fayette campus is being financed with several resources: \$2 million – State Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program; \$500,000 – State Infrastructure Development Program; \$302,640 – U.S. Appalachian Regional Commission Special Distressed Grant via the U.S. Economic Development Administration; as well as an additional \$2+ million in cash equity from the Fayette Industrial Fund. This 180 acre site is being developed to attract advanced manufacturing and technology companies and headquarter office facilities. Special thanks to Mr. Robert E. Eberly for contributing the funds necessary to acquire an additional 32 acres.

**Business Site Marketing:** Fay-Penn actively markets available properties in Fayette County, including the tax-free Keystone Opportunity Zone sites and State designated SelectSites. Fay-Penn works closely with the Governor's Action Team and the Pittsburgh Regional Alliance to attract interest from national site location consultants with private companies. Fay-Penn also placed ads in several regional and national publications such as Pittsburgh Business Times, SBN Magazine, TEQ Magazine, Trade & Commerce Access America, and Site Selection Magazine. On an ongoing basis, Fay-Penn confidentially develops and provides customized site proposal packages, brochures, maps, photos, demographic information, etc. on Fayette County sites to private consultants, realtors, and individual businesses looking for potential locations in the Southwestern Pennsylvania market area. In addition, Fay-Penn maintains a listing of vacant buildings and available sites for industrial and commercial development. Business development sites owned by Fayette Industrial Fund, Fayette County Redevelopment Authority, and Connellsville Industrial Enterprises are also marketed by Fay-Penn's staff.

> **KOZ Site Plans:** Utilizing, in part, a \$71,650 U.S. Appalachian Regional Commission Special Distressed Grant, Fay-Penn conducted site development plans for three Keystone Opportunity Zone (KOZ) sites in Fayette County, i.e. Springhill Township, Brownfield site, and Lemont Furnace site. These site plans will be used to determine the best use of the sites and assist in marketing to potential tenants.

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# Economic development

**Multi-Tenant Facilities:** Fay-Penn owns and operates six buildings in Fayette County, offering over 230,000 sq. ft. of space to existing and potential tenants.

During 2001, Fay-Penn constructed a 4,550 sq. ft. office/ distribution facility in the Greater Uniontown Business Park in Mt. Braddock. This facility assisted in retaining Motion Industries, Inc. in Fayette County. Also during 2001, renovations continued on the Fay-Penn Business Center, a 120,000 sq. ft. multi-tenant facility in North Union Township. The renovations are being funded, in part, with grants from the U. S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (\$500,000); U. S. Appalachian Regional Commission (\$262,500 and \$210,000); Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Infrastructure Development Program (\$500,000) and Enterprise Zone Competitive Grant Program (\$250,000). The renovations are expected to be completed during 2002.

In December 2000, Fay-Penn took ownership of the former Fox Glass building in the City of Uniontown. This 6,000 sq. ft. facility was donated to the organization by Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Eberly.

In 1999, Fay-Penn purchased a 43,500 sq. ft. building in Redstone Township, near Brownsville. The building was renovated as a multi-tenant facility to accommodate the CallTech Communications, Inc. business attraction project. Approximately 10,000 sq. ft. of the facility is currently available for lease.

Fay-Penn plans to construct additional speculative buildings in the future as part of its efforts to attract new businesses to Fayette County.



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Using innovative technology methods to ensure graduates from Fayette County schools develop the skills and transferable

knowledge required in the rapidly changing and sophisticated workplace is the mission of REACH, which stands for Reaching Educational Achievement with Community Help. Efforts focus on building linkages between local businesses and schools. As part of its mission, and with the support of local businesses, the Workforce Investment Board (WIB), and the Eberly Foundation, REACH sponsored the attendance of a team of local individuals to the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) Model Schools Conference in Orlando, Florida; and a Career and Technical Education Academy, conducted by the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) in Albany, New York. It featured teamwork sessions designed to lead the attendees in a process to develop strategies for the application of integrated academic tools in the classroom. Fay-Penn provides administrative support to the REACH organization. Outreach and marketing efforts continue to attract the participation of business leaders, parents, students, educators and the higher education community.

**Workforce Development:** In today's competitive environment, workforce quality and technical proficiency are critical issues facing any company. Fay-Penn continued its efforts to provide technical assistance to companies by providing workforce data, labor market information, education and training resources. These efforts include the coordination of identifying training needs, education resources, and securing education funding through various state and local programs such as Wed Net, Customized Job Training (CJT), etc. Fay-Penn works with Penn State Fayette and California University (the Local Education Agencies), Workforce Investment Board, and other state funding agencies to acquire training funds for local businesses.

**Fayette Human Resource (HR) Network:** The Fayette HR Network continued to serve the needs of business owners and human resource managers during the year 2001. Five meetings were held during the year and topics included "Doing Business in the Commonwealth of PA," "Small Business SCORE Seminars," "Entrepreneurial Assistance," and "Team Building." A total of 84 individuals representing 61 different companies attended at least one of the five sessions. The HR Network is open to any business person interested in human resource issues. The HR Network has proven to be a successful venue for small business owners and managers to learn about human resource related topics from experts in the specified area.

**Manufacturing Pathways**: Manufacturing Pathways is one of the initiatives supported by REACH designed to create awareness among Fayette County students of the job opportunities in the manufacturing industry. All six public school districts, 20 students and 15 businesses participate in the program. This summer internship program is in its first year and was piloted in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Technology Council, Fay-Penn, and REACH.

**Americorp:** In partnership with the Pennsylvania Mountain Service Corps' Americorp Program, Fay-Penn was approved for two positions, Educational Development Specialist and Environmental Beautification Specialist, during the 2001 & 2002 program period.

Russell Blasco, Educational Development Specialist, was responsible for assisting in the REACH effort to engage the business leaders, educators, parents and students in the community in a collaborative effort to ensure that Fayette County has an excellent education system to accommodate world-class industry. Among his most important accomplishments were the development and production of the REACH newsletter, weekly eblasts, and serving as an advisor for the Fayette Business Adventure conducted at Penn State Fayette.

Benjamin Neil, Environmental Beautification Specialist, was responsible for developing programs to educate and mentor children and the community at large of the importance to restore and conserve the environment. In that capacity, he conducted presentations at local schools and community organizations and completed an anti-liter study in conjunction with local municipal officials and PennDot. The study's objective is to improve anti-litter signage in Fayette County.

**Fay-Penn Video:** For the first time in its history, Fay-Penn created a video to describe its organization and to support fund-raising efforts. The video features the many services that Fay-Penn provides. Both the accomplishments of the organization and the many challenges facing Fayette County in improving the quality of life of its residents are captured.



Russell Blasco Educational Development Specialist



Ben Neil Environmenta Beautification

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**Infrastructure Study:** Fay-Penn completed its second Fayette County sewage and water study in 2001. The study contains information on the existing sewage and water infrastructure in the County and identifies 127 sewage and water projects planned for the future. Fay-Penn spearheaded the project through a collaborative effort with the Fayette County Office of Community and Economic Development, Fayette County Redevelopment Authority and municipal officials and engineers throughout the County. The cost of the sewage and water projects identified were significant, totaling over \$207 million.

**Benedum Foundation Non-Profit Study:** Fay-Penn was commissioned by the Benedum Foundation to undertake a study of nonprofit and public community development organizations in Fayette, Greene, and Washington Counties. The study's purpose was to identify the nonprofit organizations that exist in the three counties; obtain information about the organizations; determine their current and planned projects; and identify the needs of the organizations. Fay-Penn enlisted the support of educational facilities in each respective county to identify and gather information. The study focuses on eight areas: workforce, education, health related, human service, arts/culture, tourism, housing, and economic development. The study was completed in 2001, with results identifying more than 458 projects in the three county area worth \$195 million.



In 2001, Fay-Penn assumed the role as management partner for the National Road Heritage Park

of Pennsylvania (NRHPP). The NRHPP is one of 11 special heritage areas in Pennsylvania. The park spans 90 miles through Washington, Fayette, and Somerset Counties, using the historic National Road (Route 40) as a uniting element for preserving scenic, cultural, and historic resources, as well as restoring and developing existing and new programs and facilities. As a state heritage park, the National Road project has joined an elite few preservation programs selected for their potential to protect and enhance the natural, historic, recreational and cultural resources of Pennsylvania. The National Road Heritage Park project is further strengthened by its partnership with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Heritage Preservation Commission, the region's key public-private heritage preservation program. **Tourism Development**: Fund-raising efforts for the **Fort Necessity Visitor Center** continued in 2001. Fay-Penn assisted the National Park Service in preparing a \$4.5 million grant application from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program and in raising in excess of \$1,055,000 from regional foundations in support of the project. The Visitor Center is part of a \$12 million project that honors the French & Indian War and tells the tale of the National Road, and its impact, as the first federally funded highway, on the expansion of the nation.

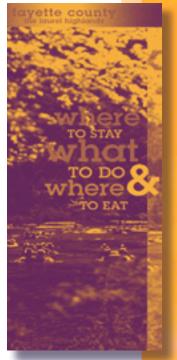
Fay-Penn has been awarded a Steel Industry Heritage Corporation grant in the amount of \$25,000 to conduct a feasibility study for a **Coal and Coke Heritage Center** for the region. The Heritage Center would commemorate this region's contributions to that era.

In 2001, Fay-Penn continued distribution of the **Fayette County Tourism Brochure**, "Where to Stay, What to Do, & Where to Eat," which was produced in 1998. The brochure, which describes everything from Bed & Breakfasts to attractions, is designed to educate visitors to the many amenities in Fayette County. Over 110,000 copies have been distributed to date. Funding for the brochure was made possible by the U.S. Forest Service.

Fay-Penn, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rural Development, contracted for the completion of a feasibility study on a **Regional Tourism Cable TV Channel** during 2001. The goal of the channel is to contribute to the economic revitalization of the eleven-county area of Southwestern Pennsylvania by creating an awareness among existing residents and visitors of the many tourism treasures in the region.

Fay-Penn organized a two-day **Bed and Breakfast Symposium** entitled, "The Winter Blues ... A Bed and Breakfast Symposium." This seminar, held March 14th and 15th, 2001 at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort & Spa, offered the 21 participants from throughout Southwestern Pennsylvania valuable information on all aspects of running an inn. Attendees

learned tips and tricks from industry experts and gained information on topics ranging from accounting to marketing.



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Fayette Enterprise Community (FEC) Federal Designation: The FEC Strategic Plan includes 95 benchmark activities totaling more than \$140 million dollars targeted at revitalizing these communities. Of the 95 benchmarks, 10 have been completed, 75 are in progress, and the remainder are inactive. At this time, a total of \$67.2 million in funds have been requested for the 95 benchmarks from various private, local, state and federal funding sources and \$60.3 million has been received. The United States Congress appropriated \$250,000 for the FEC in 2001. The following FEC benchmarks received funding from the 2001 allocation:

Fayette Area Coordinated Transportation	\$ 5,000
Penn State Cooperative Extension	\$ 3,000
City Code Enforcement Office	\$ 2,500
Community Action Medical Service	\$10,000
Fayette County Redevelopment Authority	\$25,000
Fayette County Habitat for Humanity	\$10,000
Menallen Township	\$30,000
Pleasant Valley School, Filbert, PA	\$18,000
Redstone Park/ Connellsville East Park	\$59,000
Greater Connellsville Area Community Center	\$30,000

### Fayette County State Enterprise Zone:

Established in 1996, the Fayette County Enterprise Zone Program, operated by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, continues



to make significant contributions to the County's economic development. Administered by Fay-Penn, the Enterprise Zone begins along the northern county border and extends southward through Smithfield Borough, following the Route 119/rail corridor. Fayette development sites currently located in the State Enterprise Zone include the Connellsville Industrial Park, University Technology Park, Route 40 Business Park, Springhill Township property, Fayette Business Park. Brownfield. Lemont Furnace. and the Greater Uniontown Business Park. In 2001, through its Revolving Loan Fund, Fay-Penn disbursed \$300,000 in Enterprise Zone funding. Funds received through the State Enterprise Zone Program and loaned through Fay-Penn's Revolving Loan Fund now exceed \$1.4 million.

FEC Highlights 1999 - 2001 📂	Agriculture	\$3,000 for a feasibility study on processing soybeans
Designated in 1999, the FEC, administered by Fay-	Community Development	46 new people served with public sewage infrastructure
Penn, covers 84.37 square miles of Fayette County including Redstone and Menallen	Economic Development	\$6.68 Million Revolving Loan Fund 49 businesses retained or expanded
Townships, certain census tracts in the cities of Uniontown and Connellsville, a portion of Dunbar Township, and three	Education	125 residents received vocational training on computers 16 residents served in Family Planning/Teen Pregnancy 554 participants in activity for Adult/GED 80 residents received post-GED testing assistance
developable sites totaling 1,500 acres, i.e.	Housing	74 houses rehabilitated 86 USDA Rural Development Loans were processed 31 USDA Rural Development loan applications were approved
Springhill Township Site, the Connellsville Airport in Dunbar Township, and the Fayette County Rt. 40 Business Park in South Union Township.	Social Conditions	<ul><li>22 pieces of new equipment for emergency/mobile emergency</li><li>23 new or improved community, youth and family facilities &amp; resource centers</li></ul>



As the "Team Pennsylvania" agent for Fayette County,

Fay-Penn continued the business calling program initiated by Governor Tom Ridge in 1997. The "Team PA" program, regionally coordinated by the Southwest Planning Commission, is a dynamic public-private partnership formed with businesses, local and state government officials, community/ economic development practitioners, and residents to develop stronger communities in the twenty-first century. The Business Calling initiative involves meeting with local businesses to assess their current and future needs and provide assistance to secure available resources; thereby, retaining and creating jobs, and ultimately, improving the quality of life in Fayette County. In 2001, Fay-Penn's Business Development Specialist met with 86 businesses, 17 of which received services from Fay-Penn and other organizations through the "Team PA" network.

As a result of the Business Calling initiative, three Fayette County companies were awarded state grant funding for job training through the WEDnetPA program in 2001. Fay-Penn's representative worked with Penn State Fayette to introduce local companies to the program. Columbia Gas received \$33,500 for Basic Skills and Information Technology (IT) training, Ohiopyle Prints was awarded \$7,800 for IT, Advanced Computer, Leadership, and Performance Management training, and ICMI used a \$1,400 grant for Information Technology training related to the purchase of new equipment.

### Southwest Pennsylvania Railroad:

Fay-Penn, through its affiliate organization, the Fay-Penn Industrial Development Corporation (IDC), continues to own and oversee the operation of 27 miles of rail line through Fayette County. Late in 2000, an agreement was reached with Mineral Solutions, a company distributing fly-ash to be used in construction projects in the north, to load a minimum of 600 cars per year at a site in Mt. Braddock. Shipments began in the first quarter of 2001.

Construction of the Dunbar Sewage Treatment Plant continued in 2001. Fay-Penn IDC sold land in the Bowest Rail Yard for the plant site and provided rights-of-way for line construction. The project will provide critically needed services to residents of Dunbar and the surrounding area. The plant is expected to be operational in 2002.

Also in 2001, construction continued on the new Intermodal Facility located near the Sony plant in Westmoreland County. This facility will provide transloading services for bulk materials to businesses in a 60-mile radius of the facility.



# 10 <sub>year</sub> Reflections

Over the past ten years, Fay-Penn has grown in many different ways. What started with one staff person expanded into a fourteen-person operation. It is exciting to see a new building going up ... yet, it is what we don't see that makes it possible for the building to stand strong and steady ... the footers - not noticeable, but necessary.

Likewise, Fay-Penn's goals and objectives have continually evolved and expanded to address as many elements of economic development as needed.

Much of what Fay-Penn has accomplished is visible when driving around the county looking at new buildings or business parks being developed. Much of what Fay-Penn does on a daily basis is just that ... lay footers - whether it's education improvement or a loan fund - to create a strong foundation for economic growth ... afterall, if you don't have a strong foundation, you can't build ... if you can't build, you can't attract a business ... if you can't attract a business, you can't create jobs.

Some of Fay-Penn's efforts do not make the newspaper headlines. Yet, the affects and benefits of those efforts are just as important to the overall economic development of Fayette County. Fay-Penn is proud of what it has been able to accomplish throughout the past 10 years with the help of so many individuals, agencies, organizations, and businesses. Together, we are making a difference!

Berkley Medical United Hotronix Nu-Metrics Instrumentation Columbia Gas of PA/MD TeleTech Dynamic Materials Corp. CallTech Califfech Advanced Acoustic Concepts W.E. Motors

This *"10 year Reflections"* section will provide a snapshot of what has been accomplished throughout Fay-Penn's brief history. By no means is this an all-inclusive listing, but it highlights the work over the past ten years to improve the quality of life for all Fayette Countians.

### **Business Development**

119 Sport Shop 4-Seasons Taxidermy A & I Sales, Inc. Advanced Acoustic Concepts Allegheny Energy Supply Allison Custom Fabrication **Alternative Testing Laboratories** American Ambulance Anchor Glass Container Corp. **Appalachian Timer Products Arrow Paving Fabrics AVR Technologies B & B Inn of the Princess** Ball Transfer Systems, Inc. Bargains "Are" Us Berkley Medical Resources, Inc. **Bigam's Service Station** Caleigh's of Uniontown CallTech Communications, Inc. Cathie's on the Hill Taxidermy **Ceramic Fiber Technologies CFR** Acquisitions **Choice** Optical **Classic Interiors** COE Distributing, Inc. Col. Crawford's Bikes Colorworks, Inc. Columbia Gas of PA/MD, Inc. Computer Trends **Connellsville Redevelopment Authority** Copycat Quick Print, Inc. Cosha Fashions Dancing Trees Studio Dennis Lumber Company Dew Electric **Diversitech International Nivito** Park Donald M. Miller, Inc. Duke Energy North America Duraloy Technologies, Inc. Dynamic Materials Corp.



E.I. Systems EZ Welding and Fabrication Fayette Building Trades Institute Fay. Institute of Commerce & Technology Fayette Thermal, LLC Fike's Dairy, Inc. Fox Glass Company, Inc. Fur-N-Feather Sporting Goods George Smalley Company Gerome Manufacturing Co., Inc. **Glass** Mart GTT Recharge-A-Card Hazelbaker Recreational Services Holt & Buobee Hardwoods Houze Glass Corp. Hunter Truck Sales & Service, Inc. International Liner Company Invotech Manufacturing Kentuck Knob Kisiel, Grenell & Associates Kolencik Service Station Laurel Business Institute Laurel Machine Co. lenora's LIFE Information Emergencies Little Moe Crown & Bridge Maccabee Industrial Inc. Marwas Steel Co. Masontown Foodland McMillen Engineering, Inc. Motion Industries, Inc. Mountain Streams & Trails Outfitters, Inc. Murray Landscaping NeoDyne Neubauer's Flowers, Inc. Newborn Enterprises Nu-Metrics, Inc. NuRelm Internet Solutions Oglevee, Ltd. Ohiopyle Prints, Inc. Paintmasters PIRS

Pittsburgh-Fayette Express, Inc. Pretty on Paper **Prescription** Solutions Poulos Company Pleasant Trucking, Inc. Reed Tool and Die, Inc. Romeo & Sons, Inc. Rugged Liner Sew Special Shoemaker Excavating Specialty Conduit & Manufacturing, LLC Stahls' Hotronix Stash-Scape State Correctional Institution Station Rentals TeleTech Customer Care Management Terri's New Image Salon The Maxx Family Entertainment Center The Style Exchange The Tree of Knowledge This N' That Furniture Timothy & Associates Topo's Restaurant United Defense Vacuum Ceramics, Inc. VMI Cabinet & Milwork W.F. Motors West Penn Warehousing, Inc. Western Union/Greyhound Whipkey Trucking & Supply White Energy Services White Picket Fence Wilderness Odysseys, Ltd. Williamhouse, LLC Woodlands Zoo & More W.R. Casteel Co., Inc. Zephyr Glenn Bed & Breakfast



### **Business Development**

Fay-Penn is proud to have assisted more than 120 new or existing businesses with various business development projects throughout the past ten years.

As evidenced by the listing on these pages, Fay-Penn provided service to companies of many types and sizes ranging from small retail stores to large multi-national corporations.

Whether through financing, site location, building construction, technical assistance or workforce development, Fay-Penn has become a community partner that companies know they can rely on for their business needs. Fay-Penn also takes great pride in providing a level of service that causes many companies to call on the organization time and time again.

As Fay-Penn enters its second decade, the commitment to superior service for existing and future businesses continues to be the primary objective.





















Fay-Penn is pleased to have assisted these companies in their business development endeavors. In a number of cases, companies expanded more than just once and required various types of assistance.



### **Economic Development**

CSX Rail Retention **Regional Initiative Grants Revolving Loan Funds** Strategic Plan for Fayette County SBA Microloan Demonstration Project Small Business Technical Assistance Water and Sewage Infrastructure Planning State Enterprise Zone Designation **Business Services Demonstration Project** Ben Franklin (BEST) Network Team Pennsylvania Business Calling Program **Regional Planning** Underground Storage Tank Loan Program Federal Enterprise Community (FEC) Keystone Opportunity Zone (KOZ) Designations PA SelectSite Designations Mon-Fayette Expressway Water and Sewage Study Benedum Foundation Non-Profit Study **REACH** Initiative

### Site Development

Star Junction Sewage Project Fayette Business Park Infrastructure CSX Rail Rehabilitation University Technology Park Infrastructure Greater Uniontown Business Park Infrastructure Columbia Gas Multi-Tenant Facility Construction Motion Industries Building Construction W.E. Motors Facility Construction W.E. Motors Facility Construction Fay-Penn Business Center Rehabilitation Brownsville Multi-Tenant Facility Rehab Fox Glass Building Acquisition Business Site Property Acquisitions

### Economic Development

The very nature of economic development is truly dynamic and multi-faceted. For the past ten years, Fay-Penn has been up to the challenge of providing for the future in an ever-changing environment. It takes a grand effort to realize positive impact through a series of varied projects and activities. From industrial development, to infrastructure, to tourism, to workforce development and educational improvement, Fay-Penn has been instrumental in setting the stage for future growth and sustainability in Fayette County. Although not all efforts result in marked or immediate success, change cannot be realized without an honest attempt.

From the organization's inception, it has taken on challenges such as the fight to save the abandoned CSX rail line with great success. Fay-Penn realizes that the community cannot prosper without a solid infrastructure in place and has worked hard to secure funding and lay the groundwork that will maximize development potential.

### Education: Worforce Development, Training

Internet Home Page Construction Team Building Seminars Building Boards Seminar Mentor Training and Planning Workshop Decentralizing Education Downlink Broadcast Niche Marketing Facilitate Downlink Broadcast Marketing: For Mon Valley Businesses Educators in the Workplace International Trade Career Option Tours Water "2000" Needs Starting and Operating a Bed & Breakfast Hospitality and Tourism Industry National Skill Standards Small Business Planning Workshops Dale Carnegie Communication & Leadership Training Dale Carnegie Professional Telephone Skills Training Dale Carnegie Sales and Customer Service Training Steve Covey's "First Things First" Broadcast

The business parks and tax-free sites developed by Fay-Penn have become home to numerous fine companies with several more projects now being planned. Workforce and existing business development have been top priorities to Fay-Penn even before the Commonwealth set up formalized programs in these areas.

Fay-Penn has also led numerous regional efforts such as the wayfinder signage system that has become a model for the entire country.

Fay-Penn has worked hard to build its reputation as a top performer on a state and even national level. This is evidenced by the \$28+ million in state and federal grant funds received as a result of the group's efforts.



Fay-Penn will work just as hard to continue the positive momentum begun during the past decade into the next.

### Courses, Information Seminars, Symposiums

Older Worker's Job Fair Charter School Symposium Total Quality Management Training PA Dept of Labor and Industry: A New Workforce Development System Teaching Critical Thinking Skills Training Workshop Sony Job Fair William J. Rothwell Seminar OSHA Safety Training

Job Training Grants CEO Ben Franklin Scholarship Program Workforce Needs Assessment Workforce Wage Survey **Customized Job Training Grants** Local Education Agency (LEA) Designations Subsidized Training Grants Bed & Breakfast Symposiums Human Resource Network

### **Tourism Development** & Marketing

**Bed & Breakfast Initiative** Fayette County Heritage Development Plan Searight's Toll House Restoration Flatiron Building Restoration Old Petersburg Toll House Restoration Yough River Trail Laurel Highlands Tourist Destination Hospitality Training State Theatre Center for the Arts Lyric Mountain Festival for the Performing Arts Washington Gristmill Nemacolin Castle Sheepskin Trail National Road Laurel Highlands/Pittsburgh Regional Sign System Scenic Laurel Highlands Campaign Touchstone Center for Crafts Fort Necessity Visitors Center Brownsville Wharf Fayette Co. Tourist Brochure Distribution Ohiopyle Lodging Facility Needs Study Cable Tourism Channel Feasibility Study Fayette County Tourist Train Bed & Breakfast Symposiums Coal and Coke Heritage Center Feasibility Study Eight-Minute Quality of Life Video Quality of Life Brochure Pocket Folders Rookmarks Window Stickers Fayette County Tourist Brochure Local, Regional, & National Publication Ads Regional Tourism Channel

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- ♦ Columbia Gas of PA, Inc.
- First Federal Savings & Loan of Greene Co.
- ♦ First National Bank of Pennsylvania
- ♦ Frazier Area School District
- ♦ The Hardy Family Trust
- ♦ Laurel Highlands School District
- ♦ National City Bank of PA
- ♦ Nemacolin Woodlands Resort & Spa
- ♦ Parkvale Bank
- The Roy A. Hunt Foundation
- Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation
- ♦ Stahls' Hotronix
- ♦ TeleTech Call Center
- Westmoreland-Fayette Workforce Investment Board
- ♦ Verizon

#### \$10,001 - \$100,000

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -
  - Enterprise Zone Grant Program
  - Team PA Partnership
  - Local Eco. Dev. Asst. Program
- ♦ Robert E. Eberly
- ♦ Fayette Enterprise Community
- ♦ Howard Heinz Endowment
- ♦ The Redstone Foundation
- U.S. Appalachian Regional Commission

#### <u> Over \$100,000</u>

- ♦ The Eberly Foundation
- Katherine Mabis McKenna Foundation, Inc.
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Community Revital. Asst. Program
  - Enterprise Zone Competitive Grant
  - Infrastructure Dev. Program Grant
  - Initiastructure Dev. Program Oran
- ♦ U.S. Department of Agriculture
  ♦ U.S. Economic Development
- U.S. Economic Development Administration

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- Connellsville Chamber of Commerce
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- Connellsville Redevelopment Authority
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- Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.
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- Fayette County Industrial Development Authority
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- Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
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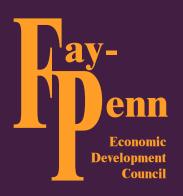
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