

The Pennsylvania budget and spending plan finally passed! A few months late, but we are pleased that the General Assembly moved toward funding of County Fairs at the same level as 2016. The PSACF continues to have a strong group of legislators that continually advocate for our Pennsylvania local fairs. Undoubtedly, our General Assembly and the Governor's Office recognize the important value and tradition of our family entertainment. The PSACF continues to have strong advocates "back home" that parlay the information to Lawmakers offices. That information in-turn provides an environment in which our fairs can survive and deliver for local communities. I urge you, as I always do, to maintain a relationship with your state Representative and Senator. Urge them to join the Fair Caucus and urge them to remember our fairs when making policy. Also, offer your phone number if they ever need insight into the fair program. It won't be too long until we are fighting for 2018 dollars. In the coming years, hopefully the Commonwealth will grow its available revenues. It has been and continues to the goal of the PSACF to raise its state funding to \$5 million annually to achieve capital improvements. I do believe that the PSACF has been moving toward that direction and that push will likely occur soon.

In other news, the PSACF continues dialogue with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture about changes with the existing Fair Act. As of now, no legislation has been introduced. Also, we are always looking for you input and insight into the Fair Act. As of now, no further discussions on modifying the Act is scheduled.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with questions and comments. We have an open door policy.

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