



GOVERNOR JOSH SHAPIRO

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MEDIA ADVISORY: TOMORROW IN PHILADELPHIA – Governor Shapiro and DCED Secretary Siger to Announce New Investment to Expand Pennsylvania's Workforce, Grow the Economy Through Skilled Apprenticeships

Philadelphia, PA – Tomorrow, **Governor Josh Shapiro** and **Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Secretary Rick Siger** will announce a significant new investment to expand Pennsylvania's workforce and grow the economy through the Commonwealth's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP). Thanks to the Shapiro Administration's support, Steamfitters Local 420 will expand its training center, preparing over 100 additional apprentices to enter Pennsylvania's workforce each year.

Since taking office, **Governor Shapiro** has increased funding from \$118 million to \$183 million for vo-tech, career and technical education (CTE), and apprenticeship programs — a nearly 50 percent increase in just three years. The Governor's [2026-27 proposed budget](#) invests an additional \$18 million into vo-tech, CTE, and apprenticeship programs to further train Pennsylvania's future workforce.

WHO:

Governor Josh Shapiro

Secretary Rick Siger, PA Department of Community and Economic Development

Jim Snell, Business Manager, Steamfitters Local 420
Aliza Goldstein, Apprentice, Steamfitters Local 420

WHEN:

Friday, February 6, 2026 at 10:30 AM

WHERE:

Steamfitters Local 420
14420 Townsend Rd
Philadelphia, PA 19154

LIVE STREAM:

pacast.com/live/gov
governor.pa.gov/live/

RSVP:

Press who are planning to attend must RSVP with the names and phone numbers for each member of their team to ra-gvgovpress@pa.gov.

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