



Community Engagement and a Spirit of Service

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Congressman Paul D. Tonko, NY-20

"When you put the needs of the people you represent above all else, that spirit of service comes through in your work & the results you deliver for your community."

❖ Paul Tonko

Fostering Community Growth and Development

- Shared over **2,500 separate grant opportunities** with more than 16,000 individuals, nonprofit and community organizations **totaling in \$857,637,015 in funding**
 - Assisted in securing more than \$10 million in funding for institutions of higher education, including the University at Albany, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, SUNY Polytechnic and Union College
- Hosted 17 workshops and roundtables, providing trainings on how to apply for federal grants and vital insight into federal programs and processes
 - **Helped secure \$1,558,915 to meet the needs of first responders** and fire departments through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) and Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Programs
- Visited 16 schools, public libraries, educational institutions and local agencies throughout the Capital Region to donate items through the Library of Congress Surplus Books Program
 - Delivered 407 books valued over \$10,213

Engaging with and Serving Constituents

- **Participated in more than 1,000 in-district events**
 - Attended 103 events in August alone
- Hosted 14 Mobile Office Hours to speak with constituents from every corner of NY-20 on topics including federal legislation, Social Security, healthcare, veterans' benefits and more
- Toured nearly three dozen local businesses and manufacturers
- Provided Congressional recognition to 747 individual constituents and organizations
- Responded to 954 individual requests for assistance with a federal agency
- Granted Congressional nominations to high school students to all four military service academies
- Offered 20 students experience in government through internships across three district offices

Prioritizing the Capital Region

- Fought for life-saving reform by introducing [SAFE Limos Act](#) to prevent another senseless tragedy like the Schoharie limo crash
- Secured a **raise in the federal funding cap** for Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor to **\$14 million** & introduced H.R. 2288 - Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor Reauthorization Act
- Introduced [H.R. 1754 - Horseracing Integrity Act](#), which has more than 218 cosponsors, to modernize the sport and prioritize safety for horses and jockeys

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