



Congressman Conor Lamb

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A YEAR-END MESSAGE FROM CONGRESSMAN LAMB

Dear Friend,

I want to thank everyone who took the time to contact me throughout the year to express your thoughts and opinions. Whether we met at a Town Hall, a "Coffee with Conor," a community day or other local event, or you called my office, I appreciated hearing from you directly about your priorities.

Since being sworn in to represent Pennsylvania's 17th District last January, my number one priority has been to work across the aisle to deliver results for families in southwestern Pennsylvania.

This year, I **introduced 10 bills** and was the **co-lead on nine bipartisan bills**, helping to **advance six** of these to pass the House of Representatives. I worked with members of both parties to pass legislation to cut prescription drug prices and expand Medicare to include vision, dental and hearing benefits. I voted to approve record levels of funding to secure our elections and combat the opioid epidemic, and to fully fund pensions and health care for our retired coal miners. With a deal initiated by the President and improved by workers themselves, we hope to enter a new era of fair trade in 2020.

In addition to the legislative work in Washington, one of the most important ways I can serve you is by helping to resolve issues with federal agencies. Our office has successfully returned more than **\$1.297 million** owed to constituents in 2019, putting money back in the pockets of families in western Pennsylvania. My staff are always available to assist in my Allegheny and Beaver County offices, and this past year we held **mobile office hours on 30 occasions** across the district to be more accessible to you and will continue this in the new year.

While we have made progress this year, there is much more to be done. In 2020, I remain committed to working with anyone in Washington to get things done for the 17th district.

Sincerely,



Conor Lamb

Member of Congress



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\$1,297,904

Dollars returned
to taxpayers
through casework

766

Constituent
cases opened

668

Constituent
cases closed

45

Town Halls,
Coffees with
Conor, mobile
office hours

10

Bills introduced
as lead sponsor

90%

Sponsored bills
introduced are
bipartisan

100%

Co-led bills are
bipartisan

29

Universities and
local schools
visited

698

Votes taken

81

Committee
hearings &
mark-ups
attended

10,779

Phone calls
answered

13,290

Response
letters to
constituents

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RESULTS IN WASHINGTON

Congressman Lamb is committed to working in a bipartisan manner to deliver results on local priorities. This year, Congressman Lamb introduced 10 bills and was the co-lead on nine bipartisan bills. He successfully helped advance six of these to pass the House of Representatives.



WHOLE Veteran Act (H.R. 2359) to help reform VA health care and give veterans a real choice and greater power to manage their own health care and provide the necessary tools for mental health needs (passed 05/21/2019);

H.R. 2385 to establish a grant program to conduct cemetery research and produce outreach materials for the Veterans Legacy Program (VLP), an educational initiative from the National Cemetery Administration (NCA) (passed 10/15/2019);

Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act (H.R. 425) encourages veterans to study and pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) (passed 2/26/2019);

H.R. 3207 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, as the "Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building" (passed 10/16/2019);

DEFEND Act (H.R. 4703) would prohibit foreign nationals from paying to promote, attack, support, or oppose American candidates online. (passed through H.R. 4617, the SHIELD Act on 10/16/2019);

JROTC Cyber Training Act (H.R. 3266) directs the Secretary of Defense to carry out a program to better prepare students in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) for careers in computer science and cybersecurity (passed through H.R. 2500 on 7/12/2019).

CONGRESSMAN LAMB IN THE DISTRICT



Congressman Lamb held **five district-wide town hall** events and **eight "Coffee with Conor"** events across the 17th Congressional District to ensure that constituents could meet him personally to express an opinion, share an idea or ask a question.

Congressman Lamb held **two district-wide student-only town hall** events and has **visited 29 schools** to give students a forum to share their questions and concerns. Supporting teachers and listening to students helps Congressman Lamb make a difference.



In addition to visiting schools, Congressman Lamb visited **35 local businesses**, **23 nonprofits** and **29 houses of worship** across PA17 in 2019.

Congressman Lamb's District Offices provide help to constituents with a variety of services related to federal agencies, including veterans' benefits, stalled tax refunds, Social Security or Medicare issues, passports, and more. Congressman Lamb's office returned more than **\$1.297 million** to constituents this year.



In 2019, Congressman Lamb's team hosted **monthly mobile office hours on 30 occasions** to provide the same quality services closer to your home.

SERVING OUR VETERANS

During the Thanksgiving holiday, Congressman Lamb traveled overseas with a Congressional delegation to meet with military leadership and deployed members of the U.S. Armed Forces. He visited military bases in Germany, Kuwait, and Afghanistan, and was briefed by military leaders on matters of national security. Congressman Lamb met with servicemen and women to discuss a broad array of issues, including the delivery of health care to military personnel and veterans, as well as access to military transition training and benefits.



Congressman Lamb serves as Vice Chair of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has the fourth largest veteran population in the U.S., with close to 800,000 living veterans, and Congressman Lamb works to ensure that every veteran gets the care, support and opportunities they've earned.

Veterans come out of the military with a wide range of skills and the best training in the world. They shouldn't be struggling to find jobs in the civilian workforce, especially not when trade schools and businesses are competing to fill high-demand, high-paying jobs in STEM-related industries. Congressman Lamb was a co-lead on the Supporting Veterans in **STEM Careers Act (H.R. 425)** and the **JROTC Cyber Training Act (H.R. 3266)**.

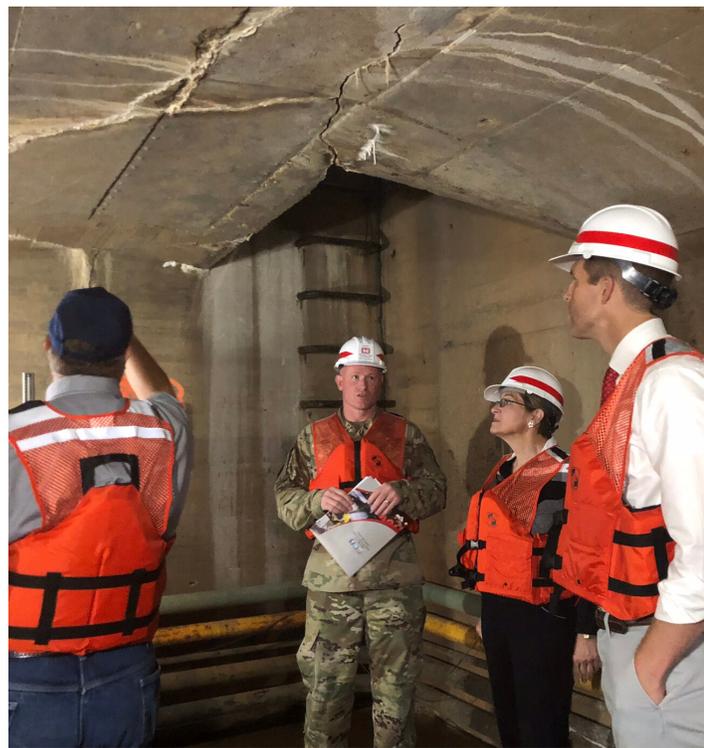
Congressman Lamb also introduced the bipartisan **Federally Requiring Earned Education-Debt Discharges for Veterans Act (FREED Vets Act)**. Shortly after the bill was introduced, the Administration announced an Executive Order supporting its action to discharge the student debt of totally and permanently disabled veterans.



INVESTING IN AGING INFRASTRUCTURE

The infrastructure deficiencies in southwestern PA are problems taxpayers, commuters, workers and business owners experience every day. Congressman Lamb knows that our aging infrastructure is holding back our economy and slowing Pittsburgh's growth, and was recently appointed to serve on the **House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**.

Congressman Lamb hosted **Representative Peter DeFazio, the Chairman of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**, and **Representative Marcy Kaptur, Chairwoman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development** to visit PA17 to see firsthand the region's infrastructure needs. The final FY2020 appropriations package included increased funding levels for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and their work on locks and dams—a key regional issue Congressman Lamb championed in Washington.



Congressman Lamb led a bipartisan group of Pennsylvania Members of Congress to secure an \$18.69M grant for Pittsburgh International Airport through the **Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD)** program from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The federal grant will enable the airport to construct a 75,000 square-foot cargo processing facility to expand air cargo operations which will create more jobs and investment in our region.



ENERGY JOBS POWER WESTERN PA

Congressman Lamb serves on the **House Committee on Science, Space and Technology** and is the **Chair of the Energy Subcommittee**.

In 2019, Congressman Lamb introduced two critical pieces of bipartisan legislation to advance our investment in innovative research and programs to improve the environment and create family-sustaining jobs in the energy economy:

Co-introduced with House Committee on Science, Space and Technology Chairwoman Eddie Bernice Johnson, the **ARPA-E Reauthorization Act of 2019 (H.R. 4091)** would ensure one of our country's most innovative research programs has the resources it needs to make an impact on the nation's energy sector to help address some of the unique challenges of advancing new clean energy technologies.

The **Grid Modernization Research and Development Act of 2019 (H.R. 5428)** would refine and expand vital research programs at the Department of Energy focused on modernizing and improving our nation's electric grid.



Safeguarding nuclear energy as a component of our domestic energy production will ensure that we have clean, reliable power generation. Congressman Lamb hosted Members of the House Science, Space & Technology's Energy Subcommittee for a field hearing in PA17 to explore the role of the domestic nuclear energy industry for the environment, economy and national security.

Congressman Lamb is fighting to find a long-term solution to keep nuclear power plants such as the Beaver Valley Power Station in PA17 open as a source of clean and reliable energy. Protecting good jobs is critical to the continued growth and prosperity of Western PA.



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