

Dauphin County Local Share Gaming Criteria 2009-10 Grant Process

**Please note this draft is not yet finalized.*

The Dauphin County Gaming Advisory Board has established the criteria by which all applications seeking a share of local gaming funds will be recommended to the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners. The goal is to ensure consistency during the review process. Please note that the points under each criterion are the maximum amount of points that can be awarded.

This summary is intended to serve as a starting point for evaluating projects. Each criterion is briefly described in the attached matrix and assigned a point total. It is not expected that a project will earn points for every criterion.

Please note that priority will be given to infrastructure projects, inter-governmental projects, those that leverage outside investments in Dauphin County, and projects that are ready to proceed and require a share of local gaming funds for completion.

LOCAL SHARE – SCORING MATRIX

LOCATION

A primary eligible municipality must be established. The applicant must provide a clear case for selecting its municipality and indicate the level of municipal support.

- Dauphin County, East Hanover Township and contiguous municipalities to East Hanover Township, identified as Derry Township, South Hanover Township, Middle Paxton Township, Rush Township and West Hanover Township. 10 POINTS
- Municipalities that are non-contiguous with East Hanover Township. 7 POINTS

CATEGORIES

Proposed projects must fall within at least one of the qualifying categories identified below. Projects may qualify or earn points under multiple categories.

- Infrastructure Improvements, including projects for the development or improvement of traditional, transportation, technology and community infrastructure. 15 POINTS
 - Traditional infrastructure projects include, but are not limited to, those that support the development, improvement, expansion and/or rehabilitation of facilities, buildings, roads, bridges, and water, sewer, energy or other utility facilities.

access to services. Projects under this category also include the creation of well-designed developments and walkable, livable neighborhoods that offer safe and healthy lifestyle opportunities. 15 POINTS

- Human Services, especially services related to gaming addictions. The category also includes services that offer a comprehensive approach for addressing addiction generally, services assisting low income and impoverished persons, services related to the prevention of the abuse of women or children, services related to the collection of child support, services focused on youth development and welfare, services directed at senior citizens, and social services related to or necessitated by residential or commercial development resulting from or related to the licensed facility. Projects involving this category may include costs associated with the delivery of services, as well as facilities, transportation, and other related needs. 10 POINTS

PENN NATIONAL

- Applicants must provide information or documentation on how the proposed project, or its costs, use or need, is associated with or a result of Hollywood Casino at Penn National Racecourse. 15 POINTS

PUBLIC NEED

- The application provides a narrative on what the existing conditions are in the host community, how the proposed project will provide a positive impact and improve the host community. 10 POINTS

BUDGET

- The application provides a detailed budget, including all sources and uses of funds, for the project from start to finish, including multiple project phases if applicable, and highlights how the gaming funds will help provide a critical financial role. Application also provides cost estimates for the project, preferably from the local municipal engineer if applicable. 10 POINTS

LEVERAGING OF GAMING FUNDS

- The application provides a detailed list of funds, other than gaming funds, that are being applied for that will be or have been associated with this project. Projects with a substantial amount of funds from other sources will be given strong consideration. 10 POINTS

TIMELINE

- The grant agreement will require that work must be initiated on all winning projects within ONE YEAR of the grant award (no later than March 1, 2011).

The application provides a detailed timeline of the project and demonstrates the ability to comply with the timeline requirement. 10 POINTS

LOCAL PLANNING

- The application provides a description of how the project follows, or is consistent with, a local comprehensive plan (compliance with local comprehensive plans will play a key role in the evaluation of the project) and/or a regional/county comprehensive plan. 10 POINTS

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

- The application includes letters of support from federal, state and local officials, as well as from community organizations, agencies, businesses and citizens. Editorials or news articles may also be considered. 5 POINTS

EXPERT ANALYSIS

- If applicable, the application provides professional or expert studies, analyses or support documents related to the project or its need, uses, or costs. (Examples include preliminary studies done by engineers, architects or any other professionals supporting the need, uses and costs of the project). 5 POINTS

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