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Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Returns Nearly \$2 Million in Licensing Fees to Local Communities

Harrisburg – The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) today announced the return of almost \$2 million in licensing fees to 1,103 municipalities in which licensees are located.

Twice a year, as required by law, the PLCB returns liquor license fees paid by PLCB-approved licensees to the municipalities that are home to those liquor licenses. Municipalities have flexibility in allocating and spending the returned license fees to meet local needs.

The PLCB oversees the regulation of more than 15,000 liquor licenses statewide, including restaurants, clubs and hotels. Licensees pay liquor license fees ranging from \$125 to \$700, depending on the type of license and the population of the municipality in which the license is located, as part of the annual license renewal or validation process, as well as in conjunction with approval of certain new applications.

The current dispersal period represents fees paid from Aug. 1, 2015, to Jan. 31, 2016. In all, 43 cities, 412 boroughs and 648 townships received funds ranging from \$25 to \$906,250.

The complete list of [license fee distributions by municipality](#) is available on the PLCB website, www.lcb.state.pa.us.

Over the last five years, the PLCB has returned more than \$22.4 million in licensing fees to local municipalities.

The PLCB regulates the distribution of beverage alcohol in Pennsylvania, operates more than 600 wine and spirits stores statewide and licenses more than 20,000 beverage alcohol producers and retailers. The PLCB also works to reduce and prevent dangerous and underage drinking through partnerships with schools, community groups and licensees. Taxes and store profits – totaling more than \$14.5 billion since the agency's inception – are returned to Pennsylvania's General Fund, and the PLCB also provides financial support for the Pennsylvania State Police Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement, the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, other state agencies and local municipalities across the state. For more information about the PLCB, visit www.lcb.state.pa.us.

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