



SYNOPSIS OF PROJECT

To help youth understand the role of local government in PA, the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) and the Borough Councils Association (BCA) have released an educational video, *By the People, For the People: Understanding Local Government in PA*, to help youth and others understand the role of borough government in Pennsylvania. The Chrostwaite Institute also provided support for this program.

While most people pay close attention to state and federal issues, it's local government that provides the most services and interaction to residents daily.

This program explores the roles and responsibilities of borough council, mayor, and administrative personnel; the election process; governance tools including the Borough Code; municipal budgeting; challenges facing local governments; and getting youth involved in local government through the Junior Council Person Program or student government. It also outlines the structure of the state and federal government, as well as county, school, and other municipal entities.

The show has aired on PCN and has been distributed to schools and municipal officials across PA.