Penn State is an economic powerhouse, contributing more than $11.6 billion to the state’s economy. For every $1 in state support received, Penn State generates $1.24 in state tax revenue.

With 24 locations across the Commonwealth, an academic medical center and a growing health system, Penn State is helping to improve lives in all 67 Pennsylvania counties through education, community outreach, and employment.

The facts and figures below highlight some of the regional impact of Penn State Hazleton on the local community. As part of one University, geographically dispersed, Penn State Hazleton students, employees, and community members have access to the resources of a top-25 research institution with a global impact.

Penn State Hazleton supports economic development in the community by partnering with local industry on workforce development; employing local faculty, staff and students; and by providing resources to local businesses and entrepreneurs.

1 Findings based on FY 2017 study, conducted using a model endorsed by the Association of Public Land-Grant Universities (APLU) and the American Association of Universities (AAU), to measure Penn State's annual contribution to Pennsylvania's economy.
The Penn State Hazleton LaunchBox, scheduled to open in fall 2019, offers free resources and support to the Penn State community and general public, and helps students and local entrepreneurs in the development of new products and the launching of startups. Services include business development services, community education, and access to micro-grants and business space.

Key Collaborators: Downtown Hazleton Alliance for Progress, CAN DO, CAN BE, Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce, Society of Hispanic Business Professionals, and other organizations engaged in The Hazleton Innovation Collaborative (THInC).

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Penn State Hazleton has a rich history of giving back to the community through volunteer work, contribution to charitable causes, and provision of resources to community members. Student engagement is promoted through service learning and community-based projects as part of the academic curricula, and community members have access to athletic and art events on campus as well as University resources such as the library. Additionally, the campus is a good steward of the environment and is committed to sustainability.

FINANCIAL AID FOR HAZLETON STUDENTS

$1.9 million in total scholarships awarded to students

88% of students receive financial aid

$9,424,154 in financial aid awarded to Pennsylvania resident students

SUPPORTING PENNSYLVANIA STUDENTS

Penn State Hazleton predominantly enrolls students from Pennsylvania, who reside in the northeastern part of the state. More than 95 percent of Pennsylvania residents live within 30 miles of a Penn State campus, and 75 percent live within 15 miles, putting a world-class Penn State degree within driving distance for most Pennsylvanians. The campus also supports resident youths through summer camps, college and career preparation, and dual enrollment programs.