



Executive Order

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Governor's Office

Executive Order 2023-16 – Public Private Partnership

Date: June 9, 2023

A blue ink signature of Josh Shapiro, Governor of Pennsylvania.

By Direction of:
Josh Shapiro, Governor

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is fortunate in having an abundance of world-class private sector resources and leaders, who desire to better their communities and the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth desires to develop an innovation-driven economy, increase wealth-generating job opportunities for all citizens, encourage business growth, expand Pennsylvania-based business export opportunities, and harness Pennsylvania's potential across multiple industries and sectors; and

WHEREAS, a successful, sustainable, and vibrant economy is dependent upon Pennsylvania's ability to compete in a global economy on behalf of its workforce and communities; and

WHEREAS, the input, perspective, engagement, and support of business leaders is essential to the Commonwealth's economic growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to foster public and private sector investment to continue economic growth, which can be accomplished by addressing the needs of and challenges faced by all Pennsylvanians, to assure the Commonwealth's edge in the national and global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, a public private partnership is critical for convening the Commonwealth's leaders to provide input, perspective, and resources and is essential to achieving our collective goals; and

WHEREAS, the use of a public private partnership to bring business, government, community, labor, and education leaders together is essential to accomplishing these goals; and

WHEREAS, Team Pennsylvania Foundation is a dynamic resource for Pennsylvania, created as a nonprofit corporation incorporated in 1997, under 15 Pa.C.S. Subpart C (relating to Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988), to assist the Commonwealth in increasing job growth, retention, and creation within Pennsylvania.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and other laws of the Commonwealth, do hereby recognize, affirm, and celebrate the economic development and growth partnership between the Commonwealth and the Team Pennsylvania Foundation.

1. Purpose.

The purpose of the affirmation of the partnership between the Commonwealth and Team Pennsylvania Foundation is to accelerate economic opportunities to position Pennsylvania as a leader nationally and globally; advance the conditions for innovative, technological, and market-driven solutions to grow the economy and jobs; create equity and economic vitality for all Pennsylvanians; address complex, visionary, and transformative issues that drive Pennsylvania's economy; and leverage collaboration across public and private sectors as a catalyst and enabler for business investment, attraction, retention, and growth.

2. Cooperation of State Agencies.

All agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction shall recognize the Team Pennsylvania Foundation as a unique and trusted partnership with the Commonwealth and cooperate with and support it to the extent permissible under applicable laws, policies, and regulations in order to assist it in pursuing our common mission of creating or expanding business opportunities and accelerating economic growth in the Commonwealth and for all Pennsylvanians.

3. Appointments.

To help ensure private sector engagement and participation, the Governor will endeavor to include Team Pennsylvania Foundation leadership on all relevant commissions, boards, and appointments to other bodies and positions, as appropriate.

4. Applicability.

This Executive Order is intended to promote the attainment of the mission and goals of the Team Pennsylvania Foundation insofar as they enhance the economic betterment of the Commonwealth and is not intended to create any right or benefit, whether substantive or procedural, that is enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the Commonwealth, its departments, agencies, officers, employees, or agents, or against any other person.

5. Effective Date.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and remain in effect until amended or rescinded by the Governor.

6. Rescission.

Effective immediately, *Executive Order 2017-06*, dated December 20, 2017, is hereby rescinded.