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Investing in our Communities

Plowing snow, picking up garbage, and keeping our communities safe are not partisan political issues; but for too long, our municipalities have been forced to do more with less funding.

I'm proud to have voted for and recently passed a bipartisan increase of at least 20% in shared revenue funding for Wisconsin's cities, towns, and villages.

This is about having police and fire protection available when you need it. This is about plowing your snow in the winter. These are basic services that everyone needs and expects, but without this increase in shared revenue funding, these services would be at risk of delay or reduction.

When we support these essential services, we support a higher quality of life. We give residents the peace of mind that first responders will keep them safe, while giving municipalities the peace of mind that their budget will meet community needs.

The legislation passed also ensures that as sales tax collections increase, so will the payments for shared revenue. This means that our residents can rely upon well-funded local roads, snow plows, and garbage collection for years to come.

Cities, towns, and villages across western Wisconsin will reap the benefits of this investment. All municipalities in Monroe, Vernon, Crawford, and La Crosse County will see an increase of at least 20% in shared revenue from the state of Wisconsin. These increases show the significant investment we have made in communities as we seek to maintain and improve the essential services that we all rely upon.

I'm glad that our western Wisconsin communities are receiving the funding they need now and in the future to keep us safe and meet our needs.

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Senator Brad Pfaff represents the 32nd Senate District, which includes La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford, and southern Monroe County.