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## Dahlkemper to visit second stop in nationwide economic mobility initiative

Erie, PA – Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper will visit Hennepin County, Minn., Sept. 17-19, on the second stop of the Economic Mobility Leadership Network initiative.

She is among 20 county leaders nationwide exploring the role counties can play in positively affecting economic mobility.

The program is run by the National Association of Counties and is funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Dahlkemper and the other 19 participants are investigating ways to improve economic issues. As they visit counties that have demonstrated success in addressing economic mobility, they are sharing information about scalable and transferable programs across the country.

“I’m looking forward to again connecting with county leaders across the country as we investigate how to escape generational poverty,” Dahlkemper said. “I’m honored to be one of only 20 county leaders taking part in this initial cohort and bringing ideas back to Erie County. We’ve already started implementing some solutions discussed in the first meeting.”

Hennepin County is the second of three counties the cohort is visiting. The first visit was to Multnomah County, Ore., in July. The final visit is scheduled for November in Garrett County, Md. All travel, lodging and conference costs are paid by the National Association of Counties through the support of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

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