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Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Names Top Bidders in 16th Restaurant License Auction

Harrisburg – Following validation of 36 bids received by the Oct.5 deadline for the 16th restaurant license auction authorized by Act 39 of 2016, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) has announced highest bids and bidders on the [PLCB restaurant license auction web page](#).

Top bids range from \$30,000 for a license in Minersville, Schuylkill County to \$350,000 for a license in Easton, Northampton County. The average top bid in the auction was \$114,497.

The number of validated bids received for each of the 20 licenses receiving bids ranged from one to five. Four licenses – in Jefferson, Luzerne, Snyder and Wayne counties – received no valid bids.

Top bidders have 30 days from the date of each Notice of Selection to remit full bid payment to the PLCB. If bid payment is not received within 30 days of auction award, the second-highest bidder will have the opportunity to remit its full bid payment.

Each auction winner has six months from the issuance of the Notice of Selection to file a license application with the PLCB.

This auction included one license in each of the following 20 counties: Adams, Berks, Bucks, Cambria, Carbon, Crawford, Delaware, Greene, Jefferson, Lancaster, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Schuylkill, Snyder, Washington, and Wayne.

Unlike the [excess license auction](#) conducted earlier this year, licenses available in this auction cannot be transferred across county lines. They may only be transferred to another municipality within the same county, consistent with applicable laws and regulations.

The PLCB regulates the distribution of beverage alcohol in Pennsylvania, operates Fine Wine & Good Spirits stores statewide, and licenses more than 20,000 alcohol producers, retailers, and handlers. The PLCB also works to reduce and prevent dangerous and underage drinking through partnerships with schools, community groups, and licensees. For more information about the PLCB, visit pa.gov/lcb.

Fine Wine & Good Spirits is Pennsylvania's go-to destination for wine, spirits, and ready-to-drink cocktails, as well as in-store tastings and events. With more than 560 stores, 13 licensee service centers and a robust online shopping experience at FWGS.com, Fine Wine & Good Spirits offers a wide selection of products for customers to discover new favorites, find trusted classics, and explore exclusive, limited-release selections. Fine Wine & Good Spirits and the PLCB contribute to the state's economy by returning taxes and profits – nearly \$23.5 billion

since the agency's inception – to Pennsylvania's General Fund, financing Pennsylvania's schools, health and human services programs, law enforcement, and public safety and community initiatives. The PLCB also provides financial support for the Pennsylvania State Police Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement, the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, other state agencies, and local municipalities across the state.

Every purchase made at a Fine Wine & Good Spirits store or at [FWGS.com](https://www.fwgs.com) helps strengthen Pennsylvania, supporting nearly 6,000 employees and more than 2,500 communities across the commonwealth.

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