

EPTA - January 2017

DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2)

The Focus of this grant program is planning, acquisition, and development associated with conservation areas, community parks, trails, river conservation and recreation, riparian buffer areas, etc.

The 2017 round of the Community Conservation Partnership Grant Program Grant opens on January 23, 2017. Applications are due no later than 4:00 PM (according to the clock on the DCNR grant page) on April 12, 2017. <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/brc/grants/c2p2programguidance/index.htm>

Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund

The Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund, managed by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, provides funding to support organizations and municipalities that are implementing projects to build and improve multi-use trails.

In 2017, \$102,500 will be awarded via the Doppelt Fund. A wide range of projects and activities are eligible under two grant types:

Community Support Grant - \$5,000 - \$10,000 range

A capacity-building grant for local nonprofit organizations or “Friends of the Trail” groups that need critical funding to help get trail development or improvement efforts off the ground.

Project Transformation Grant - \$15,000 - \$50,000 range

The Project Transformation Grant is intended to have a substantial impact on an organization’s ability to complete a significant trail development or improvement project. These funds, where appropriate, will serve as a catalyst to start such large projects and could be used to leverage other funding sources through matching opportunities.

Erie County Greenways Grant

The Erie County Greenways Grant program provides funding for projects that improve the quality of life in Erie County through the preservation and enhancement of the region’s natural, scenic, and recreational resources for public use and enjoyment.

Eligible applicants include local governments, incorporated nonprofit organizations, municipal or public authorities, educational institutions, conservation districts, and regional planning agencies. Project proposals may be for planning, acquisition, design, conservation, construction, development, repair, rehabilitation, or beautification of greenways, recreational trails, open spaces, natural areas, community conservation and beautification, or community and heritage parks. Grant Applications are currently being accepted **through February 20, 2017**.

<http://www.eriecountypa.gov/county-services/county-offices/planning-department/grant-programs/erie-county-greenways-program.aspx>

2017 Western Pennsylvania Environmental Award

Dominion and the Pennsylvania Environmental Council announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2017 Western Pennsylvania Environmental Awards for excellence in advancing the environmental quality of Western Pennsylvania. Nominations are due February 15, 2017. Additional information is available by visiting

http://www.pecpa.org/event/wpea2017?utm_source=Copy+of+Copy+of+In+Case+You+Missed+It%3A+December+2016&utm_campaign=In+Case+You+Missed+It%3A+December+2016&utm_medium=email

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Governor's Award for Excellence 2017

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2017 Governor's Award for Excellence. This awards program is open to any Pennsylvania business, farm, government agency, educational institution, non-profit organization and individual that have created, or participated in, the development of a project that promotes environmental stewardship and economic development in the state. To be eligible for consideration, projects must have been completed between August 1, 2015 and July 31, 2016. Additional information and nomination applications are available at

<http://files.dep.state.pa.us/AboutDEP/AwardsAndInnovation/GovernorAwardForEnvExcellence/2017%20GAEE%20Guidelines.pdf>.



Link to register <http://americantrails.org/ee/index.php/symposium/2017-register>

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2017 PA Greenways and Trails Summit

September 24 – 26, 2017

DoubleTree by Hilton in Reading PA