

Susquehanna Greenway Partnership awards \$60,000 in grants

Several local communities will receive \$5,000 state grants enabling them to develop projects connecting people with the natural and cultural resources of the West Branch of the Susquehanna River.

Armstrong Township, Muncy Creek Township, Montgomery and Watsontown are among communities to expected to receive the grants through the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, according to Trish Carothers, executive director of the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership.

As a partnership, the organization helps sustain and create the Greenway, an interconnected corridor of parks covering 500 miles of the river, she said.

The grants are to be used to create or improve

trail connections with the river, riverfront parks and access to the river. Project partners have leveraged \$60,000 in awards with an additional \$203,000 in cash and in-kind contributions.

In Armstrong Township, the grant will be used in the Sylvan Dell area to connect residents with the Susquehanna River Walk, South Williamsport Recreation Area, the West Branch Susquehanna River and Bald Eagle Ridge. Partners include Lycoming County and Bucknell University.

In Montgomery, tree plantings will take place within the floodplain of the river and gateway into the business section. Pedestrian walkways will be developed to connect the district to the river. Partners include Construction Specialties, Riverside Campground,

Koppers, Pennsylvania College of Technology, Black Hole Watershed Association, Bureau of Forestry, and Seda Council of Governments, Lewisburg.

At Muncy Creek Township, the Muncy Heritage Park and Nature Trail partners plan to use the grant to construct the last section of the trail to link the tow path with the borough's residential area. Partners include Muncy Bank & Trust Co. and Bill and Linda Poulton of the Muncy Historical Society and Museum.

At Watsontown, development of a Greenway Gateway Park and streetscape along the river and Main and Canal streets are among the project goals.

That plan is expected to include site and landscape design of the park, green enhancements to commercial parking lots, side-

walks, street trees, lighting, and improvements to the existing boat access.

Partners include Watsontown Area Business Association, Warrior Run Woman's Club, Watsontown Guild, and Warrior Run Community Corp.

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*Four years ago my heart was
broke and part of it went with
you. I think of you everyday
and how much I need you. I
miss you my baby brother.*

**Always in my heart
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