

# Discover Tunkhannock

## A Susquehanna Greenway River Town

Tunkhannock is a historic, friendly Pennsylvania Route 6 Heritage Community, a gateway to the Endless Mountains. Iroquois canoes, pioneers' rafts, canal boats and trains have all passed by this place, where Tunkhannock Creek—the "small stream" of its Native American name—flows into the Susquehanna. Pioneer Zebulon Marcy was the first settler here, in 1772. With the building of the North Branch Canal and the Lehigh Valley Railroad in the mid-nineteenth century, Tunkhannock became a hub of commerce and industry as well as the county seat. Today it is both the cultural and the commercial center of Wyoming County.

The Susquehanna River Watershed

#### The Chesapeake Bay

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#### The River and the Bay

With a watershed of nearly 28,000 square miles, the Susquehanna River supplies the Chesapeake Bay with fifty percent of its fresh water (24 billion gallons) on a typical day.

# Live, Learn, Explore



#### Tunkhannock **Historic District**

A walking-tour brochure will tell you about the architecture—Gothi Revival, Colonial Revival, Queen Anne—of many of the homes, churches, and businesses in this National Register Historic District, and a little about the lives of some of the families who built them.



#### **Riverside Park**

This tree-filled park on the banks of the Susquehanna is the site of Tunkhannock's annual "Celebrate Our River Day" and other events. It also has a children's playground, a boat launch, and picnic tables, henches and a parable for sitting. benches and a gazebo for sitting and watching wildlife and the river.



#### **Wyoming County** Courthouse

This Italianate, stucco-covered brick structure was constructed in stages from 1844 to 1992, and its clock tower is a local landmark. A gazebo and a handsome Civil War memorial face the e Civil War memorial face the ed entrance. It often hosts exhibits of local artists' work.



### **Historic Downtown**

Rows of brick storefronts, many constructed after a disastrous 1870 fire and now home to an eclectic assortment of shops and restaurants and the Dietrich Theater, line the first blocks of East Tioga Street.

"Enunder," Day" in June and "Founder's Day" in June and "Christmas in Our Home Town" in December see the street closed and thronged with visitors.



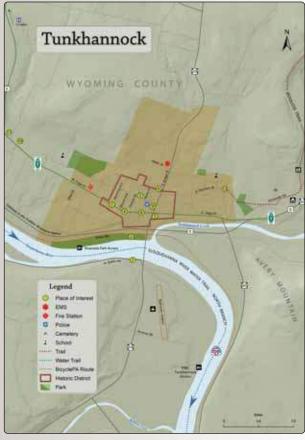
#### **Dietrich Theater**

Built in 1936, completely renovated in 2001, and restored by dedicated volunteers after the 2011 flood, this Art Deco building is owned and managed by the non-profit Wyoming County Cultural Center. In addition to first-run movies and film festivals, the center offers performing arts and studio art classes and gallery space.



#### **Wyoming County Historical Society**

Organized in 1946, the Society occupies two floors in the former Sand Hill School. The Society's historical museum displays items illustrating local life and history, from Native Americans to the present. Native Americans to the present. The research library's extensive genealogical collection includes microfilm and abstracts of early Wyoming County newspapers as well as cemetery and census records.



### **Additional Places of Interest**

- 7 Indian Rocks Said to be the landing place of the Iroquois/Tory/British war party en route to the Battle of Wyoming in 1778. Across the river from Riverside Park
- 8 Sullivan Expedition Marker Commemorates a nearby overnight camp by the Continental Army expedition against the Iroquois homeland in 1779. Corner of Warren and Tioga streets
- Post Office The New Deal era brick building features a mural depicting a generalized scene of frontier warfare. Corner of N. Bridge and Church streets
- Tunkhannock Public Library Built in 2001, the one-story brick building also offers meeting space for community organizations. 220 W. Tioga St.
- Endless Mountains Council of the Arts The Council offers studio art classes and hosts exhibits in its renovated Victorian farmhouse. 302 W. Tioga St.
- Iroquois Trail This walking trail is designed to provide a safe and scenic route to connect Tunkhannock's Riverside Park, its commerce and historic areas, and recreational facilities of Tunkhannock Borough and Tunkhannock Township. Of Sunnyside Rd.









