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\$4,000 AWARDED TO PRODUCE MIDDLE SUSQUEHANNA PADDLING BOOKLET

SGP is so grateful to the Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC)! Funding from their Water Trail Mini-Grant will be used to support our production of a free paddling booklet for the Middle Susquehanna in partnership with the Susquehanna River Trail Association (SRTA). We look forward to sharing it with you!

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REQUEST A PRESENTATION

Have a group, club, or organization that would like to learn more about the projects, programs, and opportunities of the Susquehanna Greenway? SGP is accepting presentation requests for 2024. We will give an overview of the Greenway, its resources, and how to plan your next outdoor adventure. If interested, please email Alana Jajko at ajajko@susquehannagreenway.org.



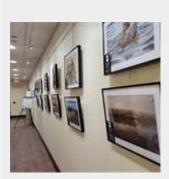
JOIN THE SGP TEAM

Are you interested in promoting paddling, hiking, walking, and biking in our 500-mile corridor along the Susquehanna River? Apply to be an SGP intern! We are currently seeking a Media & Communications Intern for the summer season. Applications due March 31.

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WHAT'S NEXT?



VISIT OUR TRAVELING GALLERY

The winners of the 12th Annual Photo Contest have been printed, framed, and added to our Traveling Gallery, which features in locations all along the river. See below for upcoming locations.

- February: Bald Birds Brewing Company, Jersey Shore
- March: Avenue 209 Coffee House, Lock Haven
- April: <u>Blough-Weis Library at Susquehanna University</u>, Selinsgrove

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ARTICLE FEATURES



MEET YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION ON THE SUSQUEHANNA GREENWAY

With the onset of a New Year, so too come the hopes, inspirations, and goals of our upcoming resolutions. Do you have yours yet? Let SGP help! Here are some resolution ideas that you can meet with us in 2024 on and along the Susquehanna River.

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WINTER OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS

Do you still have snow in your neck of the Greenway? The white stuff makes it a great time of year for capturing photos along our Susquehanna Greenway trails. Keep these photography tips in your back pocket to capture the best of it!

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TRAILS

JOIN US FOR THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER SOJOURN SERIES

Who's ready for the ultimate sampling of the Susquehanna? The 2024 Susquehanna Sojourn Series has you covered! The managers of the Susquehanna River Water Trail are banding together to provide single day paddles that give you a taste of each unique section: the West Branch, North Branch, Middle Section, and Lower Section. Sign up for one, several, or try them all!

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EXHIBITORS WANTED FOR 2024 OUTDOOR EXPO

The SGP is currently seeking exhibitors for our 3rd Annual Susquehanna Greenway Outdoor Expo to be held at Shikellamy State Park on August 3, 2024. Regional and state outfitters, nonprofits, gear manufacturers, and activity-specific instructors are all welcome. Click below for more information on who is eligible to exhibit.

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GET OUT ON THE GREENWAY



EXPERIENCE WINTER ON THE SUSQUEHANNA GREENWAY

For many along the Susquehanna Greenway, winter signals a time to hang up your hiking boots, grab your blanket, and settle in for a long winter's nap until the milder days of spring. Yet, for those willing to bundle up and venture outdoors, nature's splendor can still be found even on the coldest of days.

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TRAIL TOOL: INTERACTIVE MAP

Need a little help planning your next adventure? Use our Online Susquehanna Greenway Interactive Map to explore parks, trails, boat launches, and river towns near you!

EXPLORE

RIVER TOWNS

JOIN THE 2024 SUSQUEHANNA GREENWAY CLEANUP MONTH

In celebration of Earth Month, SGP is working with river communities and partner organizations throughout the Susquehanna Greenway to schedule and host river and trail cleanups. SGP is actively recruiting additional locations, interested organizations, and individual volunteers to take part in the 2024 cleanups. Click below to learn more.

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RIVER TOWN NEWS



MILLER MOUNTAIN CONSERVED IN TUNKHANNOCK

Miller Mountain, which stands as a stunning backdrop to the Susquehanna Greenway River Town of Tunkhannock, was added to the lands of Pinchot State Forest late last year. This announcement means new outdoor recreation opportunities to explore around this charming river town.

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RIVER TOWN SPOTLIGHT: LEWISBURG

A lively little Susquehanna Greenway River Town, Lewisburg invites visitors to stroll tree-lined, lamp-lit streets, browse unique shops, dine in one of the many friendly restaurants, or stay overnight in a comfortable bed and breakfast. Plus, it's right along the shores of the Susquehanna River's West Branch, and is host to a year-round roster of events!

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PARTNER NEWS



CELEBRATE TRAILS DAY

Hosted on the fourth Saturday of April, Celebrate Trails Day is an annual spring celebration of America's trails. Started by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy in 2013, the celebration encourages people across the country to get outside and enjoy the nation's exceptional trails and trail systems. **LEARN MORE**.



FRESHWATER MUSSEL RESTORATION

Funding from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Chesapeake Watershed Investment for Landscape Defense grant was awarded to restore freshwater mussels to the West Branch Susquehanna River. **LEARN MORE**.



WHITEWATER ON THE WEST BRANCH

Local stakeholders assembled to initially begin the process on how to improve the waterways of Susquehanna River in the greater Clearfield and Curwensville areas, including the potential for whitewater infrastructure. **LEARN MORE**.



PUBLIC FEEDBACK NEEDED FOR PA WILDS TRAILS

The PA Wilds Center for Entrepreneurship has partnered with the Keystone Trails Association to develop and publish a hiking guidebook for the PA Wilds region, and they want to know what trails are your favorite! **TAKE THE SURVEY**.

GRANTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Susquehanna Greenway Mini-Grants Awarded & Second Round Announced

The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership (SGP) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2023 Susquehanna Greenway Mini-Grant Program, as well as the exciting opening of a second application round to distribute funds still available.

March 1 Deadline

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The DCNR Mini - Greenways Community Conservation Partnership Grant Program provides funding for smaller conservation and water protection-based projects as well as conservation and natural resourced-based projects that would implement the overall recommendations identified in the North Central Pennsylvania Greenways Plan. **LEARN MORE**.

Community Giving Foundation Grants | February 29 Deadline

Grant rounds include opportunities through Berwick, Bloomsburg, Danville, Selinsgrove, and Sunbury affiliate foundations. To be eligible to receive a grant, an organization must hold a 501(c)(3) nonprofit status or be a governmental organization. **LEARN MORE**.

Active Transportation Planning Grant | March 22 Deadline

PA WalkWorks is offering grants and technical assistance to a limited number of municipalities and other governmental bodies to assist with the development of Active Transportation Plans during 2024 and 2025. The proposal may be termed an Active Transportation Plan, a Vision Zero Action Plan, a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, a Complete Streets Implementation Plan, a Safe Routes to School Plan, a Safe Routes to Parks Plan, or a Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Action Plan. **LEARN MORE**.

Community Conservation Partnership Program Grants | April 3 Deadline

Be sure to read up on DCNR's 2020-2024 PA Statewide Outdoor Recreation Plan to see how your projects align with priority areas in preparation for the next Community Conservation Partnership Program grant round. **LEARN MORE** or contact your DCNR Regional Representative for more information.

Big Idea Contest: Where WILD Things Thrive | April 18 Deadline

Are you a trailblazing entrepreneur with a game-changing idea in the maker economy, outdoors and recreation, forest products, manufacturing, or technology? Your innovation could be the spark that transforms industries and landscapes. Eligible for projects in Cameron, Clinton, Lycoming, Potter, or Tioga County. **LEARN MORE**.

Endless Mountains Heritage Region Partnership Grants | Open Spring 2023

The EMHR's Partnership Grants program, also known as mini-grants, provide financial support to heritage partners across the four-county region of Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, & Wyoming. **LEARN MORE**.

First Community Foundation Partnership Grants | Various Deadlines

Projects in Lycoming, Northumberland, Montour, Snyder, and Union counties are eligible for grants. **LEARN MORE**.

Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant Program | Rolling Basis

Administered by The Pennsylvania Humanities Council (PHC) and Community Heart & Soul, this program seeks to help PA small cities, townships, and boroughs to implement the Community Heart & Soul model by providing \$10,000 matching grants to resident-led groups in communities with populations of 2,500 to 30,000. **LEARN MORE**.

2023 Urgent Issue on a Water Trail Mini Grant | Rolling Basis until September 30

Administered by The Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC), this pilot project is an approach to providing funding for urgent, unforeseen situations on designated water trails that impede or impair access, create unsafe conditions/ safety concerns for paddlers or others who want to access the water trail, affect safe ingress/egress from the water trail, etc. **LEARN MORE**.

Statewide Waterway Access Grant | Rolling Basis

Administered by The Pennsylvania Organization for Watersheds and Rivers (POWR), this program will provide grants of up to \$30,000 for design and engineering, construction, or upgrade and rehabilitation of non-motorized public access projects throughout the Commonwealth. **LEARN MORE**.

Peer & Circuit Rider Grants | Open Year-Round

These DCNR grant programs fund projects that help municipalities, counties, multi-municipal partnerships, and council of governments to increase local capacity for recreation, parks, and conservation. **LEARN MORE**.

RecTAP Grants | Open Year-Round

The Recreation and Parks Technical Assistance Program (RecTAP) is a statewide technical assistance service designed to help organizations receive expert advice on recreation, park, and trail issues. It is funded through DCNR and administered by the Pennsylvania Recreation & Park Society (PRPS). **LEARN MORE**.

ABOUT THE SUSQUEHANNA GREENWAY



The Susquehanna Greenway is a connected corridor of paddling, walking, and biking trails, boat launches, conserved lands, and communities that runs along the Susquehanna River in PA.



The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership (SGP) is a 501(c)3 non-profit dedicated to advancing the vision of the Susquehanna Greenway. SGP works with

partners to grow the network, inspire people to engage with the outdoors, and transform communities into places where people want to live, work, and explore.





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