

Appendix P. Funding Sources

Funding Description	Types of Activities Covered	Average Grant Size	Potential Partners	Contact Info
Greenways/Outdoor Recreation				
Penn Dot Transportation Enhancement Program	Greenway projects with a tie to transportation, historic preservation, bicycling, or environmental transportation	varies	local municipalities and trails groups	Dante Accurti, (783) 2258-DCNR
DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program	Greenways or park projects which have a 50% match from a project sponsor	varies	BCWA, BVA, other municipalities	DCNR Southwest, (412) 880-0486
Rails to Trails Grants Program	Rails to Trails projects such as completion of the National Pike Trail	varies	local municipalities, BCWA, and trail groups; 50% match required	Wilmer Henninger (717) 772-3704
Urban and Community Forest Grants	Planting of trees in local communities (provide 50% of purchase and delivery costs)	varies	municipalities, volunteer groups, nonprofits	Norm Lacasse (717) 783-0385
National Recreation Trails Fund Act, administered by DCNR	Land acquisition and construction of trail leads and facilities; local match required	maximum \$150,000	municipalities, BCWA, BVA, other local groups	Vanyla Tierney (717) 783-2654

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Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program	Conservation Plans, trail development, and greenway development	varies	municipalities, BCWA, BVA, others	website: http://www.ncrc.nps.gov/programs/rtca
Community Revitalization/Smart Growth				
Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Community Revitalization Program	Community projects aimed at improving a community's quality of life and business conditions (street conditions, walkways, etc.)	\$5,000 to \$50,000	local municipalities	Oliver Bartlett
Planning				
State Planning Assistance	Preparation and maintenance of community development plans, policies, and measures; requires 50% match and regional participation	varies	local municipalities	Kerry Wilson (717) 783-1402
Small Communities Planning Assistance	Neighborhood revitalization, community conservation, economic development and housing plans; must benefit low to moderate income residents	varies	local municipalities	Kerry Wilson (717) 783-1402
Communities of Opportunity Program	Redevelopment projects, competitive housing	varies	local municipalities	Diana Kerr (717) 787-5327

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Community Development Block Grants	Infrastructure improvements, housing rehabilitation, public services, and community facilities that partly benefit low to moderate income people	varies	local municipalities	Scott Dunwoody (717) 787-5327
Main Street Program	Improvements and management of community downtown revitalization activities (partial funding)	varies	local municipalities	Diana Kerr (717) 787-5327
Stormwater Planning and Management Grant Program	Preparation of stormwater management plans and ordinances; requires 25% match	varies	Washington County Planning Office, local municipalities	Durla Lathia (717) 772-4048
Historic Preservation				
Keystone Historic Preservation Grants	Preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of historic properties, buildings, structures, and sites (50% match required)	\$5,000 to \$100,000	local municipalities and nonprofits	Bryan Van Sweden (717) 772-5071
Certified Local Government Grants	Cultural Resource Surveys, technical and planning assistance, educational interpretive programs, and national register nominations (40% match required)	small grants, varied amounts	local municipalities	Michel Lefevre (717) 787-0771
Environmental Improvement Projects and Assessments				

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Nonpoint Source Management 319 Grants	Watershed Assessments, restoration projects; requires match	varies	BCWA, BVA, local municipalities	Russ Wagner (717) 787-5642
Environmental Fund for Pennsylvania	Environmental, conservation, and recreation projects that improve local quality of life	varies	multiple	Tim Schlitzer (215) 545-5880
DEP Growing Greener Program	Farmland preservation, open space preservation, watershed planning, recreational trails and parks	varies	BCWA, BVA, local municipalities, and other groups	1-877-724-7336
Conservation Reserve Program	Protect environmentally sensitive and highly erodible areas by paying farmers to convert these land into less intensive use	varies	individuals, associations, corporations, estates, cities, etc.	Washington County NRCS office
Wetland Reserve Program	Protects sensitive wetlands by paying farmers to put them under permanent easements; can be used to fund protection of open space and greenways within riparian zones	varies	individuals, associations, corporations, estates, cities, etc.	Washington County NRCS office
Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Small Watershed Grants	Maintenance and operation of watershed improvements involving watershed protection, flood prevention, wildlife and fishery enhancements, and recreational planning; match required for some projects	varies	local nonprofits and state agencies	website http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/wacademy/fund/prevent.html

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DCNR River Conservation Program	Restoration and enhancement of rivers from watershed with an approved river conservation plan	varies	nonprofits and municipalities	Marian Hrubovcak (717) 787-2316
Dominion Mini Grants	Operational and project costs	currently up to \$1,000	BCWA, possibly BVA	Ben Wright (724) 459-0953
Western Pennsylvania Watershed Program	Projects that incorporate local leadership and collaboration into protecting or restoring a watershed area	varies	BCWA	John Dawes or Associate (814) 669- 4847
Environmental Education and Outreach				
Environmental Education Grant Program, DEP	Environmental outreach materials and programs	\$1,000 to \$20,000	public and private schools, nonprofit groups, Washington County Conservation District	DEP (717) 772-1828
League of Women Voters	Environmental and outreach projects related to groundwater and watersheds	maximum \$5,000	municipalities, BCWA, BVA, drinking water suppliers, and other public entities	http://pa.lwv.org/wren/grants/local.html
Sewage and Water Improvements				
Penn Vest Growing Greener Grants	Design and construction of water and wastewater treatment facilities (grants and loans)	varies	municipalities	

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Penn Vest On-lot Funding Program	Improvement and replacement of onlot septic systems (loans)	up to \$25,000	individuals	