

Greenways, Trails, and Recreation and Local Share Account Statewide Programs

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Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program

Eligible Applicants

- **Municipality** – Any county, city, borough, incorporated town, township or home rule municipality.
- **Councils of Governments**
- **Authorized Organization** – An entity involved in research, restoration, rehabilitation, planning, acquisition, development, education or other activities, which furthers the protection, enhancement, conservation, preservation or enjoyment of this Commonwealth's environmental, conservation, recreation or similar resources. The organization must be a tax-exempt institution under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c) (3)) and registered with the Bureau of Charitable Organizations or an educational institution involved in these authorized activities or a municipal authority.
- **Institution of Higher Education** – An entity that is an accredited university, college, seminary college, community college or two-year college.
- **Watershed Organization** – An entity recognized by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or the Department of Environmental Protection that was established to promote local watershed conservation efforts in an identified watershed.
- **For Profit Businesses** – other than “producers” of natural gas as defined in Act 13.

Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program

Eligible Projects– Maximum grant of \$250,000

Match Required – 15% cash match of total project cost

Unimproved land value can be used as match.

- **Public Park and Recreation Areas**
- **Greenways and Trails**
- **Rivers Conservation**

Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program

Eligible Use of Funds

- Development, Rehabilitation and Improvement of public parks, indoor and outdoor recreation facilities, trails, greenways and watershed implementation projects to include:
 - Construction activities
 - Fixed equipment
 - Clearing and preparation of land
 - Environmental site assessment
 - Related engineering, design and inspection costs not to exceed 10%
 - Professional services such as surveying, appraisals, etc.
 - Settlement costs, acquisition projects only
 - Administrative costs up to 2%
- Planning Projects that “lay the groundwork” for future land acquisition, development and/or management of parks, recreation facilities, natural areas, greenways, motorized and non-motorized trails, river/watershed corridors. Planning projects also include development of business plans for expansion or establish of outdoor recreation businesses.
- Acquisition of land, easements or rights of way for park and recreation areas, natural areas, greenways, trails, river/watershed conservation and/or open space.

Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program

- Applications accepted annually from February 1st through May 31st.
- Questions on this program can be directed to Devin Gray
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 - 717-720-1310

Local Share Account - Statewide

Eligible Applicants

- **A Municipality or County**
- **A Municipal Authority**
- **Economic Development Agencies or Redevelopment Authorities**
- **Land Banks**
- **Councils of Government**

Local Share Account - Statewide

Eligible Projects (\$25,000+) – Maximum grant of \$1,000,000

- Projects of Public Interest
- Eligible applicant can apply on behalf of a nonprofit
- Projects must be owned and maintained by eligible applicant or nonprofit
- No match required

Local Share Account - Statewide

Eligible Project Costs

- **Construction**
- **Acquisition**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Purchase of vehicles, machinery and/or equipment**
- **Planning projects**
- **Engineering, design, inspection, and permit fees**
- **Administrative**

Local Share Account - Statewide

- Applications accepted annually from September 1st through November 30th.
- Questions on this program can be directed to the program manager Jonathan Brett
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Other Information

- Prevailing Wage requirements will apply
- Guidelines can be downloaded at <http://dced.pa.gov>
- On-line Single Application located at www.esa.dced.state.pa.us.
- \$100 Application fee – to be paid electronically

Contact Information

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