

Community Conservation Partnerships Program Now Accepting Grant Applications

By State Rep. Joe Emrick
Communities across Pennsylvania can now apply for state grants to fund parks, recreation and conservation projects, as the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) opens its latest round of Community Conservation Partnerships Program funding. Applications are open now through April 30 at 4 p.m.

Eligible applicants include county and municipal governments, municipal agencies and nonprofit organizations. The grants fund projects such as park and recreation projects, conservation planning, trail planning, land and river conservation, community and streamside tree planting, and more.

Grant applications are only accepted through DCNR's Grants Customer Service Portal. Before starting an application, potential applicants should contact a regional advisor who serves the county where their project will be located. Contact information is available on the Regional Staff Assignment map (PDF).



Bangor's 150th Time Capsule Burial Ceremony

By Slate Belt Heritage Center

BANGOR - The Slate Belt Heritage Center and Museum will be having Bangor's 150th Time Capsule Burial Ceremony at Bethel Park in Bangor on Saturday, April 25th at 10:00AM with a rain date of April 26th at 1:00PM. Individuals may purchase envelopes for \$5 for letters to family members, organizations, owners of their home in 50 years, etc. that will be placed in the time capsule.

The Center is also looking for items that represent Bangor now for the time capsule. We would like businesses, churches, schools, daycares, local government, and organizations to donate items such as but not limited to business cards, brochures, photos, church bulletins, and written history. We are hoping when the capsule is opened in 2075 there will be a clear picture of what the Bangor was like in 2025.

NO liquids of any kind or food items will be accepted. We would like all envelopes and donated items at the Center by March 1st. Packing the time capsule will be a deliberate process so all items will survive being underground for 50 years. Photos will be taken of items that will be placed in the time capsule and shared on our Facebook page. The time capsule, which is actually burial vault, will be sealed shut mid-April.

Follow our Facebook page, Slate Belt Heritage Center-SBHC, for the latest information. Any questions, email Jane at janehr58@gmail.com. The Slate Belt Heritage Center is located on 30 N. 1st Street in Bangor and is open on Sundays from noon to 3. We are looking forward to seeing everyone be part of this historical moment!

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