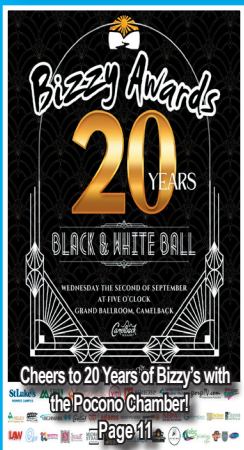




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Working Together to Solve Recurring Flooding Issues



By Rep. Ann Flood

BANGOR - I spent Friday touring areas of Bangor Borough and Washington Township to see firsthand the recurring flooding issues affecting our communities. I was joined by Congressman Ryan Mackenzie, Bangor Mayor David McCloughan, Washington Township supervisors and local business owners as we discussed the challenges caused by stormwater flowing downhill from Washington Township into the Borough of Bangor.

These recurring flooding problems have a real impact on residents, businesses and our local infrastructure. Seeing the affected areas firsthand and hearing directly from the people dealing with the consequences is an important part of finding a long-term solution.

I appreciate everyone who took the time to join us and share their concerns. I'll continue working with our local officials and federal partners to identify solutions and resources to help address this ongoing problem.

The Chamber Foundation Awards More Than \$20,000 in Community Beautification Grants Across the Lehigh Valley

By Lorie Reinert

Allentown, PA – The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce Foundation continues its commitment to strengthening communities throughout the region by investing in local beautification and revitalization projects. This year, the Foundation committee has approved more than \$20,000 in grants supporting 17 projects with a combined value of approximately \$100,000.

For the past 18 years, the Chamber Foundation has proudly invested more than \$1 million directly back into communities across the Lehigh Valley and surrounding region. From Alburtis to Albrightsville, Foundation grants have helped support more than 350 community projects, including outdoor lighting, public seating, banners, gateway signs, landscaping, and accessible parks and playgrounds. These investments have leveraged more than \$14 million in matching support, multiplying the impact of Foundation funding.

"The Chamber Foundation is proud to invest in projects that make our communities more welcoming, vibrant and accessible for residents, businesses and visitors," said Lou Fromm, Chairman of the Chamber Foundation. "These projects may vary in size and scope, but each one contributes to the quality of place that helps communities thrive."

The Chamber Foundation will publicly announce and celebrate this year's grant recipients and their projects at its Annual Grant Reception on Thursday, September 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. at The Wilbur Mansion.

Community leaders, project partners and supporters are invited to attend the reception and celebrate with the organizations working to enhance the communities where people live, work and visit.

Community	Organization	Project
Jim Thorpe	Jim Thorpe Tourism	Benches
Jim Thorpe	Dimmick Library	Planters
Allentown	Old Allentown Preservation Association	Pocket Park Seating
Coopersburg	Borough of Coopersburg	Bench and Landscaping
Coplay	North Whitehall Township	Kiosk
Fogelsville	Weisenberg Township	Benches and Planters
Emmaus	Arts Commission	Little Free Art Gallery
East Stroudsburg	Middle Smithfield Township	Holiday Banners
Roseto	Borough of Roseto	Flower Baskets
Bethlehem	Bethlehem Star Foundation	Memorial
Hellertown	Hellertown Library	Pave the Way
Wind Gap	CALV Slate Belt	Self-Watering Planter
Easton	Forks Township	Benches
Nazareth	Nazareth Library	Bike Rack
Nazareth	River Crossing YMCA	Trees and Planters
Phillipsburg	Phillipsburg Senior Center	Landscaping
Washington Township	Conscious Community	Mural

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