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Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission Newsletter!





# **DCNR Workshops:**

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Bureau of Recreation and Conservation (BRC) 2019 Community Conservation Partnership Grant Program will open **January 22, 2019, and close on April 10, 2019.** 

Projects can be statewide, regional or local involving recreation and conservation.

Training and technical assistance through workshops and webinars for the program are upcoming.

Please see below for the full list and details.

To register, please visit DCNR's calendar of events page.



**Grant Workshops** 

All workshops will follow this timeline. Registration 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM.

### Workshop 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

Northcentral Region - November 7 - State College, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Centre County

#### Webinars

All webinars will follow this timeline. 10:00AM - 11:30 AM.

January 30 - DCNR Grants for locally based Recreation, Conservation, Trail, and Riparian Buffer Projects: This webinar is for applicants who were not able to attend one of the workshops or, were able and would like additional information on the program. Participants of the webinar will learn about eligible projects, funding sources, matching requirements, along with strategies on how to create a good application.

February 27 - DCNR's Statewide & Regional Partnership Grant Program: This webinar is for those interested in obtaining grant funding to support public recreation, conservation, or heritage area initiatives across a statewide or regional landscape involving education and training, special purpose planning, implementation, and mini-grant programs. Participants can expect to learn about eligible projects, funding sources, matching requirements, and strategies on how to craft a competitive application.



## PennDOT "Green Light-Go" Program

Applications will be accepted by PennDOT during the period of October 15, 2018 - January 11, 2019. A Preapplication Project Scoping form must be completed before submission of an application. For details on the form requirements and program guidelines, please click here.



Green Light - Go FAQs can be found here.

## **PennDOT "Multimodal" Program:**

Applications for the PennDOT Multimodal Program for FY 2019-2020 are being accepted until November 15, 2018, at 5 PM.

Four types of projects are eligible under this program:

- 1. Transit-oriented development
- 2. Streetscapes, lighting, sidewalk enhancement and pedestrian safety
- 3. Improvement of connectivity or utilization of transportation assets within the community
- 4. Enhancement of communities through coordinating land use with transportation assets

Municipalities, counties, boroughs, school districts, cities, COGs, businesses, non-profits, economic development organizations, public transportation agencies, ports, transportation

management associations, rail freight and passenger rail entities are eligible to apply.

For additional information on the program, click here.

# **Alleghenies Ahead Award:**



On October 15th, close to 300 people gathered together for the American Planning Association's Annual Awards Luncheon in Erie, PA to celebrate the selected award winners of the 2018 program.

One of the **selected awardees** was the **Alleghenies Ahead Plan**.

This award honored the six counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon, and Somerset along with the Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission for their multi-county comprehensive plan. Common issues between the counties and the goals of collaboration and implementation were driving forces behind the document.

The plan can be viewed on the Alleghenies Ahead website.

## **Local Technical Assistance Class Schedule:**

The remaining Local Technical Assistance (LTAP) Courses within the region can be found below:

• November 9, 2018 - <u>Project Oversight - Monitoring Quality by Asking the</u>
<u>Right Questions</u>, <u>Martins burg Borough Building</u>: This half day LTAP course will
provide training to help ensure local government maintenance projects are done in a
manner to achieve maximum quality and longevity by providing the participants with
the information needed to monitor these projects.

## **Southern Alleghenies Rural Planning Organization:**

2021 - 2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

With the RPO's 2019-2022 TIP adopted and in effect on October 1, 2018, it is time to begin thinking about and preparing for the 2021-2024 TIP! In September, RPO staff conducted eight listening sessions across the four RPO counties to hear about transportation needs. More than 75 were in attendance, including several municipalities from across the region. Now, the RPO and its partners will compile the transportation needs that were expressed, as well as other county priorities, and consider them for inclusion in the 2021-2022 TIP.





If you missed a listening session, we welcome the opportunity to hear about transportation needs anytime throughout the TIP process. Please feel free to contact Brandon Peters at <a href="mailto:bpeters@sapdc.org">bpeters@sapdc.org</a> or (814) 949-6543 with any improvements or concerns.



Southern Alleghenies Planning & Development Commission is **seeking candidates** to apply for the position of *Transportation Planner*. Anyone interested should **visit the website by clicking the link below** for full position details.

**Transportation Planner Job Opening** 

# **Trail Highlight:**



### **Great Allegheny Passage Trail (GAP)**

The 150-mile Great Allegheny Passage connects with the 184.5-mile C&O Canal Towpath at Cumberland, MD to create a 334.5-mile route between Pittsburgh and Washington, DC, free from traffic and motorized vehicles.

The GAP trail passes through several towns within the region including Meyersdale, Rockwood, and Connellsville.

For more information, follow the links below!

**GAP** trail website

#### **Additional Information**



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