

The 2nd Annual Pocono Mountains Flight Fest Will Be Held On August 9th

By Paul Morgan

POCONO MOUNTAINS - The 2nd Annual Pocono Mountains Flight Fest will be held on August 9th from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Pocono Mountains Regional Airport. The event will include Touch-A-Truck; airplane and antique car displays; a children's area with hayrides, bouncy house and a candy drop; food trucks where guests can purchase food and drink; music and paid airplane and helicopter rides benefitting the Vern Moyer Aviation Fund. Parking is \$10 per car.

The Vern Moyer Aviation Fund was established in memory of aviation advocate and mentor in the Mid-Atlantic region – Vern Moyer. Paul Morgan of Moyer Aviation, comments, “We established the event last year in memory of Vern to raise money to provide scholarships for students interested in pursuing a career in aviation whether it be flying or mechanics. We raised over \$30,000 for the Fund and have selected it again for 2025 to be the primary beneficiary.”

Morgan continues, “Vern loved bringing the community into the airport to get them involved with aviation. We have created the day to include kids activities, an area to purchase from food truck vendors, displays of trucks, antique cars, and aircraft, and the opportunity to see the Pocono Mountains from the sky with helicopter and airplane rides.”

The Vern Moyer Aviation Scholarship Fund has been established to support the development, educational opportunities, and preservation of aviation across Pennsylvania. It seeks to elevate public awareness and inspire individuals to pursue careers in aviation, offer scholarships to individuals pursuing a career in aviation, provide resources and technology to support learning in aviation, endeavors that safeguard aviation heritage, and promote advancements in aviation technology.

Sponsors of the event include Papillon & Moyer Construction, Moyer Aviation, Hi-Tech Helicopters, Kalahari Resorts, Besko Outdoor, Pocono Manor Investors, Pocono Kangaroo, and TreeTrails Adventures. The event will be staged on the north side of the airport located on Rt. 611 at Hangar Lane, Tobyhanna, PA. For information, vendor applications, sponsorship information, and the schedule for the day, go to PoconoFlightFest.com or call 570-839-7161.



Northampton County to Begin Accepting Applications for Public Safety Grants

By Sarah Ortiz

[Northampton County, PA] – Lamont G. McClure and the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) announce that the County of Northampton will accept applications for 2025 Public Safety Grants beginning July 21st through August 29, 2025.

Public Safety Grants are available to Northampton County's municipal and volunteer Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) organizations. These grants can be used for capital improvements, vehicle purchases, equipment purchases, and training. Eligible organizations can apply for up to \$20,000 per application or project.

Grant approvals are scheduled to be announced in December 2025.

“Supporting our police, fire, and EMS organizations is one of the best investments we can make in the safety and well-being of Northampton County residents,” says Lamont McClure. “While it may not be a core County function, we are committed to providing these vital organizations with resources that help save lives and protect our communities.”

Interested organizations can apply by visiting the Northampton County Participant Portal hosted by Neighborly Software at: <https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/NORTHAMPTONCOUNTYPA/participant>

Registration on the Participant Portal is required to apply.

You're Invited: Science in the Parks, a Partnership Between Friends of The Allentown Parks & Da Vinci Science Center

By Da Vinci Science Center

ALLENTOWN - We're excited to share a new community partnership that brings hands-on science learning directly to Allentown's parks!

Friends of The Allentown Parks has joined Da Vinci Science Center as a Community Connect Member, launching a new initiative where Science Center educators bring live science shows to camps and community events in parks throughout the city.

We'd love to invite you to Jordan Park (1001 N 6th St Ext, Whitehall Township, PA 18052 - activities will be at the green pavilion next to the basketball courts) on July 22nd at 1pm for a live science demonstration with local campers and a chance to see this powerful partnership in action. Interviews with leaders from both organizations will be available, along with engaging visuals of kids learning and exploring right in their neighborhood park.

Media are invited to attend and capture photos, interviews, and demonstrations. Please RSVP to ta-mara.krizek@davincisciencecenter.org.

About Da Vinci Science Center

Da Vinci Science Center is a national award-winning non-profit science center that has been bringing science to life and lives to science for 30 years. With our exciting new downtown Allentown location, Da Vinci Science Center experiences make science fun and approachable, helping to connect people of all ages and backgrounds with the wonders of science. To learn more about our programs, visit davincisciencecenter.org and follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and X (formerly Twitter).

About Friends of the Allentown Parks

Friends of the Allentown Parks is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization established in 2008 to foster greater appreciation and public engagement with Allentown's parks and recreation system. Our volunteer organization comprises dedicated citizens and business leaders committed to enhancing park facilities, services, and recreational programming for all community members. We promote responsible stewardship of Allentown's park system by facilitating community engagement, delivering educational programming, and providing consultation for facility improvements. Through environmental stewardship and sustainability education, we ensure our parks remain vital green spaces for current and future generations.

