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County Executive Mcclure Presents Livable Landscapes Grants To Palmer And Upper Mount Bethel Townships

By Jessica Berger

PALMER AND UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIPS - Northampton County, PA – Northampton County Executive Lamont G. McClure presented two Livable Landscapes Grant awards today to support local environmental restoration and recreation projects in Palmer Township and Upper Mount Bethel Township.

Palmer Township received \$50,000 for the Fox Run Park & Open Space Schoeneck Creek Restoration Project, which will restore a section of the Schoeneck Creek riparian buffer. The project includes stabilization and widening of the streambank, installation of native plantings, tree protection, and educational signage along a half-mile stretch of the creek. The Township will also monitor water quality and ecological improvements and implement a long-term maintenance plan.

Upper Mount Bethel Township received \$75,000 for Phase I construction of the Upper Mount Bethel Township Preserve, which will rehabilitate a former sand and gravel quarry into a public recreation area. Planned improvements include new entrances and trailheads, accessible trails, observation platforms, seating areas, and areas for fishing and kayaking. The project also includes native vegetation restoration and ecological monitoring.



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Community Action Lehigh Valley Receives Grant from PPL Foundation

By CALV

Allentown, PA - Community Action Lehigh Valley is proud to announce that it has received a grant from the PPL Foundation to support its Generation Next program, which helps local high school students build leadership skills, explore career opportunities, and achieve educational success. Generation Next equips young people with the tools and confidence to pursue their goals while addressing barriers to racial and ethnic equity in education.

Through mentorship, hands-on learning, and exposure to professional pathways, the program empowers students—particularly those from underrepresented backgrounds—to envision and create a successful future for themselves and their communities. "The support from the PPL Foundation will allow us to deepen our impact and continue fostering equity through education," said Dawn Godshall, CEO of Community Action Lehigh Valley.

"Generation Next helps students discover their potential and take the next step toward their dreams. We're grateful to PPL for investing in the future of our young leaders." The PPL Foundation supports programs that improve the lives and well-being of people throughout the communities served by PPL Electric Utilities. "PPL is proud to partner with Community Action Lehigh Valley in their efforts to empower students." said Lissette Santana, Director of External Affairs and President of the PPL Foundation.



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