

Mini Grant Awarded Projects



Birdsboro Walking Tour: The Birdsboro Community Memorial Center is developing a self guided historical walking tour brochure of Birdsboro. This tour will improve the quality of life of local residents by allowing them the opportunity to learn more about the cultural and historic aspects of Birdsboro.

Neversink Preserve: Walk Bikes Berks will assemble a management plan for the Neversink Mountain Preserve and Community Forest by developing management actions and recommendations for the ecological, cultural, and recreational resources and engage the 6 municipalities, the County of Berks and the Berks County Conservancy in the implementation recommendations.



Revitalization of Downtown Birdsboro: The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Berks is developing a revitalization plan for downtown Birdsboro. This project will include a market analysis that will enable the community to identify opportunities for economic growth based on such factors as the existing business mix, resident purchasing power, and consumer spending patterns within the trade area. The plan will also involve a wide range of public input, with residents, businesses, and commercial building owners surveyed early in the

Bird Town: The National Audubon Society is creating a project called Bird Town which will mobilize entire municipalities to promote best management practices on public and private land. Through meetings with government officials and community members, Bird Town will guide Schuylkill Highlands' municipalities in making decisions based on a culture of conservation that will benefit not only birds and ecological systems, but also people.



HBW Educators Workshop: Hay Creek Historical Association offered a full day educators workshop focused on the natural resources found in the Hopewell Big Woods, and created a teachers resource 'trunk' for grades K through 3rd based on the subjects covered in the workshop. They promoted environmental science and history themed lessons offered at Joanna Furnace as a continuation of the topics covered in the workshop.

Light Pollution Protection: The Pennsylvania Outdoor Lighting Council is creating, producing, and distributing brochures that make the public aware of the consequences of light pollution in the Schuylkill Highlands and provide practical information regarding its control and how to lessen light



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