

# 2026 Montco 2040 Grant Awards

## Abington Township

### **BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER INVASIVE PLANT MANAGEMENT AND RESTORATION PROJECT**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$132,000

This project will implement the recommendations of the Township's Invasive Plants Management Plan at Briar Bush Nature Center (BBNC). It will replace invasive plants with desirable native trees and plants to restore the forest on over 11 acres of green space in a dense neighborhood. One of the few Nature Centers in the region, BBNC is an important ecosystem for native birds and animals, and a beloved educational and environmental space for residents and guests. This project will ensure the Center's landscape and woodlands continue to serve the community for decades to come.

## Bridgeport Borough

### **440 MILL STREET REDEVELOPMENT**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$250,000

Bridgeport Borough will renovate an existing municipal parking lot located at 440 Mill Street. The revamped parking lot will also serve as a venue for future community events and as an access point for the proposed Bridgeport Spur Trail. The improvements will include two electric vehicle charging stations, new lighting and security cameras, waste receptacles, seating, and bicycle parking. In addition, 35 trees will be planted in an enlarged area of green space surrounding the parking lot and along the reconstructed sidewalk.

## Cheltenham Township

### **WESLEY PLAZA PROTECTIVE STREETScape INITIATIVE**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$48,800

Cheltenham Township plans to install permanent bollards, benches, planters, and decorative banners at Wesley Plaza between Easton Road and Bickley Road, to create a safer and more welcoming streetscape. These elements will serve as attractive, built-in barriers that protect pedestrians and event attendees without relying on heavy municipal vehicles.

## **Franconia Township**

### **PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$249,730

Franconia Township will install two rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) systems along with ADA-compliant ramps on Camp Road at Branchwood Park, and on West Broad Street at the Lions Gate Community. The project will also include advance pedestrian warning signs and pavement markings along Godshall Road for the existing mid-block crossing at Franconia Community Park. These installations will improve pedestrian safety at the existing park driveways and trail network while enhancing connectivity.

## **Lansdale Borough**

### **DISCOVER LANSDALE HISTORIC READING FREIGHT HOUSE, PHASE 3**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$250,000

Lansdale Borough is in the final phases of rehabilitating their 1902 stone freight house into a welcome center that celebrates the Borough's industrial history and also serves as a community center and events venue. The freight house represents a significant symbol of the Borough's industrial heritage but has been abandoned for decades. This phase of the project includes an ADA accessible front entrance, further interior renovations, and window and door restoration. The funding will also cover improvements to a public courtyard with outdoor amenities that can be utilized by the community even when the Freight House is closed.

## **Lower Merion Township**

### **CRICKET TERRACE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$100,000

Lower Merion Township is embarking on a significant project on Cricket Terrace that includes full-depth roadway reconstruction, base stabilization, updated striping, drainage system improvements, ADA-compliant sidewalks and curb ramps, shorter pedestrian crossing distances through curb extensions, improved lighting and visibility, and traffic calming measures designed to reduce vehicular speeds. The Montco 2040 Grant funds are proposed to be used for trees, stormwater management features, and other landscaping. Cricket Terrace is part of Ardmore's downtown business district.

## Narberth Borough

### **ELMWOOD AVENUE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AND INDIAN CREEK STORMWATER PROJECT**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$ 250,000

Narberth Borough will add a new pedestrian bridge on the north side of Elmwood Avenue to better connect pedestrians and cyclists into the newly created Elm Grove Park, a passive recreation park, and the existing sidewalk network along Wynnewood Road. In addition, approximately 20 feet of roadway will be removed from the dead end Elmwood Avenue, to be replaced by a new stormwater management feature to provide rate control and water quality improvements for water runoff entering the tributary stream, which flows into Shortridge Park in Lower Merion Township. Finally, new curb ramps will be installed at the relocated terminus of the roadway.

## Pottstown Borough

### **SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT AND TREE PROTECTION PHASE II**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$152,505

Pottstown Borough will rehabilitate or replace sidewalks at 12 locations in the zero and 100 blocks of High Street where trees have damaged the sidewalks. Tree wells will be expanded to allow for tree growth and the area around the wells will be replaced with a permeable pavement that does not crack or break as trees mature. This continues the sidewalk rehabilitation project that received Montco 2040 grant funding in 2024.

## Rockledge Borough

### **JARRETT PLAYGROUND COMMUNITY BUILDING**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$ 250,000

Rockledge Borough will construct an ADA-accessible community building on the grounds of Jarrett Playground. This would include restrooms, a community/meeting room, a storage room, a kitchenette, an outdoor pavilion, a movie screen, and a stage. The borough currently has no dedicated community building, and they plan for this building to host many community events as well as their children's summer camp.

## Schwenksville Borough

### **PERKIOMEN VALLEY LIBRARY OUTDOOR SPACE AND BUILDING UPGRADES**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$ 110,360

Schwenksville Borough plans to improve accessibility and program space at the

Perkiomen Valley Library. The library will install automatic door openers and protective entry overhangs at the front and rear entrances of the library, and improve pedestrian and vehicular circulation. A new outdoor program space is proposed that is adjacent to the indoor auditorium that will allow for outdoor storytimes, art programs, therapy dog sessions, and more.

## **Springfield Township**

### **MUNICIPAL CAMPUS BUILDINGS SOLAR INSTALLATION**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$ 250,000

Springfield Township will install photovoltaic panels on the roofs of three municipal buildings. The combined system is expected to produce 450,300 kWh of energy. Excess energy generated will offset usage from the Springfield Township library, lowering the greenhouse gas emissions of both the municipal campus and the library. The township will use this project to get closer to its goal of transitioning its buildings and vehicles to 100% clean energy by 2050, as well as to stabilize operating costs and improve resiliency.

## **Towamencin Township**

### **GRIST MILL PARK TRAIL PROJECT**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$188,000

Towamencin Township plans to construct an approximately 1,570 linear foot long ADA accessible multi-use trail with two benches, connecting residential neighborhoods along Grist Mill Drive to the active recreation portion of Grist Mill Park where new improvements to the facilities near Allentown Road are currently under construction as part of a previously awarded C2P2 grant from DCNR. The trail will expand the park's access to a broader demographic, encourage outdoor activity, and strengthen community engagement.

## **Upper Dublin Township**

### **DRESHERTOWN ROAD CROSS COUNTY TRAIL EXTENSION**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$100,000

Upper Dublin Township will extend the Cross County Trail (CCT) along Virginia Drive and Dreshertown Road (SR 2024) and widen the road from Susquehanna Road (SR 2017) to the Beacon Hill Road/Bantry Drive signalized intersection. The project will connect to adjacent sections of the CCT in the Greater Fort Washington District, and result in approximately 3.2 miles of CCT through Upper Dublin Township to the Fort Washington SEPTA Regional Train Station on Pennsylvania Avenue.

## Upper Frederick Township

### **FRIENDSHIP PARK SPORTS COURTS**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$227,694

Upper Frederick Township will add a basketball court and two pickleball courts at Friendship Park. Solar powered light fixtures will be included, allowing for evening play at the courts. The Township will also renovate an existing walking trail that will connect the courts. The trail improvements would create two loops that include paved and unpaved segments. Along the paved portion, the Township proposes to install new workout stations to further engage residents in exercise options. Finally, the township intends to create a commemorative plaque for the schoolhouse that conveys the history of the site.

## West Conshohocken Borough

### **McKENZIE PARK EXERCISE STATIONS**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$86,948

West Conshohocken will install exercise stations along a newly completed, lighted walking path throughout the park. A previously awarded Montco 2040 Grant was used to construct the walking trail. This project is part of a master plan for West Conshohocken's largest park. The larger project also includes new courts, fields, a dog park, a new playground, and stormwater management.

## West Pottsgrove Township

### **GROSTOWN ROAD SIDEWALK CONNECTION**

AMOUNT AWARDED: \$103,963

West Pottsgrove Township will construct approximately 270 linear feet of concrete sidewalk, extending south from the existing sidewalk on the east side of Grosstown Road to the Schuylkill River Trail (SRT). The project will also include new, painted sharrows on Grosstown Road, extending from High Street to the SRT crossing.