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Latest News

Join PSATS for Town Hall on ARP Application Process and What Comes Next

Join PSATS staff and state Department of Community and Economic Development staff in a Virtual Town Hall this Monday, June 7, at 1:30 p.m. “ARP Update: Application and More” will provide an overview of the application process, what happens if your township doesn’t apply, and next steps. Learn about how the 5-day “registration deadline” is NOT a HARD deadline. Be on the lookout for extensions. [Click here](#) to register!

Reminder on ARP Applications: When applying for your township’s federal funding through the American Rescue Plan, **please be certain that you are applying through DCED’s Single Application website.** [Here is the link for the DCED login](#) and [here is what the application process will look like](#). A successful application submission will provide a 12-digit Single Application ID. For questions about your allocation, the application process, or the program, call the Governor’s Center for Local Government Services at 888-223-6837 or email covidarpa@pa.gov. If you need DCED Customer Service to assist with your application, call 1-800-379-7448 (M-F, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

Please do NOT apply to the U.S. Treasury Department’s submission portal, which leads to an ID.me sign-in page. If you think you may have unintentionally applied to the U.S. Treasury Department, contact DCED at the numbers listed above for assistance. Townships that do not apply to DCED this month will forfeit their claim to this year’s funding, and the money will be redistributed to communities that do apply so long as it does not make their total grant more than 75% of their

2020 budget.

Grants Available for Community Green Space, Parks

Keep PA Beautiful is accepting applications for the Healing the Planet Grant Program funded by The GIANT Company. Applications for \$2,500 to \$25,000 will be **accepted until June 30**. Townships in the following counties may apply: Adams, Berks, Blair, Bucks, Carbon, Centre, Chester, Clearfield, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Indiana, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Montgomery, Montour, Northampton, Perry, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Snyder, Union, and York.

Eligible projects will connect people and families with community green spaces and could include park improvements, watershed restoration, beautification and greening, tree plantings, and vacant lot restoration. To learn more or to apply, [click here](#).

DEP Provides PFAS Sampling Results

The state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has released its results of a statewide sampling of public water systems for perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water. The results do not indicate widespread PFAS contamination. [Click here](#) for more.

On This Day in History...

On June 4, 1919, The Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which gave everyone the right to vote regardless of gender, was passed by the Senate, two weeks after being approved by the House of Representatives; the amendment was ratified the following year.

Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety. Click on the title of the class for more information and to register.

[Essentials of Township Public Safety - Virtual Class - 6/8/21 & 6/10/21](#)

Join us for this two-session presentation which discusses such topics as fire service, emergency management, police, ambulance service, mutual aid, homeland security, and municipal liability



for volunteers.

Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum

This full-day class is designed for everyone responsible for your municipality's emergency management program, including elected officials, municipal managers, road crew/public works personnel, and, most importantly, local emergency management coordinators (EMCs).



[Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum - 10/28/21 – PSATS \(Cumberland Co.\)](#)

[Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum - 11/4/21 – West \(Washington Co.\)](#)

[Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum - 11/9/21 – East \(Montgomery Co.\)](#)

[Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum - 11/18/21 – Central \(Centre Co.\)](#)

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