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Erie County Awards \$200,000 to Local Greenways Projects

County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper has announced that Erie County is awarding \$200,000 to six (6) organizations to undertake projects that will improve the quality of life in Erie County through the preservation and enhancement of the region's natural, scenic and recreational resources for public use and enjoyment.

Funding is made available through the Erie County Greenways Program established in 2013 with monies received from the Pennsylvania Act 13 Marcellus Legacy Fund. Agencies receiving the resources are required to leverage other funding streams to undertake their projects. Funded organizations and projects include:

- Erie County Conservation District – \$13,000 – Headwaters Park Improvements
- Erie County Health Department - \$14,000 – Let's Move Outside!
- Harborcreek Township – \$23,000 – Sixmile Creek Park Trail Rehabilitation
- North East Borough - \$50,000 – Gibson Park Improvements
- Presque Isle Light Station - \$50,000 – Presque Isle Lighthouse Improvements
- Western Pennsylvania Conservancy – \$50,000 – Lower Elk Creek Restoration

The next application round for the Erie County Greenways Program is anticipated for spring 2016. Types of greenways and recreational projects eligible for consideration include: acquisition, development and repair of greenways, recreational trails, open space, natural areas, community conservation and beautification projects, and community and heritage parks. Eligible organizations include any municipality, county government entity, public authority, incorporated non-profit organization, school district or institution of higher learning.

For more information on awarded and future grants please contact the Erie County Department of Planning at (814) 451-6336 for more information.

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