

Community Update 09

Lackawanna Heritage Valley



Making a Difference in the Community



Lackawanna Heritage Valley
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Dear Friends,

Difficult times did not dampen the enthusiasm and progress of the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority in 2009. After all, the heritage of the Lackawanna Valley is based on a culture of hard work and perseverance in the face of adversity. That indomitable spirit is what makes this region so great! In the tradition of the people whose lives we celebrate, LHVA continues to work in positive and creative ways to sustain and enhance the quality of life and economic development of the Lackawanna Valley, despite diminished funding and increasingly competitive grant opportunities.

LHVA has focused on the many projects, programs and partnerships that promote, conserve, and celebrate the attributes and resources of the region.

Rather than despair, the reports shared by our partners at the monthly meetings of the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Roundtable always engender optimism. Many good things are happening, and our partners rely on LHVA to provide the energy to create collaborative, innovative, and important community projects. Although LHVA sometimes provides seed money, more often it acts as a catalyst, encouraging collaboration, providing technical assistance, and just making sure things happen!

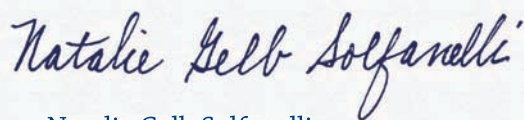
LHVA's investment of funds in the community has resulted in ongoing sustainable programs, strengthened

historic sites and museums, training for educators, enriching cultural events, important environmental programs and, most of all, engaged communities with a greater appreciation of their heritage and a stronger sense of place. This is every bit as important to our mission as the ratio of dollars leveraged into the community!

LHVA participated in active advocacy efforts during 2009 in support of the national and state heritage movements. It has also positioned itself for a long term presence in the community. Heritage Valley Partners, Inc., a not-for-profit development entity, was created to support LHVA, and more than 150 volunteers joined LHVA's Ambassadors in Action, a citizens corps committed to helping LHVA achieve its goals.

I welcome you to read about LHVA and to become an Ambassador to assure that our work continues!

Sincerely,



Natalie Gelb Solfanelli
Executive Director



Natalie Gelb Solfanelli reviews plans for the White Mills Heritage Trail with (from left) Dr. Walter Barbe and Hank Loftus, both of Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary and Glass Museum, and Stephanie Milewski, RLA, LHVA's Trail Manager and Environmental Program Officer

United States Legislators

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US Senator Arlen Specter
US Congressman Paul E. Kanjorski
US Congressman Christopher P. Carney

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John Quigley, Acting Secretary

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Representative Edward G. Staback (D-115)
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Representative Kevin P. Murphy (D-113)
Representative Ken Smith (D-112)
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Mission

The Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority is a partnership of government, business, civic organizations, and individuals dedicated to the development of the region's historic, cultural, economic, and natural resources through preservation, education, and promotion of our heritage.

LHVA's Goals

1. Tell the region's story.
2. Facilitate partnerships.
3. Preserve and enhance the physical character and economic vitality of the communities in the Lackawanna Valley.
4. Improve the visitor experience.
5. Reconnect people and communities to the Lackawanna River.



National Heritage Areas

The Lackawanna Heritage Valley is one of forty-nine National Heritage Areas recognized by Congress for their important contributions to the American experience. In partnership with the National Park Service, LHVA celebrates the nationally significant history of the Lackawanna Valley, preserving it for the benefit of current and future generations.

Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program

Administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program provides a catalyst for diverse groups within a region to protect, preserve, develop, and promote its heritage and natural resources. The Lackawanna Heritage Valley was designated Pennsylvania's first heritage area in April 1991. There are now twelve heritage areas in the Commonwealth.

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Key Projects & Programs

Ongoing Programs

Over the years, LHVA has provided seed money for projects that have become ongoing, sustainable programs. These initiatives foster collaboration among partners and make a difference in the community.

- **Heritage Valley Roundtable** - A monthly meeting of historic, cultural, educational, and community partners that encourages collaboration and the sharing of best practices.
- **Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservation Alliance** - A networking forum that convenes more than 80 environmental organizations and governmental agencies on a regular basis.
- **Summer Heritage Passport Program** - Now in its fifth year, this children's program provides more than 2,500 children with passports for free admission to seven cultural and historic sites.
- **Heritage Explorer Train** - Since 2006, these train excursions bring families to summer festivals in Archbald and Carbondale, continuing the legacy of the Heritage Express.
- **LHVA Educational Mini-Grant Program** - For the fifth year, LHVA has awarded ten \$500 grants to educators for creative heritage and environmental projects that impact students both in and out of the classroom.
- **Christmas in a Small Town** - Also known as the Santa Train, this annual holiday program has brought Santa and his friends to five communities in the mid and upper Lackawanna Valley since 1997.
- **Steamtown National Historic Site** - As foreseen in LHVA's original management plan, Steamtown has evolved into the largest historic tourism destination in the region. LHVA continues to partner with Steamtown on programs, events, exhibits, and marketing initiatives.
- **Community Connections to the Watershed** - Since 1995, high school students and teachers have explored the Lackawanna River Watershed with monthly field trips, classroom activities, and final projects as part of this popular program.



- **Environmental Workshop Series** - A pilot program by Lackawanna College's Environmental Institute has evolved into a popular spring and fall series of nature-related presentations.
- **Electric City Trolley Museum** - LHVA, in partnership with Lackawanna County and Steamtown National Historic Site, built the museum that opened in 1999. It continues to thrive as an important tourist attraction, as well as a public venue for arts and community organizations.
- **Community Festivals** - LHVA supports many annual events that celebrate the region's heritage, culture, and natural resources. They include the Steamtown Marathon, Riverfest, the Jewish Film Festival, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic Family Concert, the Historic House Tour in the Hill, the D&H Distance Run, the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valley Railway Holiday Express, and Railfest at Steamtown National Historic Site.

Looking Ahead to 2010

LHVA has many exciting projects planned for the year to come.

- Completion of the Lackawanna Greenway Plan and Lackawanna River Heritage Trail Feasibility Study.
- Opening of the Downtown Scranton Riverwalk.
- The inaugural Heritage Explorer Bike Tour, a partnership with Leadership Lackawanna.
- A new "Views from the Valley" Photo Contest.
- The Heritage Explorer Train excursions to local festivals.
- The Spring Symposium.
- Formation of a regional alliance of trail organizations.

Photo Contest

LHVA invites all amateur and professional photographers to submit images that capture the beauty of the Lackawanna Valley and that showcase the region's cultural, historic, and natural resources.

The deadline for submission is June 1, 2010.

Rules, entry forms, and model release forms are available at <http://www.lhva.org/photo-contest.html> or by calling LHVA at (570) 963-6730.

The Lackawanna River Heritage Trail and Lackawanna Greenway

Downtown Scranton Riverwalk

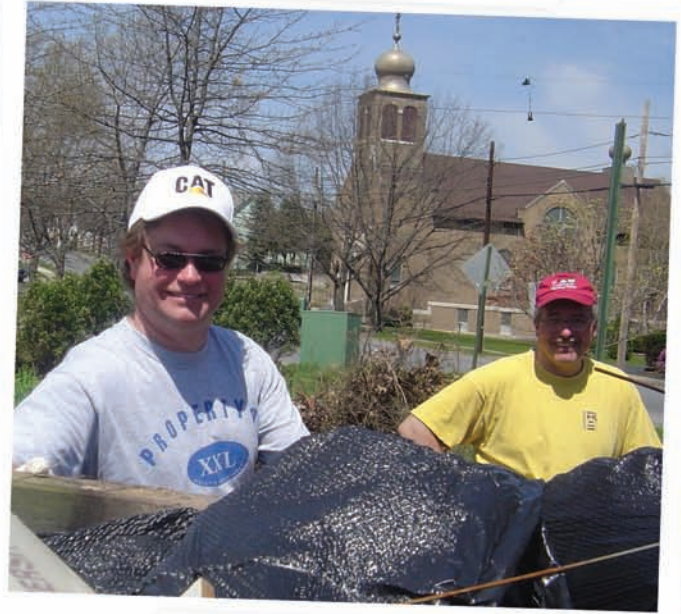
Groundbreaking at this gateway to the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail was held in April 2009. The Riverwalk will open in spring 2010!

Lackawanna Greenway Plan and Lackawanna River Heritage Trail Feasibility Study

In February 2009, LHVA engaged the team of Arora and Associates, Campbell Thomas & Co. Architects, and Urban Partners to conduct a comprehensive study to enhance the development of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail and all of the area's natural resources. A Steering Committee was established, and LHVA hosted two Public Information Meetings at Steamtown National Historic Site in June and September, 2009. The study will be completed by mid-2010.

Planning & Design of New Trail Sections

LHVA has completed design plans for the two-mile Central New Jersey Rail-Trail Extension in South Scranton and for the two-mile Powdermill Rail-Trail connecting Archbald and Jermyn. Construction document packages for both sections will be completed in early 2010 and a groundbreaking is anticipated by year end.



Trail User Survey

LHVA conducted a survey of trail users of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail in the summer and fall of 2009. The survey was designed to monitor user characteristics

and to determine the economic impact of the trail. More than 500 surveys were returned, and the results will be available in spring 2010.

Environmental Conservation and Outreach



OSM/VISTAs

LHVA hosted two full-time volunteers, Chris Bludgus and Lindsey Ritchey, from the Office of Surface Mining/AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America (OSM/VISTA) during 2009. As members of the Appalachian Coal Country Watershed Team, Chris and Lindsey worked on a variety of projects with LHVA, the Lackawanna River Corridor Association, and the Lackawanna County Conservation District.

TreeVitalize Metro Partner

LHVA, as the Metro partner of the DCNR TreeVitalize Program, awarded \$89,700 to plant trees in eleven communities in Lackawanna, Luzerne and Wyoming Counties.

Lacawac Sanctuary

LHVA provided funding for a Master

Site Plan for Lacawac Sanctuary for the future development of the 520 acre nature preserve. The final plan identifies potential sites for facilities to increase visitation to the sanctuary while protecting sensitive ecological, cultural, and historical features.

Lackawanna College Trail and Athletic Complex

LHVA funded a feasibility study and site plan for a public recreational trail and athletic field complex for Lackawanna

College. Located a few blocks from downtown Scranton, the trail will be part of the LRHT, as well as an asset for nearby neighborhoods.

White Mills Community Heritage Trail

Dorfinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary and Historic White Mills, with funding from LHVA, installed a graded walking trail on the site of the former Dorfinger Glass Factory in White Mills, PA. The trail features eight panels that interpret the history of the glass factory and the heritage of this unique industrial community.



Partnerships

Ambassadors in Action

In 2009, LHVA energized its volunteer corps, Ambassadors in Action. More than 150 Ambassadors donated 833 hours to the trail user study, trail clean-ups, heritage events, office support and various other tasks.

AXA Equitable Day of Service

In July, Scranton native Christopher "Kip" Condron and Congressman Kanjorski joined employees of AXA Equitable to improve the LRHT trailhead in South Scranton.

Penn State Landscape Architecture Studios

Fourth and fifth year students from the Department of Landscape Architecture of Pennsylvania State University conducted two studio projects throughout the Lackawanna Valley. The students developed extraordinarily creative proposals that have the potential to be implemented throughout the watershed.



Community and Economic Development

Upgrade of LHVA's Website

LHVA's redesigned website at www.LHVA.org features a fresh new look, easy navigation, and a home page with quick access to all of the site's content areas, including "What's New," trail maps and a link to LHVA's blog.

Pages and Places Book Festival

Held in October 2009, Scranton's inaugural book festival brought together writers, scholars, and editors for panel discussions and workshops in nine of the city's most impressive venues - an integration of literature and architecture that highlighted the economic impact of arts, culture, and heritage.

Cultural Conservation, Historic Preservation, and Local Heritage

"The Irish: Two Nations-One Heart"

LHVA and WVIA, a local PBS affiliate, have partnered to produce a series of documentaries called "The Extraordinary Journey." In December, "The Irish: Two Nations-One Heart," premiered in the third installment of the series that educates the public and celebrates the diverse ethnic groups that created Northeastern Pennsylvania's rich immigrant heritage.

Oral History Project

LHVA is recording oral histories from veterans and former Scranton Lace workers to preserve the legacy of the people and events that have shaped life in the Lackawanna Valley. Selected interviews will be available on LHVA's website in 2010.

Cultural and Historic Site Survey

LHVA completed a survey identifying more than 450 cultural and historic sites within the watershed of the Lackawanna River. Conducted as part of the ongoing Lackawanna Greenway Study, the resources will be considered when creating spur trails, destinations, and attractions.

Restoration of the Boston & Maine 3713 Firebox

The Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society is partnering with LHVA to rebuild the firebox of the Boston & Maine 3713 locomotive. It is the only American-built locomotive that will operate as an excursion train at Steamtown National Historic Site.

Interpretation and Place-Based Education

Anthracite Heritage Museum Improvements

LHVA provided funding for upgrades to the auditorium and exhibitions of the Anthracite Heritage Museum. These included development of a site logo, lighting improvements, painting, auditorium carpeting, signage, and new exhibit panel titles to help the museum better serve its visitors.

"The Place I Call Home" Exhibit and Book

LHVA supported the Center for Anti-Slavery Studies in the development of a traveling exhibit, a book, a series of public programs, and a companion website to tell the story of Northeastern Pennsylvania's remarkable role in the nineteenth century Underground Railroad and the settlement of African American communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Olyphant Church Panels

LHVA updated and restored a series of interpretive panels for five churches in the Borough of Olyphant. The panels are anchors for a walking tour that highlights the history of each church, its iconography, and the cultural group that it historically served.

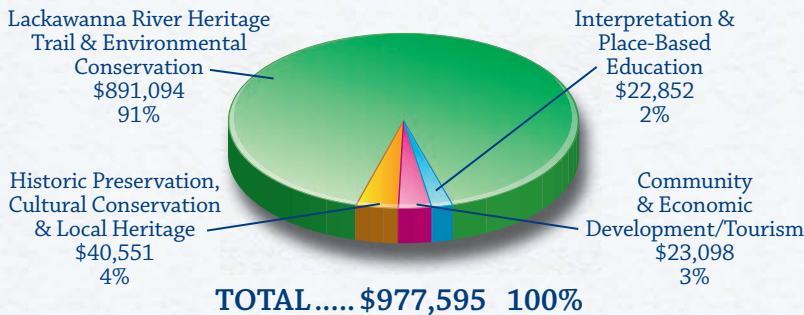
Funding Partners

In 2009, the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority received funding from the National Park Service, as well as from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources through the Heritage Areas Program, the TreeVitalize Metro program, and the Pocono Forest and Waters Conservation Landscape Initiative. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Lackawanna County's Lackawanna Environmental Conservation and Outdoor Recreation program (LECOR) provided funds for the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail. Additionally, LHVA received support from AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company, First Liberty Bank and Trust, the Lackawanna County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Old Forge Bank, PPL Corporation, the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel, and private sponsors.

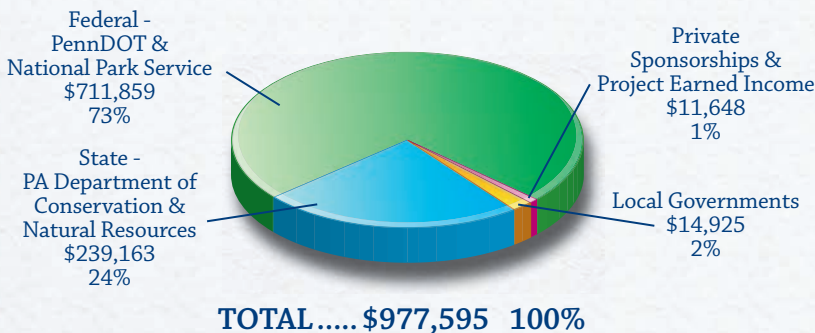
Project Support

LHVA's projects and its grants program are an investment in Northeastern Pennsylvania that stimulate the region's economic development, enhance tourism initiatives, strengthen the capacity of community organizations, and improve the quality of life for area residents. LHVA funds projects that are aligned with its mission and goals as outlined in its "Plan for the Lackawanna Heritage Valley" (1991), "LHVA Management Plan Update" (2001), and "Management Action Plan and Environmental Impact Study" (2004). In 2009, LHVA provided \$977,595 in total funding support for 66 new and ongoing initiatives. Of this amount, LHVA allocated \$772,076 for 14 internal projects, and awarded 52 grants totaling \$205,519 to partner organizations. The total project cost for all of these initiatives, including the matching funds raised by the partners, was \$1,851,060. In addition, \$213,623 in goods and services were donated by local organizations and individuals to LHVA's partners to help make their projects a reality.

2009 Project Support by Funding Category



2009 Project Support by Funding Source



Economic Benefits of LHVA's Investment

LHVA requires a dollar-for-dollar (1:1) match for all of its grant awards. In some cases, organizations are able to bring additional matching funds to a project, building on LHVA's initial investment. For example, if LHVA awards \$5,000 to a project with a total project cost of \$15,000, the leverage ratio is 1:3. In 2009, LHVA granted \$205,519 to partners for project support. The total cost for these partner projects was \$1,045,184, creating a leveraging ratio of 1:5. This means that for every dollar that LHVA invested in the community the partner organizations raised four dollars of additional public, local, and private funding.

Project Support by Funding Amount

Major Partnership Projects

LHVA - Scranton Riverwalk Trail	\$ 582,696
LHVA - Lackawanna River Heritage Trail Engineering & Design	\$ 84,565
LHVA - Lackawanna Greenway, LRHT Feasibility Study & Design of Trail Sections	\$ 81,423
Keystone College - Enhancement of the Nature Trail	\$ 20,000
Jermyn Borough - TreeVitalize / Jermyn Main Street Project, Phase II	\$ 17,040
Lackawanna College - Feasibility Study for Recreational Trail and Athletic Complex	\$ 16,000
Borough of Clarks Summit - TreeVitalize / Clarks Summit Gateway Improvement Project	\$ 13,800
West Pittston - TreeVitalize / West Pittston Shade Tree Commission	\$ 11,000
City of Wilkes-Barre - TreeVitalize / Coal St., Wilkes-Barre, Reforestation	\$ 10,100
Kingston Shade Tree Commission - TreeVitalize / Kingston Shade Tree Commission	\$ 10,100
Lackawanna County Convention and Visitors Bureau - Steamtown National Historic Site Marketing Project	\$ 10,000
Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society, Inc. - Boston & Maine #3713 Firebox Restoration	\$ 10,000
WVIA-TV - Documentary: "The Irish: Two Nations, One Heart"	\$ 10,000
Electric City Trolley Museum - Scranton Railway Co. Trolley Car #324 Restoration, Phase I	\$ 9,000
Lackawanna Historical Society - "Local History Investigators"	\$ 9,000
City of Scranton - TreeVitalize / Scranton Tree Planting Project	\$ 8,510
Archbald Borough - TreeVitalize / Archbald Urban Tree Project	\$ 6,300

Community Challenge Grants & Project Support

LHVA - Oral History Project	\$ 4,616
Penn State University - Service Learning Project: "The Lackawanna Studio"	\$ 4,611
Factoryville Shade Tree Commission - TreeVitalize / TREEnewing Factoryville	\$ 4,500
LHVA - AXA Day Trailhead Clean-Up Project	\$ 4,064
Mayfield Borough - TreeVitalize / Mayfield Athletic Field Project	\$ 4,000
LHVA - Olyphant Church Panels	\$ 3,685
Architectural Heritage Association, Inc. - "Pages and Places Book Festival"	\$ 3,000
LHVA - Heritage Explorer Trains & Santa Train	\$ 2,918
LHVA - "Views from the Lackawanna Valley" Television Program Series	\$ 2,563
Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic - "A Patriotic Trek from Pennsylvania to the Pacific"	\$ 2,500
City of Carbondale - TreeVitalize / Carbondale Area School Grounds Project	\$ 2,350
LHVA - Website Upgrade	\$ 2,000
Lackawanna River Corridor Association - "Riverfest 2009"	\$ 2,000
West Wyoming Borough - TreeVitalize / West Wyoming Shade Tree Commission Project	\$ 2,000
Lackawanna Historical Society - Heritage Partners Collaborative Advertising	\$ 1,750
Leadership Lackawanna - Restoration of Hanlon's Grove	\$ 1,500
LHVA - Heritage Valley Roundtable	\$ 1,488
LHVA - Heritage Valley Roundtable "Spring Symposium"	\$ 1,189
Jessup 21st Century Association - Jessup Beautification Project, Phase II	\$ 1,000
Steamtown Marathon - Steamtown Marathon	\$ 1,000
Lackawanna College Environmental Institute - Community Outreach	\$ 1,000
Lackawanna College - "Community Concerts: A Retrospective"	\$ 1,000
Keystone College - "The Gathering at Keystone"	\$ 1,000
Lackawanna Historical Society - Presentation by Historian Burton Folsom	\$ 1,000
Misc. Project Sponsorships (\$100 to \$1,000 each)	\$ 11,327
TOTAL	\$ 977,595



Partners 2009

- Abington Community Library
 Abington Heights High School
 Abington Township
 Albright Memorial Library
 Alliance Landfill
 Alliance of National Heritage Areas
 Anthracite Heritage Museum & Iron Furnaces Associates
 Anthracite Scenic Trails Association
 Archbald Borough
 Architectural Heritage Association
 Blakely Borough
 Canadian Pacific Railway - Taylor Yards
 Carbondale Business Association
 Carbondale Historical Society
 Carbondale Public Library
 Carbondale Township
 Center for Anti-Slavery Studies
 City of Carbondale
 City of Scranton
 City of Wilkes-Barre
 Clarks Summit Borough
 Coolbaugh Township Historical Association
 Countryside Conservancy
 Dalton Community Library
 Delaware/Lackawanna Railroad
 Dickson City Borough
 Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary & Glass Museum
 Dunmore High School
 Dunmore Historical Society
 Eastern Pennsylvania Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation
 Electric City Television
 Electric City Trolley Museum
 Employment Opportunity & Training Center of Northeastern Pennsylvania
 Endless Mountains Nature Center
 Erie Lackawanna Dining Car Preservation Society
 Everhart Museum
 Factoryville Shade Tree Commission
 First Liberty Bank & Trust
 Forty Fort Borough
 Greater Carbondale Chamber of Commerce
 Greater Hazleton Area Civic Partnership
 Greater Scranton YMCA
 Green Ridge Branch Library
 HeritagePA
 Hope Horn Gallery - University of Scranton
 Jermyn Borough
 Jessup 21st Century Association
 Jessup Borough
 Jewish Federation of Northeastern Pennsylvania
 Keystone College
 King's College
 Kingston Shade Tree Commission
 Lacawac Sanctuary
 Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society
 Lackawanna Audubon Society
 Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour
 Lackawanna College
 Lackawanna College Environmental Institute
 Lackawanna County Children's Library
 Lackawanna County Commissioners
 Lackawanna County Conservation District
 Lackawanna County Convention and Visitors Bureau
 Lackawanna County Dept. of Planning & Economic Development
 Lackawanna County Farmland Preservation
 Lackawanna County Library System
 Lackawanna County Office of Arts and Culture
 Lackawanna County Parks and Recreation
 Lackawanna County Recycling Center
 Lackawanna Historical Society
 Lackawanna River Corridor Association
 Lakeland Elementary School
 Lakeland Jr./Sr. High School
 Leadership Lackawanna
 Luzerne County Planning Commission
 Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18
 Marywood University
 Mayfield Borough
 Mid-Atlantic Center for Urban Forestry
 Moosic Lakes Association
 Mountain View Jr./Sr. High School
 National Park Service
 Nature Conservancy
 Neighborhood Housing Services of Lackawanna County
 NEPA Alliance - Nonprofit & Community Assistance Center
 Newton Lake Environmental Committee
 Newton Ransom Elementary School
 North Pocono CARE
 North Pocono Public Library
 Northeast Pennsylvania Audubon Society
 Northeast Pennsylvania Conservation Partners
 Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19
 Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic
 Old Forge Bank, a division of Penn Security Bank & Trust
 Olyphant Borough
 Penn Future
 Penn State Cooperative Extension
 Pennsylvania Department of Conservation & Natural Resources (DCNR)
 Pennsylvania DCNR Lackawanna Forest District
 Pennsylvania DCNR Lackawanna State Park
 Pennsylvania DCNR Promised Land State Park
 Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
 Pennsylvania DEP Watershed Management Program
 Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
 Pennsylvania Environmental Council
 Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission Northeast Region
 Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority
 Pennsylvania State University
 Pocono Forest & Waters Conservation Landscape Initiative
 Pocono Northeast Resource Conservation & Development Council
 PPL Corporation
 Propst Transportation
 Prostate Cancer Awareness Alliance of Northeast Pennsylvania
 Quinn's Market
 Rail-Trail Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania
 Riverside School District
 Robert D. Wilson Elementary School
 Scranton Abingtons Planning Association
 Scranton Community Concerts
 Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple
 Scranton School District
 Scranton Times-Tribune Newspaper
 Scranton Tomorrow
 Sierra Club
 South Branch Tunkhannock Creek Watershed Coalition
 St. Thomas Aquinas Church
 Steamtown Marathon
 Steamtown National Historic Site
 Susquehanna Greenway Partnership
 Taylor Borough
 Taylor Community Library
 Times Leader Newspaper - Scranton Edition
 Times Shamrock Community Newspaper Group
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 Valley View School District
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