LACKAWANNA HERITAGE VALLEY 2010 Community Update



The Heritage Explorer Bike Tour mural produced by LHVA in partnership with Heart to Art, LLC

Exploring Our Heritage:



Making Connections

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Dear Friends,

2010 was another busy year of "connections" for the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority (LHVA). The dedication of the Downtown Scranton Riverwalk, the keystone of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail (LHRT), was a landmark event! After many years of planning, the completed Riverwalk connects to the Central New Jersey (CNJ) trail section in South Side, and it also links by a spur to Scranton High School. This beautiful corridor offers walkers, runners, and bicyclists a verdant retreat within view of the urban landscape.

The opening of the re-decked Heritage Valley Crossing Bridge, connecting Condella Park in Olyphant to Mellow Park in Peckville, was another high point. The inaugural Heritage Explorer Bike Tour was a great new project that surpassed all expectations for attendance and success. It now will be an annual event! The LRHT Trail Users' Survey results indicated that more than 128,000 people visited the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail in 2009. The spending reports for trail related goods and activities revealed that the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail had a direct economic impact to the region of approximately \$28.252.000 in 2009 alone.

LHVA has become an integral part of the community and a catalyst for economic development.

The trail connects people to the river, and it links communities to each other. The monthly Heritage Valley



In September, LHVA Executive Director Natalie Gelb Solfanelli (fourth from left) re-opened the Heritage Valley Crossing Bridge on the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail between Mellow Park in Peckville and Condella Park in Olyphant, Pennsylvania.

Roundtable connects our many partners, resulting in successful collaborative projects. The Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservation Alliance and the Northeastern Pennsylvania Trails Forum connect like minded organizations and individuals who share ideas and work together to advocate for worthy goals. Educational and interpretive activities connect people of all ages to the region's industrial and cultural past.

As Heritage Explorers, we honor the past and enrich the present in order to assure a future built on the rich traditions, values, and accomplishments we have inherited. We invite all of you to become "Ambassadors in Action," our new membership corps, as we celebrate our 20th anniversary as a heritage area.

Thanks for your support!

Natalie Gelb Solfanelli

Natalie Gelb Solfanelli Executive Director

Funding Partners

In 2010, LHVA received funding from the National Park Service, as well as from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources through the Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program, the TreeVitalize Metro Program, and the Pocono Forest and Waters Conservation Landscape Initiative. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation provided funding for the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail through the federal Transportation Enhancements Program. Additionally, LHVA received support from First Liberty Bank and Trust, Penn Security Bank and Trust, the Lackawanna County Department of Arts and Culture, and other private sponsors.

Project Support

LHVA funds projects that are aligned with its mission and goals as outlined in the "Plan for the Lackawanna Heritage Valley" (1991), "LHVA Management Plan Update" (2001), and "Management Action Plan and Environmental Impact Study" (2004). These projects stimulate the region's economic development, enhance tourism initiatives, strengthen the capacity of community organizations, and increase the quality of life for area residents. In 2010:

- LHVA provided \$1,210,786 in total funding support for 68 new and ongoing initiatives.
- LHVA awarded \$83,260 through 43 grants to partner organizations.
- LHVA allocated \$1,127,526 to support 25 internal projects. Of this, \$1,087,825 funded the planning, development, construction, and maintenance of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail, as well as planning for the Lackawanna Greenway.
- The total cost for all 68 projects, including the matching funds raised by partners, was \$1,908,807.
- In addition, \$163,787 in goods and services were donated by local businesses to help make these projects a reality.



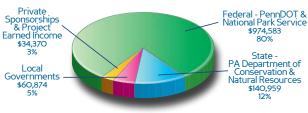
2010 Support by Category - Project Allocation Historic Preservation, Cultural Conservation & Local Heritage 15 Projects 22% Lackawanna River Heritage Trail & Lackawanna Greenway 7 Projects 10% TreeVitalize Metro Program 6 Projects Interpretation & Place-Based Education 16 Projects 9% 23% Environmental Conservation & Other Trail Projects 14 Projects 21% TO Community & Economic Development/Tourism 10 Projects 15%

TOTAL......68 Projects 100%

2010 Project Support by Funding Amount

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LHVA - Scranton Riverwalk Trail Construction	\$824.790
LHVA - Lackawanna Greenway Plan & LRHT Feasibility Study	\$132,141
LHVA - Lackawanna River Heritage Trail - New Trail Development	\$ 81.850
LHVA - Lackawanna River Heritage Trail - Maintenance/ Improvement	\$ 46,987
Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary, Inc Dorflinger Glass Museum	
Main House Preservation	\$ 9,000
LHVA - Architectural Walking Tour Booklet Moscow Borough - TreeVitalize - Church Street Shade Tree Project	\$ 7,500
Moscow Borough - TreeVitalize - Church Street Shade Tree Project	\$ 6,000
LHVA - Heritage Explorer Train & Santa Train	\$ 5.848
LHVA - Our Land, Our Community Educators' Workshop	\$ 5,577
LHVA - Community Update 2010 City of Hazleton TreeVitalize - Project Re-Leaf Spring 2010	\$ 5,273
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Everhart Museum - "For Every Season: Folk Art in Daily Life and Celebration"	\$ 5,000
Hawley Public Library - Hawley Gravity Car Restoration Project	\$ 5,000
La Festa Italiana of Lackawanna County - La Festa & Railfest 2010	\$ 5,000
Pages and Places - "Pages and Places Book Festival"	\$ 5,000
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Planting Project	\$ 4.630
LHVA - Heritage Explorer Bike Tour	\$ 4,071
Forty Fort Borough - TreeVitalize - 2010 Stump Removal and Tree Planting	\$ 4.000
LHVA - LHVA Website Upgrade Musician's Protective Union/ American Federation of Musicians NPO -	\$ 3,640
Musician's Protective Union/American Federation of Musicians NPO -	
"A Coal Miner's Tale: An Epic Soundscape"	\$ 2,500
West Pittston - TreeVitalize - West Pittston	\$ 2,370
LHVA - Heritage Valley Roundtable	\$ 2,103
LHVA - NEPA Trails Forum	\$ 2,080
LHVA - NEPA Trails Forum Electric Theatre Company - Play: "Acting Ethnic: The Welsh" Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation, Inc Self Guided Interpretive Tour/	\$ 2,000
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Trail Signage Lackawanna County Library System - Summer Heritage Passport Program LHVA - Educational Mini-Grants Lackawanna Historical Society - "Framing Faith"	\$ 2,000
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Lackawanna Historical Society - "Framing Faith"	\$ 2,000
West Wyoming Shade Tree Commission - TreeVitalize Project LHVA - Scranton Riverwalk Opening Steamtown National Historic Site - Tobyhanna Ice Harvest Excursion	\$ 2,000
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Steamtown National Historic Site - Tobyhanna Ice Harvest Excursion	\$ 1,350
LHVA - "Views from the Lackawanna Heritage Valley" Television Program	\$ 1,340
Abington Area Joint Recreation Board - Leadership Lackawanna	
"Walk the Lake Project"	\$ 1,000
Anthracite Heritage Museum & Iron Furnaces Associates -	
"Arts on Fire" Industrial Arts Festival	\$ 1,000
City of Scranton - Holiday Showcase 2010 Jewish Discovery Center - Dudu Fisher Concert: "Encore"	\$ 1,000
Jewish Discovery Center - Dudu Fisher Concert: Encore	\$ 1,000
Keystone College - Keystone Iron Pour	\$ 1,000
Keystone College - "The Gathering" Lackawanna Historical Society – "The Work of Raymond Hood by Tony Robins"	\$ 1,000
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Lackawanna River Corridor Association - Riverfest 2010	\$ 1,000
Leadership Lackawanna - Heritage Explorer Bike Tour	\$ 1,000
PA Jazz Alliance - Scranton Jazz Festival Steamtown Marathon Association, Inc 15th Annual Steamtown Marathon	\$ 1,000
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Misc. Project Sponsorships (\$100 to \$999 each)	
TOTAL\$ 1,210),786





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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 significant 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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Heritage Explorer

Exploring Our Heritage: Making Connections

The Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority (LHVA) developed the "Heritage Explorer" concept based on a recommendation in its 2004 Management Action Plan. Originally envisioned as a tour route through the Lackawanna Heritage Valley, Heritage Explorer has evolved into a multi-level program that emphasizes connections – connecting people to their heritage, to their communities, to the environment, and to the Lackawanna River. The Heritage Explorer program tells the region's story by encouraging people to:

- Explore the Trail, River, and Environment through the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail (LRHT), environmental programs, and the Heritage Explorer Bike Tour.
- *Explore the Past* through cultural programs, including exhibits at local museums, interpretive programs, and the preservation of important historic and cultural sites.
- Explore with Our Children through high quality educational programs that teach children and their teachers about the region's vibrant cultural and industrial heritage and the natural environment.
- Explore Our Culture through Heritage Explorer train rides, architectural tours, and ethnic celebrations that enhance the economic vitality of the communities in the Lackawanna Valley.

Exploring the Trail, River, and Environment

The Lackawanna River Heritage Trail (LRHT) links communities together and connects people directly to the Lackawanna River, as well as to the historic, cultural, recreational, and natural resources in the Lackawanna



The Downtown Scranton Riverwalk.

Heritage Valley. Environmental programs highlight critical issues that threaten these resources.

Downtown Scranton Riverwalk Opened

On July 13, 2010, LHVA opened the Downtown Scranton Riverwalk. More than 100 people attended the ribbon-cutting event, and many took the opportunity to try out the new trail. The newest section of the LRHT begins at Olive Street in Scranton and continues for almost a mile to the trailhead at 7th Avenue. From there, the trail continues to Elm Street in South Scranton. Together, these sections form a round trip of approximately four miles for walkers, runners, and bicyclists. The Riverwalk also features a spur trail to the Scranton High School for students.

The Lackawanna River Heritage Trail (LRHT) Feasibility Study and the Lackawanna Greenway Plan

The Lackawanna Greenway Plan proposes that the Greenway follow the Lackawanna River from its confluence with the Susquehanna River at Pittston, along the LRHT and the Delaware and Hudson (D&H) Rail-Trail, where it rejoins the Susquehanna River at Lanesboro. The new mega-greenway will be an important component in Pennsylvania's greenway network. The study also



Young volunteers help out at a TreeVitalize planting in Factoryville notes that the LRHT and the D&H Rail-Trail have been viewed as two separate trails, although they form a contiguous 75 mile multiuse trail. The study recommends that the trails be promoted as one unified trail system, providing a critical link between the Pennsylvania and New York State trail networks. The LRHT Feasibility Study, which has recommended a route for each new trail

section, outlines signage and safety improvements for the trail, and it creates an action plan for trail development. Both studies will be released to the public in 2011.

The inaugural Heritage Explorer Bike Tour held in June, 2010.

Economic Impact of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail

In 2010, an economic impact report was compiled based on results from the 2009 Trail User Survey. The survey indicated that more than 128,000 people visited the LRHT that year with a direct economic impact to the region of approximately \$28,252,000. This included purchases of hard goods (bikes, clothing, etc.), soft goods and sundries (beverages, sandwiches, etc.), and overnight accommodations. The majority of trail users (83%) came from Lackawanna County, while the remainder came from adjacent counties (11%) and from surrounding states (6%).

Heritage Valley Crossing Bridge Re-Dedication

On September 24, 2010, the rededication of the Heritage Valley Crossing Bridge re-established a key pedestrian and cycling link on the LRHT between Mellow Park in Peckville and Condella Park in Olyphant. Originally installed in 1993, the bridge's wood decking had deteriorated over time. It presented safety concerns for trail users, particularly for the 2,500 runners that use it as part of the Steamtown Marathon. LHVA and the Pocono Northeast Resource Conservation and Development Council led the effort to refurbish the bridge in partnership with numerous community organizations and individuals.

Heritage Explorer Bike Tour Launched

The inaugural Heritage Explorer Bike Tour on June 5, 2010, was an overwhelming success! More than 300 participants rode the trails and roads through the Lackawanna Greenway. The family-friendly bike ride offered the choice of four round-trip routes beginning at Mellow Park in Peckville, PA. More than 150 children received complimentary helmets courtesy of local supporters. Sponsored by Leadership Lackawanna, a program of the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, the event raised more than \$8,000 for the further development of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail.

Environmental Programs

LHVA supports a number of environmental programs that connect people to the Lackawanna River and its watershed, preserve the environment, and educate the public. Through the TreeVitalize Metro Program, LHVA awarded \$24,000 to six municipalities for urban tree plantings. LHVA and the NEPA Conservation Alliance sponsored the Great NEPA Clean-Up, a series of education and beautification events during Earth Week in April. LHVA was proud to support the Lackawanna River Recon Tour 2010 and the Pocono Sustainable Landscapes Conference, two important events that focused attention on land and water issues in the region. A team of AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) members spent six weeks in May and June working on the LRHT and various jobs to serve the local community. Keystone College generously provided housing for the team of college-age volunteers.



The "Arts on Fire" Industrial Arts Festival and Iron Pour

Exploring the Past

LHVA supports projects that connect people to their heritage and ethnic culture, including:

- "Arts on Fire" Industrial Arts Festival The Anthracite Heritage Museum and Iron Furnaces Associates and community partners coordinate this event that interprets the region's industrial history and its legacy in today's art world. The event features a live Iron Pour at the Scranton Iron Furnaces.
- Tobyhanna Ice Harvest Excursion A popular annual train ride from Steamtown National Historic Site to the Village of Tobyhanna where visitors participate in a historic ice harvesting experience.
- "Acting Ethnic: The Welsh" A play by the Electric Theatre Company that celebrates an important ethnic group in the coal mining history of the Lackawanna Valley.
- "A Coal Miner's Tale: An Epic Soundscape" An original and moving musical production, sponsored by the Musicians' Protective Union/American Federation of Musicians NPO, that portrays the lives and legacy of miners in the anthracite coal region.
- "For Every Season: Folk Art in Daily Life and Celebration"

 An exhibit by the Everhart Museum that presents hand-crafted objects representing America's cultural and ethnic heritage.
- Main House/Dorflinger Glass Museum Preservation Project – Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary preserves the former home of glass maker Christian Dorflinger in White Mills.
- Hawley Gravity Car Restoration Project The Hawley Public Library is stabilizing an original Pennsylvania Coal Company Gravity Railroad passenger car.
- **"Framing Faith"** The Lackawanna Historical Society, a local artist, and Lackawanna County high school students documented the architecture and history of several Catholic churches that closed in 2010. The information will be presented in a traveling exhibit and publication in 2011.

Exploring with Our Children

Educational programs promote students' understanding of the Lackawanna Valley's heritage and how it contributed to the nation's development. They enhance students' understanding of their role as caretakers of the environment, particularly in the Lackawanna Watershed.

• LHVA's Educational Mini-Grant Program – Since 2005, LHVA annually awards \$500 grants

to educators of kindergarten to grade 12 for creative heritage and environmental projects. Programs offered in 2010 included: "A Stream Runs Through It," "Celebrating NEPA's Ethnic Diversity through the Story of its Food," "Creating and Maintaining an Organic Garden," and "The Folk Ballad Tradition in the Lackawanna Valley."



The Pages and Place Book Festival in Scranton.

- "Our Land, Our Community: **Connections to Science and** Social Studies Through Place-Based Learning" -The new one-day workshop for educators of grades 6 to 12 focuses on "teaching the teachers" about land and water choices in the Lackawanna River Watershed. and how every citizen can make a difference. Educators receive a bag of educational materials, and they learn how to use the maps and resources in the "Land and Water Choices Trunk" for presentation to their students.
- Summer Heritage Passport Program LHVA, the Lackawanna County Library System, and many of their partners collaborate to provide complimentary entrance to seven local cultural and historic sites to 2,900 children who participate in the Summer Reading Club.

Exploring Our Culture

Communities throughout the Lackawanna Heritage Valley have a renewed spirit and enthusiasm. The region abounds with festivals that feature local heritage. These events contribute to the economic development and revitalization of communities as tens of thousands visit, stay, and play:

- Pages and Places Book Festival An annual literary arts event that blends cultural offerings, the arts, and panel discussions in historic venues in downtown Scranton.
- 15th Annual Steamtown Marathon More than 2,500 runners use the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail and neighborhood streets as part of this annual event – a qualifier for the Boston Marathon.
- Railfest 2010 Steamtown National Historic Site hosts a weekend of railroading – both past and present. The festival features exhibits, living history and theater programs, and a variety of private railroading equipment that visit the park.



The Lackawanna River Heritage Trail in Scranton.

- La Festa Italiana Delicious food, lively music, and a proud cultural heritage are celebrated in this festival of all things Italian!
- Scranton Jazz Festival The PA Jazz Alliance presents an annual festival that features some of the finest jazz musicians from Northeastern Pennsylvania, the East Coast, and Europe.
- **Riverfest** The Lackawanna River Corridor Association hosts this community celebration of the Lackawanna River that includes a whitewater paddling event, music, and a popular "Duck" race.

Looking Ahead to 2011

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

- Construction of two sections of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail – two miles from South Scranton to Taylor, and three miles from Archbald to Jermyn.
- Planning and design of the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail in Scranton's Plot section.
- Installation of signage, pet stations, trash/recycling stations, and benches on the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail system.

- Development of a trail guidebook.
- The second annual Heritage Explorer Bike Tour on Saturday, June 18, 2011.
- The Heritage Explorer Train Excursion from Steamtown National Historic Site to the City of Carbondale on Saturday, August 20, 2011.
- The Santa Train to six municipalities on Saturday, December 3, 2011.

Partners 2010

Abington Area Joint **Recreation Board** Abington Community Library Albright Memorial Library Alliance Landfill AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Anthracite Heritage Museum and Scranton Iron Furnaces **Appalachian Regional** Commission Archbald Borough Architectural Heritage Association **Borough of Blakely Borough of Olyphant** Boy Scouts of America, Northeastern Pennsylvania Council Brojack Lumber Company **Carbondale Business** Association Carbondale Shade Tree Commission City of Carbondale City of Hazleton **City of Scranton** City of Wilkes-Barre **Clarks Summit Borough** Clifford Township Volunteer **Fire Company** Countryside Conservancy Deer Park Lumber, Inc. **Delaware & Lehigh National** Heritage Corridor Delaware Lackawanna Railroad Dickson City Borough **Dietrich Theatre** Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary, Inc Eastern Pennsylvania Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation (EPCAMR) Electric City Trolley Museum Electric Theatre Company **Employment Opportunity and** Training Center (EOTC) **Endless Mountains Nature** Center Erie Lackawanna Dining Car **Preservation Society Everhart Museum Everything Natural** Fabcor, Inc.

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Factoryville Shade Tree Commission First Liberty Bank and Trust **Forest Regeneration** Services, Inc. Forty Fort Borough Friends of the Scranton Dog Park Association Greater Carbondale Chamber of Commerce **Greater Scranton Chamber** of Commerce **Greater Scranton YMCA** Hawley Public Library **Howard Gardner School** for Discovery Jermyn Borough Jessup 21st Century Jessup Borough Jewish Discovery Center **Keystone College** King's College La Festa Italiana of Lackawanna County Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation, Inc. Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society Inc., Chapter NHRS Lackawanna Audubon Society Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour Lackawanna College Lackawanna County Lackawanna County **Conservation District** Lackawanna County Convention and Visitors' Bureau Lackawanna County Library System Lackawanna Historical Society Lackawanna River Corridor Association Lackawanna State Park Lackawanna Trail School District Leadership Lackawanna Marywood University Mayfield Borough Mid-Atlantic Center for **Urban Forestry Moosic Lakes Association** Moscow Borough **Municipality of Kingston**

Musician's Protective Union/ **American Federation of Musicians NPO** National Park Service Nature Conservancy **NEPA Alliance Nescopek State Park Newton Lake Environmental** Committee North Pocono CARE Northeast Pennsylvania Audubon Society Northeast Pennsylvania **Conservation Partners** Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19 Northern Tier Hardwoods Association Office of Surface Mining/ Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) Olyphant Borough Pages and Places Book Festival Penn Future Penn Security Bank & Trust Co. Penn State Cooperative Extension Penn State Schuylkill Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Pennsylvania Environmental Council Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission Pennsylvania Jazz Alliance Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society, Inc. Pennsylvania State University, Department of Landscape Architecture Pocono Environmental **Education Center** Pocono Forest and Waters **Conservation Landscape** Initiative Pocono Northeast **Resource Conservation and Development Council**

PPL Corporation

Promised Land State Park **Propst Transportation** Rail Trail Council of NEPA Riverside Elementary West School **R-Ranch** Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple Scranton Jazz Festival Scranton Times-Tribune Scranton Tomorrow Scranton-Abingtons Planning Association Shalom Community Development Sierra Club, Pennsylvania Chapter-NE Group South Branch Tunkhannock **Creek Watershed Coalition** South Side Nativity Neighbors South Side Revitalization Project St. Luke's Episcopal Church **Steamtown Marathon** Association, Inc. Steamtown National **Historic Site** Taylor Community Library Tobyhanna / Tunkhannock Creek Watershed Association United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA University of Scranton Valley View School District Voluntary Action Center Waverly Community House

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