



# Borough of Green Lane

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## Pedestrian Improvements Link Key Trails

On a stormy July evening in 2019, the Appalachian Mountain Club asked Green Lane Borough Council to help connect the PA Highlands Trail Network to the Perkiomen Trail.

Three major floods and a pandemic later, the connection is complete. Sidewalks on Gravel Pike and a crosswalk at Walnut Street now link the trails helping to create a more than 300-mile network from Phillipsburg, New Jersey, to the Appalachian Trail in Maryland.

The PHTN Steering Committee many years ago identified Green Lane as key to completing the trail network that winds through 13 counties, over three rivers, connecting the towns of Easton, Bethlehem, Quakertown, Green Lane, Phoenixville and Pottstown. As it heads west, it meanders through six state parks and



Newly installed sidewalk and crosswalk link PA Highlands Trail to Perkiomen Trail through Green Lane.



seven county parks.

The project enhances pedestrian accessibility and gives Green Lane an identifiable town center in the hopes of calming traffic flow and revitalizing vacant properties. Pedestrian-level street lights will be installed in

the next few months. The \$608,000 project was funded by the following public and private organizations.

- Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program — \$199,375 in 2021
- The William and Dorothy Yeck Family Foundation — \$41,000
- Montco 2040, \$169,997 in 2023
- PECO Green Region Open Space Program, — \$10,000
- Department of Conservation and Natural Resources — \$110,000
- Commonwealth Financing Authority, Greenways, Trails and Recreation Grant program — \$78,000.

Necessary stormwater system improvements were also made during sidewalk construction.

## Green Lane Is Prepping for a Party!

Green Lane turns 150 this year, and the borough is going to celebrate. December 10, 1875, is the official date of incorporation, but it's a lot more fun to celebrate in the good old summertime.

Festivities on Saturday, September 20, will include a 10k Run on the popular Triple Dam Route through Green Lane Park; a vintage

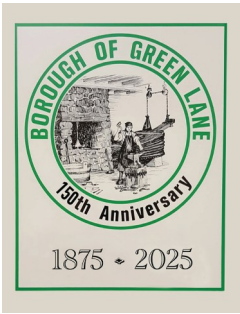
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**Saturday,**  
**September 20, 2025**

and classic car show; live music (including the 125-year-old Red Hill Band); barbeque sales; historic tours and presentations at Red Men's

Hall; games for kids; pie-tasting contest and much more.

A volunteer celebration planning team has been meeting for months, but there is a lot to do and plenty of ways to get involved.

Watch our Facebook and web pages for volunteer sign-up information or call the office at 215-234-8633 for more information.



## 150th Celebration Sponsorships Available

The Green Lane 150th Anniversary planning team is seeking sponsors for celebration events scheduled both Friday, September 19, and Saturday, September 20, 2025.

The main sponsorship is still available for \$5,000. All proceeds from the weekend of

events will help fund improvements to the borough's Isaac Smith Park.

To obtain a sponsorship package, call the borough at 215-234-8633 or go through the website at [www.greenlaneborough.org](http://www.greenlaneborough.org).

## Flood Relief Project Moves Forward

Green Lane has been working with PEMA and FEMA since September 1, 2021, to assist residents whose homes were inundated by floodwaters on Lumber Street and Gravel Pike during Hurricane Ida.

The damage from Ida followed severe flooding in 2019 and 2020 that required water rescues and left homeowners cleaning up for months.

A federal disaster declaration in

2021 made it possible for Green Lane to apply to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to purchase residential properties and convert them to open space.

Demolition of seven residences has been completed, and the borough is working with the county, state and the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy to determine the best use of the remaining lots. Per FEMA, the properties must remain public open space.

## Sewer and Stormwater Are Different

Water that goes down a sink or other inside drain flows into the sanitary sewer system to a wastewater plant to be treated.

Water that flows down driveways, streets, and outside areas into a storm sewer is not treated.

Stormwater is one of the biggest pollutants of waterways. Known as runoff, it will find its way directly into nearby creeks, lakes, rivers and streams bringing pollutants that can

harm fish, wildlife habitats, downstream recreational areas and drinking water supplies. The most common storm water pollutants are animal waste, litter, motor oil, lawn clippings, fertilizers, pesticides and eroded sediment from construction projects.

For information on how to reduce stormwater runoff on your property, visit the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy website at <https://www.perkiomenwatershed.org/homeowner-resources>.

## Rental Property Tenant Registration Now Due

Borough ordinance requires all owners of property leased for either residential or commercial occupancy to annually report the names of their tenants to the Green Lane Borough Office.

If you currently have any tenants on your property, please complete the tenant registration form on the website ([www.greenlaneborough.org](http://www.greenlaneborough.org)) under the *Forms and Ordinances* tab and return it to the borough office.

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### Council Meetings:

Second Thursday of each month  
7 p.m. in the Borough office

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