



In this 3rd Best Place to Live in Pennsylvania, public services shine

If you're proud to live in your neighborhood, your children are thriving at school, and you're spending your free time playing in Ferguson Township parks, it sounds like you've made the Township your home. If you've taken the extra step of getting involved in your community, you've helped to make our area a "best place to live."

A website that aims to help you find your ideal community concluded that Ferguson Township is the **3rd Best Place to Live in Pennsylvania** based on local amenities, public schools, cost of living, job opportunities, and low crime rates. Niche.com recognized Ferguson Township as being "good for families," and gave us an overall grade of **A+**.

Previously, Niche had ranked the Township as the **12th Best Place to Live in America for 2016**, and the **5th Best Pennsylvania Suburb for 2015**.

In deciding our ranking — based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau, FBI, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Centers for Disease Control, and other sources — Niche cited our outdoor activities, health and fitness opportunities, a short commute to where you need to go, and nightlife. All of these criteria reflect positively on Ferguson Township, which is equally known for its pastoral beauty, wide open spaces, well-planned neighborhoods, and proximity to Penn State University.

Perhaps above all, our public services shine. As Township Manager Mark Kunkle notes, in Ferguson Township, "real service to residents happens daily and affects residents' lives directly." Our Public Works Department maintains the Township's 90-plus miles of roadway and provides snow removal as well as brush and leaf collection services. Its highly-trained, certified road workers are there to help and do what they can to make daily living a little easier for our residents.

One of the reasons our crime rates are significantly lower than the national average — making Ferguson Township a safe place to live — is our Police Department. Our officers are known for their community relations.

It's no wonder why residents will wave as our snow plow operators drive by and bake cookies for our road crews and police officers. This is a community where people are appreciative of the services that Ferguson Township is honored to provide.



Farewell

Township Manager and Chief of Police retiring

Ferguson Township will soon say goodbye to both its longtime Manager **Mark Kunkle** and Chief of Police **Diane Conrad**, who are retiring from their respective positions.

Kunkle served as Manager for 32 years, and has accepted a new position in the health care field. The Board of Supervisors hopes to name his successor by June.

Kunkle has served as the key liaison between the Board of Supervisors and Township staff. During his tenure, the Township experienced considerable growth in its population. Kunkle focused his attention on managing that growth — and development — while preserving the Township's significant agricultural resources, especially farmland.

The Township has remained financially strong, and residents have experienced no tax increases in the last nine years. Kunkle also spearheaded the development of Tom Tudek Memorial Park. This and the Township's many other assets are the primary reason it has been recognized as a "best place to live."

Chief Conrad retires at the end of June. She served 28 years with the Borough of State College prior to becoming the Chief of Police at Ferguson Township, where she served an additional 12 years.

Her department has excelled at promoting community relations in the Township. Our recognition as one of the safest places in the state and in the nation reflects her officers' dedication to crime fighting and public safety. Their first instinct when responding to any incident is to help.

Among the initiatives her officers have undertaken are training to ensure they respond appropriately to individuals in an emotional crisis; teaching bike safety skills to residents of all ages; and collecting unused prescription drugs — particularly opiates — to help reduce substance abuse in Centre County.

Chief Conrad's department also has been working toward accreditation — a process you can learn more about on [page 9](#).



Board of Supervisors adopts updated Strategic Plan

On November 21, 2016, the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted an update to the Ferguson Township Strategic Plan.

The newly adopted Plan includes goals and objectives designed to advance regional partnerships, promote clean and renewable energy, foster economic development, manage growth, and more.

The process began last July when the Township engaged Peter S. Marshall & Associates as the consulting firm to facilitate the update. Working with the firm, Township staff solicited public comment on the plan through a series of focus groups and a

non-scientific online survey. Staff and elected officials also held a day-long public workshop to outline the Plan. The Township's Strategic Plan is the guiding document that is used by staff and elected and appointed officials to help make decisions, allocate resources, and ensure that progress is consistent with Township residents' expectations.

Residents may view the Strategic Plan at the Township Office, or online at:

<http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Strategic-Plan>

***Planning a community-wide event in Ferguson Township?
We welcome your submissions to our Community Calendar***



What's your cost per person for essential Township and regional services?

If you're wondering what it costs to provide public services to you on a daily basis, our **2017 Budget Executive Summary** is a good place to look.

The Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors and Township staff are pleased to invite you to review this 35-page document. Divided into sections about the Township's operations, revenues, expenditures, and goals, it's an easy-to-read guide to understanding how your tax dollars are being put to work.

As one of the important policy documents the Township produces each year — including the Operating Budget, the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and the Strategic Plan — the Budget Executive Summary documents how the annual budget is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan. And further, how the annual budget incorporates and provides funding for capital expenditures previously approved for 2017 in the CIP.

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Key takeaways from this Budget Executive Summary:

- Steady growth has enabled a sufficient revenue stream for the Township. Growing revenue, combined with managing expenses wisely, has enabled the Township to maintain a healthy fund balance, which strengthens the Township's financial stability.
- See how your tax dollars are allocated and how expenditures have changed over the years.
- The budget as presented requires NO increase in current tax rates, nor the implementation of any new taxes, for the ninth consecutive year.

View the **2017 Budget Executive Summary** for full details at this link: <http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Budgets/>

Brush and Leaf Collection Services

Ferguson Township Public Works resumed curbside **Leaf Collection** on **Monday, April 3**, and continues this service the **first Monday of each month**.

Brush Collection resumed **Monday, April 3**, and continues the first Monday of each month. Brush for collection needs to be **curbside at 7 am that day**. Keep in mind that it will take approximately one week to complete collection services for each round of brush collection throughout the Township. **Please note: If the first month of the month is a holiday, brush and leaf collection will begin on the following Tuesday.**

A **weeklong Special Brush Collection** will begin **Monday, April 17**. The next regular round of Brush Collection will begin **Monday, May 1**.

View **Brush Collection Guidelines**: <http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Brush-and-Leaf-Collection>

Public Works

Projects to improve traffic flow, pedestrian safety planned

At a cost of about \$148.23 per resident, our Ferguson Township Public Works Department crews maintain our roadways and shared use paths, provide snow fighting services, curbside brush and leaf collection, stormwater management, and much more.

In 2017, Public Works will continue to provide those services as well as undertake projects to improve traffic flow, pedestrian access and safety.

Designing and managing an **estimated \$3,668,600 in capital projects and equipment**, the Public Works Department will create left turn lanes, install a traffic signal monitoring system, and implement projects designed to encourage and promote environmental sustainability.

Infrastructure projects in 2017 are expected to total **\$4,209,000, at a cost of about \$268.38 per resident**. Ferguson Township has approximately 90 road miles. The cost to maintain those roads typically exceeds more than \$1 million each year.

What's planned in 2017: *Traffic Improvements*

Left Turn Lane Project:

Township staff participated in an open house on March 2 at the Faith Baptist Church to provide information about upcoming left turn lane projects.

In Ferguson Township, northbound left turn lanes are planned on Valley Vista Drive at Bachman Lane and on Science Park Road at Circleville Road. Township staff were there to present their plans.

Patton Township residents in Park Forest and Homestead Farms reviewed plans for left turn lanes at four intersections on Valley Vista Drive at four intersections: Amblerwood Way, Oakley Drive, Sandy Ridge Road and Devonshire Drive. Construction is anticipated during the summer of 2017.

East Park Hills Avenue Traffic Calming Study: Property owners within the East Park Hills Avenue Traffic Calming Plan Study area attended a public meeting at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, for a formal presentation on the study.

Township staff and a consultant presented the results of the initial plan, which includes five options that will affect traffic in the East Park Hills Avenue neighborhood. Following the presentation, staff answered property owners' questions about the plan.

Once a preferred option is determined, property owners in the study area will receive a mailing asking them to respond in writing to indicate whether they support the project.

Corl Street/W College Ave Traffic Signal Upgrade:

Funded in part with a PennDOT Green-Light-Go grant, this project is currently in design to upgrade pedestrian accommodations at the intersection of West College Avenue and Corl Street. This project will be designed in 2017, for construction in 2018.

Traffic Signal LED Replacements:

Each year the Township purchases LEDs and replaces them at signalized intersections after approximately seven years of service. Ferguson Township Public Works crews perform the work.



Pedestrian Access and Safety

West College Avenue Streetscape Sidewalk Project:

Construction has begun on the installation of an 8-foot concrete sidewalk four feet behind the curb on both sides of the street between Corl Street and the State College Borough boundary line near Buckhout Street.

ARLE Performance Metrics: This 2017 project, funded by the Automated Red Light Enforcement program, includes the engineering and construction of a system including hardware and software to improve traffic signal performance.

Concrete Curb and Ramp Upgrades: As required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), as roads are paved and microsurfaced, Public Works crews evaluate and upgrade pedestrian facilities at intersections, or reconstruct as required.

Pedestrian Push Button Upgrades: As in years past, the Township's Public Works crews continue to upgrade pedestrian access at signalized intersections.

Sidewalk Repairs: Each year, the Public Works staff inspect a portion of the sidewalks in the Township Right-of-Way. The project is put out for bid and awarded to a contractor.

Tree Planting, Pruning and Disease Prevention

Street Tree Planting: Our contractor will begin planting 172 new street trees in April. They will include replacements for trees we removed in the fall as well as some new plantings. Most of the trees being replaced were ash trees, killed by Emerald Ash Borer, as well as seven miscellaneous trees and 60 on Blue Course Drive.

Street Tree Pruning: Public Works prepares an annual contract for street tree pruning, with an effort to place street trees on a seven-year pruning cycle. The Arborist identifies the pruning needs for each tree that may include shaping, crown thinning, clearance pruning, and hazard removals. The Arborist and Public Works crews prune trees in the winter, as appropriate, and as needed throughout the year to remove sight distance obstructions or hazards.

Oak Wilt Treatment: A contract to control oak wilt disease, similar to the Township's actions in 2016 has been awarded. In accordance with the Township's Oak Wilt Mitigation Policy, the contractor will be treating 36 additional trees in the Park Hills area this spring.

Parks and Shared Use Paths

Shared Use Path from Patton Township to

Ferguson Township: Construction is expected to begin in 2018 on a 1.8 mile shared use path from Carnegie Drive to the Tudek/Circleville Bikeway and Science Park Path along Valley Vista Drive.

The project, which aims to connect that end of Patton Township with bicycle and pedestrian paths that continue into Ferguson Township, is made possible by a \$1 million grant from the PennDOT Transportation Alternatives Program. It was announced by Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf. Ferguson Township's portion of the path is 6/10 of one mile. The Township is providing partial funding and Right-of-Way for the path, which will connect with our path where it currently ends at Science Park Road.

Sealcoating Bike Paths and Parking Lots:

The Township annually evaluates bike path and parking lot conditions and solicits bids for a double sealcoat application and line striping.

Louis Silvi Baseball Field Improvements:

Supported by Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant funding, improvements to the complex include construction of paved ADA parking and pathway, a concrete pad under the pavilion, sidewalk, removal of existing buildings, and installation of stormwater facilities in the fall of 2017 or 2018.

Haymarket Park Playground Improvements: Work includes the replacement of an existing play structure. The contract is put out for bid and awarded to a certified playground installer.

Park Drinking Fountain Upgrade Program: Starting in 2017 with the replacement of the Park Hills playground drinking fountain, funds will be budgeted to replace a drinking fountain in each park each year until all are completed.

Fairbrook Park Baseball Backstop: A new backstop is planned for 2017.

Tudek Dog Park Improvements: Staff has been tasked with the design of a new parking lot for the dog park with ADA parking and a connecting sidewalk, landscaping, stormwater facilities, and a monument sign.

Tudek Park Waterline: This project includes the design and construction of a new water service to the restroom, and a water service line to the butterfly garden.

If you're a homeowner with oak trees, are you learning all you can about preventing oak wilt disease?

Residents of Park Hills, Park Forest, and Homestead Farms received a letter from the Ferguson Township Tree Commission, which advises them of the Township's initiatives to help reduce the effect of oak wilt disease on their oak trees. Those who responded to the letter expressed gratitude for the Township's help in mitigating the disease.

Fortunately, there are very effective ways to minimize the chances of your oak trees becoming infected by oak wilt:

- **Never prune oak trees from April 1 through October 31 — when beetles are active. It is now illegal to trim oak trees in Ferguson Township during this period without a free permit.**
- **Never allow individuals who prune your trees to climb them using boots with spikes or spurs that inflict sap-bleeding wounds in the tree. Spikes or spurs may only be used when the entire tree is being removed.**



For more information, contact the Ferguson Township Arborist, Lance King, at (814) 238-4651 or lking@twp.ferguson.pa.us. Or, visit the Ferguson Township website: <http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/>



Ferguson Township Arbor Day Celebration

**10 am - 2 pm
Saturday, April 29
Snetsinger Butterfly Garden
Tom Tudek Memorial Park**

Join Ferguson Township, Centre Region Parks and Recreation, and Penn State Extension Master Gardeners to help remove invasive plants and plant wildlife-sustaining native trees. Help cut/pull/haul brush, lay woodchips, plant and transplant. Learn about habitat management and establishing a meadow while having fun and helping the community.

"The clearest way into the universe is through a forest wilderness."
JOHN MUIR



Ferguson Township to host Arbor Day Celebration

This year's Ferguson Township Arbor Day Celebration will be held from **10 am to 2 pm Saturday, April 29** at the Snetsinger Butterfly Garden at Tom Tudek Memorial Park.

The celebration will be hosted by Ferguson Township, joined by Centre Region Parks and Recreation (CRPR) and Penn State Extension Master Gardeners.

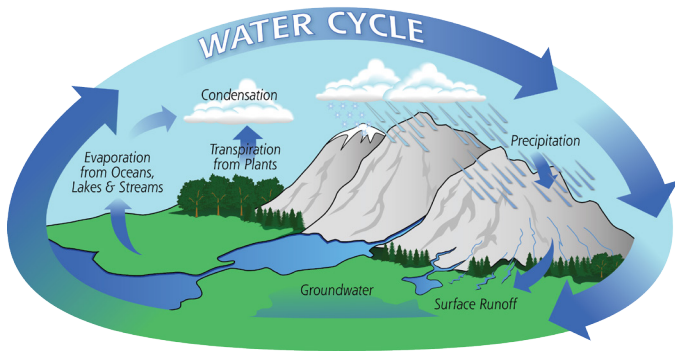
Volunteers are invited to help remove invasive plants from the Snetsinger Butterfly Garden and plant wildlife-sustaining native trees. Participants may also help cut/pull/haul brush, lay woodchips in certain areas, and work on smaller projects such as planting and transplanting.

This is a great opportunity to learn about habitat management and establishing a meadow, while having fun and helping the community.

Two trees will be planted and an Arbor Day Proclamation will be read.

For more information, contact Lance King, Ferguson Township Arborist, at (814) 238-4651, or lking@twp.ferguson.pa.us

Stormwater: We all live downstream



The hydrologic cycle is the path taken by precipitation as it forms in the sky and falls to the earth as raindrops or snowflakes. The rain or snow melt becomes surface runoff to lakes, ponds, and streams, as well as groundwater infiltration. This stormwater eventually returns to the atmosphere by evaporation or transpiration to complete the cycle.

Ferguson Township is obligated to protect stormwater runoff from pollution under its Municipal Separate Storm Sewer

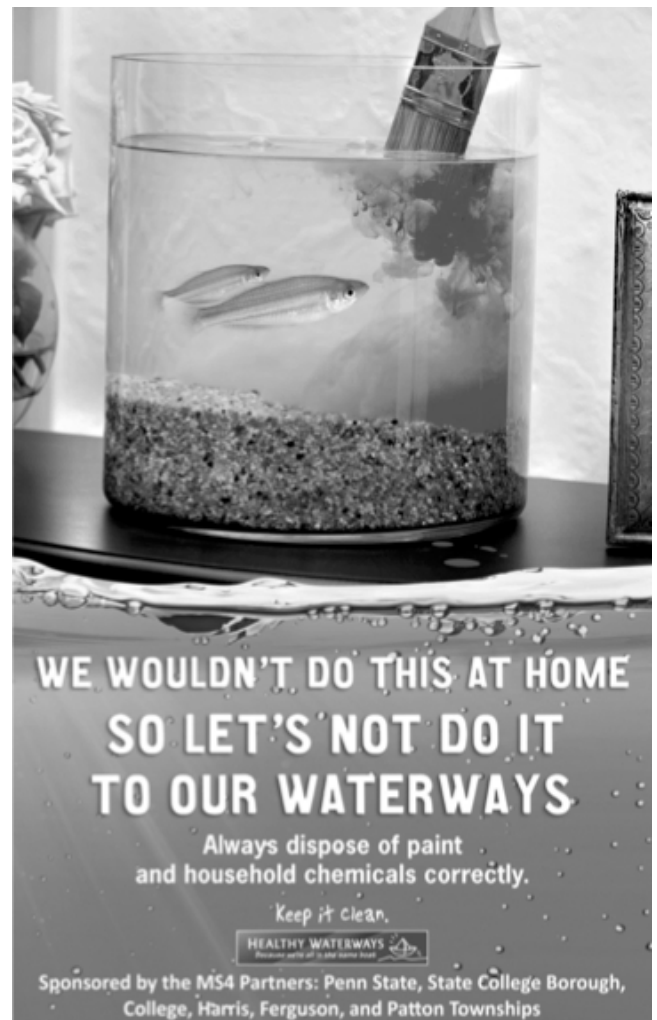
System (MS4) Permit. The program is mandated by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

There are several ways that Ferguson Township residents can limit stormwater pollution. Your assistance helps Ferguson Township comply with its permit requirements and, more importantly, keeps the hydrologic cycle free of pollution impacts.

Storm events and corresponding runoff can easily flush products we use into the Township's storm sewers and collection facilities. Used cleaning agents, motor oil, antifreeze, fertilizer and pesticides are examples of products we use to our benefit, but they can create pollution when not properly handled. Substances such as litter, animal waste, and fine sediment from soil erosion may also be easily flushed into the storm sewer system during a heavy rain. When these materials enter the storm sewer system, they are mobilized by the storm runoff and will eventually flow into streams or the groundwater.

Steps you can take to minimize the potential for pollution:

- Collect used engine fluids and recycle.
- Never dump used cleaning and household products or engine fluids into a storm drain or a drain that flows to a basement sump pump.
- Never dump used cleaning and household products or engine fluids on the ground surface.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for disposal of cleaning and household products.
- Use garden and lawn care products like fertilizers and pesticides in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Note that the impact of a large dose may be lowered by a significant storm runoff event that occurs after the application.
- Clean up pet waste and dispose of it so as not to introduce it into the storm sewer collection system.
- Avoid long-term exposure of bare soil when completing projects that require earth disturbance. Establish a vegetative cover by seeding as soon as a project is complete.



Learn more about stormwater management at this link: <http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Stormwater-Management>

Residents responsible for snow plow damage to property in Right-of-Way



If you have sidewalks, landscaped bricks, shrubs, mailboxes, basketball hoops or other items in the Township **Right-of-Way (ROW)**, they could be hit when snow plows are operating in your neighborhood.

The ROW is the area that extends beyond the pavement edge. In the Township, ROW can vary from 33 feet on an old state road that the Township took over, to 100-plus feet on Blue Course Drive. A typical residential development ROW is between 50 and 60 feet. It is seldom, if ever, the edge of the pavement. For example, on a 50-foot row and 26 feet of pavement, typically the Township owns 12 feet beyond the edge of pavement on each side. The ROW extends to where utility boxes are located, but may extend beyond that.

When a homeowner has property, installations or plantings in the ROW, the Township cannot be responsible for repairing or replacing them if they are damaged by snow plow operations.

The Ferguson Township Police Department (FTPD) is one of seven year-round prescription drug drop-off sites in Centre County.

Located in the lobby of the Police Department at 3147 Research Drive, this collection site provides a safe, convenient, responsible, and confidential way to dispose of prescription drugs.

Its mission is working. Last year, the FTPD collected **84.78 pounds** of medications from residents dropping them in the drop-off box located in the lobby of the Ferguson Township Police Department. All seven Centre County prescription drug drop-off boxes collected more than **800 pounds**.

To date this year, the FTPD box has collected **34.56 pounds**.

The site is part of a local law enforcement and community initiative to educate the general public about the current opioid addiction crisis and the potential for abuse of medications. "Anyone who takes opioids or has access to them is at risk of becoming addicted," according to Chief Diane Conrad. Centre County recorded **21 drug overdose deaths in 2016**, compared with **17 drug overdose deaths in the county in 2015** — an increase of **24 percent**.

Contractors who plan on doing work in the Township ROW are required to obtain the necessary permits and follow Township regulations. Please refer all questions regarding the Township's ordinance on Streets and Sidewalks to the Public Works Director. You may contact the Public Works Director by email or by phone at (814) 238-4651.

Visit this link for full details:

<http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Working-in-Township-Right-of-Way>

Mailboxes also sometimes take a hit from plows if they hang over the curb. The Township standards are now in compliance with U.S. Postal Service regulations, which require each mailbox, at minimum, be six inches back from the curb. Proper placement of your mailbox will help protect it from potential damage during snow plowing operations.

If your mailbox adhered to Township standards, but a plow hit it, the Township typically will replace it with a standard 4-inch by 4-inch wooden post and standard mailbox.



Learn more about Township mailbox standards at this link: <http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/Mailboxes>



Charged with providing for public safety, the Township's 22-officer Police Department is a 24 hours-a-day, 365 days-a-year operation. At a cost of about \$132.07 per resident, Ferguson Township Police patrol the more than 90 road miles owned by the state and municipality within Township borders, investigating criminal activity, crime detection and prevention, responding to calls for service, and more to help ensure the safety of the students, visitors, and residents.

Safe Driving **School Bus Violations**

Our children's safety is at risk when drivers meet or pass stopped school buses, and the penalties are severe: a \$500 fee and a 60-day suspension of the motorist's license.

Ferguson Township Police are seeing an increase in reported school bus violations as well as incidents of distracted driving. Local school bus drivers have reported a number of motorists driving through flashing school bus lights.

To date, local school bus violations have increased by 385 percent between the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years (from seven during the last school year to 34 this year).

All buses are now equipped with cameras to monitor such activity.

The School Bus Violation Statute 3345 **reads as follows:**

Meeting or overtaking school bus.

(a) Duty of approaching driver when red signals are flashing.--Except as provided in subsection (g), the driver of a vehicle meeting or overtaking any school bus stopped on a highway or traffic way shall stop at least ten feet before reaching the school bus when the red signal lights on the school bus are flashing and the side stop signal arms are activated under section 4552(b.1) (relating to general requirements for school buses). The driver shall not proceed until the flashing red signal lights are no longer actuated. In no event shall a driver of a vehicle resume motion of the vehicle until the school children who may have alighted from the school bus have reached a place of safety. The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection at which a school bus is stopped shall stop his vehicle at that intersection until the flashing red signal lights are no longer actuated.

Distracted driving is one of the most serious driving offenses in United States — claiming 3,179 lives and injuring 431,000 in 2014, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Ferguson Township Police continue to cite drivers attempting to multitask while operating a vehicle. Reported behaviors are using cell phones to make calls or send text messages, reading newspapers, sorting through CDs to play, and applying makeup.

It is vital to focus 100 percent of your attention on the road, being mindful to put your safety and the safety of your passengers and other drivers first. Drivers also need to be vigilant of changing road conditions and the behavior of other drivers who may be distracted.

The Careless Driving PA Statute 3714 **reads as follows:**

Careless driving.

(a) General rule.--Any person who drives a vehicle in careless disregard for the safety of persons or property is guilty of careless driving, a summary offense. This covers any careless act such as using your phone while driving, reading a newspaper while driving, snacking while driving or adjusting radio.

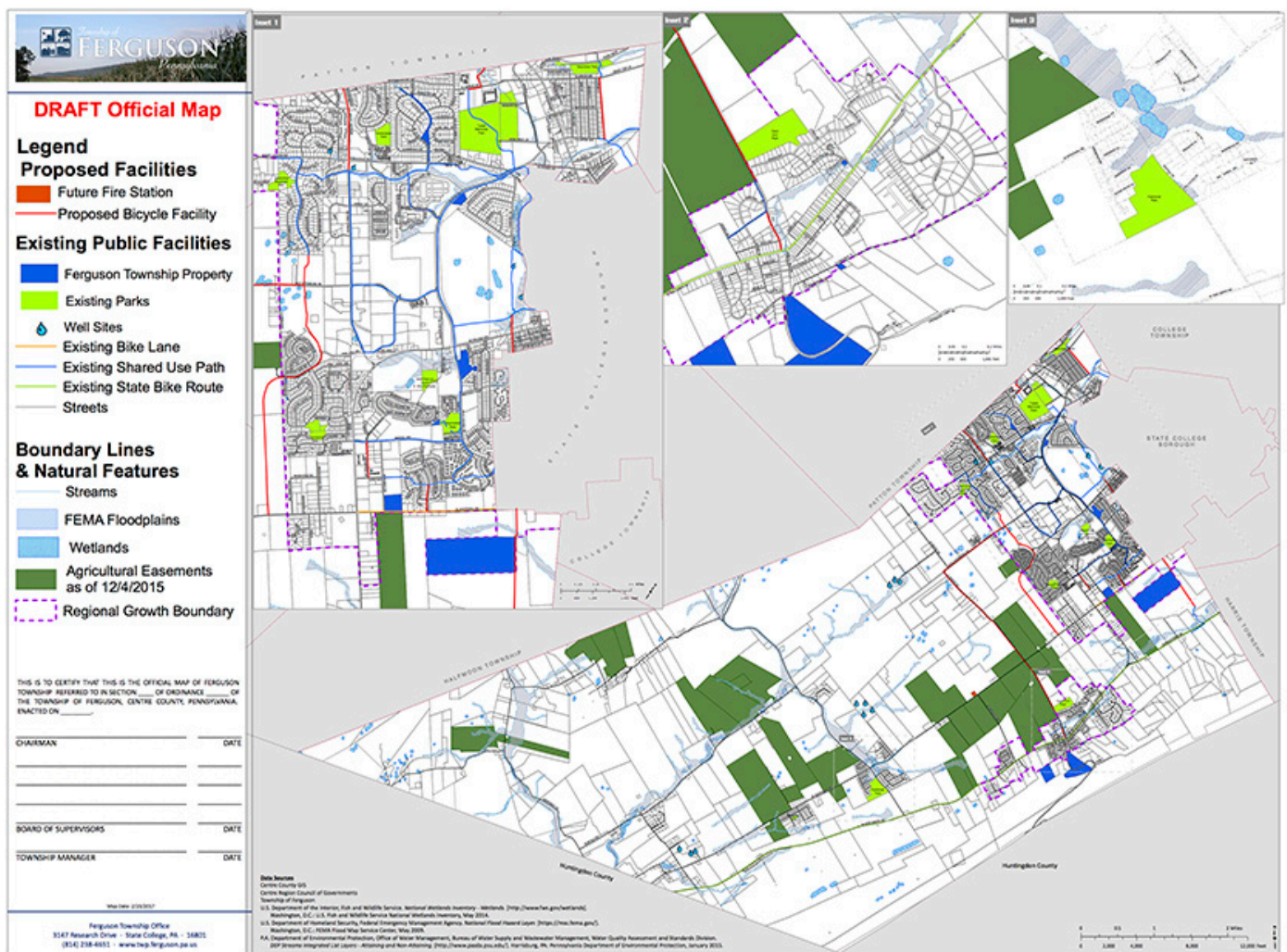
Police Accreditation

Centre County has received \$13,750 in state funding through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to assist the Ferguson Township Police Department in achieving PA Accreditation status by June 30, 2017. The funds would provide a part-time consultant to oversee the ongoing project, as well as document management system and portable document file (PDF) software to streamline the extensive documentation process. The Department has the requisite policies in place, but needs assistance in gathering and electronically processing the more than 500 documents necessary to prove compliance to Accreditation standards.

Coming this spring: a new Official Map of Ferguson Township, with an updated layout and map symbols.

Ferguson Township's Planning and Zoning Department staff also have updated the map with the most recent data from the Centre Regional Bike Plan (2015) and added an area where a new fire station could potentially be located. Originally created in 1990, and last amended in 2008, it also identifies priority areas for future growth — land where the Township may want to develop parks, streets, roads and natural area conservation. The updated map is in "draft" form until adopted by the Township Board of Supervisors.

A 45-day public comment period began on **March 9** when review letters went out to the contiguous municipalities, regional planning agency, and the County Office of Planning and Community Development for their review and comment. The public comment period ends **April 23**. The Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing shortly after. During the comment period, the Planning and Zoning Department will host two workshops open to the public. ***See Latest News at our website for details and to view the map.***



C-NET Programming for Ferguson Township

All of C-NET's programming is available to view online at C-NET's website, cnet1.org. Programs are generally available to view online within 72 hours of recording — often sooner. Meetings are "indexed" by agenda item so that viewers may click on any agenda item of interest and link directly to that point in the meeting.

To learn more, visit our website at this link:

<http://www.twp.ferguson.pa.us/C-NET-View-Ferguson-Township-Meetings-Online/>



The Local Services Tax (LST) is a state-initiated wage tax to mostly assist rural communities with fire and emergency services. Many rural communities rely on some form of volunteer workers. The state provided the authority of the local municipalities to implement this tax. If implemented by the municipality, the maximum tax is **\$52 per year per employee**, with an exemption of \$12,000.

For Ferguson Township:

- The school district receives the first \$5 of the tax and the Township receives the balance of \$47 annually.
- The tax is based on the location of work, not the location where the employee resides.
- The employer withholds the tax from payroll, with a minimum of \$1.00 per week. (\$52 divided by 52 weeks).
- The employer codes the tax so that the money is forwarded to Ferguson Township and no other locale. This is important to ensure that the Township receives the proper allocation.
- The employer submits this money quarterly to the tax collector. The Borough of State College has been contracted to collect this tax for Ferguson Township.
- Each employee only pays one tax, even if working for multiple employers. The home or main employer is typically the one that withholds the tax.
- The tax is withheld on all employees other than those who have filed an exemption.
- Employees not reaching the \$12,000 threshold in the prior year may file an exemption request with the employer not to withhold the tax.
- Employees not reaching the \$12,000 threshold in the prior year may file a refund request with the tax collector to obtain a refund of the withholdings for the year.
- The LST helps support the EMS and Fire programs via the Centre Region COG.

SAVE THE DATE



2017 Ferguson Township Police Bike Rodeo

11 am - 1 pm, Saturday, June 3
Weis Market parking lot, 1471 Martin Street

BIKE SAFETY COURSE
Ages 4 - 12
encouraged to attend
Helmets required

BIKE REGISTRATION
All Ages

SAFETY CHECKS
Bikes, Helmets
plus:
Child Car Seats

SHARE THE PATH
Information Booth

REFRESHMENTS



*For more information about this free community service event,
call Ferguson Township Police at (814) 237-1172*

Families: Mark your calendars for the 2017 Ferguson Township Police Bike Rodeo

This annual community service event is an opportunity for children to ride alongside Ferguson Township police officers to learn safe bicycling skills, register their bicycles for free, and enjoy free food and drinks provided by local sponsors.

The Bike Rodeo will take place from **11 am to 1 pm, Saturday, June 3**, in the Weis Market parking lot at 1471 Martin Street.

Community: Goal 9 of the Strategic Plan is "Partnerships and Regional Thinking," and includes working toward regional cooperation on issues that affect the entire Centre Region. To help achieve this goal, Ferguson Township is an active member of the Centre Region Council of Governments (COG). Since 1969, the COG has provided financially prudent, quality public services to the approximately 93,000 residents that call the Centre Region home. You'll find more information about these programs and services at our website.

Follow our Community Calendar, Latest News, Events, and monthly e-Newsletters for details.



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REFUSE AND RECYCLING
Advanced Disposal
Contact with questions
about your service or billing
814.237.3713

**Centre County Recycling
& Refuse Authority**
814.238.7005

Recycling Hotline
For information about what you should
and shouldn't put in your red recycling bin
814.238.6649

COG Administration
Contact with questions about program
requirements and problem resolution
814.234.7198
<http://crocog.net/refuse>

**2017 SPRING & SUMMER HOLIDAY
TRASH & RECYCLING DATES**

If your weekly pick-up day falls on or after these
holidays, your trash and recycling service will be
delayed by one (1) day during the holiday week:

MAY 29, 2017 MEMORIAL DAY
JULY 4, 2017 INDEPENDENCE DAY
SEPTEMBER 4, 2017 LABOR DAY

2017 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION WEEK
April 28 - 29, 2017

2017 SPRING BULK WASTE WEEK
May 15 - 19, 2017

University Area Joint Authority (UJA) Compost Facility
Open year 'round, 6:30 am - 3 pm Monday through Friday (except holidays)
Compost is \$7 per cubic yard March 1 - September 30; \$5 per cubic yard
\$2 per car with container. All loads must be tarped/covered.
Call (814) 238-5361 for more information.

