

2017 NEW PROGRAMS

DELAWARE & LEHIGH
NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR



TRAIL TOWNS, TENDERS, AND PATROL

The D&L Trail forms the spine of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (D&L) and passes through 53 municipalities. D&L Trail Programs are designed to aid the public, businesses, and municipalities to participate in promoting and protecting the trail. This results in an engaged public and towns that view the trail as a resource that directly benefits their quality of life and economy. With Trail Towns, Trail Tenders, and Trail Patrol, the D&L provides cost-effective programs that build local capacity and improves the region.

- 53 municipalities along the trail
- Over 280,000 trail users in 2012
- \$16,358,201 directly injected in local economy (2012)
- 12,908 volunteer hours donated in 2015 and 2016



TRAIL TENDERS

- Volunteer clean ups
- Preserve trail & history

TRAIL PATROL

- Volunteer ambassadors
- Report problems

TRAIL TOWNS

- Promote tourism
- Improve local economy

Trail Tenders

Now in its 17th year, this volunteer program will continue to maintain the D&L Trail and protect nationally significant historic resources. The D&L provides support to municipalities, businesses, and volunteers to organize and hold local events. Using a Data Driven Sustainability Strategy, we will create a GIS database of projects to improve trail management.

Funding

William Penn Foundation, National Park Service, PA Department of Natural Resource

Trail Towns

In 2017, we are launching our Corridor-wide Trail Town program. Building on the past success of the Market and Landmark Town programs, the D&L will guide municipalities through a process that identifies ways for the town to benefit from over 280,000 trail visitors. The process will result in quantifiable metrics that can be tracked over time.

Trail Patrol

These volunteer ambassadors represent the D&L on the trail. They assist trail users, increase trail safety, and report trail conditions resulting in increased trail user enjoyment.

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The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation whose mission is to enrich communities through actions and partnerships that conserve the resources, tell the stories and enhance the quality of life for Corridor residents.

