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Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Receives Challenge Gift from the Dowd Family Charitable Fund of The Luzerne Foundation

EASTON, Pa. – The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor recently received a \$25,000 check from the Dowd Family Charitable Fund via the Luzerne Foundation. The D&L and its supporters contributed more than \$45,000 to the D&L Trail in Luzerne County in order to secure the matching gift. These funds will support connecting and improving the northernmost section of D&L Trail.

The Dowd Family uses their Charitable Fund to make grants to projects and causes that positively impact the communities in which they live and work. As a relative beginner to raising funds in Luzerne County, the D&L, a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation, had to raise at least \$25,000 before it could receive the grant. Hence, the *challenge*!

“The D&L Trail is a special resource for the communities through which it passes,” said Tina Dowd, fund holder at the Luzerne Foundation. “We share our love for the trail with our friends

and colleagues by introducing new people to this gem all the time. Utilizing funds at the community foundation to help connect trail sections is the perfect gift because it improves a community resource that we absolutely love as a family.”

ABOUT THE DELAWARE AND LEHIGH NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR

The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that preserves the historic pathway that carried coal and iron from Wilkes-Barre to Bristol Borough. Today, the D&L Trail connects people to nature and the environment, industrial heritage, health and wellness and economic development.

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