Part of the Lehigh Valley and Delaware Canal Regions of the Corridor, Northampton County is home to the heart of “where America was built”—playing an integral role in the production of building blocks like steel and zinc that went on to build the nation. From farmland to industrialization to modern day urbanization, Northampton County has seen a dramatic transformation of landscape. Cities show the thriving economies that were able to grow beyond the fall of industrial labor. The D&L Trail in Northampton County follows the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers connecting trail users to nature and historic canals.

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LAMONT MCCLURE, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY EXECUTIVE

FEATURED SITE: BETHLEHEM STEELSTACKS

The SteelStacks was once the home plant of Bethlehem Steel, the second largest steel manufacturer in the nation. The site has been reborn through music and art, offering more than 1,000 concerts and eight different festivals annually. A great example of adaptive reuse, the D&L aided in this redevelopment providing information and artifacts that highlight the industrial heritage. SteelStacks showcases the legacy of Bethlehem Steel while celebrating the community that thrives their today.