



Roadwork



The following projects are being completed under the sole authority of PennDOT. Residents who may be interested in viewing PennDOT Roadwork Updates may visit the following link and/or subscribe to have notifications sent directly by email: www.penndot.pa.gov/RegionalOffices/district-5/Pages/allnews.aspx.

Howertown Road Bridge Replacement Project – On or About May 1st, 2023

Please be advised that on or about May 1st, 2023 the Howertown Road Bridge (North of Rt. 329) will be limited to northbound traffic only for an extended period of time to facilitate the long-awaited replacement of the bridge over the Dry Run Creek.

The purpose of the PennDOT, State Route (SR) 3017, Section 01B (Howertown Road) project is to replace the structurally deficient bridge with a precast concrete box culvert.

The bridge replacement project consists of widening of Howertown Road to 12’-0” travel lanes and 8’-0” shoulders for approximately 300’ on either side of the bridge in order to improve the sight distance and horizontal curve across the bridge.

Northbound traffic (one-lane) will be maintained during construction. Southbound traffic will be detoured using PennDOT roads SR 3018 (Old Carriage Road) to SR 3021 (Seemsville Road).

Construction is anticipated to be completed by December of 2023.

Motorists are encouraged to follow the official signed detour route to avoid delays.

Motorists are advised to obey the posted speed limit along the detour route. Motorists are urged to slow down and drive responsibly in work zones. Fines are doubled for speeding in a work zone. Convictions of two or more speeding violations in a work zone could result in the suspension of an individual’s driver license.

Please use caution through these areas and allow yourself extra time to get to your destinations. Allen Township is providing this information to advise citizens of the potential increase in traffic volumes on other roadways through the general area of the detour route.

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Indian Trail Road Bridge Replacement Project – On or About May 30th, 2023

Please be advised that on or about May 30th, 2023 the Indian Trail Road Bridge (North of Kreidersville Road) will be closed and all traffic will be detoured.

The purpose of the PennDOT Indian Trail Road Bridge Replacement Project involves the removal and replacement of the bridge on State Route 3016 (Indian Trail Road) over Hokendauqua Creek in Allen Township, Northampton County. The existing bridge was built in 1939.

Traffic will be rerouted from the north via State Route 248 (Lehigh Drive) and from the south via State Route 4003 (Kreidersville Road). Through traffic is not permitted during construction and traffic will be restricted to local traffic only on either approach of the project area. Motorists are encouraged to follow the official signed detour route to avoid delays.

Construction is anticipated to be completed by September of 2024.

Motorists are encouraged to follow the official signed detour route to avoid delays.

Motorists are advised to obey the posted speed limit along the detour route. Motorists are urged to slow down and drive responsibly in work zones. Fines are doubled for speeding in a work zone. Convictions of two or more speeding violations in a work zone could result in the suspension of an individual's driver license.

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2023 Observed Holidays – Township Offices Closed

Tuesday, July 4 – Independence Day

Monday, September 4 – Labor Day

Monday, October 9 – Columbus Day

Friday, November 10 – Veterans Day

Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24 – Thanksgiving Day & Day after Thanksgiving

Friday, December 22 & Monday, December 25 – Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Important Dates

Saturday, August 12th – Allen Township Electronics Recycling Day

Thursday, November 9th – Fall White/Metal Goods Collection

Tuesday, November 7th – Municipal Election

Meeting Dates & Times

WHAT?	DATE?	TIME?	LOCATION?
Board of Supervisors Meetings	Second & Fourth Tuesdays of each month	6:00 PM	Allen Township Volunteer Fire Company 3530 Howertown Road Northampton, PA 18067
Planning Commission Meetings	Third Monday of each month	6:00 PM	Allen Township Volunteer Fire Company 3530 Howertown Road Northampton, PA 18067
Zoning Hearing Board Meetings	Meets on an as-needed basis	6:00 PM	Allen Township Volunteer Fire Company 3530 Howertown Road Northampton, PA 18067
Parks and Recreation Board	Fourth Thursday of each month	6:00 PM	Allen Township Volunteer Fire Company 3530 Howertown Road Northampton, PA 18067



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Allen Township Board of Supervisors • 4714 Indian Trail Road • Northampton, PA 18067

Submissions can also be sent by email to: info@allentownship.org. All letters will be kept on file in the Township office for 12 months from the date received. To learn more about each board and their responsibilities please visit our website at allentownship.org/serve.

New to Allen Township?

Moving Permits are required when you move in, out, or within the Township. This ensures that we have the most updated information for your property and allows us to update your accounts such as trash, water, and sewer. Moving Permits can be found on our website, outside of the Township building, and in the Municipal Office. Moving Permits can be returned to the Township Building in person, by utilizing our drop box, or by mail. There is a \$10 fee, payable to Allen Township, for Moving Permits that can be paid by cash, check or money order. This fee is waived for residents moving within the Township.

We update our website regularly to assist you with many commonly asked questions. We encourage you to explore our site to learn more about your community. Our staff is here to help you with any questions you may have. You can visit us online at allentownship.org, by phone at 610-262-7012, or in person at 4714 Indian Trail Road Northampton, PA 18067 during our normal business hours. Connect with us on Facebook by visiting facebook.com/allentownship!



Selling Your Home?

We're sorry to see that you're leaving our wonderful community. Please remember to complete a Moving Permit and return it to the Township Municipal Office. This ensures that your information is removed from accounts associated with your address. Allen Township does NOT require a new Certificate of Occupancy for the resale of existing residential properties.

Zoning & Building Permits

Do I need a permit?

Depending on what your project is you may or may not need a permit. You may only need a zoning permit or a building permit, or both. It is important to consider what your land is zoned as. The Allen Township zoning map can be found online on our website under the General Info > Forms & Documents tabs. No work can be started until your zoning and/or building permit has been issued and is on the jobsite.

Does Allen Township enforce covenants or deed restrictions?

No, Allen Township only enforces its own laws and ordinances. Covenants or deed restrictions are enforced by the property owners in a subdivision or a Homeowner's Association (HOA). We always suggest that you review your deed or consult your HOA whenever you are considering an improvement to your property.

The Township may approve a permit for a fence or shed; however, your HOA may restrict that improvement in another way, such as color, placement or aesthetics.

What is the difference between zoning & building permits?

Zoning ordinances limit the types of development and structures that are permitted in specific areas. A zoning permit is used to ensure that land use is consistent with local zoning ordinances. Building permits ensure there is consistency with safety requirements required by the building code. Building codes require that construction is structurally sound, properly built and safe for occupation. Building permits require inspections. Zoning and building permit applications are available on our website. Please contact the Municipal Office if you are unsure if your project requires a permit.



Thank you to the businesses!

Allen Township would like to thank the businesses and to recognize them each as supporters and cornerstones of our community. For it is with their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at no charge to our residents.

On-Lot Septic Systems

Preventing Malfunctions

Homeowners can help prevent malfunctions and ensure the long-term use of their on-lot system by doing the following:

- Conserving water and reducing wasteflow into the septic tank.
- Having the septic tank pumped every 3 years, depending upon tank size and household size.
- Avoiding putting chemicals in the septic system.
- Not using the toilet to dispose of bulky, slowly decomposing wastes.
- Inspecting the septic tank, pipes and drainage field annually.
- Maintaining accurate records of the septic system (design, installation, location, inspection, pumpings, malfunctions, repairs.)
- Preventing run-off from downspouts, sump pumps, and paved surfaces from getting into the septic system.
- Keeping heavy vehicles, equipment and livestock away from the septic system.
- Not planting trees and shrubs over or close to the septic system.

Sinkholes

Portions of Allen Township are underlain by limestone rock formations. Sometimes in this type of geology, ground depressions, known as sinkholes, may form. In the event that a sink forms on your property there are certain courses of action that you should immediately consider:

- If you have sinkhole insurance you should contact your carrier for their instructions;
- You may want to contact a geologist for their recommendations. A list of geologists may be found in the phone directory or online;
- You may wish to contact an excavating contractor for their recommendations;
- If the sinkhole is in the area of any utilities (such as water, gas, sewer, electric, etc.) you should contact that particular utility provider.

If at any time you observe sinkholes within the public roadway, please report the location immediately to 9-1-1. Allen Township will respond to sinkhole problems within the right of way of any Township road as they occur.

Additionally, further information and technical guidance regarding this issue can be found on DCNR's website and in their publication entitled "Sinkholes in Pennsylvania". <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Geology/GeologicHazards/Sinkholes/Pages/default.aspx>



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Allen Township Collection Schedule Calendar

March 2023 through March 2024

March 2023 – March 2024						
Trash Collection = Every Thursday						
Bulk Item Collection = One (1) item per week per household (Thursdays)						
Recycling Collection = Every two weeks on Thursday						
See Zone map (North and South Collections)						
 North Recyclable Collection every other week	 Holiday	 White / Metal Good March 9, 2023 November 9, 2023				
 South Recyclable Collection every other week	 E-Waste Event August 12, 2023					

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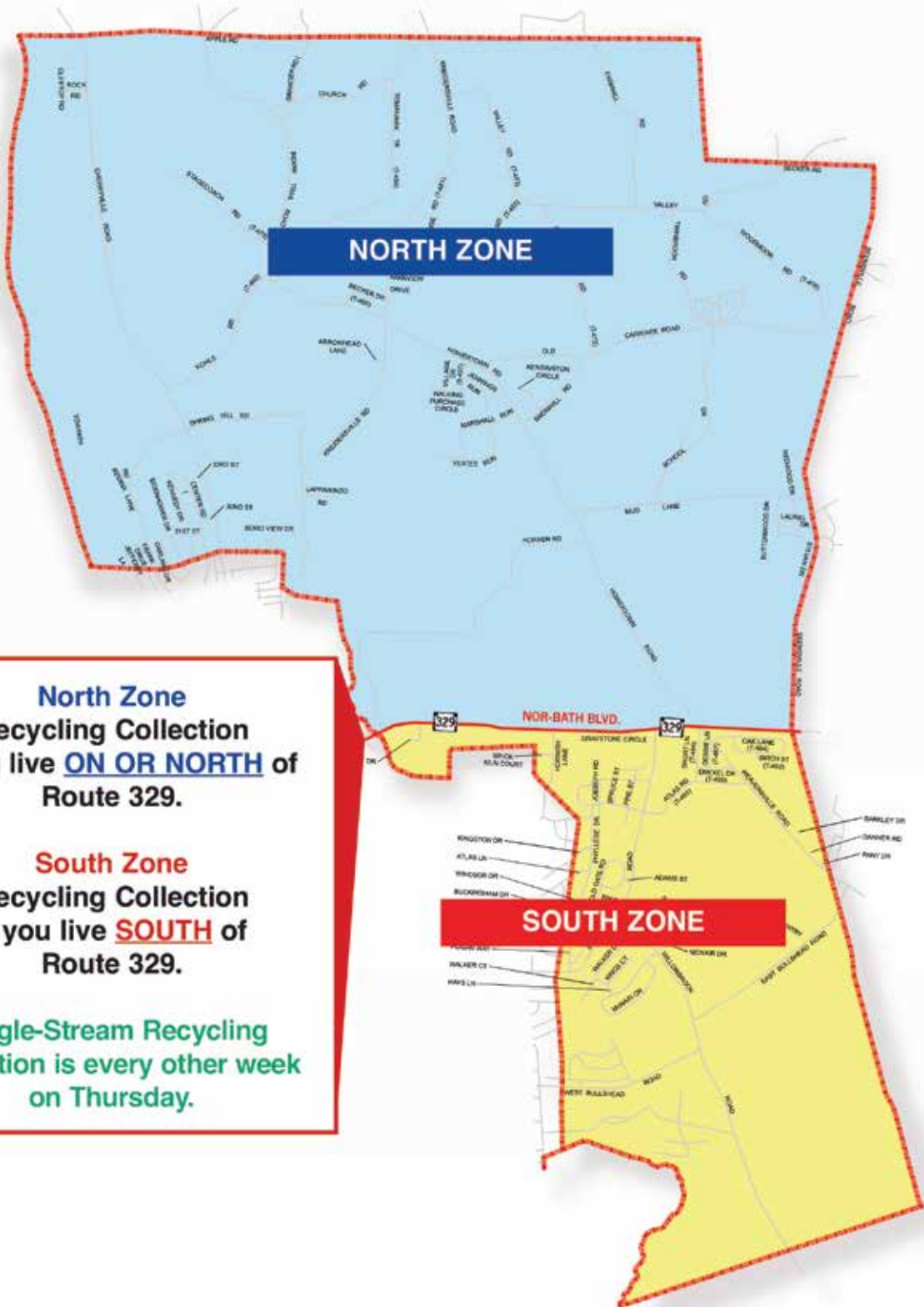
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Holiday Collection

If there is a holiday on or before Thursday, collection will occur on Friday. If there is a holiday that lands on a Saturday or Sunday, collections will remain as normal collection schedule.

Holidays: New Year's Day (January 1), Memorial Day, Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day (December 25).

Allen Township Recycling Collection Zones Map





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Be Environmentally Friendly!

Recycle your old unwanted, broken and outdated electronics and appliances.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY!!!

Allen Township

Fire Company – 3530 Howertown Rd, Northampton, PA 18067

Saturday, August 12th, 2023 – 9:00am-Noon

****Allen Township Residents Only****

****Township will Pay Recycle Charge for 1 Item****

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Items that can be recycled FREE of charge are listed below:

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| ♻️ Desktop Computers (Fee for Monitors) | ♻️ DVD Players & VCR's |
| ♻️ Keyboards & Mice | ♻️ Gaming Systems |
| ♻️ Printers/Fax Machines | ♻️ String Christmas Lights |
| ♻️ Cables & Cords | ♻️ Microwaves & Small Appliances |
| ♻️ Cell Phone & Laptop Batteries | ♻️ Metal Items & Water Heaters |
| ♻️ Laptops | ♻️ Exercise Equipment |
| ♻️ UPS Battery Backups | ♻️ Car Batteries (sealed lead acid) |
| ♻️ Toner & Ink Cartridges | ♻️ Bed Frames & Rain spouting |
| ♻️ Audio Visual Equipment | ♻️ Filing Cabinets |
| ♻️ Telephones & Cell Phones* | *Please Remove Cell Phone Batteries |

Additional Items that can be recycled for a Fee:

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| ♻️ Washers & Dryers-\$20.00 | ♻️ Air Conditioners - \$25.00 |
| ♻️ Stoves \$20.00 | ♻️ Dehumidifiers - \$25.00 |
| ♻️ Dishwashers-\$20.00 | ♻️ Refrigerators - \$35.00 |
| ♻️ Computer Monitors \$20 | ♻️ Floor Freezers - \$35.00 |
| ♻️ Televisions under 42" - \$40.00 ALL Types | ♻️ Floor Copiers-\$20.00 |
| ♻️ TVs (in wooden cabinet, Projection, Over 42", TV Tubes (Broken TVs")) \$58.00 | ♻️ Console Stereos (in cabinet) \$35.00 |
| | ♻️ Water Coolers & Dorm Fridge - \$25 |

Destruction Services for a Fee:

- ♻️ Hard Drive Destruction (offsite) - **\$10** per drive, Includes a Certificate of Destruction
- ♻️ Document Destruction (offsite) - **\$10** per standard paper size box, Includes a Certificate of Destruction

****Cash or Checks ONLY****

Please have exact change or check prepared.

****Please Make Checks Payable to Responsible Recycling Services or RRS****

Park & Recreation

Allen Township has several parks and recreation areas for the community to enjoy.



Howertown Park – 10 Short Lane and/or 900 Savage Road

- Park amenities include: field house, wood frame pavilions, baseball fields, basketball court, batting cage, soccer/multi-use field, play structure areas
- Reservations can be made for Howertown Park facilities. Please visit our website or contact the Municipal Office for details.

Kreidersville Covered Bridge Park – 100 Covered Bridge Road

- Park amenities include: a gazebo with passive recreation/natural areas
- Contains the only remaining covered bridge in Northampton County
- Popular location for small wedding ceremonies
- Those interested in holding their wedding ceremony at this park can submit a registration form by visiting our website or contacting the Municipal Office



Kreidersville Park – 10 Park Road

- Park amenities include: basketball court and play structure area

Allen Township Dog Park and Walking Trail – 673 Savage Road

- Park amenities include: an off-leash play area for dogs with two fenced off areas (small dog area and large dog area); a perimeter walking trail which intersects the Nor-Bath Trail.

Allen Township Riverview Preserve – 614 West 27th Street

- Park amenities include: passive recreation park with no improvements

Yard Waste Disposal

As a resident of Allen Township you may dispose of your yard waste at the FRCA site in addition to the drop-off area at the Municipal Building. Yard waste must be in loose form. No bags! For a list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please visit FRCA's website at <https://www.frcauthority.org/>.

FRCA has a new Facebook page! <https://www.facebook.com/FirstRegionalCompostAuthority/>

* Grass will only be accepted through October 1st, 2023. The rate is \$1.00 per 32 gallon container. Grass will only be accepted while the site has capacity, therefore all customers are reminded to have an alternate plan for management of their grass.

* Leaves will be accepted October 1st, 2023 through December 17th, 2023.

Public / Residential Drop-Off Hours

Wednesday & Friday 8AM – 4PM

1st & 3rd Saturdays of Each Month: 8AM – 1PM

Holiday Closure Dates for Site: January 2nd, 2023; January 16th, 2023; February 20th, 2023; April 7th, 2023; May 29th, 2023; July 4th, 2023; September 4th, 2023; November 10th, 2023; November 23rd, 2023; November 24th, 2023; December 22nd, 2023; and December 25th, 2023.

Please note that hours are subject to change due to staffing adjustment and inclement weather.

Please visit FRCA's website for updates on hours of operation along with any changes in accepted material.

Allen Township Yard Waste Drop Off Site

Allen Township residents may utilize the yard waste drop-off site at the Municipal Office. Proof of residency will be required. Grass is NOT accepted at the Township site. Yard waste must be in loose form. No bags! Did you know that the Allen Township drop-off site also has mulch available to residents free of charge?

Monday through Friday: 7:00AM to 3:00PM

Saturday (April 15th, 2023 to October 28th, 2023): 8:00AM to 1:00PM

*Saturday hours will resume in Spring 2024.





Burn Permits

Burn permits are required in Allen Township under Chapter 7 of the Allen Township Code. Burn Permits are required for the burning of materials which exceed a contained 55 gallon drum or pit measuring 3' x 3'. Burning is permitted from Monday through Saturday from dawn to dusk only. There is no burning allowed on Sundays. There is no fee for Burn Permits. The Burn Permit form is accessible at the Allen Township Municipal Office or on Allen Township's Forms & Documents page. Residents are reminded that Burn Permits may be rescinded due to weather at the discretion of the Fire Chief. This is in an effort to limit the spread of wild fires.

Display Your House Number

Take a moment to look at your home from the street. What is the first thing you see? Your answer should be your house number. In the event of an emergency you want Police, Fire, and Ambulance

personnel to get to you quickly, day and night. Your house number should be prominently displayed on your house – not just on your mailbox. Large and reflective numbers should be used to increase visibility. 4" letters are required to be clearly visible from a moving emergency response vehicle. Be sure to post the sign at a visible height. If it is too low it could be hidden by vegetation or snow. If you share the structure with a neighbor, such as in multifamily homes or apartments, your specific address should distinguish your residence from your neighbor's. Your address should be visible from both directions of the street. Can you have your address posted in too many places on your property? Absolutely not – it might save your life! These address signs can be conveniently purchased at a hardware store or online.



Make sure your home is safe from outside fires.

Don't Let Your World Go Up in Smoke.

Home fire safety doesn't stop at the door. There are many fire risks outside the home. You may have these in your backyard. Here are some ways you can keep your home safer from outside fire.

Grilling

Make safe outdoor cooking a priority.

- ☐ Move the grill away from siding, decking, and other things that can catch fire.
- ☐ Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill when it's hot.
- ☐ Stay with the grill the entire time you're cooking.
- ☐ Keep your grill clean so leftover grease and fat won't catch on fire.



Backyard Fire Pits

Permanent and portable fire pits bring fire danger to your home. You can prevent fire or burn injury with these simple steps:

- ☐ Make sure the fire pit is at least three feet away from your house and anything that can burn.
- ☐ Closely watch children when the fire pit is in use.
- ☐ Use a metal screen over wood-burning fires to keep sparks from floating out.
- ☐ Turn off or put out fires before you leave the backyard.
- ☐ Store matches and lighters out of children's sight and reach.

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TAXES

Real Estate Tax Collection

Per the Second Class Township Code, the position of Real Estate Tax Collector is an elected position. The current Real Estate Tax Collector for Allen Township is Carolyn Davis (term expires January 1st, 2026).

How may I contact the Real Estate Tax Collector or obtain tax forms?

The Real Estate Tax Collector does not work out of the Municipal Office and does not have office hours at the Municipal Building. For Real Estate Tax

Information, please contact the Elected Real Estate Collector pursuant to the information found in the Administrative Directory. Email: allentownshiptaxes@gmail.com.

There are three Real Estate bills levied per year. These include County mailed out in January, Township mailed out in March and the School District bills are mailed sometime after July 1st. There are discount, face and penalty periods for all bills. Please see bill for due dates. Owners of new homes will receive a supplemental tax bill for partial year occupancy of their home.

Taxes Paid from Escrow: Not all lending institutions request tax bills from our Tax Collector. If there is no notation on your bill, please forward your bill to your lender with a note requesting that they submit a letter in writing to the Tax Collector for the next billing cycle. Supplemental bills might not be paid through escrow. Please contact your mortgage company for payment information.

Earned Income Tax

The Northampton County Tax Collection Committee has contracted with Keystone Collections Group for the collection of the earned income tax from all Northampton County residents as well as the employees of all township businesses. The tax is 1.2% of an individual's gross earned income. Of the 1.2% collected, Allen Township receives 0.5% and the Northampton Area School District receives 0.7%. The contact information for Keystone is:

Keystone Collections Group

546 Wendel Road
Irwin, PA 15642
Telephone No.: 1-866-539-1100
or (724) 978-0300
Fax: (724) 978-0339
www.keystonecollects.com

Local Office

224 Nazareth Pike
Trolley Station Mall
Bethlehem, PA 18020
Telephone: 1-866-539-1100

Earned Income Tax forms will be mailed to residents from Keystone Collections Group by mid-February of each year. Forms for individuals and employers can also be found on Keystone's web site. Any questions related to Earned Income Tax should be directed to Keystone Collections Group at the number noted above.

Local Services Tax

The Allen Township Administrative Office collects the Local Service Tax on behalf of Allen Township. This is a \$52.00 per year tax levied at \$1 per week on people working in the Township. A low income exemption is available for individuals earning less than \$12,000 annually. The exemption form is available on our website.

Individuals who work for more than one employer and have had the tax deducted more than once may claim a refund. The form is available on our website.

For more information, please contact the Township Municipal Office.

Tax FAQs

What are current Tax Rates for Allen Township residents?

Real Estate Taxes:

County-10.8 mills; Township-5 mills;
School District-55.71 mills (rates as of
01/09/2023)

Township Earned Income Tax:


0.7%; School Earned Income Tax -
0.5% Allen Township

Township Local Services Tax:

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Slow the Flow: Reduce Stormwater on Your Property

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Pennsylvania was primarily forest at one time. It was named for its forests, and its name when translated in Latin, means "Penn's Woods." In the late 1800's, Pennsylvania was one of the nation's greatest sources of lumber. Land was cleared for agriculture and forest products. By the early 1900's, only 30% of forests remained. According to the PA Department of Natural Resources, forests cover almost 60% (17 million acres) of the commonwealth today.

Forests provide invaluable benefits. They sequester carbon, clean the air, provide habitat, grow resources, offer countless opportunities for recreation, bestow beauty, filter water we drink, and help prevent streams and rivers from flooding. What a beneficial natural resource! However, land use changes, such as deforestation, have big impacts on the environment.

As development increases, natural ecosystems like forests, meadows, and wetlands disappear, resulting in more flash flooding. With more and more impervious surface, there is significantly more stormwater and less and less water infiltrating into the ground. With increased stormwater, there is more flooding, erosion, pollution, property damage, loss of natural resources, etc. These are significant problems, and everyone can take part to "slow the flow" and reduce stormwater runoff on their properties.

What can you do?

Clear storm drains: If you rake leaves and put them at the roadside, be sure to keep storm drains clear. It only takes a few minutes to remove leaves, trash, and other debris from a storm drain. Keep them free of snow and ice in the winter as well.

Plant rain gardens: Rain gardens are bowl-shaped gardens designed to capture water, allowing it to soak into the ground. They can drain water from roof downspouts, driveways, walkways, or other impervious surfaces. They slow and reduce the amount of runoff from your property, while adding a lovely garden feature that reaps the following benefits: flood reduction, pollutant removal, groundwater protection, enhanced wildlife habitat, and improved aesthetics.

Plant trees: Planting trees is one of the best stormwater management practices. They are the ultimate multitaskers! They clean our air and filter stormwater. Canopies intercept water. Roots stabilize the ground and increase infiltration. Fallen leaves absorb and release water slowly. They are a win-win!

Plant riparian buffers: Riparian buffers are the vegetated areas adjacent to streams. They protect the stream from suburban and agricultural land use impacts. Buffers provide a wealth of benefits including pollution removal, increased water infiltration, wildlife habitat, and stream stability. Consider re-establishing riparian areas with native trees and shrubs.

Convert lawn to meadows: Consider converting some of your lawn to meadow using native perennials and grasses. Native plants have more extensive root systems compared to turf grass. The plants increase infiltration, reduce runoff, remove pollution, and prevent erosion. Meadows are aesthetically pleasing and create excellent habitat for wildlife.

Install rain barrels: Rain barrels are used to capture and store rainwater. Water can be used to water plants, gardens, wash tools, extinguish campfires, etc. Be creative with water re-use.

Downspout disconnect and redirect: Make sure downspouts drain into a garden or the yard, rather than into storm drains or onto impervious surfaces such as driveways and sidewalks.

Pervious pavers: Consider using pervious pavers when constructing a patio or walkway. The thick stone base underneath allows water to soak into the ground.

Encourage change of local ordinances: Reach out and persuade your municipality to revise local ordinances to allow stormwater practices. Local ordinances may need to change in terms of required construction standards, protection of forests and riparian buffers, limitation of fertilizer use, etc.

Participate in litter clean ups: Several conservation organizations regularly organize litter clean-ups in the community. Come out and help reduce the amount of plastics and other trash from entering local waterways.

Educate others: Educate and encourage others to implement the best management practices listed above!

Stormwater runoff can affect the chemical, physical, and biological properties of streams, rivers, and lakes. Stormwater management has changed dramatically over the last several years from strictly flood control to a more "green" approach with a goal of sustaining and improving water quality in our watersheds. All actions start with personal commitment and action which can lead to community action. We all have a part to play to make healthy watersheds. Please consider implementing change where you can. Every bit helps! Healthy waters make healthy communities!



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Important Contact Numbers

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State Police (Non-emergency) 610-861-2026
Fire (Non-emergency)..... 610-262-1101
Northampton Regional EMS (Ambulance)..... 610-262-0800
J.P. Mascaro & Sons (Municipal Hauler) 1-800-333-4624
Northampton County
Assessment..... 610-829-6155
Voter Registration 610-829-6260
Parks & Recreation..... 610-829-6400
Northampton Area School District 610-262-7811
Northampton Area Public Library 610-262-7537
Northampton Post Office 610-262-2676
Keystone Collections – Earned Income Tax... 888-328-0565
PennDOT (State-road problems) 610-250-1840
Northampton Borough Municipal Authority
(water/sewer billing)..... 610-262-6711
City of Bethlehem Water Dept..... 610-865-7070
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