



Friends of

Smedley Park

Delaware County, Pennsylvania

A Non-Profit Organization



The Springfield Trail

A Delaware County Treasure

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Where is it located?



50th Anniversary





Rep. Jennifer M. O'Mara
105th District / Delaware County

ABOUT HELP & SERVICES NEWS ON THE ISSUES

O'Mara congratulates Delco playground and hiking trail securing \$375k in grants

Rep. Jennifer M. O'Mara September 27, 2019 | 4:52 PM

SPRINGFIELD, Sept. 17 – State Rep. Jennifer O'Mara, D-Delaware, said she congratulated her Delaware County outdoor recreation sites for securing \$375,000 worth of Commonwealth Financing Authority grant funding.

One grant worth \$125,000 will go toward improving the Veterans Memorial Park complex in Maple Township. The funds will be used to upgrade the park's playground by installing ADA-compliant playground equipment, ADA curb ramps to the play areas and a rubber playground surface area.

"Senator Tim Kaine and I are thrilled to see that children of all abilities will be able to enjoy this community resource," O'Mara said. "These funds will create a more inclusive play area for all children to enjoy together."

A grant of \$250,000 was also awarded to Friends of Smedley Park Corp., with the help and support of Springfield Township, to rehabilitate and reorganize Springfield Trail.

The project will install new trail head and wayfinding signage, as well as new yellow buoys to increase safety on the trail. Additionally, trail markers will be installed and the GPS coordinates will be registered with the county's emergency services. SEPTA has identified three points where the trail currently intersects with the Route 101 Trolley Line, an active light rail line. The project will work with SEPTA to resolve these crossings, mitigating trail conflicts with the active trolley line.

"I'm grateful that the 100th was selected to receive these funds," O'Mara said. "These projects will bring the community together by providing everyone with the opportunity to get outside and explore all of the outdoor recreation opportunities Delaware County has to offer."

The CFA holds fiduciary responsibility over the funding of programs and investments in Pennsylvania's economic growth. The CFA provides funding for various projects that help businesses succeed, including businesses focused on development, water quality, energy, infrastructure and more.

 Rep. Jennifer O'Mara added 10 new photos.
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Today, we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the **Springfield Trail!** Many thanks to all of the residents who came out, learned about the trail, and headed out for a hike. I want to extend a special thank you to Jason Thompson, Springfield resident & volunteer extraordinaire, who was instrumental in organizing this event and preserving the history of the trail. I also want to extend a big thanks to Kevin Dion, Springfield resident and founder of **Friends of Smedley Park**, for all of his work with Springfield parks. Commissioners Dan Lanciano & Ed Kelly also helped us celebrate the occasion today. This is proof that we can work together to make our community better for everyone, and I'm really proud to be a part of this event today.

****If you were not able to attend but would like maps and other information handed out today, please stop by my office at 905 W Sproul Road in Springfield or the Springfield Township Building at 50 Powell Road.**

#SpringfieldTrailTurns50 #DelcoTrails

Grant Funding



Team Building





Visitor Greeting



Transitional Trail Blazing



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words for
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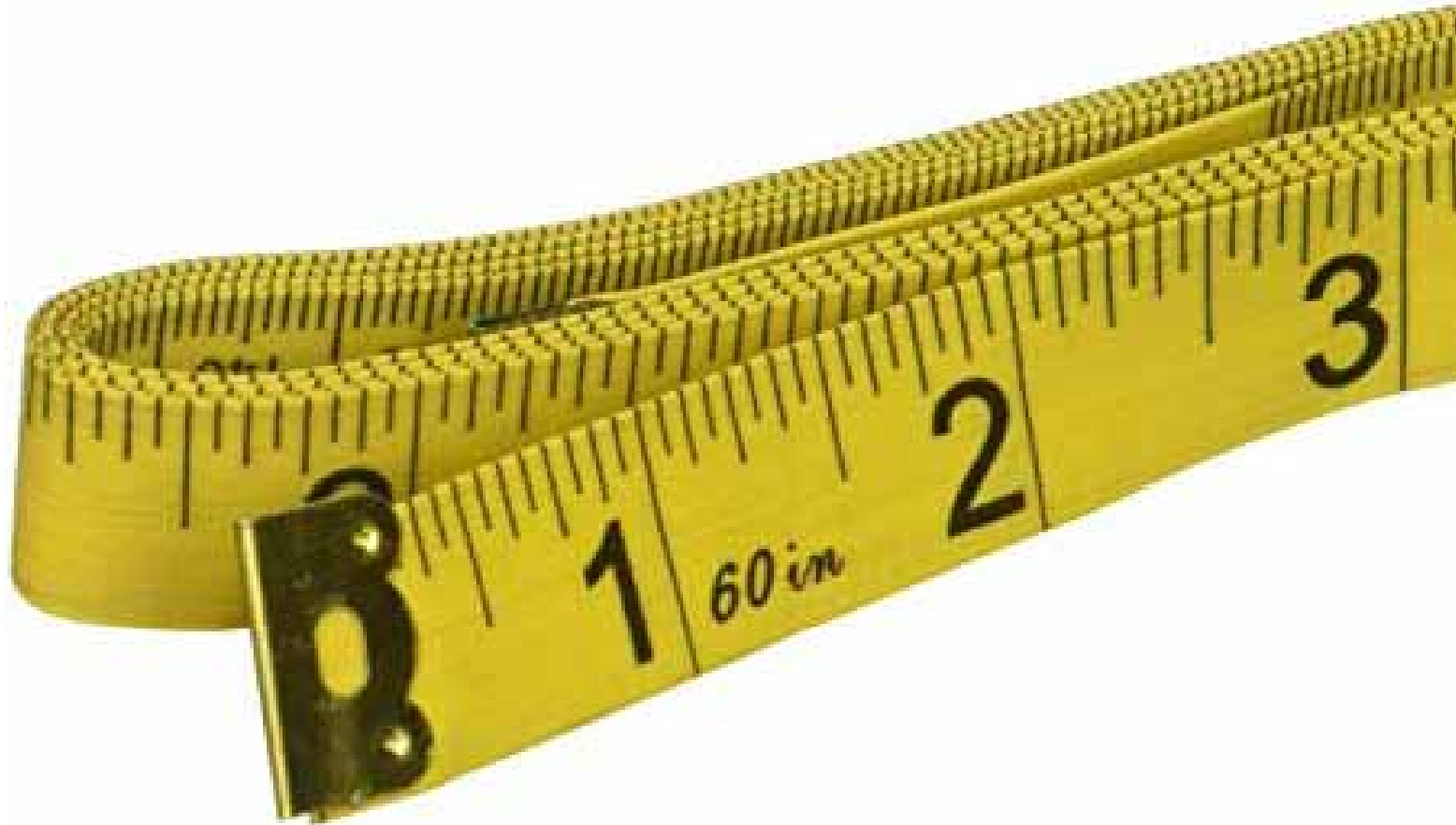
coincide, synchronize, concur,
accompany, cohabit, co-occur,
go together, exist side-by-side,
occur simultaneously





Watersheds

- Principal Watershed:
- Crum Creek
- Subwatersheds:
- Lownes Run
- Briarhill Run
- Whiskey Run
- Estates Run
- Pine Ridge Run



Trail Length

- We recognize the trail as being 4.7 miles in length; however, we are evaluating options that will likely expand the loop to 6.5 within the next couple of years.



Sections and Trailheads

We have 6 trails sections and 12 recognized trailheads.



TRAIL SECTION #1: Woodland Park

Trailhead #1: James Lane – Between Woodland Avenue and Maddock Road – Behind Kovacs Funeral Home

Trailhead #2: E.T. Richardson Middle School – Rear of property near basketball court

Trailhead #3: Lewis Road – Near Gleaves Road



TRAIL SECTION #2: Thomson Park



Trailhead #4: Thomson Park – At the end of Stidman Drive

Trailhead #5: Springfield Mall – Trails intersects at the bottom of the rear parking lot at the SEPTA Route 101 Springfield Mall trolley stop – To go east on the trail towards Thomson Park, using caution while along an active trolley line, follow the trail under the overpass to the entrance into Thomson Park – To go west on the trail towards Paper Mill Road, take the stairs up to PA-320 (West Sproul Road), turn left on the sidewalk and follow it to the Hillside House trailhead just across the bridge

TRAIL SECTION #3: Estates

Trailhead #6: Hillside House – Along PA-320 (West Sproul Road) near the bridge crossing the SEPTA Route 101 trolley line and Whiskey Run

Trailhead #7: Paper Mill Road – Near the SEPTA Route 101 Paper Mill Road trolley stop – Use caution as the trailhead is very close to an active trolley line and active roadway





TRAIL SECTION #4: Smedley

Trailhead #8: Crum Creek Pedestrian Bridge #3: Below the playground equipment – trolley line will be elevated and on your left-hand side

TRAIL SECTION #5: Martin Forest

Trailhead #9: Crum Creek Pedestrian/Vehicle Bridge #5: At the end of Paper Mill Road underneath the I-476 overpass

Trailhead #10: Beatty Road Access – Follow access trail from Beatty Road to trail intersection at Lownes Run





TRAIL SECTION #6: Faith

Trailhead #11: Jane Lownes Park – At the rear of the park

Trailhead #12: Hancock – Rear of parking lot of New Destiny Christian Center (former location of C. C. Hancock Memorial United Methodist Church)

We look forward to meeting you on the trail.

Thank you.



For more about
the Friends of
Smedley Park
and the
Springfield Trail:

- <https://www.smedleypark.org>
- <https://www.smedleypark.org/springfield-trail>
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