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What is the Purpose of Those Black Tubes Across the Road?

It's traffic counting season in York County, and you might be getting questions about strange black tubes suddenly appearing across roads in your municipality.

Every year, PennDOT selects locations on state roads throughout the county to perform traffic counts at, and YCPC staff venture out to place these tubes and counters down to collect data on the number and types of vehicles traveling on our roadways. This data is then sent to PennDOT to be added to their records. Anyone interested in knowing the volume of vehicles traveling on a state road can [click here](#) to explore traffic counts for locations throughout the state of PA.

In addition to traffic counts on state-owned roads, YCPC staff periodically place counters on local roads where county-owned bridges are located. There are also other companies that could be performing traffic counts for different reasons, like when a new land development is proposed, and a traffic study is required.

As always, keep an eye out for roadworkers, drive safe, and don't worry about driving over those tubes, they're built for it!

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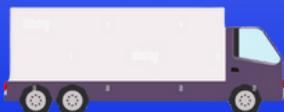
Complete Streets Workshop



Morning of Thursday, Aug 8
Pleasant Valley Road Office
Contact/RSVP: Mateo Lariviere
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Municipal Freight Summit

Morning of Thursday, Sep 19
Pleasant Valley Road Office
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YCPC Project #24-027 - York Township: Zoning Ordinance Amendment Map: Commercial Shopping (CS) to Mixed Residential Commercial (MRC)	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
YCPC Project #24-028 - Monaghan Township Comprehensive Plan	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
YCPC Project #24-029 - Penn Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Map - Shopping-Commercial (SC) to R-15 Suburban Residential	Not Adopt	Not Adopt	Not Adopt

MUNICIPAL SPOTLIGHT - NEW FREEDOM BOROUGH

Originally a part of Shrewsbury Township, New Freedom Borough was settled in 1783 by the Conrad Free family. The Borough was named Freedom, however, the name was changed to New Freedom when it was incorporated in 1873 because there was already a town named Freedom in Western PA. The borough celebrated it's sesquicentennial (150 years) last year.

In August, 1838, the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad was completed, linking New Freedom to York.

In 1855, the railroad merged with three other railroads to form the North Central Railroad. The rail line brought business and travelers to the town and was an important part of the growth of the borough.

In 1972, Hurricane Agnes wiped out a number of bridges along the rail lines. Those north of the Mason-Dixon line were repaired, however, those in Maryland were not. This was the end of rail traffic between Baltimore and York. The Stewartstown Railroad operated a passenger and freight line from New Freedom to York for several years, but once the York County Heritage Rail Trail opened, they discontinued the service.

Today, the Northern Central Railway operates an excursion train from New Freedom to York.

New Freedom was home to several businesses over the years including the Charles Summers canning factory, a number of sewing factories, American Insulator Company, Mann & Parker Lumber, Eden Tool, Crescent Industries and Seiling & Jones. Although some of these are no longer in operation, there are newer businesses in town, including Seven (a sports bar and restaurant), Gunpowder Falls Brewing Company and Vortex (a brew pub).



The borough hosts several festivals each year, including the Lion's Club Carnival, held each year during July 4th week, the Smoke on the Rails Festival on July 26 & 27, Dog Day in the Park on August 17, and the New Freedom Heritage's New Freedom Fest on September 21.

Come visit us!!!

newfreedomboro.org

YORK COUNTY

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU



TalkTrashToUs.com



YCSWA recently posted a survey link on www.ycswa.com and on billboards throughout York County asking residents to “Talk Trash to Us”. The survey, located at www.TalkTrashToUs.com is an effort from the YCSWA to gain knowledge about how those who live and work in York County perceive the YCSWA and what they would like to see in trash management in the future. The survey is open until the end of 2024.

Rechargeable Batteries Do Not Go into Your Trash or Recycling

If you have a cellphone, you use a rechargeable battery. If you use power tools, you use rechargeable batteries. While convenient during their lifetime, rechargeable batteries require proper disposal when they are no longer usable. Conventional disposal of these types of batteries in your curbside pickup can cause problems! Trash is compacted both in the garbage truck and at our facility. When subjected to intense pressure these batteries combust and ignite causing fires in either garbage trucks or at our facility. Rechargeable batteries should not go into your recycling bin either. Please dispose of them properly! Keep rechargeable batteries out of your curbside trash and recycling bin and dispose of them properly. Visit www.call2recycle.org for a listing of collection sites for these potentially hazardous batteries. NOTE: Household alkaline batteries like Eveready, Duracell (AA, AAA, 9-volt, C, or D sizes) can be disposed in your regular trash.

[Click Here](#) for more information on rechargeable battery disposal.

It Is **Unsafe To Put**
RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES
In Your Trash Or Recycling Bin!





PARTNER NEWS

Adaptive Reuse of Land and Buildings - Part 3 PennDOT Connects - April 2024

When a municipality is considering implementing an adaptive reuse strategy, several considerations should be made, such as:

- Larger projects may generate additional traffic or create new traffic patterns.
- Implementation may require the use of financial or regulatory incentives.

As an example of the need for financial or regulatory incentives, the City of Bethlehem community rallied around the iconic, but closed, Bethlehem Steel Plant, working hard to bring new life to the former industrial giant. In 1999, the City of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Area School District, and County of Northampton - the three local taxing bodies - established a **Tax Incremental Financing** (TIF) district on the property, dedicating any future tax dollars generated from new business on the site to helping revitalize the former steel plant.

Overall, implementing adaptive reuse strategies should be considered by the municipality when there is an opportunity

CONSIDERATIONS WHEN IMPLEMENTING THE CONCEPT



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TIF District



Bethlehem Steel Plant



Reworld™ and Goodwill Keystone Area have joined forces to provide free electronic waste recycling locations



Take advantage of this service at the following Goodwill locations:

- 965 Loucks Road, York
- 1120 Roosevelt Ave, York
- 450 Eisenhower Drive, Hanover
- 535 S. Main Street Market Square Center, Shrewsbury



What electronics can residents bring?

What will be accepted:

Computing and Peripheral Devices

Computers, Monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, printer/scanner all-in-one devices, networking equipment

Entertainment Electronics

Video Players (VCR/DVD/Blu-ray players), Gaming Systems, Audio Devices (stereos, radios, MP3 players)

Communication Devices

Telephones, Mobile Devices

Visual and Imaging Equipment

Cameras (cameras, video cameras), Televisions, Cable or Set-Top Boxes

Small Appliances

Toasters, Vacuum Cleaners

Miscellaneous Electronics/Items

Cables, Electronic Wiring, Answering Machines



What electronics should residents NOT bring?

What won't be accepted*:

Loose Batteries, Bulbs, Smoke Detectors, Hazardous Household Waste, White Goods (refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, freezers, unit air conditioners, washing machines, clothes dryers and other similar domestic and commercial large appliances), Freon-Containing Devices, Devices Containing Mercury



Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development

MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MAP)



Webinar - DCED Municipal Assistance Program

Member Rate: FREE

Non Member Rate: FREE

Training Plus Member Rate: FREE

Every year, DCED provides funding to local governments for community planning through the Municipal Assistance Program (MAP). Funding can be used for both planning efforts and to efficiently implement a variety of services and improvements, as well as the development and implementation of shared service activities. Join DCED's Local Government Planning Specialists, Rachel Reznick and Katie Wickert, for an overview of the MAP funding program guidelines, a review of the application process, and an exploration of example of projects that can be funded through the program. There will be time at the end of the session for questions regarding the program or potential projects.

To receive handouts and login information timely, please ensure you're registering at least 24 hours in advance. These items will be emailed 24-48 hours prior to the start of the training.

When:

August 6, 2024

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM