BROWNFIELDS!



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With collaboration from:

- Centre County
- Greene County
- Lackawanna County
- Redevelopment Authority of Washington County
- Municipality of Norristown



Brownfields – Diamonds in the Rough

- Valuable resource
- Local to transportation routes
- Local workforce
- Infrastructure in-place
- Opportunity for grant funding





Grants and Funding

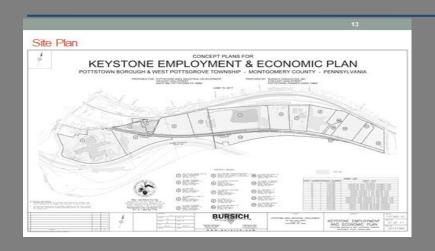
- US EPA Brownfields
- Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development
 - Industrial Sites Reuse
 - Pennsylvania First
 - Business in Our Sites Loan
 - Local Share Account
- Tax incentive zones



KEEP PROJECT

POTTSTOWN AREA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Keystone Economic & Employment Plan: An Overview







Purpose

 To create conditions that support publicprivate partnerships in the development of a new and vibrant employment center that maximizes the area which is now made up of unutilized and underutilized property.

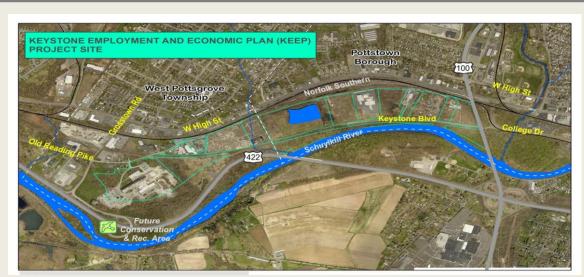


Grant

Beginnings:

Funding received

 PAID acquired funding (Local Share Account (Gaming \$)), from Commonwealth Financing Agency





Beginnings:

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

MOU

- ...between Pottstown Borough and West Pottsgrove Township for redevelopment of KEEP Project Site
 - Created Oversight Committee to implement goals of MOU.
 - » One, municipality, one vote
 - » Also includes PAID and MCPC (both non-voting)
 - » Communication w/property owners, Specific Plan, RFI



Ongoing Study:

Specific Plan RFI





Specific Plan

- Montgomery County Planning
 Commission, Bursich Engineers,
 A.D. Marble
 - Supersedes zoning
 - Direct to final plan approval
 - Preferential treatment of funding

applications

Request for Interest (RFI)

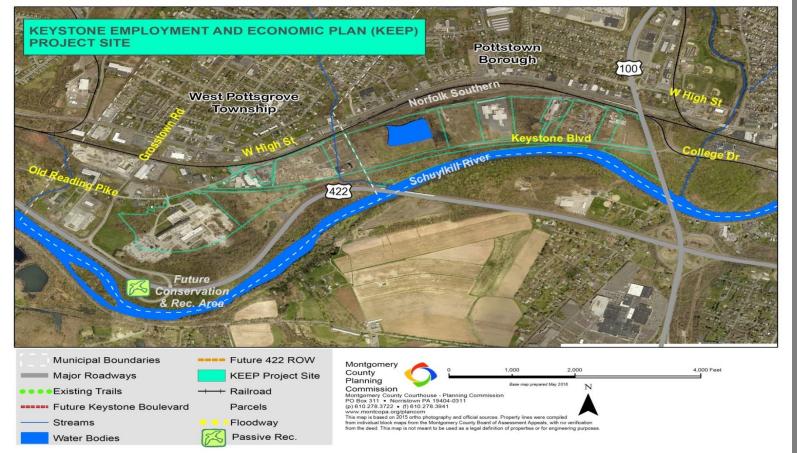




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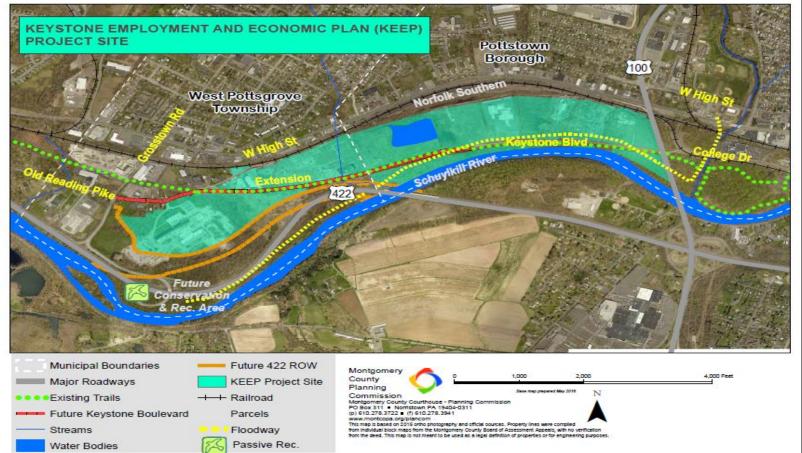
KEYSTONE EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC PLAN

KEEP PROJECT SITE

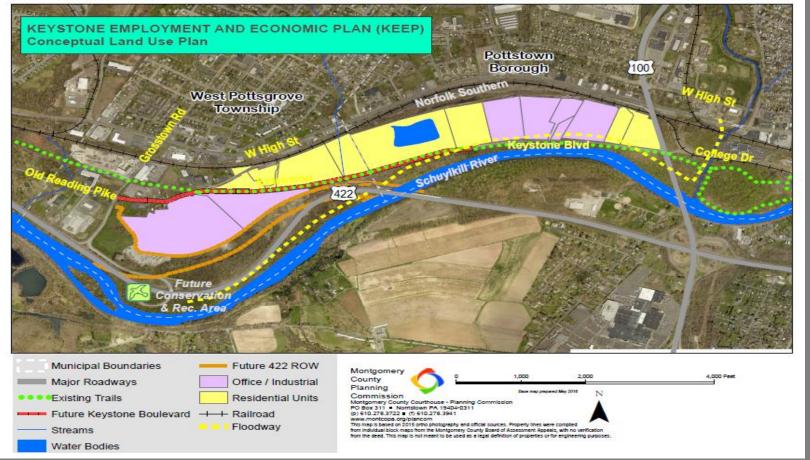




KEEP PROJECT SITE



KEEP CONCEPTUAL LAND USE PLAN





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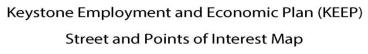
From PA 100, looking west





Concept Illustration

Easternmost portion of KEEP project site

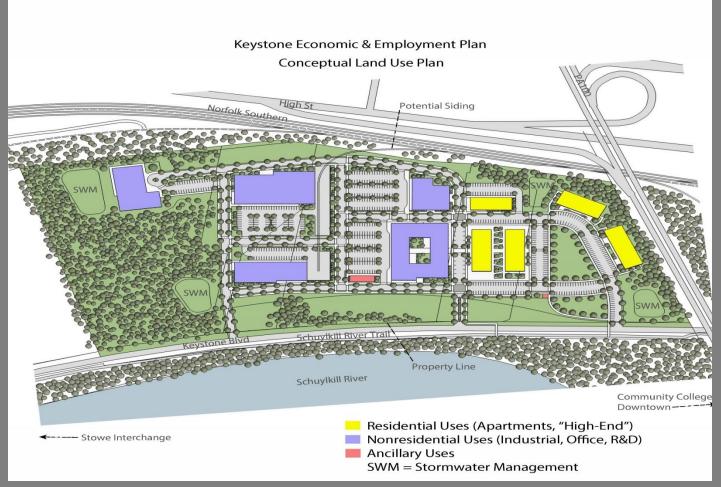






Concept Illustration

Easternmost portion of KEEP project site





Concept Illustration Easternmost portion of KEEP project site



KEYSTONE EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMIC PLAN

CONCEPT PLAN MCPC 9.28.17

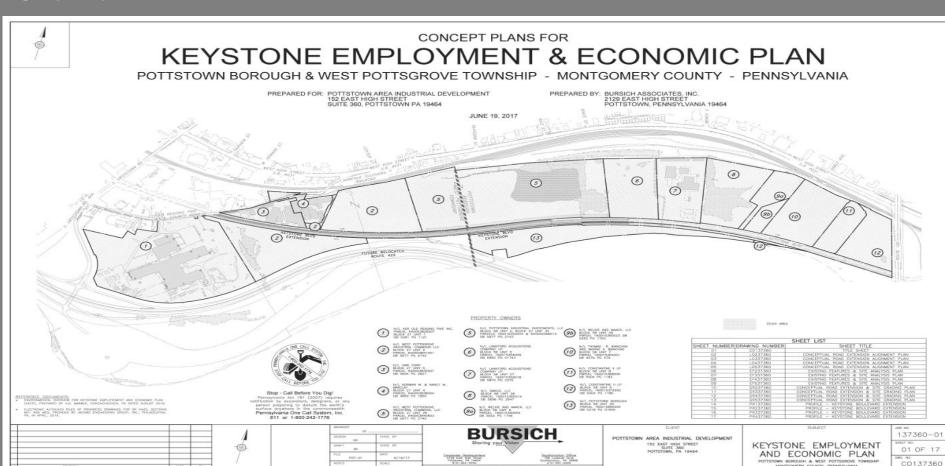


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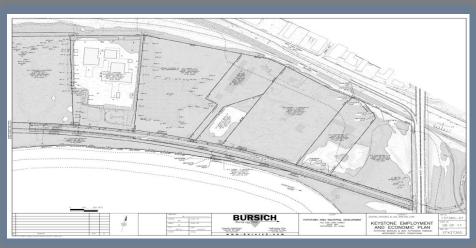
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Site Plan



MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Challenge: "COST PREMIUM"



- ...defined as that additional cost for developing on the KEEP project site instead of another site— where "another site" not affected by floodplain and floodway, and no need for road..
 - Estimated at \$118,000/acre
 - \$68,000 for fill for land development
 - \$50,000 attributable to Keystone Blvd. extension
 - Cost premium likely needs to be mitigated in order for development to occur.



Implementation

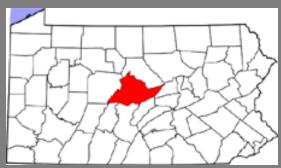
- Specific Plan, including principles for development.
 Municipal governing bodies and Regional Planning Committee adopt.
- Request for Expressions of Interest (RFI). Sent to development community to gauge level of interest.
- Consider public opportunities and strategies for reducing cost premium





Centre County









CENTRE COUNTY, PA

Population

Centre County's population *increased* 13% between the 2000 and 2010 Census. Compared to neighboring counties (Blair, Clearfield, Clinton, Huntingdon, Mifflin, and Union), Centre County experienced the largest regional population growth, a trend that is expected to continue.

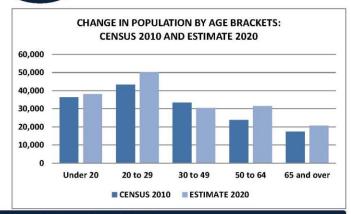
COUNTY	2000 CENSUS	2010 CENSUS	POPULATION CHANGE (%)
Blair	129,144	127,089	- 1.6%
Centre	135,758	153,990	13.4%
Clearfield	83,382	81,642	- 2.1%
Clinton	37,914	39,238	3.5%
Huntingdon	45,586	45,913	Less than 1%
Mifflin	46,486	46,682	Less than 1%
Union	41,624	44,947	8%

Sixty-seven percent (67%) of the population live in urbanized areas or urban clusters. The remaining 33% of residents live in rural areas.

In Centre County, the 2010 median age for males is 27.6 years, and the median age for females is 30.2 years.

Population in Age Brackets

Based on current trends within population brackets and the average county-wide population growth per decade since 1990 (11.1%), the graph below forecasts population shifts among certain cohorts between now and the next census. Centre County is expected to draw retired persons in the next decade.



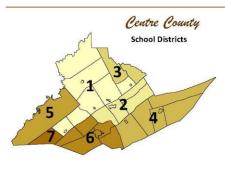
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010, 2000, and 2010. American Community Survey (ACS) 2008-2012.

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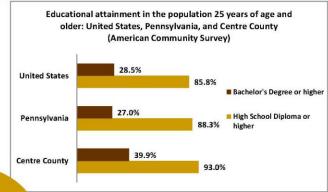
CENTRE COUNTY, PA

Education

Centre County continues to see *increases in educational attainment* **levels in the adult population.** Seven public school districts cover the county that collectively enroll over 20,000 students. In addition, **private and charter schools** are gaining popularity. Of particular interest is the adult population that has *attained some college* education but did not graduate.



KEY#	DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT 2012
1	BALD EAGLE	1,826
2	BELLEFONTE	2,811
3	KEYSTONE CENTRAL	4,312
4	PENNS VALLEY	1,484
5	PHILIPSBURG-OSCEOLA	1,780
6	STATE COLLEGE	6,794
7	TYRONE	1,911



Centre County continues
to have a greater
percentage of adults with
post-high school
education, compared to
the nation and the state.

Countywide, **13.1%** of the adult population has **some college** education **but never graduated**. This figure is down from 13.3% in the year 2000.

The Pennsylvania State University and the students enrolled at the University Park Campus certainly contribute to county's educational attainment figures. The 2011-2012 student population on campus was 44,000.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS) 2008-2012. Pennsylvania Department of Education, 2013.



CENTRE COUNTY, PA

Transportation

Centre County serves as a transportation hub in Pennsylvania. The completion of Interstate 99 and the proposed realignment projects on U.S. Route 322 pose to make access throughout and across the county easier on both daily commuters and visitors. The county's **public**

transportation system, operated by the Centre Area Transportation Authority (CATA), serves the greater State College area.

Bike Paths, Greenways and Rail Trails Major Highways Rail Trails existing Interstates 80 and 99 carry a combined annual average daily traffic volume of Rail Trails planned over 400,000 vehicles. Nearly 40% of Bike paths, trails, and related Interstate 80 traffic is long-haul trucks but greenways offer alternate less than 20% of Interstate 99 traffic is modes of transportation in truck traffic. U.S. Route 220 now follows addition to recreational and Interstates 80 and 99, and the former 220 health benefits. Feasibility Route is designated as an 'alternate' studies have been conducted on route. several proposed trails countywide. The Centre Region has 15 off-road and 15 on-road bike Airports paths. Rail trail development is a key strategy in promoting University Park Airport is the greenway connects. county's most frequently used, and offers daily flights to and **Public Transportation** from Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, and Washington, D.C. Twenty-seven (27) regular bus routes serve the State College area and portions of Bellefonte and Boalsburg. CATA offers other Other airports that transportation options including RideShare, accommodate smaller aircraft vanpools, and Park-and-Ride programs. include: Mid-State Airport, Bellefonte Airport, Centre Airpark, Penns Cave Airport, and Centre County's Office of Transportation Ridge Soaring Glider Port. serves all regions of the county.

Sources: Centre County Comprehensive Plan Updates, 2008 to 2013. Centre Area Transportation Authority, 2013. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2008 to 2012.



Underutilized Building – 1081 Zion Road, Bellefonte, PA 16823



15,000 square feet Former Armory National Guard

7.5 – acres1-mile from interstate interchange



Underutilized Building – 238 South Thomas Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823



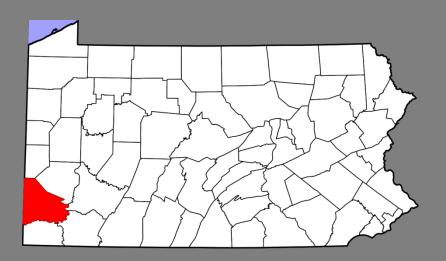


- 2-miles from interstate
- 6,000 sq ft
- On-site Parking
- Waterfront Business District
- 1.5 acres



Washington County

PENNSYLVANIA

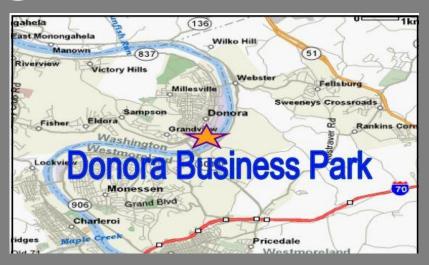






DONORA INDUSTRIAL PARK

- Adjacent Donora Central Business District
- Access to I-70 and Rt. 88
- Zoned Industrial / Mixed Use
- 11-acres available
- Environmental Clearance Complete Act 2
- Enterprise Zone 5 year tax abatement on new construction
- Business Loans Available







Discover Lackawanna Open for Business!



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Gateway to the Northeast United States

 As a major gateway to the Northeast, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania is strategically located on the I-80/I-81 Corridor, where its businesses are within 500 miles of 96 million American and Canadian consumers.







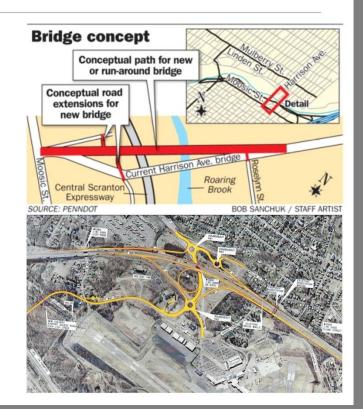






Transportation Infrastructure Improvement Fund

- Annual \$1.5 million budget allocation for targeted infrastructure improvements that encourage commerce, attract employers, and foster small business growth.
- Right: \$42 million road upgrade to service the Wilkes Barre-Scranton Int'l Airport and an adjacent business park.





Land Development Fee Waiver Program





 Reimbursement of all municipal fees and construction permits associated with a business' relocation or expansion in Lackawanna County.

 Designed to incentivize businesses creating permanent, full-time jobs in Lackawanna County.



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 New business parks and high-tech incubators are being developed throughout the region offering over 5,200 acres of mixed use space in 26 parks throughout Lackawanna County.

Game Changers in Move-In Ready Real Estate

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NORRISTOWN RIVERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT

5 October 2017 - Project No. 200094801

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Norristown

- Growing population
- Minutes from
 Philadelphia and
 King of Prussia
- Public transportation hub
- Schuylkill River Trail
- Available grants and incentives





ACCESSIBLE.

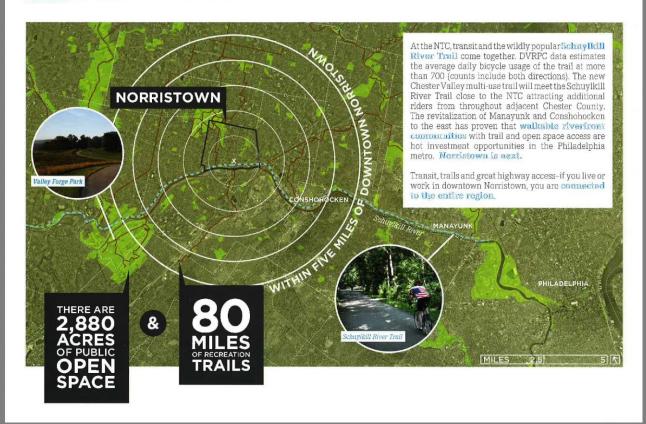
Norristown's location and access to major roads make it easy to get from A to B.



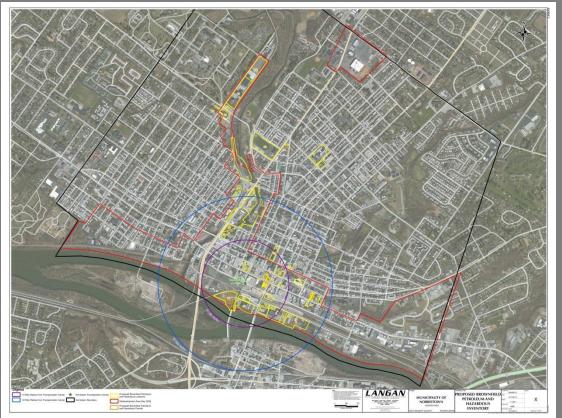


CONNECTED TO THE GREAT OUTDOORS. I

Eighty miles of trails and 2,880 acres of open space are located within a five-mile radius of downtown Norristown.



Norristown – Site Inventory



Norristown Redevelopment

- Numerous Sites along riverfront and within walking distance of public transportation
- New attractions
- Planning and zoning to entice development



Greene County







Greene County

- 60-minutes from Pittsburgh
- 500 miles from six of the 10 largest metropolitan areas in the nation
- Transportation via interstate, air, rail or river
- Marcellus Shale Region
- US EPA Brownfields Grant
- Industrial Park Space Available



Questions?

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