

# ABOUT KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful is the result of two organizations with similar missions joining together to achieve a common vision, a clean and beautiful Pennsylvania. In 2010, PA CleanWays (1990) and Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful (2003) merged to become the new Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful whose mission is empowering Pennsylvanians to make our communities clean and beautiful. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful is the state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., the nation's largest volunteer-based community action and education organization.

# **OUR MISSION**

Empowering Pennsylvanians to make our communities clean and beautiful.

# **OUR VISION**

A clean and beautiful Pennsylvania.

### **OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

Education - the key to encourage positive behaviors toward community improvement. | Individual Responsibility - Improving communities, their environment and quality of life all begins with personal responsibility. | Public-Private Partnerships - Broad-based community alliances are essential to achieve sustainable community improvement. | Volunteer Action - By engaging volunteers, we extend the reach of our educational efforts and multiply the impact of our actions.

# KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATES

Allegheny CleanWays Keep Bedford County Beautiful PA CleanWays of Blair County Keep Bucks County Beautiful Tri-County CleanWays (Butler, Lawrence & Mercer Counties) Keep Cambria County Beautiful Clinton County CleanScapes (Clinton & Lycoming Counties) PA CleanWays of Cumberland County PA CleanWays of Elk County PA CleanWays of Fayette County Keep Fulton County Beautiful Keep Huntingdon County Beautiful PA CleanWays of McKean County PA CleanWays of Mifflin County Keep Perry County Beautiful Keep Royal Gardens Beautiful Keep Somerset County Beautiful PA CleanWays of Venango County Keep Washington County Beautiful

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# KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL LOCAL AFFILIATES

Keep Allentown Beautiful
Keep Harrisburg Beautiful
Keep Lancaster County Beautiful
Keep Philadelphia Beautiful
Keep York Beautiful
Reading Beautification, Inc.
Westmoreland Cleanways



We are pleased to present this Annual Report for Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's 2010-2011 Fiscal Year. We had a great year! During the past twelve months, we introduced several new initiatives like Fresh Paint Days and Recycle-Bowl to Pennsylvania. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful

became the state coordinator for the International Coastal Cleanup Program and also launched our new *I Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful* membership campaign. We welcomed three additional members to our affiliate network including Bucks, York, and Mercer Counties and Westmoreland Cleanways worked to become a certified Affiliate of Keep America Beautiful!

In 2012, we will embark on a planning process that will chart a course for the next 3-5 years. As we do that, we will remind ourselves that our success won't be measured in pounds of trash collected or miles of streams cleaned. Instead, by the value our affiliates add to their communities, building strong partnerships and successfully advancing a shared mission, and supporting dedicated community stewards in their efforts to make their communities clean and beautiful. It is in the spirit of volunteerism that this organization was built: the belief that individuals like Joe Divack from Allegheny County, Nicole Chandler from Philadelphia, and Don Baker from Mifflin County, with the right tools and resources can and will make a difference in their communities. It is in that same spirit that we will continue to grow Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful.

We look forward to sharing our plans with you for the next chapter of Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful. Thank you for your continued support of our shared vision, a clean and beautiful Pennsylvania.

Photo: Great American Cleanup, First Savings, Bucks County.

# PENNSYLVANIA LAUNCHES A BAGS LIFE

On America Recycles Day, November 15<sup>th</sup>, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley, the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association, Pennsylvania Retailers Association, Recycling Markets Center and others launched a public education campaign at the Capitol Building in an effort to increase plastic bag and film recycling and reuse. The campaign engaged more than 30 retailers with over 1,400 recycling locations across the state and educates consumers about recycling all plastic bags and films.



Matt Cougles, CEO of Cougle's Recycling, Inc. educates students from Nativity School about the plastic bag bailer at the state launch in Harrisburg.



Nativity School student takes the pledge to keep Pennsylvania beautiful.

# RECYCLE-BOWL

Keep America Beautiful recently announced the launch of "Recycle-Bowl," the first comprehensive nationwide recycling competition for elementary, middle, and high-school students. Recycle-Bowl was created to provide students with a fun and interactive way to learn about waste reduction and environmental responsibility through inschool recycling. The school in each state that collected the most recyclable material during the four-week competition was awarded \$1,000. A national champion was chosen from among the statewide winners to receive an additional grand prize of \$2,500 from Nestle Waters. Greenstar, a contributing partner, awarded an additional \$500 to each of the four runner-up schools in Pennsylvania. There were 80 registered events in Pennsylvania.

# **ILLEGAL DUMPSITE SURVEYS**

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful has surveyed 55 counties since 2005, locating 5,759 dumpsites with an estimated tonnage of 17,088. The counties being surveyed currently include Bradford, Carbon, Chester, Delaware, Montour, and Philadelphia. One of the many purposes of the Illegal Dump Survey Program is to create community awareness of the locations of dumpsites, the hazards they cause, and develop community empowerment to get sites cleaned and keep them clean.

# GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP OF PA

All 67 counties in Pennsylvania were represented in the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Great American Cleanup of PA in 2011! There were 4,222 events involving 159,922 volunteers who collected 7,085,340 pounds of trash from 13,140 miles of roads, railroad tracks, trails, waterways, and shorelines, and 5,887 acres of park and/or wetlands. Additionally, volunteers planted 3,321 trees, bulbs, and plants in an effort to keep Pennsylvania beautiful.







Christy Mathewson Park, Wyoming County

# INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

For the first year serving as statewide International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) day coordinator, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful coordinated the registration of 90 events in 35 counties. More than 227,708 pounds of trash were removed by 3,974 volunteers. KPB has been coordinating ICC events in the southeastern region of Pennsylvania since 2007.

# FRESH PAINT DAYS



"Fresh Paint Days Pennsylvania" is a partnership between Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, PPG Pittsburgh Paints, The Richard King Mellon Foundation, and The Home Depot Foundation. It is designed to provide community groups with paint and painting supplies enabling them to

renew a community structure in need into something beautiful through the application of fresh paint and a lot of elbow grease.

In 2011, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful received 48 applications. Ten grants were awarded throughout the state in seven counties. Each grant winner was provided with up to 40 gallons of exterior paint provided by PPG *Pittsburgh* Paints and \$200 in painting supplies from The Home Depot to transform their structure and the community.

# 2011 KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL NATIONAL AWARDS IN PENNSYLVANIA

# NATIONAL AWARD

**First Place - Kennett Township:** For work on beautifying the abandoned area between their entrance and exit ramps to a limited-access highway in their township.

**Second Place - Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority:** For cleaning every illegal dumpsite six months after the release of the Keep Pennsylvania Beatiful survey, collecting 56,720 pounds of trash and 1,500 tires.

Innovation Award – Keep Philadelphia Beautiful: For Bags to Blankets, a school awareness program aimed at increasing awareness of the recyclability of plastic bags and wraps, and locations where they can be conveniently recycled.

Great American Cleanup and Department of Transportation
Partnership Award - Pennsylvania Department of Transportation: For
providing tremendous support to Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful during
the Great American Cleanup through its network of 7,500 Adopt-AHighway groups to promote, encourage participation, and distribute
supplies to its 67 county maintenance facilities.

State Affiliate Recognition Award - Gold Level - Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful: One of seven state affiliates to be recognized at the Gold Level for carrying out programs such as the Great American Cleanup of PA, International Coastal Cleanup, Cigarette Litter Prevention Program, and America Recycles Day among others.

Great American Cleanup 2011 Recognition Award - Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, Keep Philadelphia Beautiful and Mayor Nutter of Philadelphia: For their work in hosting the 2011 Great American Cleanup National Kickoff in Philadelphia.

### 2011 KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL STATE AWARDS

**Prevent It!** - **Keep Huntingdon County Beautiful** designed a dumpsite field trip for students to witness how the accumulation of simple litter can turn into so much more.

Clean It! - Allegheny CleanWays DumpBusters program has removed 55 sites and 567,100 pounds of debris from Pittsburgh and tackled one of the largest cleanups in the affiliate's history! These volunteers are "on call" seven days a week, 12 months a year to respond to dumping incidents, clean sites, and provide expertise to communities.

**Keep It!** - **Keep Philadelphia Beautiful** Bags to Blankets (see Innovation Award above).

| KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL<br>STATEWIDE STATISTICS |           |             |  |  |
|---|-----------|-------------|--|--|
|   | FY 10-11  | SINCE 1990  |  |  |
| Number of Cleanups                                  | 4,425     | 35,701      |  |  |
| Number of New Adoptions                             | 9         | 314         |  |  |
| Pounds of Trash Removed                             | 8,287,980 | 86,897,316  |  |  |
| Pounds of Scrap Metal Recycled                      | 305,300   | 4,930,956   |  |  |
| Number of Tires Properly Disposed                   | 35,882    | 576,264     |  |  |
| Number of Education Presentations                   | 34        | 2,524       |  |  |
| Number of Youth/Adults Reached                      | 13,859    | 400,531     |  |  |
| Number of Volunteers                                | 165,313   | 1,347,786   |  |  |
| Number of Volunteer Hours                           | 659,223   | 5,405,344   |  |  |
| Total In-Kind Donations*                            | \$736,781 | \$2,111,146 |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Not including volunteer hours

# PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Presented to Nicole Chandler, Keep Royal Gardens Beautiful, for efforts to clean and beautify Morris Park in West Philadelphia, removing hundreds of tons of trash and invasive species. Nicole has led thousands of volunteers to plant hundreds of flowers, vegetables, and trees while generating significant in-kind donations and building an extensive network of volunteers and partnering organizations.

# **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS**

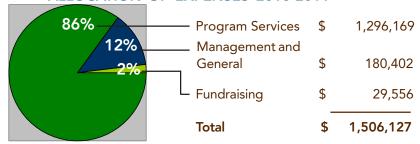
Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful affiliates and local Keep America Beautiful affiliates nominated a local volunteer who was presented with an engraved walking stick as a tribute to their efforts. Those recognized included: Dave Limbacher - Allegheny, Joel Kahl - Bedford, Gregory Delker - Clinton, Diane and Darwin Hollinger - Cumberland, C.I.T.O Geocachers - Fayette, Carl Jaymes - Huntingdon, Econ Refuse Service - Lancaster, Jeff Tanner - McKean, Mindy Williams - Mifflin, Evelyn D'elia - Perry, Mike Cormany - Philadelphia, Les Fitchett - Royal Gardens, Evelyn Genkinger - Tri-County CleanWays, and Nicole McMaster - Westmoreland.

# SUE WISEMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Ross Levin, age 18, from Plymouth–Whitemarsh High School in Montgomery County, received the Sue Wiseman Scholarship for developing and implementing a student run, organic vegetable garden to provide locally grown, healthy food to the student body while educating the broader community. The garden has been incorporated into the school's curriculum and includes sustainable practices.

| STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES September 30, 2011                     |                 |   |
|--|-----------------|---|
| TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT\$                                    |                 | 1,521,873                               |
| FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES  | _               |   |
| Programs and Services<br>Management and General<br>Fundraising | \$<br>\$<br>\$_ | 1,296,169.00<br>180,402.00<br>29,556.00 |
| TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES                                      | \$_             | 1,506,127.00                            |
| EXCESS OF REVENUE AND SUPPORT OVER FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES         | \$_             | (19,900.00)                             |
| STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CON<br>September 30, 2011               | IDI             | TION                                    |
| ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS Cash Account receivable Prepaid expenses | \$<br>\$<br>\$_ | 340,424.00<br>178,050.00<br>19,754.00   |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS   | \$              | 538,228.00                              |
| NET EQUIPMENT  | \$              | 7,009.00                                |
| TOTAL ASSETS   | \$_             | 545,237.00                              |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES           | \$              | 69,831.00                               |
| NET ASSETS   |                 |   |
| Unrestricted<br>Temporarily restricted                         | \$<br>\$_       | 389,451.00<br>85,955.00                 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS   | \$_             | 475,406.00                              |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS                               | \$_             | 545,237.00                              |
|  |                 |   |

# **ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES 2010-2011**



# KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL FUNDERS

A Bags Life

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