



Keep Huntingdon County Beautiful

KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE



2024 Annual Report

Community Greening – Live Staking with Partners

*Huntingdon County Conservation District is a proud member of Chesapeake Conservancy's Live Stake Collaborative program. In collaboration with Chesapeake Conservancy, the district helps plan a unique opportunity for undergraduates from Juniata College. This past year, up to **60 students** got to participate in this event. Live stakes are branch cuttings taken from riparian tree and shrub species that can take root and grow into their own tree – a process similar to propagation.*

Collections

Juniata College students this past winter got to collect live stakes in an event hosted by Chesapeake Conservancy and the district in Huntingdon. Up to 60 students collected **up to 1,000 live stakes** from varying species. Students were educated in the process of live staking, and how this is a low cost and sustainable way to implement more vegetation into a stream

Planting Along Impaired Stream

These same 60 students were able to have a special experience; planting the same live stakes they collected. These stakes were planted within stream stabilization projects and will help with the effectiveness of these structures. Live stakes are a great option to plant within these projects as their roots act as a net in the soil which slows erosion and allows other vegetation to establish in the buffer.



Waterway Cleanup – Tony Seguin Memorial

Huntingdon County Conservation District in partnership with Rothrock Outfitters holds an annual river cleanup of the Juniata River. This was the 11th annual cleanup, and the first year was held in memory of Tony Seguin, an adored community member and owner of Rothrock Outfitters.

Juniata River Cleanup

This year, **up to 50 dedicated community members** helped clean up a section of the Juniata River in the Mount Union area. In total this year, we were able to get **2.31 tons removed from the waterway**. The pizza afterward was an added bonus too, of course.



Educational Outreach – Community Events

Keep Huntingdon County Beautiful reaches out to community members in Huntingdon by talking and interacting with them at tabling events for the conservation district.

Huntingdon County Fair

This year, Keep Huntingdon County Beautiful attended the county fair, and provided a unique experience! At our table, we went over recycling education and had an interactive game on how to dispose of medical waste.

Municipality Night

This is a night where different members and leaders of township municipality come together to meet and greet fellow community members, and to learn about work and outreach going on in the county. At our table, we discussed recycling education, and the benefits of waterway cleanups.

