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## BRISTOL TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EAC) MEMBERS HONORED WITH KEEP PA BEAUTIFUL'S COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARD

*Bristol Township, PA* - Bristol Township School District Board of Directors member Kellie Buchanan has honored EAC Chairman Kody Brittingham and EAC Secretary Arielle Trost with the Keep PA Beautiful Community Pride Award in recognition of their commitment to environmental advocacy, preservation, and education.

Kody Brittingham began serving on the EAC in October 2023. He advocated for the Township to join the Pennsylvania Audubon Council's Bird Town Pennsylvania initiative, resulting in the Township passing Resolution 2024-43.

Arielle Trost began serving as the newly-created Bird Town Committee before being appointed to the EAC, currently serving both as Secretary.

Brittingham and Trost have written multiple articles for the PA Environment Digest as part of the EAC's public education efforts, as well as utilizing the EAC's social media page for that purpose. They have organized multiple community clean-up events, including Bristol Township's Earth Day 2025 event, partnering with Silver Lake Nature Center and Bucks County Parks &

Recreation. They were recently awarded the Bucks County Parent© (Family Focus Media, LLC) 2025 LOVE Award for Nature Educators.

"At Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, we are proud to recognize the exceptional leadership of Kody Brittingham and Arielle Trost in Bristol Township. Their commitment to education outreach, community engagement, and sustainable initiatives, like the Bird Town Program and township wide cleanup events, exemplify the spirit of our mission. Their work not only beautifies public spaces but also empowers residents to take an active role in protecting Pennsylvania's natural heritage. The Community Pride Award is a well-deserved honor that reflects the impact of their dedication," said Shannon Reiter, President of Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful.

## **ABOUT THE COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARD**

The Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Community Pride Award recognizes outstanding environmental stewardship by an individual, school, community, organization or civic group that makes an out standing commitment to littler control, recycling, or general environmental stewardship. The Community Pride Award is available to elected officials to recognize those in the community working to change behaviors at the local level. Elected officials interested in nominating a constituent for a Community Pride Award should visit keeppabeautiful.org and choose Grants and Awards, then Awards, then Community Pride Award for more information. The award is open on a rolling basis.

## ABOUT BRISTOL TOWNSHIP AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Bristol Township is a First-Class Township in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, serving more than 54,000 residents. The Township provides essential services including police, fire safety, public works, parks and recreation, zoning, and community development. Guided by a commitment to responsible government, Bristol Township works to deliver high-quality services, improve infrastructure, and support a safe, welcoming community for all.

Bristol Township's Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) is a dedicated group of community members focused on promoting environmental stewardship, conservation, and sustainability within the Township. The committee serves as an advisory body to the local government, providing insights and recommendations on environmental policies, leading green initiatives, and eco-friendly practices that help protect and preserve natural resources.



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