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LEHIGH VALLEY GREENWAYS 2021 MINI GRANTS AWARDS TO BE ANNOUNCED

WHEN: **THURSDAY, MAY 13th (Lehigh County) – 10:00 AM**
WHERE: Mickley Road Trailhead on the Jordan Creek Greenway, Whitehall
678 Mickley Road, Whitehall PA 18052

EASTON (May 10, 2021) – On May 13, the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (D&L) and Pennsylvania Department of Conservation & Natural Resources (DCNR) will announce 14 local recipients of Lehigh Valley Greenways mini grants during an in-person gathering at 10 a.m. in Whitehall, PA. The press is encouraged to attend.

The announcement, hosted by Whitehall Township, will take place at the Mickley Road Trailhead, located at 678 Mickley Road in Whitehall. The location was selected because Whitehall Township was a 2019 Lehigh Valley mini grant recipient for the "Jordan Creek Greenway Beautification Project at Mickley Road Trailhead" which features an ADA ramp, recently planted native trees and shrubs and a bike repair station and successfully completed the mini grant project this month.

Lehigh Valley Greenways 2021 mini grant awards announced at the event will provide $75,000 of funding to local projects in Lehigh and Northampton Counties matched dollar for dollar by the awardees or another funding source. The mini grant awards are part of Lehigh Valley Greenways Conservation Landscape program, administered by D&L and funded by a grant from the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, Environmental Stewardship Fund. All of the awarded projects support the goals of the Conservation Landscape: land conservation and restoration, outdoor recreation and trail connections, community revitalization, and environmental education and outreach.

Speakers will include Robert Neitz, Internal Coordinator, Lehigh Valley Greenways and Manager, Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center as well as Michael Harakal, Mayor, Whitehall Township.

Lehigh Valley Greenways is one of eight Conservation Landscapes supported by Pennsylvania DCNR and includes more than 25 organizations and municipal partners in Lehigh and Northampton Counties dedicated to the conservation of and connection to our natural resources.

ABOUT THE DELAWARE & LEHIGH NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR
The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that preserves historic pathway that carried coal and iron from Wilkes-Barre to Bristol. Today, the D&L Trail connects people to nature, culture, communities, recreation and our industrial heritage.

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