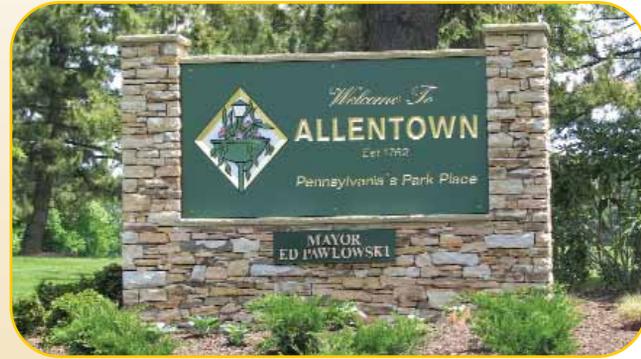


# Capital Project Improvement Plan



## Outdoor Restroom Renovations

Outdoor restroom renovations will take place throughout 2009 in Roosevelt Park, Cedar Creek Parkway, Canal Park, the Rose Garden and the Allentown Municipal Golf Course. A completely new and modern restroom is being constructed in Lehigh Parkway near Kline's Bridge. All restrooms will be renovated or constructed in compliance with current ADA standards.

*New!*

## Department to Begin Citywide Comprehensive Trail Network Plan

With today's obesity epidemic and the nation's rising gas prices, the time has come to put a comprehensive trail network plan into action. The Department of Parks and Recreation is creating a plan that will identify all of the missing links and opportunities for establishing new connections within the city's existing integrated trail system.

This upgraded trail network will link to other modes of the transportation system as well as connect to established trails located outside the city. A team of consultants will assist the department in terms of selecting the best locations and design for this trail network.

Informational public meetings will be held to discuss the progress of the project as well as address questions and concerns from residents. If you have any questions, please email Audrey Cashman at [cashman@allentowncity.org](mailto:cashman@allentowncity.org) or you may send written comments to the Department of Parks and Recreation.



## West Park

West Park is Allentown's first park and is currently celebrating its 100th year anniversary. The park's site amenities, landscaping, band shell, and war memorials have been renovated. New construction includes interpretive signs and an informational gazebo. A new water fountain and security cameras have been added to the park for convenience and safety of park visitors.

## Eastside Lehigh River Trail Development

A trail will be constructed along the eastside of the Lehigh River that will connect Canal Park to Kimmets Lock. This Lehigh River trail development is in direct correlation with the Citywide Trail Network Feasibility Study.

## City Wide Park & Playground Improvements

The Department of Parks and Recreation plans to add security lighting and to upgrade general site amenities as needed at various playgrounds, picnic groves and picnic pavilions throughout the city's park system. Fountain Park, Buck Boyle, Jordan Meadow, and Trout Creek will all undergo field restorations which will create a more professional and athletic atmosphere.



In Allentown, most plastic is not recycled into new plastic bottles but rather recycled into carpeting, clothing, toys, lumber, car parts, computer parts, etc.

## Allentown Municipal Golf Course Improvements

If you haven't played a round at the Allentown Municipal Golf Course recently, now is the time to grab your clubs and head to the course! Renovations are underway which will improve the quality of the driving range and restrooms at the course. Add this to the already immaculate, well maintained 18 hole course and you have one of the most beautiful facilities in the area.

## Arts Walk

An Arts Walk is currently under construction which will connect Allentown's Arts Park to Symphony Hall while running along various downtown businesses.

## Trout Nursery Improvements

The Trout Nursery is currently being renovated to increase overall visitor satisfaction. The site is receiving electrical upgrades, new pond netting and new signage. Structural improvements will be made to connect the trail system to the nursery and beyond.

## City Wide Park Master Plans

Jackson Street Park, Stevens Park, and Jordan Park will each have a master plan created in the near future that will analyze their current state and create a plan to enhance and modernize the facilities to increase overall visitor satisfaction. Thanks to the generosity of PPL, the city has acquired the parking lot at 9th and Turner streets to create a pocket park. Also, a Dog Park Steering Committee is being formed which will determine the best location, construction and management strategy for creating a dog park in Allentown.

## Keck Park

The City of Allentown has applied for a \$400,000 matching grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to restore Keck Park. Trail and field improvements, playground and skate park upgrades, general site amenities, a new irrigation system and additional lighting are planned.

## Pool Renovation & Feasibility Study

A study will soon be underway to evaluate all five municipal pools and the two spray parks in the City of Allentown. A planning development period will follow the study to address the improvements that are needed at these various aquatic facilities, including concessions and maintenance renovations.



Before



After