

## Olyphant Borough

Fern Hill Park Trail Tree Planting

Project Manager: Mark Blauer

1999 Grant Award: \$ 9,000

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The **Fern Hill Park Trail Tree Planting** project improved the aesthetics and educational potential of the Fern Hill Park. The project site is located along a degraded trail system and contains recreation facilities and a jogging/walking trail. Improvements included soil amendments, regrading, and planting of native trees and shrubs along the park trail. Additional grant funds from PA DCNR allowed for complete restoration of the park trail.

### Significant Revisions to Scope of Work

An extension was granted to allow additional time for planting of perennials.

### Project Accomplishments

- Planted 66 trees including 21 evergreens, 45 deciduous, 41 canopy, and 25 flowering;
- Planted 100 shrubs and 196 herbaceous plants;
- Placed 30 cubic yards of mulch;
- Olyphant officials and Donna Murphy conducted a tree inventory;
- Thomas McLane Associates, landscape architects, created a plan for the project site;
- Restored a jogging/walking path around the perimeter of the park;
- Attended 2000 Urban Forestry training at Penn State; and
- Received \$45,000 in special state legislative funds and \$100,000 from PA DCNR Keystone funds to implement Phase I of park improvements.

### Project Value and Match

<b>Grant Award</b>	<b>\$ 9,000</b>
Cash Contributions	<u>\$11,210</u>
<b>Total Project Value</b>	<b>\$20,210</b>

### Project Partnerships

Olyphant Recreation Association – volunteers

Olyphant Borough – project support and architectural engineering

PA DCNR – grant funds