

**Dalton Borough**  
 Dalton Streamside Park  
 Project Manager: Susan Stacknick  
 2000 Grant Award: \$ 40,000

In January 1996, the streambanks of two neighboring **Dalton Borough Parks** were severely damaged by a flood of the Tunkhannock Creek. The Dalton Streamside Park project was initiated to create two linked streamside recreational areas in the heart of the Borough. In addition, the project focused on stabilizing the streambanks and reducing the threat of invasive species. The Borough secured a PA DCNR grant to design the project and sought funding from this Program to implement the greenscape and stabilization components of the plan.

Due to a decrease in the grant award, the Streamside Park focused on the larger of the two properties. An educational walking path was established around the perimeter of the park. Additionally, two natural stone stairways were created to provide access to the stream. Local Scout groups have adopted and are maintaining two new perennial beds. The Borough has also educated community members on the importance of streamside forests on the Tunkhannock Creek.

**Significant Revisions to the Scope of Work**

The scale of the proposed project was revised due to a reduced grant award.

**Project Accomplishments**

- Planted 56 trees including 21 evergreen, 35 deciduous, 38 canopy, and 18 flowering;
- Planted 75 shrubs;
- Placed 3 cubic yards of mulch;
- RBA Group, landscape architects, designed the project;
- Removed 2 hazardous trees;
- Established 16,000 square feet of riparian buffer;
- Established 1/3 of a mile educational walking path; and
- Planted over 200 willow stakes for streambank stabilization.

**Project Value and Match**

<b>Grant Award</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>
Cash Contributions	\$ 2,940
In-kind Contributions	<u>\$ 43,528</u>
<b>Total Project Value</b>	<b>\$ 86,468</b>

**Project Partnerships**

- Countryside Conservancy – financial support and volunteers
- Dalton Borough Road Department – services
- Dalton Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts – volunteers
- Dalton Business and Professional Association – volunteers
- Dalton Fire Company – watering
- Dalton Little League – volunteers
- Dalton volunteers – cleanup, clearing, and planting
- Dalton Women’s Auxiliary – refreshments
- Keystone College – volunteers

