

# Why Should I Care?

# Delaware River Greenway Partnership

## You drink it!

The Delaware River supplies drinking water for more than 15 million people - nearly 5% of our nation's population.



## You learn from it!



The Delaware River Valley is one of the nation's most important heritage corridors. Historical and cultural venues

along the river offer educational resources and activities for visitors of all ages.

## You play in it!

The Delaware River and the surrounding areas provide endless recreational resources for locals and visitors - boating, fishing, camping, tubing, biking, hiking, birding and photography.



## You profit from it!

The Delaware River contributes \$25 billion annually to the region's economy.

The Delaware River is the longest un-dammed river in the United States east of the Mississippi and extends 330 miles from Hancock, N.Y. to the mouth of the Delaware Bay.

The Delaware is bordered by four states, 23 counties and 127 municipalities. The river's watershed encompasses 42 counties and 838 municipalities.

Among the many historical landmarks along the river is Washington Crossing, PA and NJ.



The Delaware River Greenway Partnership (DRGP) focuses on the the Delaware River Valley between the Delaware River Water Gap and Trenton, NJ.

Our goal is to protect and promote the Delaware River and the communities along the river. We do this through our programs: the Delaware River Scenic Byway, the Delaware River Water Trail, the Lower Delaware River Wild & Scenic and the Delaware River Heritage Trail. We develop partnerships with other key Delaware River non-profit and governmental agencies to optimize our effectiveness in achieving our goals.

We sponsor and co-sponsor events and educational activities throughout the year. We focus on family-oriented events whenever possible; we see the youth of today as the conservationists of tomorrow.

River corridor protection and stewardship is a multi-faceted endeavor, including volunteer river cleanups, water quality education, invasive plant removal and native plant propagation.

DRGP played a leading role in the successful campaign to include the Lower Delaware River in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

DRGP provides guides, maps and other information to help visitors better understand the Delaware River corridor and to appreciate its overall importance to our health and livelihood.

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