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Commissioners invite requests for Tourism & Quality of Life Enhancement Grant funding

SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 - CHAMBERSBURG, PA – The Franklin County Commissioners are pleased to announce the 2015 Franklin County Tourism and Quality of Life Enhancement Grant funding round. \$350,000 is available for grants this year. The funding is derived from the pillow tax on overnight stays at hotels in the county, as well as Marcellus Shale impact fees.

The purpose of this grant program is to enhance the tourism experience, promote visitation and overnight stays within Franklin County, improve the county as a destination market for leisure travel, preserve and enhance the historical assets in the county, and to provide bike and walking trails for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike.

Nonprofit organizations and municipalities located within Franklin County whose mission and operations are related to tourism or the improvement of quality of life experiences for county residents are eligible to apply.

Application materials can be acquired by contacting the Franklin County Planning Department at (717) 261-3855 or by visiting: http://franklincountypa.gov/index.php?section=departments_planning. Applications are due by 4:30 PM on October 2, 2015.

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