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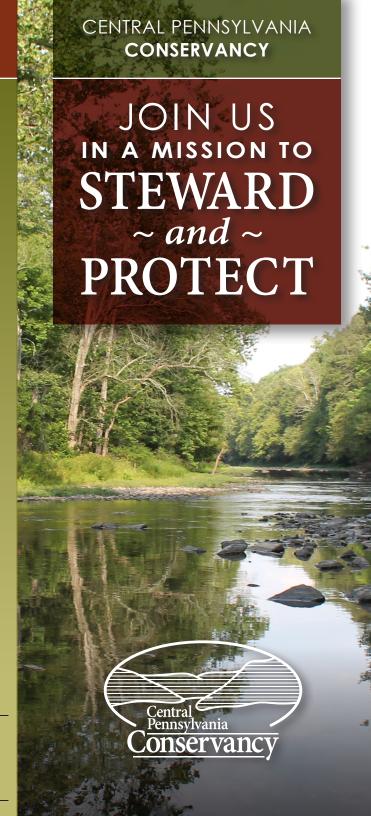
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Central Pennsylvania Conservancy (CPC) is the local land trust for the south-central PA region with a mission to protect natural resources through land acquisition, conservation easements, education, and outreach.

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CPC PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Securing Central PA's Natural Heritage for Future Generations

Central PA Conservancy's mission is to protect critical natural resources in our region through land acquisition, conservation easements, education, and outreach.

We prioritize projects that are critical to:

- ecological sustainability: forests, mountain ridges, special habitats, species of conservation concern, and lands contiguous with other protected land
- water resource protection: spring runs, vernal pools, wetlands, streams, and riparian buffers, and
- open space, outdoor recreation, and historic resource protection for public benefit.

THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN AND THE KITTATINNY CORRIDOR

CPC recognizes the need to protect entire landscapes as part of its guiding strategy. Two important conservation landscapes in our service area feature distinctive geology, ecology, and conservation considerations. The South Mountain greenway stretches 40 miles in parts of Adams, Cumberland, Franklin and York counties and is a mix of dense forests, open farmland, steep slopes and headwater streams, all vulnerable to fragmentation and development. The Kittatinny Ridge stretches 185 miles from the Delaware River southwest to the Mason-Dixon line. Part of the Appalachian range, this vital greenway is critical for migratory bird species, wildlife habitat, climate resiliency, water resource protection, and recreation. With more than 200,000 acres still unprotected, this landscape is also at risk of fragmentation and development. CPC is mobilizing with its partners to secure these landscapes for future generations.



CPC'S LETORT SPRING GARDEN PRESERVE

Located within the South Mountain landscape at the headwaters of a storied limestone trout stream south of Carlisle, our latest acquisition of 35 acres serves as our core nature preserve, just 2 miles from our administrative office.

A Nexus of Preservation Values, the preserve is:

- · a 130-yr old watercress farm with a timberframe barn (1889) and springhouse (1820's);
- the former homestead and trading post of Carlisle's first European settler, James LeTort (1720's);
- · a source of cool and constant water flowing from 4 limestone springs and seeps;
- · home for a Class A Wild Trout Water, Exceptional Value Wetland, and PA Scenic River:
- the southern trailhead of the Letort Nature Trail, a repurposed rail trail extending into Carlisle; and,
- · part of the Letort Greenway, recognized in local plans.

CPC's vision for this property following acquisition is to restore and reconnect the stream and wetland complex to its natural hydrology and demonstrate good habitat management. Beyond restoring the ecology, CPC aims to renovate historic structures and offer recreational access and education about conservation and regional history, in cooperation with its many partners.

JOIN OUR LETORT LEADERSHIP CIRCLE TODAY

We ask for your support as members who have already helped CPC acquire this property. Please help us get these efforts off the ground by demonstrating your leadership support with a gift designated to stewardship and maintenance of the Letort Spring Garden Preserve. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 in stewardship funds by the end of 2020 to support CPC's action plan for the Letort Spring Garden Preserve. With a minimum gift of \$500, you will become a member of the *Letort Leadership Circle*-all *Letort Leaders *will receive an appreciation gift, an invitation to a special event, and recognition in CPC's annual report. Thank you for considering becoming a part of an important local conservation project that will make a lasting difference in your community and local watershed.

Advancing our mission

Your membership contribution goes a long way at CPC. With very limited staff and a dedicated group of volunteers, CPC is able to deliver the following programs each year to advance its mission.

- Land Protection and Outreach Program CPC seeks out easement and acquisition projects that meet its priorities and educates landowners on conservation options.
- Land Stewardship Program CPC annually monitors and stewards 26 conservation easement properties and four fee properties managed as natural preserves.
- Ironmaster's Mansion CPC renovated and operates the 1829 home at Pine Grove Furnace State Park as a 28-bed overnight hostel for hikers and a special events and education facility.





- Goddard Leadership Legacy Institute –
 CPC coordinates a weeklong, conservation
 leadership camp program for youth ages 13-15
 each summer at the Ironmaster's Mansion and
 at the Chesapeake Bay.
- Ironmaster's Challenge CPC partners with the Susquehanna Appalachian Trail Club to host a professionally-timed 50K and 15K trail running event that brings 600 or more visitors from all over the Mid-Atlantic region to Pine Grove Furnace State Park and Michaux State Forest each spring.
- Periodic public events and workshops

 CPC members are invited to participate in public events, partner events, fundraisers and occasional educational workshops about relevant conservation topics.