



March 28, 2013

Dear Supporter,

Thank you for your support for the Renew Growing Greener Coalition. Because of your commitment we have been able to fight budget cuts to conservation, recreation and preservation funding and ensure that money from the state's impact fee on natural gas goes back into protecting our parks, waterways, green spaces and historic treasures.

These are tremendous accomplishments, especially in today's political climate, and we should be proud of what we have been able to achieve by working together.

However, with conservation, recreation and preservation funding perpetually under threat and significantly reduced over the past decade, there is always more that needs to be done.

To that end, I am pleased to announce that the Coalition is expanding its mission and transitioning from the Renew Growing Greener Coalition to the **Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition**.

The new mission of the Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition is to *enhance the health and economic well-being of communities across the Commonwealth by advocating for funding to conserve, protect and restore land, water and wildlife, to preserve farms and historic places, and to provide well-managed parks and recreational areas throughout the state.*

The Coalition's goals are to:

- Protect and enhance funding for existing conservation, recreation and preservation programs including Growing Greener, Keystone, Farmland Preservation, Historic Preservation and the Pennsylvania Heritage Area Program.
- Develop and advocate for a long-term, sustainable investment of funding to fully protect Pennsylvania's land, water, wildlife, farms, parks, recreational areas and historic places.

With this in mind, I hope that you will support the new mission of the Coalition and that your organization will sign the revised Statement of Support - recommitting to being a supporting member at no cost. To continue your support, simply e-mail me at ah Heath@pagrowinggreener.org, call the office at (717) 745-9304 or return the attached membership form in the enclosed envelope.

Additionally, the Coalition is also launching a fundraising campaign to help take its efforts to the next level and further strengthen its work across the Commonwealth. We hope you will consider a donation of \$100, \$500, \$750 or \$1,500 to the Coalition.

These funds will also go toward the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Keystone Fund, a yearlong effort to highlight the accomplishments of the Keystone program.

Your contribution will go a long way toward ensuring that the Coalition is well positioned to meet its goals so that we preserve our heritage for future generations and ensure our children and grandchildren continue to have access to clean drinking water, green open spaces and fresh local food.

Also, I would be honored to come speak to your organization concerning the efforts of the Coalition. We would value the opportunity to discuss current funding opportunities through Growing Greener, Keystone, Act 13 and other such programs. We would also be happy to provide insight and education on effective ways for groups to lobby.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like more information. And don't forget to renew your support for the Coalition!

Thank you again for your ongoing commitment. **Together, we can keep Pennsylvania Growing Greener.**

Sincerely,



Andrew Heath
Executive Director

*The Coalition comprises of 19 core organizations, all of which have significant resources, both financially and in-kind, invested in the Coalition. These 19 organizations serve as the strategic planning and decision-making authority for the Coalition. If you are interested in joining this body, please contact me for additional information.

Audubon of Pennsylvania
Chesapeake Bay Foundation
Foundation for Pennsylvania Watersheds
GreenSpace Alliance
HeritagePA
Lancaster Farmland Trust
Montgomery County Lands Trust
Natural Lands Trust
PA Environmental Council
PA Horticultural Society

PA Land Trust Association
PA Parks and Forests Foundation
PA Recreation and Park Society
Philadelphia Parks and Recreation
Preservation Pennsylvania
The Conservation Fund
The Nature Conservancy
Trust for Public Land
Western Pennsylvania Conservancy



Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition Statement of Support

We / I Support:

The Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition's efforts to secure additional state funding for conservation, recreation and preservation programs, specifically the:

- ✓ Restoration and expansion of Pennsylvania's ***Growing Greener*** program with an increase in state investments by identifying new sources of revenue and/or ending the diversion of money from the Growing Greener Environmental Stewardship Fund to pay the debt on the Growing Greener II bonds
- ✓ Protection of Pennsylvania's ***Keystone Recreation, Park & Conservation Fund***
- ✓ Protection of Pennsylvania's ***Agriculture Preservation*** programs
- ✓ Restoration and expansion of state funding of Pennsylvania's ***Historic Preservation*** programs
- ✓ Restoration of state funding for ***Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program***

Together, ***we will protect*** Pennsylvania's water, land, working farms, forests, special places, communities and recreation opportunities for future generations.

Support the Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition

Sign Our Revised Statement of Support

Yes - We want to continue our support of the Coalition by signing the *revised* Statement of Support

Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Membership Count: _____ How many people benefit from your work? _____

List the **Counties** you operate in:

List the **Senate Districts** you operate in:

List the **House Districts** you operate in:

Support the Pennsylvania Growing Greener Coalition

Donate Today

- Yes - We want to help the Coalition continue its work securing funds for conservation, recreation and preservation in Pennsylvania!

Option #1

Tax-Deductable, Restricted Use

These funds are restricted to education purposes only and may not be used for advocacy

Make checks payable to:

Foundation for Pennsylvania Watersheds

Option #2

Not Tax-Deductable, Unrestricted Use

These funds are needed to continue the advocacy work of the Coalition

Make checks payable to:

The Conservation Campaign

Mail checks to:

Growing Greener Coalition
P.O. Box 103, 137 South Market Street
Elizabethtown, PA 17022