



Nominate a Great Place in Pennsylvania

APA PA is looking for
Great Public Spaces and
Great Greenways/Trails

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA PA) will be recognizing “**Great Public Spaces**” and “**Great Greenways/Trails**” in 2018. Great Places are unique, memorable places that display a wealth of best practices in community planning and serve as models for other communities. They represent the gold standard in terms of having a true sense of place, cultural interest, community involvement, and a sustainable vision for tomorrow. Everyone should be proud of the great planning that is occurring in their community and want it recognized as a model for other communities.

Do you know a public space or greenway/trail that exemplifies planning excellence and promotes a sense of community? Do you think it merits designation as a Great Place in Pennsylvania? If so, NOMINATE IT!

The deadline for Nominations is April 17, 2018. For more information, including guidelines, category criteria, and the nomination form, please visit the APA PA website: <http://planningpa.org/about/great-places-in-pennsylvania-2/>. All Great Public Spaces and Great Greenway/Trail nominations must be submitted online at <http://planningpa.org/events-training/great-places-in-pennsylvania/great-places-submission-form/>.

What Makes a Great Place?

Great Places offer better choices for where and how people live, work, and play. They are enjoyable, safe, sustainable, and desirable. They build healthy and strong communities. Great Places also give their communities an economic boost by helping to attract and retain residents and businesses. Many criteria, including functionality, accessibility, connectivity, community involvement, economic opportunities, forward thinking planning, partnerships, and others, define Pennsylvania’s Great Places.

APA PA will recognize successfully designated Great Public Spaces and Great Greenways/Trails through an array of activities, such as:

- News and social media releases statewide and locally about the designations
- Recognition on the APA PA website
- Coordinated attendance of APA PA representatives at local designation ceremonies in communities choosing to hold such events
- Presentation of a Great Places Certificate and Window Clings
- Recognition at the APA PA Annual Conference