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**PERRY COUNTY AND FULTON COUNTY JOIN PA
CLEANWAYS' GROWING GRASSROOTS NETWORK**

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Greensburg, PA - PA CleanWays is pleased to announce the newest chapters to the growing PA CleanWays network, PA CleanWays of Fulton County and PA CleanWays of Perry County.

PA CleanWays of Fulton County was developed with the support of the Fulton County Conservation District. Greg Reineke will serve as the Chapter Coordinator. Mr. Reineke works for the Fulton County Conservation District as an Environmental Education Specialist. The chapter will be coordinating their first illegal dump cleanups this spring in Thompson Township on April 4th and 25th.

PA CleanWays of Perry County was developed with the support of the Perry County Commissioners and the Perry County Conservation District. Sally Tengeres will serve as the Chapter Coordinator. Ms. Tengeres works for the Perry County Conservation District as a Watershed Specialist. The chapter will be coordinating their first illegal dump cleanup this spring in Saville Township on March 28th.

PA CleanWays, a nonprofit organization based in Greensburg, Westmoreland County, has the mission of empowering people to eliminate illegal dumping and littering in Pennsylvania. PA CleanWays carries out their mission with the help of five affiliates and fifteen chapters across the state. PA CleanWays, along with their affiliates and chapters, have done over 800 illegal dump cleanups and 525 special collection events. Additionally, PA CleanWays adoption groups have done hundreds of litter cleanups across the state. This work couldn't be possible without the efforts of PA CleanWays

volunteers. Well over 40,000 volunteers have donated more than 190,000 hours of service to help clean the state of illegal dumps and litter.

The organization's core programs revolve around illegal dump and litter cleanups, education, local road adoptions, beautification, and proper disposal of hard-to-recycle items. PACW representatives work with interested community members to bring waste haulers; landfill owners; recycling coordinators; municipal, county, and state government; businesses and corporations; environmental and civic volunteer organizations; concerned individuals, the media, and other interested parties together to plan and implement local cleanups. They also actively seek volunteers who will continue to monitor and or adopt the sites after they are cleaned.

Individuals and groups interested in volunteering in Fulton County can contact the PA CleanWays of Fulton County office at 717-485-3547. Those interested in volunteering in Perry County can contact the PA CleanWays of Perry County office at 717-582-5139. If you would like to learn more about PA CleanWays, visit our website, www.pacleanways.org.

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PA CleanWays is a nonprofit organization that helps people who are ready to take action against illegal dumping and littering in their communities. Since 1990, PA CleanWays has been dedicated to empowering people to resolve and prevent these destructive problems by properly disposing over 10,000 tons of trash from Pennsylvania's landscape as well as removing and recycling over 2,100 tons of scrap metal and over 350,000 tires.