

Urban Waters Federal Partnership Delaware River Location

2022 Workplan

Notes: The UWFP Delaware River Location partners have agreed upon the following priorities, in no particular order, for 2022 based on previous accomplishments and feedback. The Delaware River Location focuses on the following four urban areas: Camden NJ, Chester PA, Philadelphia PA, and Wilmington DE. This workplan serves as guidance and, in the spirit of adaptability, is subject to change based on the needs of the community and priorities of Location partners.

1. Plan and participate in local community events that support the goals of the UWFP:
 - a. Urban Waters: Sustainable and Resilient Housing Webinar Series in January
 - b. Plan an event in Chester as part of River Fest in the fall
 - c. Participate in the 2022 Brandywine Shad Fest
 - d. Participate in other community events in each of our four Urban Waters cities as capacity allows
2. Share success stories and resources via honest communication and positive messaging
 - a. Periodic *Estuary News* newsletter Urban Waters stories and updates
 - b. Develop a list-serv of Urban Waters stakeholders to be able to formally share Urban Waters, Environmental Justice, climate change, and other relevant resources
 - c. Keep an updated list of resources at <https://delawareestuary.org/save-the-estuary/urban-waters/>
 - d. Create engaging storytelling social media posts through Partnership for the Delaware Estuary's channels and shared with on-the-ground partners
3. Create a list that identifies projects in each of our four cities that we can help prepare for funding and connect to resources from federal partners. (What are the projects in each city that can help revitalize the community?)*
4. Support local restoration, stewardship, and community revitalization projects*
 - a. Create a mini-grant program to support local restoration and stewardship project opportunities in each of our four Urban Waters cities
 - b. Actively look into and apply for other funding opportunities to support projects
 - c. Support legislation that aligns with the UWFP goals, as applicable
 - d. Write an SOP to be able to provide Letters of Support for projects that support the goals of the UWFP at the Location partner's discretion

*Example project ideas include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Pollinator corridors
- Tree plantings
- Improved access to urban trails and waterfronts
- Stormwater infrastructure
- Living shorelines
- Land reclamation

5. Continue building trusting community and partner relationships
 - a. Look at community and neighborhood plans or talk to community leaders about what local problems we are facing and how we can help solve them
 - b. Identify the contacts for each federal partner in our location
 - c. Serve as a liaison and reduce barriers between community partners and federal agencies