Open Data
From collaboration to publication

Bucks County Planning Commission
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How did we get to open data?
How Bucks County open data went from this:
Bucks County Parcel Viewer
Find and Explore Data

*To purchase parcel data, please contact the Bucks County Board of Assessment

Bucks County Property Records Search

- Boundaries
- Planning
- Open Space & Agricultural Preservation
- Parks & Recreation
- Transportation
- Community Safety
- Elections
- Historic
It all started with an Excel Spreadsheet.

Conversation with District Attorney’s office

Internal Portal web mapping application
Expanding our open data presence

We knew we wanted to do something but weren’t sure where to start.

Met with ESRI
Spoke with the Chesterbrook office to discuss options for our open data

• Showed us the ArcGIS Hub
• Developed a template we could expand
IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 911

Bucks County Overdose Epidemic
Dedicated to helping prevent drug overdoses in Bucks County through education.

Bucks County District Attorney
100 N. Main Street • Bucks County Justice Center • Doylestown, PA 18901
Phone: 215-348-6344
Key Statistics for Bucks County

- **Reported Opioid Overdoses**: 757
  - Occurred in Last 12 Months
  - Source: Bucks County District Attorney

- **Pounds of Medication Collected**: 107,323
  - Since 2013
  - Source: Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.

- **Police Saves**: 588
  - Since 2018
  - Source: Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.

**Age Range of Overdoses**

**Overdoses by Gender**

**What Can We Do Right Now?**

- **Safe Storage and Disposal**
  - What you can do to prevent a greater chance of prescription opioid abuse.

- **Push out the Pushers**
  - Report drug activity.

- **Naloxone**
  - Educate yourself about this life-saving drug.

- **Treatment**
  - Where to seek help & information in Bucks County.
Interactive Maps

- Medication Collection Box Locations
  - Locations of the medication collection boxes in Bucks County
- Treatment Centers
  - Location of treatment providers in Bucks County
- Assessment Providers
  - Location of active assessment providers in Bucks County
- Naloxone Pick Up Locations
  - Locations of the naloxone/narcan pick-up locations in Bucks County
- Opioid Overdose Deaths (12 Months)
  - Interactive map of reported opioid overdose deaths in last 12 months
- Opioid Overdoses (12 Months)
  - Interactive map of reported opioid overdoses in last 12 months
- Police Narcan Saves (12 Months)
  - Interactive map of reported police Narcan saves
- Pennsylvania’s Response to Opioid Epidemic
  - Provides the data behind Pennsylvania’s response to the crisis.
This is the Bucks County GIS public platform for exploring the data of Bucks County and other data that may be important to the residents, business community and visitors of the county.
Bucks County Planning Commission

About Us

The Bucks County Planning Commission (BCPC), an advisory board to the county commissioners, consists of nine appointed members and a staff of 36 employees. The BCPC board members serve without compensation and provide guidance and advice on planning and land use issues. They meet the first Wednesday of every month to transact the business of the commission. State laws, including the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (Act 247) and the Sewage Facilities Planning Act (Act 537), require that county planning commissions review plans of proposed development and sewage facilities. Other state-mandated activities include stormwater management planning for the county’s watersheds.

The planning commission is also responsible for Open Space and Agricultural Preservation Programs, recycling programs, and census information.

Recycling Guide 2018
Reusing and Disposal Alternatives for Various Household Materials: From “A” to “Z”

Newtown Rail Trail FAQs
Bucks County Trails and Recycling Planning
Lower Neshaminy Creek Trail Feasibility Study Final
Upper Neshaminy Creek Trail Feasibility Study
Mid-Queen Anne’s Black Duck Creek Trail Feasibility Study
Bucks County GIS Flood Plain View
Neshaminy Creek Watershed Sediment Reduction Plan Final
Pottstown Creek Act 167 Plan
Neshaminy Stormwater Plan Final

Stormwater Management BMP Brochure
Print Friendly, PDF Friendly

Bucks County Comprehensive Plan 2011 - Final
Bucks County Comprehensive Plan Executive Summary
Bucks County Comprehensive Plan Stakeholders Meeting Materials
Bucks County 2015 Hazard Mitigation Plan
Bucks County Bike Plan Final - November 2012
Bucks County Bike Plan Recommendations
Bucks County Open Space and Greenspace Plan 2011
Bucks County Open Space and Greenspace Plan 2011 Executive Summary
Bucks County Public Transotation Map
2016-2019 Municipal Directory

Our goal is to provide the best possible planning assistance through a variety of techniques that will enhance the quality of life in our Bucks County communities.
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• Easy access
  • IT and Office of Public Information were both key players in launching our open data site to the public
• Commissioners stamp of approval
  • Final step
  • Very supportive
Where do we go from here?

Next Steps

• Bucks County’s Open Data Hub is evolving daily
  • Transportation Initiative Section
• Design tweaks
  • New and improved ESRI functionality
• Work with other Bucks County departments to see how GIS can help
  • Housing
  • Economic Development
• Many more
Latest Bucks County News

- New Walnut Street Bridge Opening Draws Large Crowd in Perkasie
  November 21, 2018
  Full story

- Bucks County Releases Preliminary 2019 Operating Budget
  November 21, 2018
  Full story

- Bucks County Election Returns Certified; Tomlinson Edges Davis
  November 16, 2018
  Full story

- Commissioners to Mark Reopening of Perkasie's Walnut Street Bridge
  November 14, 2018
  Full story
Questions?

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