

Opportunity Knocks *Open Space is a Community Investment*



Thursday, February 25, 2010
Monroe County Conservation District
8050 Running Valley Road
Bartonsville, PA

7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Come Join Community Planner Michael Frank as he presents the Heritage Conservancy's *Opportunity Knocks – Open Space is a Community Investment*, a publication which presents ideas and information that are helpful to local government officials in discussions related to open space use and preservation.

Local governments make many types of investments in their communities to implement their comprehensive plans and to provide a high quality of life for their residents, businesses and property owners. When the municipality buys land for open space purposes or purchases development rights on farmland or sensitive environmental areas, those expenditures often result in savings in the costs of school district and municipal services. More often than not, the savings in school taxes are greater than the taxes paid to conserve important lands.

Opportunity Knocks suggests that it is possible to balance new development with land conservation and the protection of community character. Open space preservation is not an Expense. It is an investment that pays for itself in fairly short order.



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