

POTTSTOWN CITIZENS FOR Enlightened LEADERSHIP

Borough brings in grant dollars

Last fall, Borough Manager Justin Keller presented a list of \$39 million in public improvements the borough plans to make over the next 10 years.

Keller hopes that 70 percent of that work — \$27.5 million — can be funded with grants. He has reason for optimism. Over the last 20 years, Pottstown has applied for \$47 million in grants and been awarded \$37.7 million.

That's a lot of money!

Justin Keller was appointed assistant borough manager in 2016 partly because he was excellent at writing grants. In just the last year, the borough has already been awarded \$3.7 million in grants.



Commentary by
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Source	Project	Amount	Status
DC Fast Charging	Fast Charging Stations	\$24,750	Open
Montgomery County Community	Stormwater inlets	\$200,000	Awarded
Montco 2040	Memorial Park bridge replacement	\$200,000	Awarded
DCED blight remediation	Remediation of 707 Hamilton Street	\$28,000	Awarded
Bureau of Aviation	Rehab parallel taxiway	\$1,093,085	Awarded
EDIDC	Sundstrom Field	\$125,000	Awarded
Bureau of Justice	COPS hiring program	\$375,000	Denied
Bureau of Justice Assistance	Equipment—joint application with Norristown	\$37,540	Awarded
DCED Redevelopment Assistance	1200 High Street Stormwater arch	\$507,462	Denied
DCED Greenways, Trailways, Recreation	Memorial Park Bridge Replacement	\$250,000	Denied
DCNR C2P2	Memorial Park Bridge	\$150,000	Submitted
EPA Brownfields Cleanup	Pollock Park Remediation	\$316,659	Submitted
American Rescue	COVID response	\$1,182,762	Awarded
Wyncote Foundation	Body Cameras	\$75,000	Awarded
CFA Multimodal Fund	Borough Wide LED Conversion	\$750,000	Denied
Bureau of Aviation	COVID Response	\$13,000	Awarded
Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning	Spruce Street Basketball Court	\$25,000	Submitted
TOTAL GRANTS SOUGHT IN 2021			\$5,353,258
TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED THUS FAR			\$3,720,795