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**DAUPHIN COUNTY PRESENTS 6TH ANNUAL PREMIER PROJECT AWARDS**

HARRISBURG, PA – The Dauphin County Commissioners and Planning Commission today presented the sixth annual Premier Project Awards during a luncheon ceremony at the Dixon University Center in Harrisburg.

The awards program acknowledges and encourages planning excellence in Dauphin County, recognizing projects that meet the community, environmental and economic goals of the county’s Comprehensive Plan.

Individuals, organizations, municipalities, public authorities, developers and public/private partnerships were asked to submit projects within Dauphin County for which they were principally involved in design, development or implementation.

The 2017 award winners include the following categories and projects:

- **Growing Our Communities:** Tri County Community Action, for its project “Heart of the Hill - An Action Plan to Unite South Allison Hill”;
- **Growing Our Economy:** Derry Township, for its “Park Boulevard Relocation Project”;
- **Growing Within Our Environment:** H. Edward Black and Associates, Ltd., for its “Dauphin County Heroes Grove” project;
- **Small Project Award:** Derry Township, for its “2017 Zoning Ordinance”;
- **The Timothy P. Reardon Excellence in Planning Award:** RGS Associates, Inc., for Phase 1 of its “Fort Hunter Park Master Plan Implementation” project.

Steve Deck, executive director of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, said this year’s categories reflect the recent adoption of the Dauphin County Comprehensive Plan. “The plan establishes an overall vision for the future of the county, setting our direction and identifying our goals. And the winners of this year’s awards demonstrate how Dauphin County’s planners, local governments and businesses are helping to make it happen,” Deck said.

This year’s program also featured the first Timothy P. Reardon Excellence in Planning Award, a “best overall project” designation named for TCRPC’s former executive director, who retired in December after 34 years with the commission.

The competition’s judges, representing a variety of planners, engineers and local governments from throughout Dauphin County, praised this year’s 12 entries for their vision, innovation, public involvement, government cooperation, and sensitivity to the area’s history and environment.

The five winners of this year’s Premier Project Awards bring to 27 the total number of awards presented since the program began in 2011.

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