

Spring 2020



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Visit our
Website



Your quarterly news & updates

TCWP cares about the health and safety of everyone who supports our organization. In an effort to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), TCWP has decided to postpone events through March 31st.

Please continue to check our event calendar for updates on our planned events in April and May.

Be safe and well!

Want event dates to put on your fridge? [Click here to be added to a physical mailing.](#)



ABOVE: TCWP staff, Board and local mayors gather for a group photo.

Winter Events

TWCP was pleased to offer several events in the winter 2019-2020 season. Some of the most notable included:

- Stormwater Solutions Conference
- Professional Education Workshop
- TCWP Annual Open House and Meeting
- TCWP Annual Mayors Breakfast at Blue Canyon Restaurant
- Ethics and Engineer Professional Workshop

Visit our full Event Calendar



ABOVE: Winter workshop attendees listen to presentations

Upcoming Spring Events

TCWP is excited to offer several new and returning events for Spring 2020. For complete details please see the calendar link above. Some of the planned events include:

- [April 18](#) Garlic mustard pull at Cleveland Metroparks
- [April 21](#) Rain barrel workshops in Northfield Village
- [May 16](#) Garlic Mustard pull at Cleveland Metroparks
- [May 19](#) Rain barrel Workshop in Macedonia
- May 28 Invasive Tapas Dinner and Fundraiser at Forest City Brewery

Members & Partners are the Key to our Success

Business Members

Thank you to our business members! If you own a business and would like to become a member or learn about our services to members, check out [our website](#).

Pond Brook Premier

ADS Advanced Drainage System

Beaver Run

Davey Resource Group
GPD Group

Deer Lick

Good Nature Organic Lawn
inSite Advisory Group, LLC
Mark Haynes Construction
OPN Seed
OHM Advisors
Partners Environmental Consulting, Inc.
Stephen Hovancsek and Associates, Inc.

Environmental Design Group
EnviroScience
Hop Tree Brewing
Hull & Associates, Inc & Smith Group
Robinson Lawn & Garden Center
Stone Environmental
The Shelly Company
Western Reserve Cable TV Consortium
Western Reserve Land Conservancy

Individual Membership

Individual Memberships help us provide services to communities in the watershed through:

- Stream restoration projects
- Education and outreach on watershed health and protection
- Building community partnerships to preserve and protect natural resources
- Hosting the Ohio Stormwater Conference and other education workshops

Community Members

Thank you to our community members! You can learn more about our services to communities at [our website](#).

Aurora
Beachwood
Bedford
Bedford Heights
Boston Heights
Glenwillow
Hudson
Macedonia
Maple Heights
Northfield
North Randall
Oakwood
Reminderville
Solon
Streetsboro
Twinsburg
Twinsburg Township
Valley View
Walton Hills
Warrensville Heights

All Membership Levels includes the Quarterly Newsletter, Invitation to the Annual Open House and Many Opportunities to Volunteer

Membership Levels	
Watershed Friend:	\$25
• All the above	
Watershed Supporter:	\$50
• Watershed Friend level perks	

In 2019, we expanded staff to offer these services and more. We are connecting twenty communities and the Soil and Water Conservation Districts in Northeast Ohio. Support of individuals like you, help make a difference in both the Tinker's Creek and Brandywine Creek Watersheds.

[Become a member](#)

- SWAG Bag
- Watershed Advocate: \$100
 - Watershed Friend level perks
 - T-shirt
 - Ticket to Drinker's for Tinkers Event
 - 10% off on workshops
- Watershed Hero: \$300 gt
 - Watershed Friend level perks
 - T-shirt
 - 2 Tickets to Drinker's for Tinkers Event OR 2 Tickets for Dinner for Golf Outing
 - 10% off on workshops

Restoration Projects



BEFORE: Flooding was prevalent at the Bedford City School District bus garage.



AFTER: This unnamed tributary has been given a floodplain and more stable banks.

Get involved! Check out events near you!

[Events calendar](#)

TIPS TO PROTECT OUR WATERSHED



It is important to remember to keep the environment in mind when preparing your yard for spring. Take care to keep from over fertilizing and allowing the fertilizer runoff to enter streams or sewer systems. Fertilizer runoff is a primary contributor to algal blooms and degraded water conditions. Try to utilize eco friendly lawn care methods to maintain your yard such as using rainwater to water lawns and planting a buffer garden between grass and any impervious surfaces to minimize the risk of runoff.

Northern Ohio Watershed (NOW) Corps



SERVE OHIO
Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism



We are excited to announce that our program is growing! We are happy to be introducing two new Host Sites for our 2020-2021 Service Year: Summit Soil & Water Conservation District and the University of Akron Field Station.

Recruitment for our 2020-2021 Service Year will be going full swing in the next couple of months. Stay tuned for more information on the opportunities available, or [connect with our Program Manager](#) today!



Check out some of our member stories!

"Hi! My name is Abbey, and I serve as a Naturalist with Cleveland Metroparks at the Watershed Stewardship Center. My main role in this position is to share the importance of our local watersheds along with the plants and wildlife within them. Every day looks a little different in my position! You might find me caring for our live animals, teaching school groups, leading hikes, and more. I encourage you to stop by and explore our amazing nature center and reservation!"

"My favorite experience from this month was when I met the county Engineer at the local Walmart because their retention pond outlet kept getting clogged. We suspected that beavers had moved in and started damming up the pipe, and once I started to document photos of the damage and surrounding areas, a beaver started swimming right towards me! Needless to say, our suspicions had been confirmed. We were then able to get ahold of the land owner and bring his attention to the problem, and he was able to contact a local company to come help facilitate removal of the beavers."

"My favorite service experience this month was definitely the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) and Hazardous Spills training we hosted for the Erie County Municipal Employees. We had cooperation from the Ohio EPA and EMA (Emergency Management Agency) to create a flow-chart on spills procedure, including who to call, when reporting is required, and where to take the materials once they are contained. The most exciting part about this was that I was in charge of creating the flow chart. Essentially, I was in charge of creating and implementing our hazardous spills procedure for the entire county! It was a little overwhelming at first, but the EPA and EMA were both very helpful and very encouraging. In the end, we had a very successful training, and I was able to learn a lot in the process. That was a proud day for me."

Visit us [online](#), or contact our NOWCorps Program Manager for more information!

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