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**Cranberry Again Named Banner Community**

For the ninth consecutive year, Cranberry Township has been named a Banner Community by Allegheny County and the Allegheny League of Municipalities.

Being recognized as a Banner Community indicates a commitment to professional development, prudent fiscal management, transparency, accountability, and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders. A total of 71 municipalities and five municipal authorities were recognized with the 2021 award.

Township Manager Dan Santoro said the award is particularly appreciated following a 2020 that saw several challenges arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Our elected officials and staff have gone above and beyond to ensure we continued to offer the highest quality service possible,” he said. “Being named a Banner Community shows our continued commitment to making Cranberry a great place to live, work and play. Providing such quality services is part of how we do business.”

Cranberry is one of 16 municipalities to have been part of the Banner Community Program since its inception in 2013.

“All of our communities have been stressed during this pandemic, and perhaps none more than local governments which have had their finances as well as their operations impacted. Yet throughout these challenges, these municipalities continue to serve the residents of their community in ways that set them apart,” said Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald.

Cranberry Township is a member of the Allegheny League of Municipalities, a nonprofit organization created in the early 1960s to coordinate the needs of the area’s local elected officials. In 1974, it was officially established as the Allegheny League of Municipalities to coordinate, advocate and educate the hundreds of elected officials within its member municipalities in Allegheny County and southwestern Pennsylvania. The organization educates elected officials, delivers essential resources, and advocates for sound policy and legislation.