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**Cranberry Township Earns Banner Community Distinction**

Cranberry Township has been named a Banner Community by the Allegheny League of Municipalities for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

Being recognized as a Banner Community indicates a commitment to professional development, prudent fiscal management, transparency, accountability, and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders. This work, in turn, engages community stakeholders.

Board of Supervisors Chairman Bruce Hezlep said earning the award is always an honor.

"We take great pride in receiving this award, as it affirms our commitment to creating a world-class community," he said. "The community has high expectations, and we work hard daily to meet and exceed those expectations."

To be eligible for the distinction, municipalities must:

- Participate in educational or training programs through ALOM, the Local Government Academy, or the PA Department of Community & Economic Development
- Be active members in good standing with ALOM and the county municipal associations
- Be active members in good standing in a COG, attend COG meetings, and participate in a COG cooperative purchasing program
- Conduct a Local Government Week activity promoting local government or communicating with the community about delivery of services
- Conduct an effective Citizen Communication Program by offering a municipal newsletter or web-based communication effort
- Promote and implement long-term sustainable governing practices by earning certification through Sustainable Pittsburgh, managing employee pensions at funding levels of 90% or above, and implementing goals of an up-to-date Municipal Comprehensive Plan