CARNEGIE BOROUGH Litter Management Plan

2020

Our Litter Management Plan aims to protect natural heritage and achieve clean public and private spaces within the community and enhance sustainability.

Litter negatively impacts the beauty and cleanliness of a community. Tens of millions of dollars are spent cleaning up and disposing of litter every year in Pennsylvania. A cost that could be significantly reduced if every community did their part to prevent litter.

Prevention Proposals

- Ongoing education and awareness campaigns.
- Work with the school district to heighten awareness of the problems caused by littering and focus on preventative measures such as an "Adopt a Street" initiative.
- Anti-littering advertising at community events.
- Support and encouragement for local community groups organizing cleanups.
- Increase awareness of public recycling bin and drop off locations.
- Promote community involvement. Hours spent cleaning up litter by DPW could be otherwise spent performing other tasks.

PA Vehicle Code, Title 75, Chapter 49

A summary offense and may be sentenced to:
1. If no injury or damage, pay a fine of between $100 and $300.
2. If it results in injury or damage to another vehicle or property, pay a fine of between $300 and $1,000. Fines are doubled in designated Litter Enforcement Corridors.

For additional infomation on litter from PennDOT

www.penndot.gov/about-us/RoadsideBeautification/LitterFacts/Pages/Enforcing-Litter-Laws.aspx

Carnegie's First Steps to Combat Litter

- **Address main causative factors**

  WHO?
  pedestrians
  passing motorists
  WHAT?
  food containers
  plastic bottles
  aluminum cans
  WHERE?
  business district
  routes toward highway ramps
  WHY?
  lack of awareness
- **Heighten Awareness with anti-littering education in online and printed formats**
- **Enforcement**

Carnegie Borough will seek public participation from:

- Voluntary groups
- Businesses
- Residents
- School groups

