

Tinker's Creek Watershed Partners, incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 2006, are committed to supporting local communities and fostering partnerships to ensure the continued health of Tinker's Creek and Brandywine Creek watersheds. Annual community memberships help us to provide the following services to watershed member communities:

- MS4 Permit Compliance
 - Expert guidance for local governments and councils in understanding and implementing MS4 permit requirements
 - Assistance in keeping regulations current and aligned with evolving environmental standards and best practices
- Community Stormwater Program Enhancement
 - Recommendations for community stormwater program optimization
 - Assistance with implementation of stormwater control measure (SCM) practices to manage stormwater runoff
 - Assistance with erosion and sediment control, riparian and wetland setbacks, and water quality concerns
- Watershed Management Guidance
 - Training opportunities for landowners, community professionals, and municipal workers
- Financial Resource Assistance
 - Guidance on financial incentives associated with watershed management, conservation, and pollution prevention
 - Assistance in grant acquisition for environmental projects

Community memberships are currently available for 1-3 year terms, starting at \$1,500 per year.

Additional services offered:

- **Stormwater control measure inspections**
- **Illicit discharge inspections**
- **PIPE services (Public Information, Public Education)**
- **Good Housekeeping services**



Our Mission

To protect and restore water quality and habitats in Tinker's Creek and Brandywine Creek watersheds through community partnerships.

Our Vision

Clean Water, Healthy Habitats, Engaged Communities

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TINKER'S CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERS, INC. 2024-25 WATERSHED ACTIVITY REPORT

This report celebrates the impact of **Tinker's Creek Watershed Partners (TCWP)** in 2024 and 2025 and outlines exciting opportunities for collaboration in 2026. With the steadfast support of our members, TCWP has emerged as a leading organization in environmental education and technical services, proudly serving over 20 communities across the **Tinker's Creek** and **Brandywine Creek** watersheds.

Our dedicated team of four professionals brings a wealth of expertise in watershed protection, environmental education, planning, policy, and stormwater management. Since 2015, our partnerships have secured over \$5 million in restoration funding for watershed communities—funding that has played a pivotal role in reducing flooding and erosion, while improving water quality and enhancing natural habitats.

Over the past **two years**, our efforts have resulted in the restoration of nearly **1,200 linear feet of stream**, engaged over **200 participants in rain barrel workshops**, and **monitored water quality at 17 sites** throughout the watershed. Through events like the **Ohio Stormwater Conference**, webinars, workshops, and a variety of community, library, and school programs, we have **educated more than 3,000 individuals each year** on topics critical to both professionals and residents. These educational touchpoints empower community members with the knowledge to make sustainable choices in backyard conservation and land management.

Investing in stormwater management and watershed-based education offers significant economic returns for communities, including:

- **Reduced Infrastructure Costs and Mitigated Flood Damage**
- **Increased Property Values and Property Tax Revenue**
- **Lower Water Treatment Expenses** for communities that treat their own water
- **Enhanced Climate Resilience**
- **Engagement and Pride** among residents, fostering a stronger sense of community

By becoming a member of TCWP, your community is actively contributing to a healthier, more sustainable environment, reducing future costs, and safeguarding the well-being of both upstream and downstream areas. We look forward to building on our shared successes and achieving even greater environmental benefits together in the coming year. **Let's continue to make a lasting impact—join us in 2026 to protect and enrich our watershed communities.**

