



**Lehigh Valley/Berks Section of
APA Pennsylvania**

Recap of 2025 Activities

- Held Section Council Meetings on the following dates: January 16, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 15, June 12, September 11, and October 22.
- Provided section representation at APA Pennsylvania Executive Committee meetings on Zoom on February 7 and April 11.
- Provided section representation at APA Pennsylvania Board of Directors meetings in Harrisburg on March 21, June 13, September 12, and December 12.
- Provided section representation on the following APA Pennsylvania Committees: Legislative Committee, Professional Development Committee, Communications & Membership Committee, Great Places Committee, and Student Engagement Committee.
- Sponsored two CM events in the section: the PA Land Use Institute at Albright College in April, and the Lehigh Valley Land Use Seminar in Center Valley in November.
- Held two presentations at in-person Section Council meetings for the South Whitehall Comprehensive Plan and the Upper Macungie Community Center.
- Expanded communication efforts across the section, including: developing/increasing email contact list; sending monthly newsletters with events, job opportunities, and local news; providing agendas and minutes for every Section Council Meeting and archiving it online; and providing section representation at events in the community.
- Launched a Section Scholarship for anyone taking the AICP exam.
- Coordinated with the Section Events and Education Committee to develop more CM and social events for members, as well as to engage with local universities, such as Lehigh University.
- Formed the 2026 Conference Planning Committee and Subcommittees to begin coordinating efforts for the Bethlehem state conference.
- Held Section Council Elections for all positions, with the following being the 2026-2027 Section Council:
 - **Section Chair:** Craig Beavers
 - **Section Vice-Chair:** Samantha McLean
 - **Section Treasurer:** Richard Roseberry
 - **Section Secretary:** Isabella Fiume
 - **Section Council Member (Professional Planner):** Christopher Strohler, Molly Wood, Meredith Keller
 - **Section Council Member (Planning Commissioner):** Brian Hite, Sean Ziller