

**ACT 13 MARCELLUS LEGACY FUND PROJECT RATING POINT SYSTEM**

County Act 13 projects are rated by the Mifflin County Planning and Development Department staff in consultation with the Mifflin County Parks and Recreation Council on a 100 point scale based on the following criteria. The maximum number of points to be assigned for each category is listed below along with a description of the manner in which the number of points to be awarded is determined. A threshold of 50 point minimum is required to be considered for funding.

**20 Proven Need for the Project**

The seriousness of the project is rated in comparison to other proposed projects considering concerns such as safety, loss of economic and natural resources, community benefit, number of people impacted, etc.

**25 Level of Activity Planning**

The amount of preparation made for the project is rated in comparison to other proposed activities. Planning efforts include having detailed cost estimates and/or specifications prepared by a contractor or other knowledgeable professional, letters of support, previous applications for same project, and evidence of discussions regarding project. This factor also addresses the readiness of the project to proceed once funding is received.

The following are example of how points will be awarded in this category. A maximum of 25 points will be awarded.

Points	Activity
10	Detailed drawing and specifications
5	Feasibility study completed
5	Quote from contractor
5	Letters of support
0	No planning activities

**10 County Comprehensive Plan Implementations/County Greenway, Open Space and Rural Recreation Plan**

If an activity is consistent with the goals established by the County Comprehensive Plan the activity receives 10 points. If the activity is not-compliant with the Plan no points are awarded. No fraction of points will be awarded in this category

**10 Mifflin County Parks and Recreation Council**

Applicants that have consistently participated in meetings (not missing more than 4 schedule meetings in the last 12 mths) receive 5 points. Applicants that have participated in providing financial support in the past 12 months will receive 5 points.

**10 Previous Grants**

Project applicants which have not received County Act 13 funds in the previous 4 or more years will receive 10 points. Those who have received money within the past 3 years will receive proportional points based on satisfactory completion of Act 13 projects. (1 year – 4 points, 2 years – 6 points, 3 years – 8 points)

**5 Training**

Act 13 Grant training will be held in conjunction with the Mifflin County Parks and Recreation Council meeting. The training will provide information that will assist applicants to have successful applications. Applicants who participate in the training receive 5 points.

**20 Leverage**

The purpose of the Act 13 funding is for shared projects. Points are assigned in proportion to other funds committed to the project.

80% match	=20 points
60% match	=15 points
40% match	=10 points
20% match	= 5 points
0 match	= 0 points

For example: total project cost is \$100,000, \$20,000 is provided from another source ( $20,000 / 100,000 = .20$  or 20%), 20% of the 25 points are awarded ( $25 \times .20 = 5$  Points).