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Park Road Pedestrian Bridge Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Upper Uwchlan Township officially cut the ribbon and opened the newly constructed Park Road Pedestrian Bridge on Thursday, June 14, 2012 at 11:00 am. The Upper Uwchlan Township Board of Supervisors was joined in this occasion by Congressman Gerlach and representatives from Senator Rafferty's office and numerous officials from Chester County, PennDot – District 6, the Pennsylvania Turnpike and many more project supporters.



Pictured left to right; Dr. Bob Phillips, P&R; Supervisors Guy Donatelli, Kevin Kerr, Cathy Tomlinson; Congressman James Gerlach; Township Manager Cary Vargo and Ben LaGarde, Tax Collector.

The project consists of a 1,000 foot asphalt trail extension, immediately adjacent to Park Road, from Heather Hill Drive to the Township's Hickory Park, and the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the Pennsylvania Turnpike to allow for the safe passage of pedestrians and bicyclists. The total cost of the project was approximately \$1,364,000. The project was funded in part by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration SAFETEA – LU Grant program and the Chester County Municipal Grant Program, Round 22. Project supporters included Congressman Gerlach, Representative Schroder, Senator Rafferty, the Chester County Commissioners, the Chester County Planning Commission, the Chester County Department of Open Space, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, and PennDot – District 6. The project was constructed by J.D. Eckman, Atglen, PA. Project management and inspection was provided by Czop/Specter, Worcester, PA. Upper Uwchlan Township thanks all involved in the development and construction of this project. For additional information and a photographic history of construction of the Park Road Trail, please visit the Township's website located at www.upperuwchlan-pa.gov.



Save the Date - Block Party
June 15, 2013, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

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Diane Kucinski	Cruz Sigala

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Richard Ruth
 Gilmore & Associates: Hank Clemmer, Assistant Fire Marshal

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Ben LaGarde

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John D. DeMarco

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Elena Kelch, Secretary	Officer Robert Davis
Sergeant Chris Bright	Officer Paul Kemme
Detective Tom Jones	Officer David Stiteler
Corporal Joseph Carr	Officer Brian Gathercole
Officer Kyle Sherman	Officer Robert Paradis
Officer Steven Jones	Officer Charlie (K-9)
Officer Adam Pozza	

TOWNSHIP TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Administrative: 610-458-9400
 Police Department: 610-458-5862

WEBSITE: www.upperuwchlan-pa.gov

Boards, Authorities, Commissions & Officials

Pennsylvania counties are divided into four principal types of municipalities — cities, boroughs and townships of the first and second class — with each kind operating under a different code of State Laws. Chester County has one city (Coatesville), 15 boroughs, one township of the first class (Calm) and 56 townships of the second class.

In 1858, when the original Uwchlan Township was divided into Uwchlan and Upper Uwchlan, the present Upper Uwchlan Township was incorporated as a township of the second class. As such, it is permitted to elect and appoint certain officials. Elected officials are Supervisors, Auditors and Tax Collector. Each group is independent of the others.

Additionally, elected officials who represent Upper Uwchlan, as well as other Municipalities, are: School Director, District Justice, Constable and your Federal, State and County Representatives.

A list of who's who and how to contact them follows:

ELECTED OFFICIALS

U.S. SENATORS

Robert P. Casey, Jr.

383 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510
 Harrisburg Office:
 22 S. Third St., Ste. 6A
 Harrisburg, PA 17101
 717-231-7540 • Fax: 717-231-7542

Website: www.casey.senate.gov

Patrick Toomey

B40B Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
 Washington, DC 20510
 202-224-4254 • Fax 202-228-0284
 District Office:
 600 Arch Street, Suite 9400
 Philadelphia, PA 19106
 215-597-7200 • Fax 215-597-0406
 pat@toomey.senate.gov

U.S. CONGRESSMAN

James Gerlach - 6th District

111 E. Uwchlan Avenue
 Exton, PA 19341
 610-594-1415 • Fax: 610-594-1419
 Website: www.gerlach.house.gov

STATE SENATOR

John Rafferty, Jr. - 44th District

Collegeville Professional Building
 3770 Ridge Pike
 Collegeville, PA 19426
 610-831-8830

Website: www.senatorrafferty.com

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Curt Schroder - 155th District

315 Gordon Drive
 Exton, PA 19341
 610-524-5595 • Fax: 610-524-5667
 Website: www.curtschroder.com

DISTRICT JUSTICE

Lori Novak Donatelli

75 E. Uwchlan Avenue
 Ste. 110, PO Box 501
 Lionville, PA 19353
 610-524-7456 • Fax: 610-524-6341

DOWNINGTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Lawrence J. Mussoline, Superintendent

Website: www.dasd-adm.org



New Voter ID Law

With the Presidential Election right around the corner, it is to your benefit to check out the new Voter ID Law at the following address: www.dmv.state.pa.us/home/index.shtml

REMEMBER TO VOTE! NOVEMBER 6, 2012

If you have not registered to vote in Chester County, go to the following link and register TODAY at: www.chesco.org/election

Tips to Properly Obey Stop Sign Laws

Motorists often come upon a Stop Sign during their travels within the community. Motorists are required to comply with the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code. The law governing motorists is clearly defined;

Except when directed to proceed by a police officer or appropriately attired persons authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign shall stop at a clearly marked stop line or, if no stop line is present, before entering a crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if no crosswalk is present, then at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a clear view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering. If, after stopping at a crosswalk or clearly marked stop line, a driver does not have a clear view of approaching traffic, the driver shall after yielding the right-of-way to any pedestrian in the crosswalk slowly pull forward from the stopped position to a point where the driver has a clear view of approaching traffic. The driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute a hazard during the time when the driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways and enter the intersection when it is safe to do so.

Motorists who fail to properly stop at a stop signed intersection create a substantial risk to their personal safety and the safety of others. A citation issued for failing to properly stop carries a fine of \$109.50 and three points assessed to your driving record. Help prevent a tragedy from occurring and come to a complete stop, look to see that it is safe to proceed before doing so.



The Ludwigs Corner Fire Company's

SPIRIT NIGHT

October 25th

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Chick-fil-A in Lionville
211 Eagleview Boulevard
Exton PA, 19341



There will be Fun Activities, Fire Trucks, and 100% Chicken that benefits the 100% Volunteers

www.ludwigscornerfire.com

Use of Interactive Wireless Communication Devices for Text-based communications while operating motor vehicles is prohibited. Please read the following important information to familiarize you with the newly enacted law.

"Interactive wireless communications device". A wireless telephone, personal digital assistant, smart phone, portable or mobile computer or similar device which can be used for voice communication, texting, e-mailing, browsing the Internet or instant messaging. The term does not include any of the following:



1. A device being used exclusively as a global positioning or navigation system;
2. A system or device that is physically or electronically integrated into the vehicle; or
3. A communication device that is affixed to a mass transit vehicle, bus or school bus.

3316. Prohibiting text-based communications.

- a. Prohibition. No driver shall operate a motor vehicle on a highway or traffic way in this Commonwealth while using an interactive wireless communication device to send, read or write a text-based communication while the vehicle is in motion. A person does not send, read or write a text-based communication when the person reads, selects or enters a telephone number or name in an interactive wireless communications device for the purpose of activating or deactivating a voice communication or a telephone call.
- b. Penalty. A person who violates subsection (a) commits a summary offense and shall upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$50.
- c. Definition. As used in this section, the term "text-based communication" means a text message, instant message, electronic mail or other written communication composed or received on an interactive wireless communication device.

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Vehicle Maintenance

By Maintaining your car properly you can prevent oil leaks, heavy metals and toxic chemicals from traveling from your car onto the street. Rain washes oil and other hazardous chemicals from the street into the nearest storm drain, ultimately draining into the Delaware and Schuylkill Rivers, the source of drinking water for many. Just imagine the number of cars in our region and the amount of oil that finds it's way into our local waterways! It has been estimated that each year over 180 million gallons of used oil is disposed of improperly (Alameda CCWP), and that a single quart of oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of drinking water (NDRC.). Please follow proper automotive maintenance.

Maintaining Your Vehicle:

- Maintain your car and always recycle used motor oil.

- Check your car or truck for drips and oil leaks regularly and fix them promptly. Keep your vehicle tuned to reduce oil use.
- Use ground cloths or drip pans under your vehicle if you have leaks or if you are doing engine work. Clean up spills immediately and properly dispose of clean up materials.
- Collect all used oil in containers with tight-fitting lids. Old plastic jugs are excellent for this purpose.
- Recycle used motor oil. Many auto supply stores, car care centers, and gas stations will accept used oil. Do not pour liquid waste down drains, sinks or storm drains.
- Do not mix waste oil with gasoline, solvents, or other engine fluids. This contaminates the oil which may be reused, increases the volume of the waste, and may form a more hazardous chemical.
- Never dump motor oil, antifreeze, transmission fluid or other engine fluids into road gutters, down the storm drain or catch basin, onto the ground, or into a ditch.
- Many communities have hazardous waste collection days where used oil can be brought in for proper disposal. Find out about your program. Recycling just one gallon of used oil can generate enough electricity to run the average household for almost 24 hours.
- Try to use drain mats to cover drains in case of a spill.
- Store cracked batteries in leak proof secondary containers.

Learn about the MS4 Program. Info. on Page 7.

Public Works: Work Zone Safety

As a reminder, the Public Works Department asks that all motorists be aware of their speed as they travel through the various work zones that will be set up throughout the Township during construction activity. The traffic cones, barrels and signs are there to protect both the workers and the motorists. So please, watch your speed and obey the signage.

Help Public Works Serve You

- Report unsafe road conditions to the Township office.
- Please remember to remove all sports equipment and basketball goals from the streets before the first snowfall. The Township is not responsible for damage to items left in the roadway. They inhibit snow plowing efforts and the items may be removed by Township personnel.
- Do not park in the street or plow your driveway snow into the street during snow or ice removal events.
- To allow emergency vehicles, delivery trucks, trash trucks and snow plows to pass through your neighborhood safely, please cut all foliage, trees and shrubbery back beyond the roads edge and at a height of 14 foot. If you do not complete the work, the Public Works Department will cut trees and shrubbery along the road



frontage of your property. This will be a rough cut and not a fine cut. For this reason, the results of this work cannot be guaranteed to your satisfaction. Therefore, it is in your best interest to perform the trimming yourself. Due to a variety of factors, autumn and spring is the most appropriate time for us to perform these trimming functions.

- When mowing your lawn, blow mowed grass into your yard not into the street where it can clog storm water inlets and possibly flood some ones home. Property owners are responsible for maintenance of grass and trees in the street right-of-way all the way to the asphalt cartway. This is especially important on corner lots where roadway sight distance can become obscured.

Snow Clearing Tip

- Our aim during snow removal is not to work against your driveway clearing efforts. Please allow our snow removal team to clear your street from curb to curb before you clear the last part of your driveway. We first make a pass in the center of the roadway on all streets so that if an emergency vehicle needed to get to you, they would have a clear lane. Then, we return to your street to finish clearing the road. If you clear your driveway all the way to the end before we complete our final pass, the plow will empty all the snow it is pushing into the void that you have created. If you wait until we have completed the clearing of your street, you will only have to clear one pass worth of snow.

Township Bulletin Board

SAVE THE DATE!

5th Annual Block Party
Saturday, June 15, 2013

Check the Township website
(www.upperuwchlan-pa.gov) for vendor
registration and more information.

Vendors and Crafters needed.

Contact Kathi McGrath
at 610-646-7001
for further details.



Don't
Forget
About...

Happy Holidays

The Township office will be
closed on the following dates:

November 22 and 23, 2012
observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

December 25, 2012
observance of the Christmas Holiday

January 1, 2013
Happy New Year!

Learn about West Nile Virus and stay updated on the latest surveillance in our area.

Visit the following websites:

Chester County Health Department
dsf.chesco.org/health/site/default.asp

Pennsylvania West Nile Virus Control
www.westnile.state.pa.us/index.html



Uwchlan Ambulance Corps

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps offers free CPR/
AED and First Aid courses to the members
of the communities we serve. If you have
questions or would like to register, please
contact us at 610-363-1067 (ext 41) or visit our website at
www.station87.com or by sending an email to Training@Station87.com.

All courses are held at UAC, 70 West Welsh Pool Road, Exton and begin
at 6 PM on the following dates for the various training events:

Adult CPR/AED	10/11/12
Infant/Child CPR and AED	11/8/12
First Aid	12/13/12

Residential Resales

When selling your home, the Township
requires a Use and Occupancy Re-Sale
Inspection at least two weeks prior to
your settlement date. The owner of the
property or their Realtor, must contact
our office to obtain the Certification
Request form.

The fee for this is \$60.00.
Your trash/sewer certification is also
included. Once the signed Certificate
is returned to the Township, we will
automatically transfer the service(s)
account to the new owners' name.

Marine Toys For Tots Foundation

Bring a NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY(s)
(no stuffed animals please)
to give to needy children in our community.

November 12th - December 19th

Upper Uwchlan Township
140 Pottstown Pike
Chester Springs, PA 19425

Register to receive FREE emergency alerts
Learn about road closures, severe weather, crime alerts and more!
Text CHESCO to 411911 Or
Visit www.readynotifypa.org



Ready Region: Learn how to prepare in
Southeast Pennsylvania
www.readyregion.org



Downingtown Area Recreation
Consortium

www.darcinfo.com

Removal of Dead Deer and Animals

If it's in someone's yard, they have to take care of
disposal. Otherwise, please contact the following
disposal services:

- **Township Roadway:** Call Game Commission at 610-926-3136, Enter "0"
- **State Roadway:** Call 484-340-3201
- **Human Removal of Wildlife:** Call Mike Z from Animal Management at 215-913-3713 (cell)
- **Raccoons, Squirrels, Bats, Skunks, Snakes, etc.:** Call Rick Shervais from Critter Control at 888-330-5334 or 610-385-4405
- **Removal of Domestic Animals:** Upper Uwchlan Township Animal Control for Domestic Animals ONLY: Chester County SPCA 610-692-6113

Township Solid Waste & Recycling Program is a Success



Recycle Right!

Provided by
The Chester County Board of Commissioners
through the Chester County Solid Waste Authority
610-273-3771, ext. 228



THE ITEMS COLLECTED THROUGH INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMS VARY: CONTACT YOUR HAULER, MUNICIPALITY OR DROP-OFF RECYCLING CENTER TO VERIFY THE ITEMS THEY COLLECT

Single Stream Items Typically Collected In One Container:

Yes

No

- Newspapers**
- Mixed Paper** - cardboard, paper bags, magazines, all mail, phone books, home, office & school paper, paperback books, paper egg cartons, clean pizza boxes, box board (cereal, cake and cracker boxes). *Check with your hauler or municipality.*
- Glass** - clean food & drink bottles and jars only. Rinse and remove lids. Labels need not be removed.
- Aluminum** - beverage cans, pie plates and clean foil. Rinse.
- Metal** - Rinsed food & beverage cans, empty metal aerosol cans.
- Plastic** - #1 through #7 plastic containers. Rinse & remove caps. (No styrofoam, foam or polystyrene). Return plastic bags to grocery store

- light bulbs
- plate glass window glass
- drinking glasses
- crystal
- ceramic cups and plates
- flower pots
- mirrors
- ovenware
- paint cans
- no oil cans or bottles
- no caps or lids
- food wrappers
- tyvek plastic envelopes
- plastic bags
- tissues, towels, napkins
- wax or plastic coated boxes
- metallic wrapping paper

CALL 610-273-3771, ext. 228 FOR DROP-OFF LOCATIONS
www.chestercountyswa.org

Compost Lawn, Leaf, & Christmas Tree Collection: (17 collections annually - Wednesdays)

Seventeen (17) yard waste (including grass clippings) and leaf collections will occur throughout the year. Use your open containers (no lids) or Biodegradable Bags for leaf and yard waste disposal. Biodegradable bags are available at the Township Office for \$2.50/5-bag bundle. Leaf and yard waste debris placed in plastic bags will NOT be collected; this material is destined for the composting process.

2013	Collection Dates
January	2 nd & 16 th
March	27 th
April	10 th & 24 th
May	8 th & 22 nd
June	5 th & 19 th
July	17 th
August	14 th
September	4 th & 18 th
October	2 nd & 16 th
November	6 th
December	4 th

Yard Waste Collection Wednesdays
Reminder that no yard debris will be collected in plastic bags! Only open containers or biodegradable bags. Place your bags/containers curbside the night before. Biodegradable bags are available at the Township Office \$2.50/5-bag bundle.

2012 Household Hazardous Waste Schedule

Saturday, October 13

Government Services Center
601 Westtown Rd., West Chester, PA 19380
E-WASTE ACCEPTED

Acceptable E-Waste:

CPUs/Laptop Computers, Monitors, Printers, CRT TVs, Non-CRT TVs, Cell Phones, Microwaves, Radios, Toner/ Ink Cartridges

Not Acceptable:

Explosives & Ammunition, Household Batteries, Tires, Appliances with Freon, Used Motor Oil, Latex Paint, Unidentified Waste, Smoke Detectors

Holidays:

If your scheduled collection day falls upon a Holiday, your pick up will be the next day.

Bulk Trash:

3rd Monday or Tuesday (depending on your zone); 2 items maximum per month. Chairs, toys, mattresses, small sofas, televisions (up to 50"), bed frames, bicycles.

Appliances – DOORS MUST BE REMOVED FROM ALL APPLIANCES. REFRIGERATORS/FREEZERS ARE NOT TO BE PLACED AS BULK TRASH

Freon Items:

Please call the Township Office at 610-458-9400 to schedule pick-up of freon containing items such as refrigerators, air conditioners, and dehumidifiers.

Save the Date:

Annual Block Party

June 15, 2013, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Block Party

Clowns, Musicians, Arctic Dog Sled Races and Inflatable Bounces were some of the attractions at the Community Day Block Party event, held on Saturday, June 16, 2012. Petting Zoo, face painting, great food from local vendors and fireworks added to the fun for kids and parents alike!

On behalf of the Upper Uwchlan Township's Park and Recreation Board, the Administrative Staff and Police Department of Upper Uwchlan, we would like to Thank all of our sponsors for their contributions and all of our residents, families and friends that came out to show their support of our Annual Community Day Event.

Again, thank you all for your generous support and participation of our event and we look forward to another successful event in 2013!



What is the MS4 Program?

Untreated or uncontrolled stormwater runoff is the number one cause of harm to our local waterways. To address this concern, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (known as MS4). Upper Uwchlan Township is committed to improving water quality in our watershed and is a part of the MS4 program. The Township holds a permit to discharge stormwater into local waterways. The permit requires the municipality to design a stormwater management program that reduces the discharge of pollutants, protects water quality and satisfies the water quality requirements of the Clean Water Act. In Pennsylvania, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) administers the MS4 Program.

Every resident and business owner can participate in the MS4 Stormwater Program by reducing or preventing pollutant runoff from their own property and by reporting any non-stormwater discharges into their local waterways to the Township.

Are you Registered and Ready?

www.specialneedspsa.org

Special Needs Registry

The Special Needs Registry is a planning tool to allow citizens with special needs the opportunity to provide information to emergency response agencies, so emergency responders can better plan to serve them in a disaster.

Notes from the Building Department

As of July 1, 2009, the State of Pennsylvania passed a law called the "Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act". This law affords you, the homeowner, protection through the Attorney General's office when a contractor performs improvements on your home. The condensed version of this law requires home improvement contractors to register with the State, requires written contracts between you and the contractor if the work exceeds \$500 and the State Registration Number is required to be in all the advertisements, contracts, estimates and proposals. You can

read this Act in further detail at www.attorneygeneral.gov.

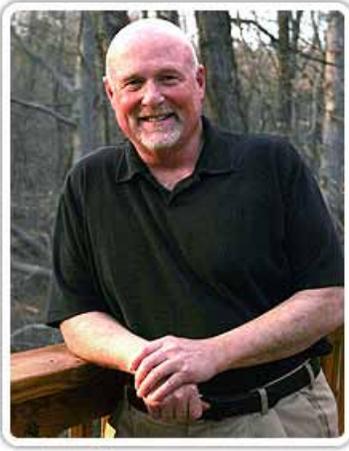
Building Permits:

Upon completion of your project, PLEASE remember to contact the Building Department (610-458-9400) to schedule a final inspection of your permit. This is especially important because you will not be issued a Use and Occupancy Certificate without a final inspection. This certificate needs to be put with your important house paperwork as

work completed satisfactorily. This is especially helpful if you ever go to sell your property.

It would also be appreciated if you would notify the Township if you decide NOT to proceed with a project you applied for so we can close out the permit timely.

These two courtesies go a long way in keeping our records (and yours) correct for your property which will benefit you in the long run by saving you time and money!



From The Upper Uwchlan Township Tax Collector, Ben LaGarde

SEND YOUR TAX BILL TO YOUR MORTGAGE/ESCROWAGENT

I can't begin to tell you how many duplicate payments I get each year from residents who are trying to pay their Upper Uwchlan Township taxes after their escrow agent has already paid them or vice versa. I do not keep such payments, by the way, I simply return them to the payer with a note that the tax bill has already been paid. So, if your taxes are escrowed and are included in the mortgage payment you make, please forward my bill to your agent.

Remember, Upper Uwchlan Township residents can check with me without charge to see if you or your mortgage agent has paid your Upper Uwchlan Township property tax. Simply send an email to me at blagarde2uutc@gmail.com and ask.

I CAN HELP YOU CHANGE THE ADDRESS OF YOUR TAX BILLS

Addresses for your tax bills originate from the deed records kept by Chester County. That information is given to me and the Downingtown Area School District anew each year. That is why residents who wish to change the address to which their tax bills from Chester County, the Downingtown Area School District or from my office go must technically do that directly with Chester County. However, I have made an arrangement with Chester County to do this for the resident, thus saving the resident the hassle of handling it herself. Simply send an email to me at blagarde2uutc@gmail.com asking for me to change the address on the bill for your property, listing both the old and new address, and I'll handle it for you. I'll also provide you with an acknowledgement from Chester County when they've changed it.

NEED A RECEIPT FOR YOUR TAXES?

I know it's early to be thinking about tax returns for next year but, if you're like my wife and I, we keep feeding a file all year with various receipts for tax purposes. Residents can do the same with their Upper Uwchlan Township taxes: must email me a request for a receipt to blagarde2uutc@gmail.com and I'll gladly email you a receipt in return.

TAX COLLECTOR WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Don't forget to visit my website for more information on your Upper Uwchlan Township property taxes: www.benlagarde.com

Earned Income Tax in Chester County

Q. Who now collects the Earned Income Tax in Chester County?

A. Effective January 1, 2011, Keystone Collections Group is responsible for the collection of all Earned Income Tax throughout Chester County. Berkheimer is no longer responsible for the collection of this tax.

Q. What is the Earned Income tax rate?

A. For residents of Upper Uwchlan Township, Earned Income Tax is withheld at a rate of 1%, of which, ½% is remitted to the Township and ½% is remitted to the Downingtown Area School District.

Q. If my employer does not withhold the Earned Income Tax, do I have to file quarterly or may I file annually?

A. You are required to file on a quarterly basis.

Important - Please check with your employer to ensure that they are remitting your Earned Income Tax Payments using the correct Political Sub-Division Code (PSD) – Upper Uwchlan Township - 150304

Q. Is there a local Keystone office I may visit or call for assistance?

A. The local office is located at:
144 Wallace Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335
Hours:
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Phone: 610-269-4402 or 888-519-3903

www.keystonecollects.com

Q. When are my quarterly payments due?

- A. 1st Quarter payment is due by April 30th of the tax year.
- 2nd Quarter payment is due by July 31st of the tax year.
- 3rd Quarter payment is due by October 31st of the tax year.
- 4th Quarter payment is due by January 31st of the following year.

