

Vision of the Office of Environmental Advocate

The OEA is committed to encouraging mutual respect between DEP and communities. We believe that by building stronger and environmentally knowledgeable communities, we can work towards the removal of barriers, stimulate sustainable and environmentally friendly development and implement policies, regulations and legislation that provide equal protection to environmental justice communities throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mission Statement

To achieve it's vision, the OEA will foster relationships between communities, industry and DEP in environmental justice areas. The OEA will provide recommendations to DEP executive staff, encourage public involvement, develop new policies and practices to engage those individuals far removed from the decision making process and aid in the Department's effort of community revitalization and environmentally friendly economic development.