

## Riparian Plantings



**Overview** A riparian buffer is a strip of vegetation near a stream that provides shade and partially protects the water from the impact of adjacent land. It improves the water quality by reducing pollution and enhances the stream's habitat for aquatic life. The Parks Foundation has used the installation of these buffers as opportunities for volunteer engagement and education.

Learn more: [Hartwood Acres Park - Little Pine Creek](#)  
[South Park - Catfish Run](#)

**Partners** Allegheny County

**Funding** Hartwood Acres Park: Patagonia, the Charity Randall Foundation and Allegheny County  
South Park: The Peaceable Kingdom Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation and Allegheny County

### **Allegheny County Parks Foundation**

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