## Pennsylvania Hardwoods Development Council (HDC)

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The Pennsylvania Hardwoods Development Council (HDC) was established by the state legislature in 1988 to nurture the development, expansion, and promotion of the hardwoods industry. The HDC includes representatives from every aspect of the wood products sector in the state: foresters, loggers, sawmill operators, veneer manufacturers, value-added processors, furniture producers, pulp and paper producers, trade associations, regional hardwood groups, maple syrup producers as well as key government leaders. Combined, this group aims to support and assist the forest products industry to develop both domestic and international markets, educate forest landowners and the public about sustainable forestry and the environmental benefits of using wood products, and provide economic and workforce development for the industry. The HDC also operates the Pennsylvania WoodMobile, a traveling interactive educational exhibit.



## Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group, Inc. (AHUG)

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The Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group (AHUG) is a non-profit, forest industry organization that coordinates and directs the ideas, energies and finances of both human and natural resources to foster economic growth and the creation of jobs within the hardwood sector, providing critical infrastructure in support of sustainable forest management. AHUG promotes safe logging and manufacturing practices, and provides vital representation for the industry on legislative, regulatory and professional issues. AHUG is devoted to educating the public about the benefits of wood products and of sound science-based forest management supported by a robust hardwood industry. AHUG's 14-county region includes Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Venango, and Warren Counties.

## **Keystone Wood Products Association (KWPA)**

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The Keystone Wood Products Association (KWPA) is a non-profit trade organization that strives to strengthen and expand the base of lumber and wood products manufacturers in the Central Pennsylvania region to maintain and enhance the industry's competitive position in today's global economy. "We Keep PA Connected to Hardwoods" is the KWPA theme on their social media. The KWPA goals include workforce development, promoting careers in the forest products, education of public and partnerships with schools, promote and market value-added forest products, and sustainable forestry. They serve the industry in the following counties: Centre, Clinton, Columbia, Juniata, Lycoming, Mifflin, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Snyder, and Union.

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needs and benefits of the wood industry.

The Northern Tier Hardwood Association (NTHA) is a non-profit organization that promotes and supports the forest product industry, sustainable forestry, and its supporters across nine counties in the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania including: Wayne, Pike, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Wyoming, Susquehanna, Bradford, Sullivan, and Tioga counties. NTHA's membership includes over onehundred forest products-related companies, organizations, and landowners of all sizes including suppliers of quality Pennsylvania hardwood lumber, flooring, veneer, logs, millwork, and forest management services. The NTHA offers a wealth of services such as educational workshops and safety training, marketing and promotion assistance, workforce and career development, business and educational grants and scholarships, and advocacy to community and legislative leaders regarding the





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