

How Philly Works

Reception 5:00 p.m.
Program 5:30-7:00 p.m.

October 20 and 27, November 10 and 17
Free and open to the public

How does Philadelphia provide complex city services to citizens for every neighborhood every day? How does the Water Department find the right-sized pipe to fix a break? How does the Police Department spot crime patterns? How does the Department of Streets know where to send crews to close ditches or coordinate all the work within the street? How does the Department of Public Health track disease outbreaks and find kids who need immunizations?

The Atwater Kent Museum of Philadelphia and the City Records Department present a four-part Thursday evening series about how city departments use the Geographical Imaging System (GIS) to provide basic city services in the 21st century. This remarkable new system is a framework for organizing knowledge with technology to manage, analyze and disseminate geographic information using maps and other data.

Programs are introduced by **Joan Decker**, Commissioner of Records and moderated by **Cynthia Little**, Ph.D., AKMP Historian

■ October 20

Philadelphia Water Department speakers **Debra McCarty**, Deputy Commissioner of Operations and **Roxanne Gregorio**, GIS Manager.

■ October 27

Philadelphia Police Department speaker **Charles Brennan**, Deputy Commissioner of Police.

■ November 10

Philadelphia Department of Streets speakers: **Evelyn Chrol**, MIS Director; **Marion Storey**, IT Applications Program Manager; and **Nancy Sen**, Highways Division.

■ November 17

Philadelphia Department of Public Health speakers **James M. White**, Information Systems Director; **Michael G. Eberhart**, MPH, KIDS Registry Coordinator; and **Dr. Victor Spain**, DVM, Ph.D., Division of Disease Control.

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