

Chester County Townships and Boroughs

Township/Boroughs	Organized/Create	Date	Origin of Name	Parent Township Of	Created From
Atglen	Incorporated	12/20/1875	Stream that runs on the eastside of the town		West Sadsbury
Avondale	Incorporated	1/29/1894	Name of the residence of the first post master		New Garden & London Grove
Birmingham	Organized	1687 (Bef.)	Birmingham, England		
Bradford	Organized	1705	Bradford, England	East & West Bradford (1731)	
Brandywine	Created	1790	Brandywine Creek	East & West Brandywine (1844)	East Caln
Caln	Organized	1714	Calne, Wiltshire, England	East & West Caln (1728)	
Charlestown	Organized	1722	Charles Pickering, one of the first purchasers of land from William Penn	Schuylkill (1826)	
Coatesville (Borough)	Incorporated	1867	Moses Coates, a large landowner in the area		Valley
Coatesville (City)	Incorporated	1915	(See Coatesville)		
Coventry	Organized	1724	Coventry, England	North & South Coventry (1841)	
Downingtown	Incorporated	1859	Thomas Downing, an early settler and landowner in the area		East Caln
East Bradford	Created	1731	(See Bradford)		Bradford
East Brandywine	Created	1844	(See Brandywine)		Brandywine
East Caln	Created	1728	(See Caln)	Brandywine (1790) & Caln (1868)	Caln

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East Coventry	Created	1844	(See Coventry)		North Coventry
East Fallowfield	Created	1743	(See Fallowfield)		Fallowfield
East Goshen	Created	1817	(See Goshen)		Goshen
East Marlborough	Created	1728	(See Marlborough)		Marlborough
East Nantmeal	Created	1739	(See Nantmeal)		Nantmeal
East Nottingham	Organized	1717	(See Nottingham)	Elk (1857)	Nottingham
East Pikeland	Created	1838	(See Pikeland)		Pikeland
East Vincent	Created	1832	(See Vincent)		Vincent
East Whiteland	Created	1765	(See Whiteland)		Whiteland
Easttown	Organized	1704			
Elk	Created	1857	Little Elk Creek and Big Elk Creek that border the township		East Nottingham
Elverson	Incorporated	1911	James Elverson, publisher of the Philadelphia Inquirer, who spent considerable time in the area		West Nantmeal
Fallowfield	Organized	1728	Lancelot & Sarah Fallowfield, among the first purchasers of land from William Penn	East & West Fallowfield (1738)	
Franklin	Created	1852	Benjamin Franklin, who owned 200 acres of unseated lands in the area prior to the Revolutionary War		New London
Goshen	Organized	1704	Biblical place name	East & West Goshen (1817)	
Highland	Created	1853	Includes the "highest part" of the original West Fallowfield township		West Fallowfield

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Honey Brook	Created	1789	English translation of the Welsh word "Nantmeal"		West Nantmeal
Honey Brook (Borough)	Incorporated	8/17/1891	(See Honey Brook)		Honey Brook
Hopewell	Incorporated	1853			Lower Oxford & East Nottingham
Hopewell	Unincorporated	1914			
Kennett	Organized	1705	Kennet, Wiltshire, England	Pennsbury (1770)	
Kennett Square	Incorporated	1855	(See Kennett)		Kennett
London Britian	Created	1725	London Company owned large tracts of land in this township		
London Grove	Created	1723	London Company owned large tracts of land in this township		
Londonderry	Created	1734	Londonderry, Ireland	Oxford (1754) & Penn (1819)	Nottingham
Lower Oxford	Created	1797	(See Oxford)		Oxford
Malvern	Incorporated	3/13/1889	Civil War battlefield in Virginia		Willistown
Marlborough	Organized	1704	Marlborough, Wiltshire, England	East & West Marlborough (1728)	
Modena	Incorporated	1921	William Mode, early settler in the area		East Fallowfield
Nantmeal	Organized	1723	Nantmeal, Radnorshire, Wales. Name means "Honey Brook"	East & West Nantmeal (1739)	
New Garden	Organized	1714	New Garden, County Carlow, Ireland		
New London	Organized	1723	London Company owned large tracts of land in this township	Franklin (1852)	

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Newlin	Created	1741	Nathaniel Newlin, who owned the entire township at the time of his death in 1729		
North Coventry	Created	1841	(See Coventry)		
Nottingham	Organized	1715	Nottingham, England	East & West Nottingham (c. 1717)	
Oxford	Created	1754	Oxford, England	Upper & Lower Oxford (1797)	Londonderry
Oxford (Borough)	Incorporated	4/8/1833	(See Oxford)		Lower Oxford & East Nottingham
Parkesburg	Incorporated	3/1/1872	Parke family, large landowners in the area		Sadsbury
Penn	Created	1819	William Penn		Londonderry
Pennsbury	Created	1770	Pennsbury Manor, William Penn's Plantation		Kennett
Phoenixville	Incorporated	3/6/1849	Phoenix Iron Works		Schuylkill
Pikeland	Organized	1745	Originally the purchase of John Pike		
Pocopson	Created	1849	Pocopson Creek		Pennsbury, East Marlborough, Newlin and
Sadsbury	Organized	1717	Sudbury, Suffolk, England	West Sadsbury (1878)	
Schuylkill	Created	1826	Schuylkill River		Charlestown
South Coatesville	Incorporated	1921	(See Coatesville)		East Fallowfield
South Coventry	Created	1841	(See Coventry)		Coventry
Spring City	Incorporated	1867	Named for a spring that exists in the area		East Vincent

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Thornbury	Organized	1687 (Bef.)	Thornbury, Gloucestershire, England		
Tredyffrin	Organized	1707	Welsh word for "valley"		
Upper Oxford	Created	1797	(See Oxford)		Oxford
Upper Uwchlan	Created	1858	(See Uwchlan)		
Uwchlan	Organized	1712	Welsh word for "upland" or "highland"	Upper Uwchlan (1858)	
Valley	Created	1852	Great Valley		West Caln, West Brandywine, East Caln,
Vincent	Organized	1723	Sir Mathias Vincent, one of the first purchasers granted land by William Penn	East & West Vincent (1832)	
Wallace	Created	1852	Robert Wallace who owned 225 acres in the township		West Nantmeal
Warwick	Created	1843	Warwick, England		East Nantmeal
West Bradford	Created	1731	(See Bradford)		Bradford
West Brandywine	Created	1844	(See Brandywine)		Brandywine
West Caln	Created	1728	(See Caln)		Caln
West Chester	Incorporated	3/28/1799	Named for its position in relation to the city of Chester		West Goshen
West Fallowfield	Created	1739	(See Fallowfield)	Highland (1853)	Fallowfield
West Goshen	Created	1817	(See Goshen)		Goshen
West Grove	Incorporated	11/29/1893	Named for its position in the western part of London Grove township		London Grove

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West Marlborough	Created	1728	(See Marlborough)		Marlborough
West Nantmeal	Created	1739	(See Nantmeal)	Wallace (1852) & Honey Brook (1789)	Nantmeal
West Nottingham	Organized	1717	(See Nottingham)		Nottingham
West Pikeland	Created	1838	(See Pikeland)		Pikeland
West Sadsbury	Created	1878	(See Sadsbury)		Sadsbury
West Vincent	Created	1832	(See Vincent)		Vincent
West Whiteland	Created	1765	(See Whiteland)		Whiteland
Westtown	Organized	1687 (Bef.)			
Whiteland	Organized	1704	Whitford Gardens, Flintshire, Wales	East & West Whiteland (1765)	
Willistown	Organized	1687 (Bef.)	Unknown		