



## We're a 2016 Washington Post Top Workplace!

"Our staff is one of our most precious assets at Mary's Center and they made this recognition possible. Their deep commitment to our mission has made us an impactful institution with a heart and I am very pleased to see the Washington Post recognize their efforts."

- Nina Albert, Chair  
Mary's Center Board of Directors

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[Click here to read more about why Mary's Center is one of the best families to be a part of in the Nation's Capital.](#)

How did our staff react? [Watch this video and see!](#)



### "More than just a place to do homework"

**by Diana Espinoza, Teen Program Participant & Communications Summer Intern**

Diana has been a part of the Mary's Center family since she was three years old. From receiving services as a child to joining the Teen Program to interning, Diana is definitely a Mary's Center success story!

[Click here to read more about Diana's special connection to Mary's Center.](#)



### Meet our Gala Co-Chairs

We are pleased to announce the co-chairs for our annual gala Noche Tropical: Un Carnaval: *(left to right)* **David Velazquez, President and CEO of Pepco Holdings, Inc. & Pedro Alfonso, Chairman and CEO of Dynamics Concepts, Inc.**

Our co-chairs are known for their deep commitment to helping communities in need. We are very grateful for their support!

[Learn more about our co-chairs here.](#)

[Click here to buy your gala tickets today!](#)



### Wanted: Gala Volunteers!

Our annual gala is quickly approaching and we would love your help! We are seeking over 80 volunteers for the following:

- **Gala Mailing & Mask Decoration:** Week of September 5th
- **Gala Prep Week:** Week of October 24th
- **Night-of Volunteers:** October 28th

[To learn more and sign up please click here.](#)



## Chefs team up for #PopUpDinner in support of Mary's Center

Join **Chef Andrew Markert (Beuchert's Saloon)** and **Pastry Chef Jennifer Costa (Centrolina and Le Diplomat)** on Thursday, July 21st for their special pop-up dinner, *A Taste of Sonoma*.

This three-course dinner, brought to you by Poppy's Pop Up, includes wine pairings from Sonoma County, CA. And for dessert: part of the proceeds will benefit Mary's Center.

Just another reason to be a part of this special evening!

[More info & tickets here.](#)

