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**Mary's Center Receives Pepco Support for Two Key Initiatives:
Teen Program and Energy Assistance**

Washington, DC — Today, Mary's Center announced support from Pepco to advance the Teen Program in the DC area and funding to provide energy assistance to help residents with their gas and electric bills. The grant to support the Teen Program will allow Mary's Center to expose participants to new career opportunities in renewable energy. The other support will enable Mary's Center to expand its Energy Assistance Program for Prince George's County residents.

"Pepco truly cares about the community, and they have been an incredible partner for many years to ensure our families can heat their homes through the winter," said Dr. Tollie B. Elliott, Sr., Chief Executive Officer. "We are so grateful for their continued support, and especially for this new funding for the next generation to keep our teens on track for a healthy life and smooth transition to college and their future careers."

Mary's Center's Teen Program provides a safe haven for low- and moderate-income youth in the nation's capital, many of whom are first-generation American children whose parents do not have experience in navigating complex systems to apply for college as well as accessing higher education for their families. Through the Teen Program grant, Pepco will host a "Careers in the Energy Field" panel to introduce teens to renewable energy career options to help inform their journey as they explore workforce/career opportunities.

Pepco's energy assistance funding is a continuation of Pepco's decade-long partnership with Mary's Center to offer support to Prince George's County residents. This program provides much-needed relief for families that are challenged with paying their energy bills. This partnership allows Mary's Center to reach more families in need.

"We are proud to partner with Mary's Center to support both the Teen Program and energy assistance for residents in Prince George's County," said Donna Cooper, Pepco region president. "We are the utility of the future and look forward to mentoring and exposing the next generation of utility experts. We also stand by our commitment to equitably and inclusively



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provide affordable and reliable electricity to the communities where we live and work. The partnership with Mary's Center is reflective of the importance of working collaboratively on shared missions and priorities—which maximizes the level of assistance that can be provided to the communities we are both privileged to serve.”

Through this support, Mary's Center will reach over 100 teen participants and over 60 families in Prince George's County. To learn more about Mary's Center's Teen Program, click [here](#). To learn more about the Energy Assistance Program, click [here](#).

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About Mary's Center

[Mary's Center](#) is a community health center serving over 60,000 people of all ages, incomes, and backgrounds in the Washington, DC metro area for over 30 years. With an integrated model of health care, education, and social services, Mary's Center offers each participant individualized care on the path toward good health, stability, and economic independence. For more information, visit www.maryscenter.org.