

Pepco Golf Event Helps Local Families Pay Energy Bills

Many deserving families struggling with high energy bills got help this winter from a new source. Proceeds from Pepco's 2006 Golf Classic were distributed to needy families through three local charities. The money was used to help keep the heat on and the lights burning.

As government resources become stretched, those less fortunate are turning to charities for help coping with higher energy prices.

"The grant has allowed us to provide emergency financial assistance to help persons across the city pay their utility bills," said Maudine R. Cooper, president and CEO, Greater Washington Urban League. "We applaud Pepco for making this grant that allows us to help people before their service is disconnected."

The other charities benefiting from the tournament were the Community Ministry of Montgomery County and United Communities Against Poverty, Prince George's County.

Pepco is building on the success of the first golf outing, which netted more than \$140,000. Plans are under way to hold the second annual event on September 17 at The Country Club at Woodmore in Mitchellville. This year's event also will feature a tennis tournament for added excitement.

The utility currently is soliciting for corporate sponsorship opportunities, hoping to make this year's tournament even more successful than the first.



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A Letter from Kim Watson

I am pleased to report that over the past six months Pepco has made great strides in reducing the backlog of Montgomery County streetlights needing repair. This effort was possible thanks to county leaders and the many customers who responded to last year's special edition of *Community Focus* on streetlight maintenance. Please see page 2 for more information about this program.

Pepco is testing a new hybrid bucket truck that uses electricity to reduce noise and pollution. Page 2 has that story.

Proceeds from last year's Golf Classic is helping many county residents pay heating bills this winter. Planning for this year's event is under way. Turn to page 4 for that article.

I hope you find this edition of Community Focus informative. Thanks for reading.



Regards,

A handwritten signature of Kim Watson in black ink.

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