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Trump Tax Scam Continues War on Health Care as ACA Turns Eight *by Gary Zuckett*

When the president came to WV in March for the fourth time since the election, his stated purpose was to let us know how much last year's Tax Scam Bill will help us. We're not buying it! GOP efforts to repeal and sabotage our health care are walking back the Affordable Care Act's historic coverage gains. In our state just the Medicaid expansion covered an additional 200,000 and has led to the highest rate of insurance coverage in our state's history.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) was passed eight years ago in March. Thanks to this legislation, insurance costs have been lowered, out-of-pocket costs have decreased, and financial protections have increased for millions of Americans.

Between 2010 and 2016, bankruptcy filings were cut in half. The consumer protections against medical bankruptcy are among the many other gains the American people have seen under this legislation.

Under the ACA, insurers are barred from charging older customers more than three times what they

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2018 Legislative Wrap-Up: A Strike and Two Vetoes *by Gary Zuckett*

We're so thankful that the WV Legislature is over! Of the 1,778 bills introduced, [260 made it](#) through the sausage grinder to the other end. The governor signed 245, vetoed 11, and let 4 go into law without signing. We asked him to veto two of them HB4001, the SNAP bill to cut off folks who can't find work, and SJR12, the constitutional amendment on abortion. He signed both – not a good listener

We'd also like him to add the fix to last year's Medical Cannabis bill to the next special session he calls – there's always a bill or two that passed that needs to be revised. Read on to hear how it was sabotaged the last night of the session.

Oh, yeah, and then there were all those teachers in red t-shirts chanting, singing, and making a hell of a racket for weeks until they got the raise they deserved. Wow, this is what democracy looks like – and we like it! *(continued on page 2)*



Teachers, school service personnel, and supporters rally on the steps of the Capitol on Day 3 of the nine-day strike.

5% Raise and PEIA Task Force Reopen Schools

There is not sufficient time or space in this update for a blow by blow account of the nine-day strike by West Virginia teachers and school service personnel. There will undoubtedly be books and [myriad articles](#) written about it as folks who aren't from here try to figure out us cranky Appalachians who voted for Trump and then pulled off the first major US labor victory of the 21st century. Teachers are protesting now in Kentucky, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. In Kentucky, one of them held a sign that said, "Don't make us go WV on you!" So 'Trumplandia' still has something to share with the country.

I heard it said often during the strike that "the teachers had the best [protest] signs." Especially the art teachers! The challenge now is to keep folks paying attention all the way to November. Blue wave anyone?

Collateral Damage

The uprising by teachers and service personnel created an atmosphere of intense scrutiny of legislative actions that saw several bills on the Koch Brothers playlist (which were, up until then, purring along) abruptly crash and burn. These include the 'Paycheck Deception' bill to force unions to re-up members every year; a preemption bill to keep cities and towns from enacting higher minimum wages; and one killing off public employee seniority – all designed to weaken organized labor and pay standards.

Another one that failed is the major effort to give large manufacturers and extractive industries a perpetual \$140+ million tax break on their equipment and inventory. Optics were bad on that one when, at the same time they were saying they

didn't have enough revenue for teacher's raises. Lots of good ripples in that sea of red t-shirts!

One unfortunate casualty blamed on teachers by leadership was the effort to make community college's two-year programs free to state residents. This modest investment in our youth was tabled too. We need to bring it back! Especially so if November is kind to us...

Timber Bill Cut Down

A big win for the environment was the failure of SB 270, the misguided attempt to pay for our state parks' infrastructure by cutting down their trees. [WV Environmental Council](#) and the [SOS Parks](#) coalition get the major credit for taking this one out. Also, kudos are due to our Republican Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt for his very public opposition to this hare-brained scheme. Ultimately, lawmakers designated a portion of our state lottery revenue to make the critical repairs to park lodges by passing SB 438.

SB 600 = Tons of BS

Another big win was the defeat of SB 600. This was pure collusion between big energy users and the utility lobby to give large industrial electrical users steeply discounted rates - that would have to be made up by everyone else in the form of higher electric bills. This brazen corporate welfare scheme was opposed by AARP, WVEC, WV CAG, as well as the PSC's Consumer Advocate. This one was so 'greased' by the power lobby that it made it through two Senate committees in three days and was only defeated by a surprise 17-17 tie vote on the Senate floor.

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Regulation Two-Fer

The radical, reactionary Republicans who run the House (until November?) hate government regulations. Two bills failed that would have whacked at government rules and we're pleased these wacky ones died. HB 4011 would have required state agencies to offer up two administrative rules for execution for every new one they submitted for legislative approval. This is no way to govern! HB 4154, the Regulatory Reform Act, would have expedited permits and other agency processes forcing approval of applications without proper scrutiny by overworked agency staffers. We're sure they'll be back next year for another try.

Guns-R-Us

[HB 4187](#), nicknamed the 'parking lot' bill because it prohibits employers from telling workers to leave their guns at home, passed the Legislature while we were still mourning the loss of 17 students and teachers in a school shooting in Florida. It allows employees to bring loaded guns to work as long as they keep them locked up inside their vehicles. What could possibly go wrong?

Cannabis Sabotage

Don't believe everything you [read in the papers](#). The failure of HB 4345 the last night can be credited to one man – House Speaker Tim Armstead. This bill would have enacted the recent recommendations of the WV Medical Cannabis Advisory Board designed to make the legislation passed last year actually work. Remember, last year the House revolted and ran over leadership to get the WV Medical Cannabis Act passed. Armstead got his revenge this year and snookered Senate President Carmichael into letting the House have the final say on the bill on the last day of the

session. When the Senate sent over the stripped down bill the House demanded, the House Clerk conveniently 'lost track' of it in the haste of the final hours leading to midnight's end of session. Funny, that was the only bill that happened to on Saturday. Calls are needed now to Governor Justice at (304)-558-2000 asking him to fix the WV Medical Cannabis Act during the first special session he convenes.

Another Shade of Green

A big THANK YOU to all who came to the Capitol or made calls on important legislation. Now that the session is over, we're working hard to catch up on all the work left undone as we roamed the marble halls. Thanks also to those who sent in support checks or donated online. The greens you sent in kept us going through early morning public hearings, long evening committees and floor sessions.

It's never too late to send in a [member renewal or donation](#) as the fight continues as we pivot to federal issues and make sure that voters 'Remember in November'. The fight for our state and nation is in the balance! You can donate online at www.wvcag.org or by sending a check to 1500 Dixie Street, Charleston, WV 25311.





Family on Medicaid delivers easter basket to Senator Capito to let her know "Thanks to Medicaid kids don't have to hunt for health care like Easter eggs"

Trump Tax Scam (continued from page 1)

charge younger customers. We must push back against any attempts by the Trump Administration to change that.

Failing outright repeal last year, opponents have taken to 'death by a thousand cuts' including in the Tax (Scam) Reform bill that repealed the mandate that everyone carry health insurance. Then the Administration turned loose so-called 'temporary' insurance plans and made them year-long. These are actually 'junk insurance' that doesn't have to cover pre-existing conditions and can cap benefits. These may be attractive to younger healthier folks because they cost less, but that leaves older, sicker citizens in a separate insurance pool which further increases their costs.

Costs are also rising in part because Trump has destabilized the insurance market by targeting the federal subsidies that made insurance affordable for middle class workers. We're now going backwards – covering less of our citizens with less insurance that costs more thanks to the GOP's war on healthcare! This is yet another reason to remember in November!

Two Constitutional Amendments Headed for the Ballot in November

Other Court, Women's Health Measures Stall
by Julie Archer

During the 2018 legislative session, legislators approved resolutions putting two proposed constitutional amendments on the November 6 general election ballot.

On the final night of the session, [the House and Senate agreed to a compromise version](#) of [SJR 3](#), the **Judicial Budget Oversight Amendment**, which would amend the state constitution to give the Legislature oversight of the judiciary's budget. The amendment was proposed in response to a recent spending scandal involving extravagant renovations to the private chambers of the State Supreme Court justices.

After scrutinizing the language proposed by the Senate and coming to the conclusion that it did nothing to insulate the judiciary from politically motivated attacks, the House amended the resolution to include a procedural safeguard of requiring a super-majority (two-thirds) vote of the Legislature to reduce the judiciary's budget by more than ten percent from the previous fiscal year.

The Senate refused to concur with the House changes to the proposed amendment, and the compromise language that will go before voters says, "*the Legislature may not decrease the total general revenue appropriations to the judiciary ... to an amount that is less than eighty-five percent of the amount of the total general revenue appropriations to the judiciary in the most recently enacted budget without a separate vote ... approved by two-thirds of the members elected to each house.*" (continued on page 5)

While some level of oversight is warranted in light of the Supreme Court spending scandal, this restraint on the Legislature will help discourage retaliation and protect the balance of powers between the legislative and judicial branches should the proposed amendment be approved by the voters.

More Than the Supreme Court

When all is said and done, it's important to remember ([as former Supreme Court Justice Richard Neely pointed out in an interview with Metro News last fall](#)) that we aren't talking just about the Supreme Court, but the budget of West Virginia's entire judicial system, including the circuit, family, and magistrate courts, and that budgetary constraints imposed by the Legislature could affect their ability to effectively serve the people.

Intermediate Court Proposal Stalls in House

While [the Judicial Budget Oversight Amendment will be decided by voters in November](#), another measure that would dramatically reshape our judicial system failed to advance in the House of Delegates. The State Senate had passed [SB 341](#), which would establish an intermediate court of appeals between the level of circuit court and the State Supreme Court to hear civil appeals, appeals of workers' compensation claims, abuse and neglect cases and some other administrative appeals.

Fortunately, this costly proposal designed to drag out appeals to the advantage of parties with greater financial resources — delaying justice for West Virginia small businesses, consumers and workers — stalled in the House Judiciary Committee during the final week of the session.

Reproductive Justice Fight



In addition to SJR 3, [the Legislature also approved another proposed constitutional amendment](#) (SJR 12) that is [being deceptively explained as an effort to take away Medicaid funding for abortion](#), but which aims to take away reproductive rights for women more broadly.

[SJR 12](#), the **No Constitutional Right to Abortion Amendment**, would give the Legislature sole authority over abortion. Although the amendment targets Medicaid coverage for abortions for low-income women, it also opens the door for further attacks on the reproductive rights of all West Virginia women.

Here is an excerpt from the resolution: *“Nothing in this Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or requires the funding of an abortion. The people retain the right through their elected state representatives and state senators to enact, amend, or repeal statutes regarding abortion, including but not limited to, circumstances of pregnancy resulting from rape or incest, or when necessary to save the life of the mother.”*

The motivation for putting this issue on the ballot is to drive conservatives to the polls in November. It is wrong and unconscionable to use women as political pawns! Our friends in the reproductive justice community are [gearing up to defeat this extreme measure this fall](#), and you can sign up at www.wvfree.org/healthnotpolitics/ to be involved in this fight for women's lives.

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Constitutional Amendments

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Bill Criminalizing Mothers Defeated

Although this atrocious ballot measure is moving forward, a bill ([HB 4623](#)) that would have punished and/or made criminals out of pregnant women struggling with addiction if/when they seek prenatal health care was defeated in the Senate Health and Human Resources Committee after passing the House of Delegates a week earlier.

Prioritizing punishment of a substance abuse disorder over the safety of our women and their families, and discouraging them from getting the care they need was a misguided attempt to solve a very complex, serious epidemic in West Virginia, and we were glad to see this proposal stopped in its tracks.



Hundreds rallied on the steps of the Capitol to oppose taking basic rights and health coverage away from West Virginia women.

(Photo Credit: WV FREE)

You, Too, Can Follow the Money

by Julie Archer & Natalie Thompson

It's a rare day when a committee hearing on a bill before the West Virginia state house makes it into the [New York Times](#) and [Fox News](#). In what is now likely a familiar story to most reading this, Lissa Lucas was escorted from the House chamber after being called out of order for reading a list of donations that each of the committee members had taken from interests that stood to benefit from the bill before the committee. Lucas is a candidate running for a House seat in this election, but you don't have to be running for office to get access to the information on campaign donors— you can do it too.

We all know money speaks in the state House and Senate, and while [three quarters of Americans](#) agree that we should do better to put regular people over big-money's influence, there is a trove of information on campaign donations that you can get access to right now to help inform your vote. Any citizen can get access to campaign donations to see what interests are helping elect legislators and to help evaluate how that might influence their position on a particular issue or bill. Tools like [FollowtheMoney.org](#), Project Vote Smart, and [Open Secrets.org](#) (for federal politicians) make accessing this information easy and intuitive. The Secretary of State also has a [new system](#) that makes it possible to search contributions to and expenditures by state level candidates and political action committees (PACs).

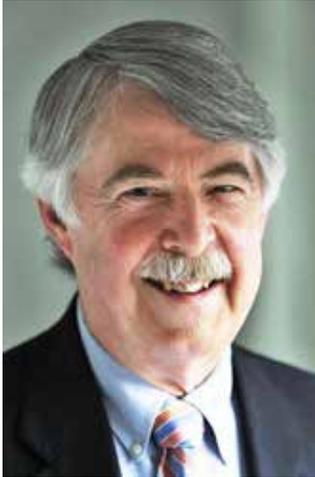
Unfortunately, there is a big hole in the information available to the public, and it's called dark money. Wealthy individuals and corporations can give unlimited secret donations to shadowy

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Power to the People: WV CAG's Awards Dinner and Fundraiser is June 1st

by Alexandra Gallo

On Friday, June 1st, we are hosting our annual awards dinner and fundraiser at the Charleston Woman's Club (1600 Virginia Street). We hope you can join us!



In honor of [Paul Nyden](#), long-time Charleston Gazette investigative reporter who passed away earlier this year, we are dedicating the Paul Nyden and Don Marsh Public Service Award, which recognizes a lifetime commitment to truth, justice, and service in the public interest.

Paul's wife, Sarah Sheets, will be there for the dedication, as we remember Paul and honor his legacy as an advocate for social and economic justice.



Cathy Kunkel will be the first recipient of the Paul Nyden and Don Marsh Public Service Award. Cathy has made it her life's work to fight for

social justice and progressive policy, as well as co-founding, Rise Up WV. Rise Up formed out of a community meeting in Charleston after the 2016 election. People came together out of concern for the direction of our country and a belief that politics-as-usual has failed us. Rise Up is building power, in order to pressure politicians to fight for the common good. We felt there was no better person than Cathy to receive this newly dedicated award.

We hope you will join us in honoring Paul and Cathy. In addition to celebrating the accomplishments of our awardees, this is a great opportunity to lift up the great work we all have been doing over this past year, while raising money so that we can continue to fight for a healthy environment, healthcare for all, and a democracy that works for all of us — oh, and have a little fun, too!

You can purchase tickets or become a sponsor online at www.wvcag.org/awards or by mailing in the reply form on the back of this newsletter.

We look forward to seeing you June 1!

In Memory of a Big Hearted Water Warrior



We're sad to share that long-time WV Environmental Council (WVEC) leader and lobbyist, Don Garvin passed away on March 29th. He'll be

remembered as an avid fisherman, a tenacious lobbyist for clean water, air and all things green. Don was a co-founder, past president, and lobby team leader for over a decade for the WVEC; a founding board member of the WV Rivers Coalition; long-time board member of the WV Highlands Conservancy; and board member and leader of Trout Unlimited. Don worked on protecting our environment here in West Virginia, in Washington DC, and around the nation. His booming voice and infectious laughter will be missed... You can read more about Don's legacy at <http://wvrivers.org/2018/03/don-garvin-2/>.

Be Registered & Be Ready to Vote:

With many important races on the ballot this year, it's important to make sure you're registered to vote and ready to vote. This means making sure you have your ID, informing yourself about the issues and candidates, and last but not least, getting yourself to the polls.

It's easy to register to vote or update your registration online at <http://ovr.sos.wv.gov/> or by visiting your county clerk's office.

Is your registration current? Even if you think you are registered, [more than 86,000 outdated or ineligible registrations were cancelled last year](#) in an effort to clean up the voter rolls. You can **check your registration status** at GoVoteWV.com or by contacting your county clerk just to be sure.

Once you've confirmed your registration status, **remember West Virginia's new voter ID law is now in effect and everyone must show some form of ID when then go to the polls.** Because West Virginia's law is not as strict as voter ID laws passed in other states, most voters will likely have one of the acceptable forms of ID on the list.

Acceptable forms of photo ID include driver's licenses, passports, military and student IDs, and concealed carry permits. **Several forms of non-photo IDs will also be accepted** including Medicare and Medicaid cards, hunting and fishing licenses, bank and debit cards, utility bills, and health insurance cards. Voters who lack a valid form of ID could have a friend or poll worker vouch for them. For a complete list of acceptable forms of ID, please contact your county clerk, call the WVSOS Elections Division at 304-558-6000, or visit www.wvsos.gov.

Please help spread the word and make sure people know about the new voter ID requirement. Every vote counts, and we don't want potential voters to be turned away.

Election 2018 Dates to Remember:

Primary Election - May 8
Poll Hours 6:30 am – 7:30 pm
Voter Registration Deadline – April 17
Early Voting – April 25 – May 5
Please contact your county clerk to confirm early voting times and locations.

General Election – November 6
Voter Registration Deadline – October 16
Early Voting – October 24 – November 3

Follow the Money

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nonprofit groups to influence elections without the public knowing who is behind it. Other states have passed good laws that bring shine light on these shadowy transactions, but right now in West Virginia, these groups are free to spend wildly to influence our elections and politicians, and voters can't possibly know who is behind it all. Senate Bill 40, currently before the Legislature, would close loopholes in existing law that make it possible for groups that spend money on political ads to hide the identity of their donors, however, this and similar proposals haven't gotten serious attention from lawmakers. [Note: SB 40 died because it was not taken up and sent to the Senate floor in time to meet Wednesday's deadline (often referred to as Crossover Day) for bills to be out of the house of origin.]

West Virginia can and should do better at disclosing these secret and unaccountable sources of political influence, but in the meantime, try out one of these easy tools and take a look at the wealth of information they have on your legislators' campaign donations. What you find might surprise you. Either way, you will be a more informed voter during this election year.

A version of this article was published in the Charleston Gazette-Mail on March 1, 2018.

FirstEnergy Corp. Drops Bid to Sell Pleasants Plant, Tries Possible Last-Ditch Effort for Bailout

by West Virginians for Energy Freedom

[In a notice filed Monday, Feb. 5, with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia](#), FirstEnergy Corp. stated that it will stop fighting to transfer ownership of the Pleasants power plant to Monongahela Power and Potomac Edison, FirstEnergy's West Virginia utilities. This ends a hotly contested case where numerous groups and customers lined up in opposition to the deal.

For more than a year, Ohio-based FirstEnergy has been trying to transfer the Pleasants plant near Parkersburg, owned by FirstEnergy's unregulated subsidiary Allegheny Energy Supply, to Mon Power and Potomac Edison. FirstEnergy pursued the transfer even though its West Virginia subsidiaries, which are regulated, did not need the plant to meet the needs of customers. If this scheme had succeeded, Mon Power and Potomac Edison customers would have assumed all of the plant's costs and financial risks, while FirstEnergy and its shareholders would receive a guaranteed revenue stream.

"This is a major win for the 530,000 Mon Power and Potomac Edison consumers in West Virginia," said Emmett Pepper, executive director of [Energy Efficient West Virginia](#). *"This deal was bad from the beginning and the extensive evidence presented at the PSC proceeding made clear that the proposed transfer would benefit FirstEnergy and hurt West Virginians struggling to survive in today's economy."*

FirstEnergy's announcement followed setbacks at both the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the West Virginia PSC. On Jan. 12, [FERC denied FirstEnergy's request](#) because of concerns that West Virginia customers would be forced to subsidize FirstEnergy's unregulated business. And on Jan. 26, [the PSC established several conditions](#)

aimed at protecting customers from financial and legal risks that FirstEnergy would have to meet if the transfer went forward. [Solar United Neighbors of West Virginia](#) and [West Virginia Citizen Action Group](#), represented by [Earthjustice](#), challenged FirstEnergy's proposal at both FERC and the PSC.

In its letter Monday, FirstEnergy said it would not appeal FERC's decision. FirstEnergy also said in the letter it would not agree to the PSC's conditions because it would expose the company to unacceptable risks – the very risks FirstEnergy tried to force on customers through its proposal.

"We were heartened by FERC's decision and are thrilled to see FirstEnergy bail on its attempt to get corporate welfare from hard-working West Virginians," said Karan Ireland of Solar United Neighbors of West Virginia. *"This is proof that the average person can stand up to a corporation and make a difference."*

More than 2,500 people, businesses, nonprofits, and cities opposed the Pleasants sale by speaking at the PSC's three public hearings, passing municipal resolutions, filing letters of protest with the PSC, writing letters to the editor, and signing petitions. [West Virginians For Energy Freedom](#), a coalition of community members, local businesses, and public officials, have vigorously opposed the Pleasants deal from the beginning.

The Pleasants "sale" would have cost the average residential household approximately \$69 each year for the next 15 years, according to expert testimony in the case before the PSC. In total that's a net present value loss of \$470 million that Mon Power and Potomac Edison customers would have been forced to bear.

Schools, hospitals, and manufacturers in West Virginia would have expected Mon Power and

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Mother of Three Cuts Energy Costs; Makes Home Healthier, Safer, and More Comfortable

by Energy Efficient West Virginia



Jennifer Wilkerson moved to West Virginia to start a handicapped-accessible permaculture homestead. With the responsibility of raising twin six-year-old girls and a son in a power chair with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, Jennifer knew she had to make the best choices about where to spend her money on the new house.

Her goals centered around savings and family resilience and Jennifer researched how to make smart home investments to improve comfort and lower utility costs. She talked with her neighbor, Diane, about her experiences and decided on an energy audit as the first step. Diane has an Energy Star home built with grid-tied solar, battery backup, and solar hot water.

Energy Efficient West Virginia's (EEWV) Xavier Walter, in partnership with EEWV member Randy Swartz of Home Efficiency Solutions, is one of the few certified energy auditors in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia. Xavier is a certified Building Analyst with the Building Performance Institute, as well as a Home Energy Rating System auditor with the Residential

Energy Services Network, both Nationally-recognized certifications.

While Xavier focuses mostly on training others to do this work, he wanted to make sure that Jennifer could improve her home's efficiency. Working in tandem with two companies near Martinsburg, Xavier was able to quickly identify what was needed, and find contractors to air seal, insulate, and add a new high-efficiency water heater. These steps would reduce utility bills and solve the problem of an uncomfortable upstairs and a damp basement.

Read more at <http://www.eewv.org/about/blogs>.

FirstEnergy Bailout

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Potomac Edison electric bills to increase more than \$230 million over the next 15 years, [according to a report by consultants RunnerStone, LLC in December](#). Solar United Neighbors of West Virginia asked RunnerStone to provide estimated impacts of the Pleasants transfer on schools (primary, secondary and colleges and universities), inpatient and outpatient hospitals, and manufacturers.

In a possible last-ditch effort, FirstEnergy has been asking the federal government through Energy Secretary Rick Perry and President Trump to force a bailout through emergency provisions of the Federal Powers Act (FPA). Section 202(c) of the FPA permits the federal government to force states to keep a power plant online if there are concerns of grid reliability or other emergencies. Experts see no such emergency, but FirstEnergy is arguing that coal and nuclear are more effective in certain cold weather conditions, because there is a longer-term fuel source on-site than for natural gas supplies. This is a developing story, but at press time, the Administration has not made any decision on whether to force a bailout of Pleasants or any other FirstEnergy power plants.

EEWV Member Donates LED Lighting to Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College

by Energy Efficient West Virginia

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Moorefield expects to reduce utility consumption by 40% thanks to a donation of LED bulbs from [ZLED Lighting](#), a member of [Energy Efficient West Virginia](#).

[Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College \(EWVCTC\)](#) recently installed the quad-pin LED bulbs designed specifically for a type of fixture commonly found in schools, hotels, and office buildings. "By replacing the 32-watt inefficient, mercury-filled fluorescent bulb with a more attractive 14-watt LED, Eastern should see its electricity bill decrease by almost half," said Xavier Walter Outreach and Development Director of Energy Efficient West Virginia (EEWV). Walter helped facilitate the donation from ZLED Lighting, based in Mount Laurel, NJ.

"Our [members support](#) our mission and work with us to find ways to make a difference. We are very thankful to ZLED for giving us this generous gift that we can put to use immediately to save tax dollars and help West Virginia," Walter continued.

This upgrade equates to a savings of \$7 per bulb. Each bulb's average expected lifespan is over 10 years. EWVCTC will save \$1,400 annually with the donation of the 200 bulbs.

"We want Eastern to be a model of efficiency and sustainability in Appalachia," says Dr. Chuck Terrell, Eastern's president. "We are changing every bulb in our facilities to LED because it is the least expensive measure with the fastest return on investment. Our plans include solar parking canopies and enhanced solar-powered street lighting around our campus."



Xavier Walter (center), EEWV Outreach and Development Director with Dr. Chuck Terrell (right), President of Eastern WV Community and Technical College.

Projects such as the upgrade at EWVCTC fulfill EEWV's mission to promote energy efficiency among residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

"Eastern is taking a step that every government and commercial building owner across the state should be taking," said Executive Director Emmett Pepper. "We hope that other community colleges and public agencies follow the lead of Eastern to save money while creating jobs through energy efficient upgrades to their buildings."

Eastern WV Community and Technical College prides itself on being a leader in sustainability in its community. With the primary goal of helping reinforce the job market, Eastern offers an array of curricula.

Read more at www.eewv.org.

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Save the Date: WV CAG's Awards Dinner
and Fundraiser is June 1st.
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Power to the People:
Annual Awards Dinner and Fundraiser



Honoring Cathy Kunkel and Paul Nyden

WV CAG/WV CAEF Fundraiser Ticket & Sponsorship Form

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Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
E-mail _____ Phone _____

_____ tickets X \$50/person ~ \$90/ couple ~ \$25/student or low income) = \$ _____

Or become a sponsor and have your or your organization's name listed in the program

_____ \$150 ~ *Friend* ~ includes 1 complimentary tickets and listing in program

_____ \$250 ~ *Supporter* ~ includes 2 complimentary tickets and listing in program

_____ \$500 ~ *Advocate* ~ includes 4 complimentary tickets and listing in program

_____ \$1,000 ~ *Champion* ~ includes 8 complimentary tickets and listing in program

_____ \$5,000 ~ *Leader* ~ includes 12 complimentary tickets and full page in program

Please checks payable to WV Citizen Action Group (WV-CAG) (not tax deductible) or
WV Citizen Action Education Fund (WV-CAEF) (tax deductible) or donate via www.wvcag.org/awards.

Mall checks to WV-CAG or WV-CAEF, 1500 Dixie Street, Charleston, WV 25311
For program listings please reply by Friday, May 25, 2018.