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**Lawmakers Honor North Penn's Community Partners Center  
for Health and Human Services**

COLMAR – Praising the work of the North Penn Community Health Foundation (NPCHF), Montgomery County lawmakers gathered Wednesday to honor the organization and its establishment of the state's first ever nonprofit office center.

Reps. Kate Harper, Bob Godshall, Jay Moyer and Rick Taylor presented the organization with a resolution adopted by the state House in September recognizing the center's establishment. Sen. Stewart Greenleaf presented a similar resolution adopted by the state Senate. The Community Partners Center for Health and Human Services opened this spring and currently houses six nonprofit organizations that provide health and human services to local residents, as well as NPCHF staff.

“This center provides an outstanding opportunity to serve the community,” Harper said. “There are a number of services available to help people of Montgomery County, and bringing them together in one place makes it easier for people to get the help they need.”

Godshall added, “The North Penn Community Health Foundation itself was established only seven years ago, yet it has made a major impact on the community in a relatively short time. I applaud the board and staff for their commitment to improving the health and quality of life in our communities.”

The center was created to provide a professional workplace that supports the essential role of local nonprofit organizations; enhances local access to programs and services; provides and maintains a working environment where employees feel comfortable and safe; provides a respectful environment where the public receives services without stigmatization; and fosters collaboration and partnering among local nonprofit organizations.

Other nonprofit agencies now located at the Community Partners Center for Health and Human Services include: Carson Valley Children's Aid, Northwestern

Human Services of Montgomery County, Jaisohn Center, Women's Center of Montgomery County, Health Promotion Council of Southeastern PA and North Penn YMCA.

“These are well-established, well-respected organizations that have served the people of Montgomery County and southeastern Pennsylvania quite well,” said Moyer. “And thanks to the North Penn Community Health Foundation, they have a better opportunity to work together to address the needs of our citizens.”

“The North Penn Community Health Foundation has been a leader in our region by bringing groups together to better serve the health needs of our community,” Taylor added. “I am proud to participate in honoring their achievements today and look forward to still more positive results from their ongoing exemplary efforts.”

In addition to the unique mission of the center, the lawmakers also praised NPCHF for its commitment to the environment. The building is designed to meet platinum standards for “green buildings” as defined by the Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.

The center is located at 2506 N. Broad St. in Colmar. Additional information is available at [www.npchf.org](http://www.npchf.org).

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