

Veterans Home Serving Southern Maryland to Receive \$3,765,184 for Upgrades

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-5) and U.S. Senators Barbara A. Mikulski and Ben Cardin released the following statement after the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA) announced that Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in St. Mary's County, which serves veterans throughout the State of Maryland, will receive a Federal grant totaling \$3,765,184 for assistance toward the cost of expanding the emergency generator power capacity.

"I want to thank the Department of Veterans Affairs for recognizing the importance of Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to our local veteran population," **stated Congressman Hoyer**. "It is important that the nearly 76,000 veterans in the Fifth District, and particularly those who live here at Charlotte Hall, know that the Federal Government is committed to providing them with quality care and services. Today's announcement ensures that our veterans will continue to receive such care in the event of an emergency."

"I am very pleased that federal funding has been provided for a back-up generator at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home," **said U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski**. "Our veterans and their spouses sacrificed to serve our country. It is only fitting to make sure that emergency power will be available if needed, while these veterans are being cared for at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. Promises made to our veterans for their care, should be promises kept."

"Our veterans deserve the best and this funding will make sure that the power doesn't go out in an emergency situation," **said U.S. Senator Ben Cardin**. "Charlotte Hall provides outstanding care to our aging veterans and it's important that it have emergency generators that are needed to ensure the safety and health of residents."

"The USDVA Grant Award will allow Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to expand the emergency generator capacity to 100% complete backup power," **said Sharon Mattia, Director of the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs' Veterans Home Program**.

"The current equipment is both aging and incapable of providing power support to significant

operational areas. The grant will provide 65% of the funding of the project through the USDVA's State Home Construction Grant Program. The project should begin early summer and last about 18 months."

A program of the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA), Charlotte Hall Veterans Home is an assisted living and long-term care facility for Maryland Veterans and eligible spouses who are unable to take care of themselves due to age or disability. The facility provides support and services required for shelter, sustenance, medical care, and social services necessary to maintain residents' medical conditions and qualities of life. When possible, the facility aims to improve residents' medical conditions with the goal of restoring independence and a return to the community.

For more information on Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, [click here](#) .