



### **Progressive Cheverly endorses fair elections campaign in Prince George's County**

At our October 5th 2017 forum, Progressive Cheverly members in attendance voted overwhelmingly to endorse the Fair Elections campaign underway in Prince George's County to reduce the impact of money on campaigns and the functioning of local government by enabling candidates for County Executive and County Council with proven community support to win elected office without accepting large or corporate contributions.

This small donor funded election program works as follows using the numbers from the Montgomery County program. Participating candidates (this is a voluntary program) collect at least \$10,000 in small donations from at least 125 individual contributors, with no donation in excess of \$150/person. Once having reached this threshold, all dollars raised by the candidate are matched with public funds according to a designated matching formula. Once in the program, candidates cannot accept donations in excess of the individual cap and cannot take any corporate or PAC contributions. The actual dollar amounts in this example may change in any final legislation passed in Prince George's County.

If you care about this issue and would like to help make this a reality, please contact Progressive Cheverly's Paul Thompson at [prthomps1@verizon.net](mailto:prthomps1@verizon.net).

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