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Geisinger receives funding from West Penn Energy Fund for energy savings project

Danville, PA – Recently, Geisinger received funding from the West Penn Energy Fund to help fund another energy saving project. Geisinger is committed to energy efficiency. They are one of the most energy efficient hospital systems in the state of Pennsylvania. Creating healthier communities and reducing the total cost of delivering healthcare is core to the mission at Geisinger. Saving energy ultimately saves lives and creates a healthier living environment for our patients, members, and those who live in the communities we serve.

The Geisinger Healthplex State College, formerly known as Gray's Woods, is currently undergoing a facility expansion to enhance healthcare services in Centre County. The expansion includes a two-floor addition that will house existing specialties and services such as family practice, imaging services, orthopaedics, and pediatrics. The West Penn Energy Fund has awarded funding to Geisinger for a solar energy project at the Geisinger Healthplex in State College.

“We are grateful to the West Penn Energy Fund for this generous grant, which will enable us to continue our energy saving initiatives at Geisinger”, said William Gruber, senior director of facility operations.

The project involves installing a 325 kW dc solar grid system on the roof of the facility. This system is capable of providing 347,429 kWh to the facility annually. Taking this amount of energy usage from the grid will decrease peak demand and help to keep rates lower over time. This decrease in energy usage will reduce air pollution and increase the comfort and health of our visitors of Geisinger Healthplex State College.

About Geisinger

Geisinger is among the nation’s leading providers of value-based care, serving 1.2 million people in urban and rural communities across Pennsylvania. Founded in 1915 by philanthropist Abigail Geisinger, the non-profit system generates \$10 billion in annual revenues across 134 care sites - including 10 hospital campuses, and Geisinger Health Plan, with 600,000 members in commercial and government plans. The Geisinger College of Health Sciences educates more than 5,000 medical professionals annually and conducts more than 1,400 clinical research studies. With 26,000 employees, including 1,600 employed physicians, Geisinger is among Pennsylvania’s largest employers with an estimated economic impact of \$14 billion to the state’s economy. On March 31, 2024, Geisinger became the first member of Risant Health, a new nonprofit charitable organization

created to expand and accelerate value-based care across the country. Learn more at [geisinger.org](https://www.geisinger.org) or follow on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [X](#).

About West Penn Energy Fund

The West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund (WPEF) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that invests in the deployment of sustainable energy technologies that benefit West Penn Power ratepayers in Pennsylvania.

WPEF investments are focused in three broad categories:

- ✓ Deployment of sustainable and clean energy technologies;
- ✓ Deployment of energy efficiency and conservation technologies; and
- ✓ Facilitating economic development, environmental betterment, and public education as they relate to sustainable energy deployment in the WPP service region.

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