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St. Peter Parish, Brownsville, receives grant for new parish center

BROWNSVILLE—St. Peter Parish, Brownsville, will receive a \$65,000 grant from West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund (WPPSEF) to support the installation of electrical components in the new parish center.

The parish center is a \$2.3 million project, and the cost of the electrical components is \$180,000. The 12,000-square-foot center will have basketball, soccer and volleyball courts, classrooms, a large kitchen, meeting space and a stage. It will have sustainable energy components, and the heating and air conditioning will be powered by natural gas.

“This building will be an important asset for our parish and the community of Brownsville. We are tremendously grateful for the support of WPPSEF to help us make this project a reality,” said Father Timothy J. Kruthaupt, pastor. “This community center will be a gathering place that Brownsville has been lacking.”

Joel Morrison, WPPSEF Fund Administrator, said, “We know how important this project is to the community of Brownsville. Community centers are incredibly beneficial for a healthy, vibrant community. These facilities provide a safe place for young people and opportunities for social interaction for all residents. They are common ground areas that are focused on inclusivity, while fostering a culture of health and wellbeing in the communities they serve.”

St. Peter Parish

This Historic Church of St. Peter, the first Catholic parish in Fayette County, is the oldest continuously operating parish in Western Pennsylvania. The parish was established in the early 1800s and the current church, which is on the National Register for Historic Places, was built in 1845.

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- ✓ 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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