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**Leg Up Farm Awarded West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund Grant
For Franklin County Facility**

Fayetteville, PA: Leg Up Farm has been awarded a grant from the West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund (WPPSEF) to help with energy efficiency measures in its planned Franklin County facility.

The \$140,000 grant will be used to defray the design and construction costs of the facility which will be designed to ENERGY STAR standards and to defray utility costs so that savings can be reinvested into Leg Up Farm's core program offerings for the local community.

Leg Up Farm's Franklin County facility will be located on a 15-acre tract in Guilford Township adjacent to the Penn National Community and will be designed to replicate its York County based therapy center for children with special needs. Franklin County leaders recognized the need for Leg Up Farm's comprehensive, innovative pediatric therapy model and a capital campaign is currently underway.

The vision for Leg Up Farm began more than 20 years ago after Louis and Laurie Castriota gave birth to their daughter Brooke, who was born with mitochondrial disease. Their vision was to create a therapy center that would serve the needs of children with special needs and their families. Leg Up Farm opened the doors of its Mount Wolf facility in 2010 and today serves more than 700 children each year.

"We are very appreciative of this generous grant and opportunity to support Franklin County families," said Tom O'Connor, Leg Up Farm president.

The West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that invests in the deployment of sustainable energy technologies that benefit West Penn Power ratepayers in Pennsylvania. WPPSEF investments are focused in three broad categories, including 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 West Penn Power service region.

Leg Up Farm, Inc. is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization as provided by Internal Revenue Service requirements. The official registration and financial information of Leg Up Farm, Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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The West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund awards a grant to Leg Up Farm for its planned Franklin County facility.

Leg Up Farm is a nonprofit therapy center in York County, Pennsylvania, for children with special needs. Leg Up Farm's pediatric therapy center is the only facility in the country to provide children impacted by special needs with physical, occupational, aquatic, and speech therapy, in addition to therapeutic horsemanship, behavioral health, nutrition services, and educational and recreational programming under one roof. And, with the Able-Services program, we offer a continuum of care up to 59 years of age. For more information visit www.legupfarm.org.