



Action Fund issues \$20,000 challenge grant bolstering Basic Rights Montgomery

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A group of Montgomery County, Md., residents, joined by the advocacy organization Equality Maryland, last week announced the formation of a campaign to preserve a gender identity nondiscrimination law that was unanimously passed last November by the County Council.

“The LGBT community in Maryland and nationally sees this as an important opportunity to inform our neighbors about the unique challenges and the intolerable discrimination faced by people who don’t conform to certain societal gender expectations. The Task Force is announcing a \$20,000 challenge grant so that we can get to work — right now — in putting together the necessary campaign to counter the misinformation being spread by those who would repeal these vital protections.”

— Rea Carey, Acting Executive Director, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Action Fund