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## News Release

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### WATT WATCHERS OF MARYLAND GOES ON-LINE

#### **New Website Offers Tips to Consumers to Reduce Utility Bills and Ways for Students to Participate in Energy Conservation**

Watt Watchers, an energy conservation and financial education program, has launched a new website, <http://www.wattwatchersmaryland.org/>, designed to give students, their parents' and consumers incentives, information and tools to reduce their energy consumption and utility bills. The website also invites those passionate about saving energy and working toward a cleaner, greener planet to become a Watt Watchers volunteer.

The website contains three portals – one for students, consumers and volunteers/ donors. The pages for students enlist them to help their parents save money by using and encouraging household energy saving activities. The student section also offers ideas for science fair projects.

The pages for consumers give the schedule for free classes that teach ways to save as much as 30 percent on utility bills. In addition, these pages provide tips and tools such as consumption calculators and seasonal checklists to cut energy usage. The pages for volunteers/donors list volunteer opportunities and why the financial support from the community is essential to this program.

Watt Watchers is a program of the Fuel Fund of Maryland and receives financial support from Citi and the Maryland Energy Administration.

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As a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization, the Fuel Fund of Maryland, Inc. provides year-round home energy assistance to families in Central Maryland and has raised more than \$20 million to help nearly 100,000 Maryland families since 1981. The Fuel Fund also garners recognition year after year by receiving the Seal of Excellence from the Maryland Association of Nonprofits, which identifies nonprofit organizations that go above and beyond minimum legal requirements and hold the highest standards of ethics and accountability under the Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations' Standard of Excellence code. A resource in energy conservation education, the Fuel Fund sponsors the Watt Watchers of Maryland™. For more information, visit the Web site at [www.fuefundmaryland.org](http://www.fuefundmaryland.org).