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GSA Provides Harrisburg Courthouse Update and Discusses Sustainability During Green Living Fair

PHILADELPHIA– Central Pennsylvania residents received first-hand information about the new federal courthouse coming to Harrisburg today from Regional Administrator David H. Ehrenwerth, of the U.S. General Services Administration’s Mid-Atlantic Region.

Ehrenwerth was at the Green Center of Central Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg Area Community College’s Midtown Center – future courthouse neighbors – for GSA’s Green Living Fair.

Together with the Green Center of Central Pennsylvania, GreenWorks Development and PPL Electric Utilities, GSA hosted a variety of presenters and exhibitors focused on sustainability. The goal was to raise awareness of ways to go green and to share insight into GSA’s commitment to sustainability both in the new federal courthouse and throughout its projects across the country.

“As an agency, GSA is a longtime advocate for green practices in nearly everything we do and in every building we construct,” said Ehrenwerth. “Today, we were able to let the Harrisburg community know we aren’t just going to build a beautiful courthouse in Midtown; we are going to ensure it’s a leader in the sustainability charge and that it benefits the community by being environmentally friendly. It’s wonderful to know that so many valuable businesses and organizations in the Harrisburg area are also focused on sustainability.”

Following an introduction from Harrisburg Mayor Linda Thompson, Ehrenwerth shared information on the progress of the new courthouse project. Then, Gina Bocra and Brian Masuda, from Ennead Architects & Associates, the architects of the new courthouse, spoke about specific sustainability features being considered.

Additionally, Sean Pressmann from PPL Electric Utilities presented on e-power energy-efficiency programs and shopping for electricity; and Garry Brinton from Facilities Planners + Architects shared practices on how to develop a sustainability program for a business.

Exhibitors ranging from solar power providers to farmers markets were on hand to showcase ways they can help people live greener.

For more information about GSA and the new federal courthouse in Harrisburg, visit www.harrisburgcourthouse.com and follow them on Twitter at www.twitter.com/GSA_Harrisburg.

For more information about GSA's partners for the Green Living Fair, visit the following:
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