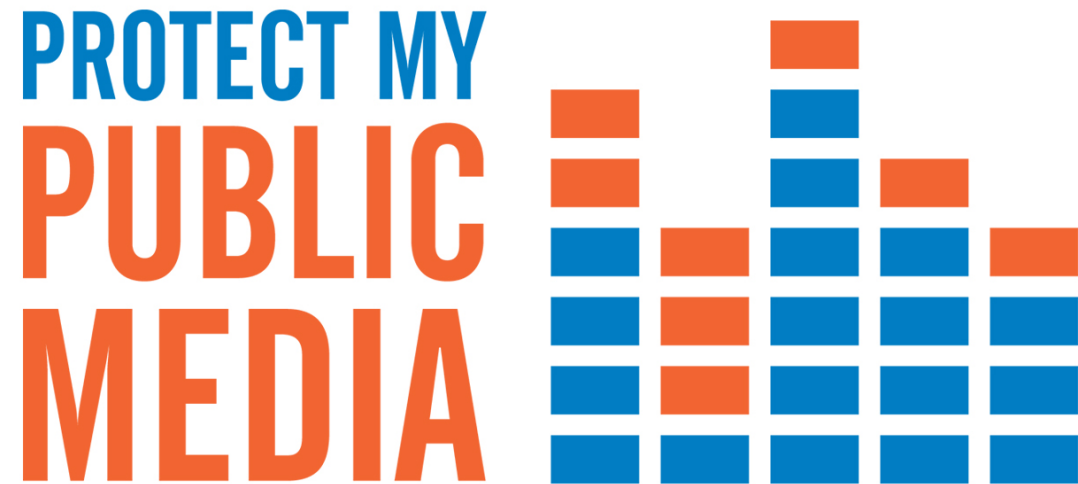


WPSU Government Relations Committee
Greg Petersen, Gary Miller,
Matilda Illuzzi, Vince Mannino
Meeting on 5.5.20



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Tim Asinger - Bradford Era

Sherry DelGrosso - Altoona Mirror

Kelly Hastings - Lock Haven Express

Matilda Illuzzi - Dubois Courier Express

Jennifer Judd - Bedford Gazette

John Lancy - Clearfield Progress

Joe Nairn - Warren Times Observer

John Pozza - Brookville Jeffersonian Democrat/Punxsutawney Spirit

Vince Mannino - Lewistown Gazette

Greg Petersen - Indiana Gazette

Greg Petersen - Johnstown Tribune Democrat

Greg Petersen - Mainline - (Ebensburg, Northern Cambria, Nanty Glo, Cresson, Gallitzin)

Greg Petersen - Huntingdon Daily News & Tyrone Daily Herald

Gary Miller - CDT

Gary Miller - Potter Leader-Enterprise

Gary Miller - Wellsboro Gazette



**WPSU “Learning at Home” Push to Legislators
May- June 2020**

**Plan is to revamp Letter to the Editor
to include “Learning at Home” initiatives
and**

Outline extended Covid19 programming and news

Timing would be as:

**State legislators - 2021 Budget – DCED funding
and**

Federal legislators - proposals/passage - Covid19-related bills





On May 15, 2020, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Health Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act, by a partisan vote of 208-199. While it is unlikely that this legislation will become law in its current form, it included some provisions that could be helpful for stations if they were enacted.

Education Funding

The HEROES Act includes \$90 billion for Education grants to governors to support K-12, public institutions of higher education (IHEs) and early childhood education.

Of the funds received by each State, 65 percent (or approximately \$58 billion) would go to local educational agencies (LEAs) and 30 percent would go to public IHEs (approximately \$27 billion).

Among other uses, these funds may be used to establish or expand remote learning services of the kind public television stations are already providing, often in formal partnerships with LEAs, in all 50 States. This flexible funding can also support:

Delivering educational instruction, planning and implementing summer learning, training and professional development, and providing school-based support such as mental health services,

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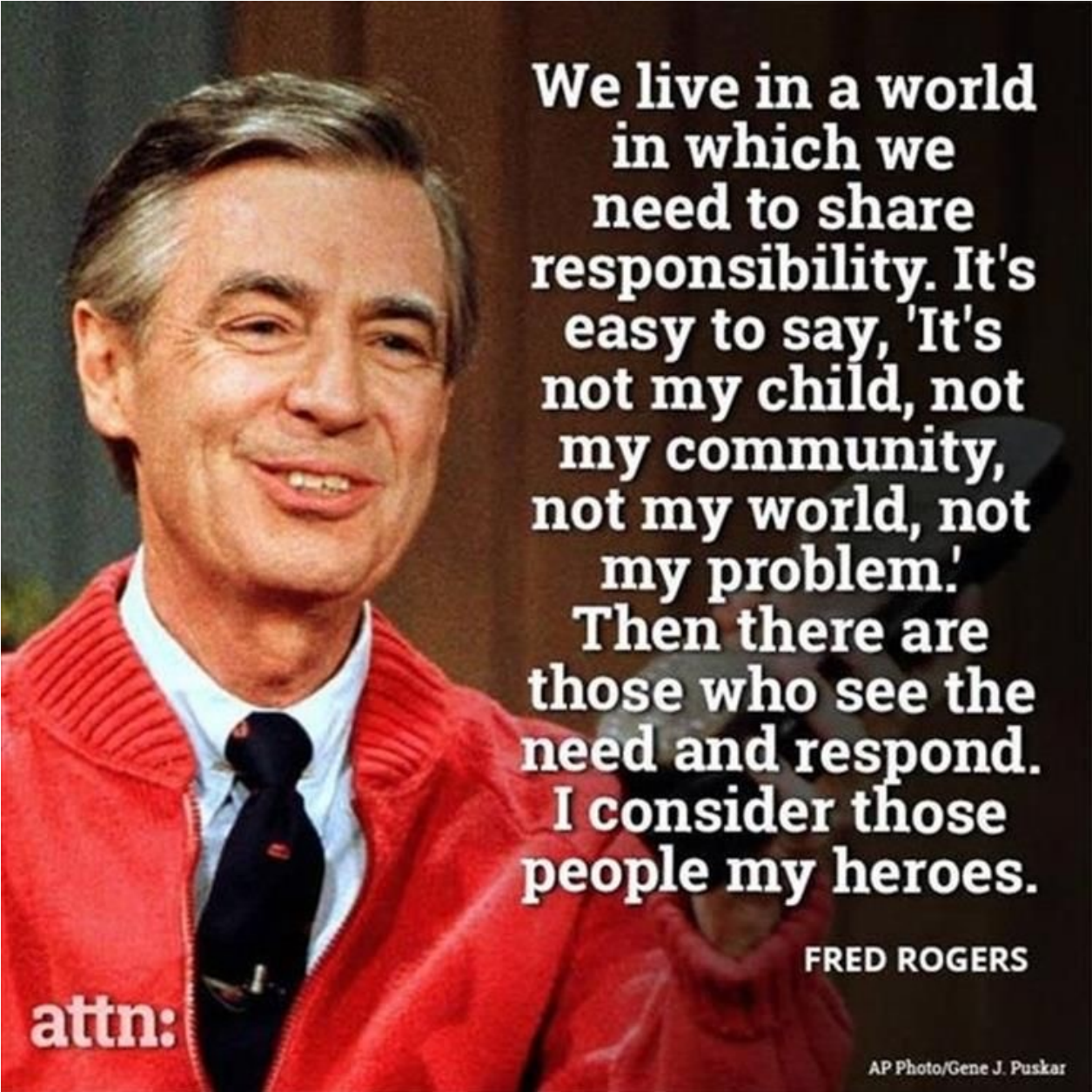


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Urge Congress to Provide Public Media Relief Funding

The public media system – more than 1,400 local stations serving 99% of American households – is projected to lose over \$400 million in non-federal funding in the next several months. Please ask Congress to provide \$175 million to ensure the survival of local public media stations.

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**We live in a world
in which we
need to share
responsibility. It's
easy to say, 'It's
not my child, not
my community,
not my world, not
my problem.'
Then there are
those who see the
need and respond.
I consider those
people my heroes.**

FRED ROGERS

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