



**Prince George's County  
Council Member  
Ingrid M. Turner  
(D) – District 4**

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**COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIR INGRID M. TURNER BRINGS LAWMAKING TO LIFE**

*Turner Teaches Local Youth the Basics of the County Legislative Process*

On Sunday, January 23, 2011, at the YMCA, 3501 Moylan Drive Bowie, MD, Prince George's County Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner (D) – District 4, was invited to present a workshop on the legislative process to the Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.

The purpose of the workshop was to share the basics of the legislative process within county government with the young people. Council Chair Turner explained how the council uses lawmaking to solve local problems of interest to the youth and their families. The youth also participated in an exercise where they had to advocate for a piece of property to remain open space, developed into a shopping center or residential homes. The youth experienced firsthand how a diverse body does not always agree but worked to reach the best solution.

Council Chair Turner believes it is important for our youth to understand how the process works. "Sharing information on the legislative process with our young people is very important to me. They are our future lawmakers and change agents. I want them to understand the general principles behind how an idea becomes a bill and hear about general legislation that may affect them or their families and how they can take part in the process"

Jordan Camp, the Legislative Chairperson for the Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill was excited about the Council Chair's visit. "The Prince George's Chapter of Jack & Jill is very excited that Council Chair Ingrid Turner accepted our invitation to speak about the Legislative Process. Many of the teens are active in the community and have seen, first hand, her leadership on important issues such as education, economic development and community engagement. We also appreciate the Council Chair's commitment to promoting and supporting initiatives for focusing on young people. We are so fortunate that she is such a strong advocate for children and youth and that she took time out of her busy schedule to speak to us."



Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner (D) – District 4, stands with Earl Adams, Chief of Staff for Lt. Governor Anthony Brown and the Senior Teens of the Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.



Council Chair Turner and Earl Adams display their awards as presented by Jordan Camp, Legislative Chair (row 1, left) and Thomas Proctor (row 1, center), President of the Senior Teens.

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All legislative powers of Prince George's County are vested in the County Council. The County Council sits as the District Council on zoning and land use policy, and as the Board of Health to govern and guide health policy. The County Council meets as a legislative body on Tuesdays in the Council Hearing Room on the first floor of the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro. For more information on the Prince George's County Council, please visit [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov).

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