

HISTORY AND GOALS

Montgomery County Project Prom/Graduation (MCPG) was founded in March 1992. MCPG is a coalition of volunteer parents from Montgomery County, Maryland who coordinate alcohol-free and drug-free all-night post-prom/post-graduation celebrations. MCPG was organized so that these volunteers can share information and resources and to solicit regional support for their programs.

MCPG was patterned on the success of the Northern Virginia Project Graduation. Prior to March 1992 several Montgomery County high schools hosted successful post-prom or post-graduation celebrations, however, and it was felt that a regional organization could more successfully obtain funding and prizes for the group as a whole.

The parents of MCPG are committed to providing our Prom-going Juniors and Seniors with a safe, supervised and fun-filled all-night celebration. Our most important goal is to change what has become an annual tragedy--losing our youth to the deadly mix of alcohol, drugs and driving at a special time in their lives.

Each all-night celebration may differ in theme. However, each offers their students a passport to a night of contests, prizes, fun, food and companionship with their classmates in an alcohol-free and drug-free setting. The success of these celebrations is the result of the efforts of parents and volunteers, the support of the high schools and local government, and the generous contributions of local businesses and professional, religious and community organizations. MCPG has been designated as a Charitable [501(c)(3)] organization by the Internal Revenue Service and is registered as a tax-exempt organization under the laws of the State of Maryland. There is currently a membership of 30 schools, 9 private and 21 public, all located in Montgomery County.

MCPG is building a tradition. We invite you to join us as we invest in our youth. The alcohol-free and drug-free post-prom and post-graduation all-night celebrations are truly a gift--a gift of life and the preservation of our future.