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86-YEAR OLD LOCAL NONPROFIT CHANGES NAME
Episcopal Senior Ministries Renamed Seabury Resources for Aging
to Reflect Expanding Services

Washington, DC (April 20, 2010) - Episcopal Senior Ministries (ESM) has changed its name to Seabury Resources for Aging. " At a time when many nonprofit organizations are trimming staff and cutting programs, Seabury has been expanding its services to meet the needs of older adults and their families in the Washington area, " says Executive Director Joe Resch, "The new name and visual identity are designed to reflect that growth while at the same time supporting the organization's mission to serve all persons regardless of any religious affiliation."

Seabury Resources for Aging, an 86 year old Washington area institution, has been growing steadily for the past two decades. From a foundation of affordable retirement living through Friendship Terrace in Northwest Washington, Seabury has expanded to provide additional services so that older adults may remain safely at home for as long as they choose. Seabury Care Management (formerly ESM Cares) provides geriatric care management services; transportation projects in Southern Maryland and NW Washington provide rides to medical appointments, shopping, and social activities; and staff works with congregations to develop programs and services for older adults. In 2000, Christian Communities Group Homes became a subsidiary of Seabury. It operates 3 homes owned by the DC Office on Aging for older adults with very low incomes, and coordinates the Age-In-Place® programs in the District which provide home repair and maintenance services.

In the past two years, Seabury has sought additional opportunities for service. Age-In-Place®: Home Repair and Maintenance was started to meet a need for affordable, dependable skilled home repair services targeted to meet the concerns of seniors. Last May, Seabury became the lead agency for the DC Office on Aging in Washington DC's Ward 5. The lead agency operates 11 congregate meal sites, coordinates home delivered meals, nutrition counseling and education, Whets and Call"N" Ride transportation services, and operates the citywide Senior Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

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Springvale Terrace, Inc. which offers independent and assisted living services for older adults became a subsidiary of Seabury in October 2009. Springvale Terrace which opened in 1965 is probably the first HUD 202 mortgaged property in the Washington area and one of the first in the country.

Combined, there are 130 employees, \$7.5 million in annual budgets, Endowment and dedicated funds of approximately \$10 million, 355 housing units, and about 3,500 clients in the community that benefit from Seabury's services, and 10,000 households that receive Seabury's newsletter and more that visit its website. In addition, more than 3,000 volunteers are working through Seabury programs each year. "We are reaching out to the metropolitan community for support as well as to serve," says Resch, "our new name is another way we are making our services accessible by all members of the community."

For more information, visit the organization's website www.seaburyresources.org.

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