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## BRING THE FUNK AND YOUR ELECTRONIC JUNK AS TUFAC HOSTS A 70'S SKATE NIGHT TO SUPPORT STUDENTS IN STEM PROGRAMS

Lanham, Maryland—Summer is here and Turn Up For A Cause is back again with an event that brings attendees a blast from the past. On July 7, 2019, from 4:00pm to 6:30pm, TUFAC will host Roll Bounce, 70's Skate Night at Lanham Skate Center. Guests are encouraged to come dressed in 70's inspired costumes and donate their new and used electronics including laptops, remotes, batteries, Arduino circuit boards, and old speakers in order to support middle school students in Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics programs at Passion 4 Learning. Tickets can be purchased on the TUFAC website listed below and item and monetary donations are welcomed if guests are unable to attend.

"As an engineer, I take great pride in being able to support programs like Passion 4 Learning. To be able to serve as a resource to students who want to pursue careers in STEM is truly an honor," said Naa Adei, TUFAC Co-Founder and Engineer. "I'm excited to be a part of this event and to be in a position to expose more students to technology."

With technology becoming an essential part of everyday life, it is important for students in the Generation Z demographic and beyond to adapt to society's changing advancements. The need to navigate emerging technologies in today's institutions and working environment is critical. According to recent findings, more teachers are incorporating technology in the classroom has a significant impact on students' learning.

## Passion 4 Learning

Since 2004, Passion 4 Learning has served as an educational resource for low-income students in Maryland and surrounding areas. Its programs are designed to create a digital learning environment to prepare students to adapt to the emerging developments in the fields of science and technology. In order to bridge the gap in education, Passion 4 Learning offers four signature after-school four programs including *Dig.Lit*, which teaches students elements of web design and videography, *Games. Inc*, which provides coding and video game design, *Code-Tech Squad* which focuses on computing lessons geared

toward electronics and circuits, and *GRRL Tech (Girls Really Really Love Technology)*, a program tailored for young girls that combines concepts of coding, video gaming, web design and a variety of digital and video skills.

## Turn Up For A Cause

Founded by Kiera Joyner and Naa Adei Mante in 2017, Turn Up for a Cause was created for the sole purpose of improving voluntary involvement in underserved communities through the execution of sponsored events. Turn Up For A Cause has successfully hosted charity events that impact multiple communities in the Washington D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area. For more information on Turn Up for a Cause, or to find out how you can help, please visit <u>https://www.turnupforacause.com/</u>.

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