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Calvert County, Md., to Host Procurement Resource Day

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – February 25, 2011 – The Calvert County Department of Economic Development, in conjunction with the Calvert Library, will present a training workshop and procurement fair on state and local procurement programs on Friday, March 25, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Calvert Library in Prince Frederick.

Howard McLain, outreach and training coordinator with the Maryland Department of General Services, will conduct a hands-on workshop on eMaryland Marketplace from 9 to 11 a.m. during which he will instruct attendees in the process of navigating the program. eMaryland Marketplace is Maryland's online procurement portal which allows state agencies and other authorized procuring entities to purchase goods and services from vendors registered in the eMaryland Marketplace vendor community.

In addition to the training, procurement fair activities will provide attendees with information on upcoming bid opportunities and the purchasing process for local, state and federal organizations. Representatives and procurement officials from SMECO, Calvert County Government, Calvert County Public Schools, College of Southern Maryland, the Maryland Department of General Services, the Small Business Development Center and the Calvert County Minority Business Alliance will be available for informal networking and discussion.

The event is free and preregistration is not required; however, seating is limited for the hands-on eMaryland Marketplace workshop.

For more information about this event or the Calvert County, Md., Department of Economic Development and services available to assist county businesses, call 410.535.4583, 800.331.9771 or 301.855.1880; send an e-mail to info@ecalvert.com or visit online at www.ecalvert.com.

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Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.