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#bFair2DirectCare Rally at St. Francis College

On Friday, February 3, a press event was held at St. Francis College to advocate #bFair2DirectCare. This campaign was created to advocate for a fair living wage for Direct Service Providers (DSP) who care for individuals living with developmental and physical disabilities. The GEC joined other non-profit organizations, Self-Advocates, Direct Service Providers, Community leaders, and elected officials to convey an important message to Governor Cuomo to - Be Fair to Direct Care! DSP's provide care 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a week, and deserve to earn a fair living wage.



Anthony Martinez, GEC's Direct Service Professional had the opportunity to speak at the rally, and convey how DSP's help improve the quality of life for adults living with developmental and physical disabilities, and how they rightfully deserve to earn a fair living wage.



Paul Cassone, GEC's Executive Director/CEO was interviewed by a local station about the importance of the #bFair2DirectCare campaign, and the responsibilities Direct Service Professionals have in the care of individuals with special needs.



Frank Sena, GEC's 2nd Vice President of the Board conveyed his experience as a parent of a child with special needs, and the difference DSP's make in the lives of each individual in their care.



Individuals living with special needs representing various non-profit organizations, created signs to express to Governor Cuomo messages of need and importance of the #bFair2DirectCare movement.