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**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

**Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania kicks-off Safe Digging Month with \$2,000 donation to Beaver Area Heritage Foundation; supporting safety and preservation of local historical landmarks**

**CANONSBURG, PA** – In recognition of April as the ninth annual National Safe Digging Month, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania Inc., presented the non-profit Beaver Area Heritage Foundation with a \$2,000 contribution for the continual safety, celebration and preservation of local Beaver communities.

“Columbia Gas has been part of Beaver neighborhoods since 1885,” said local Columbia Gas Operations Center Manager Mike Tice. “Both Columbia Gas and the Heritage Foundation are committed to the investment of the region’s future. Columbia Gas applauds the Heritage Foundation for its dedication in preserving the rich history of the neighborhoods we call home.

For more information about Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania’s commitment to giving back to the communities where we deliver natural gas visit, [www.ColumbiaGasPA.com/givingback](http://www.ColumbiaGasPA.com/givingback).

**National Safe Digging Month** - *This April marks the ninth annual National Safe Digging Month. Columbia Gas of reminds homeowners and contractors that before they pick up a shovel, they need to pick up the telephone and call 811. The 811 “Call Before You Dig” hotline operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For more information on digging safely in Pennsylvania, visit [www.PAOneCall.org](http://www.PAOneCall.org).*

**About Beaver Area Heritage Foundation** - *Founded more than four decades ago in Beaver, Pennsylvania, the Beaver Area Heritage Foundation is dedicated to the preservation and celebration of the people, places and events of Beaver’s rich history. The Heritage Foundation oversees four major historical sites in Beaver including the Beaver Area Heritage Museum, Beaver Station Cultural & Events Center, the 1802 Log House and the Revolutionary War Fort McIntosh Site. More information about the Beaver Area Heritage Foundation is available at [www.beaverheritage.org](http://www.beaverheritage.org).*

**About Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania** - *Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania delivers clean, affordable and efficient natural gas to approximately 421,000 customers. With headquarters in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, it is one of NiSource’s seven regulated utility companies. NiSource (NYSE: NI) is one of the largest fully-regulated utility companies in the United States, serving approximately 3.5 million natural gas customers and 500,000 electric customers through its local Columbia Gas and NIPSCO brands. More information about Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania and NiSource is available at [www.ColumbiaGasPA.com](http://www.ColumbiaGasPA.com) and [www.nisource.com](http://www.nisource.com).*

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