

HISTORICAL BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES 2002 GRANTS SUMMARIES

LOUISIANA

Dillard University

Dillard University in New Orleans, Louisiana will use its \$550,000 Historically Black Colleges and Universities Grant to complete construction of the Dillard University International Center for Economic Freedom facility. This new 31,000 square foot facility will house administrative offices, meeting rooms, training spaces, and additional spaces for learning and technology access for the population of non-traditional students served at the University. The grant will also expand the existing non-traditional program on campus to include the St. Bernard Community (SBC)/Services for Human Initiatives and Promotion (SHIP) initiative. Project: SBC/SHIP will implement a program to address one of the anti-poverty strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan for the City of New Orleans, in which the City stated its commitment to allocate resources for a period of five years to address increasing the number of preventive health programs for the poor.

Southern University at Shreveport

Southern University at Shreveport in Louisiana will receive a Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program grant of \$322,211 to support community development in northwest Shreveport. Grant funds will be used to expand the existing micro-business enterprise incubator program; enhance neighborhood economic development through vocational job training; provide homeownership training and counseling to low-income residents; and enhance neighborhood economic development, human service improvement, and civic responsibilities through a partnership alliance with community-based organizations. Community partner organizations project include Providence House and Family Life Center of Shreveport.

Southern University and A&M College

Southern University and A&M College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, will receive a Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program grant of \$550,000 to provide community development services in East Baton Rouge Parish. Grant funds will be used to construct two homes for low-to-moderate income residents; initiate an Adopt-a-Block Project to clean up and maintain low-income neighborhoods; create a housing stabilization program stressing homeowner retention and maintenance; implement a program to move subsidized renters to homeownership; and provide training and technical assistance to community partners in job creation, board training, strategic planning, fundraising, and board member responsibilities. The University will collaborate with the Corporation for National Service, Scotland Community Development Corporation, North Baton Rouge Learning Center and Community Development Corporation, Greater King David Baptist Church, the City of Baton Rouge Parish Division of Social Services and Human Development, and the East Baton Rouge Parish Office of Community Development.