

HISTORICAL BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES 2002 GRANTS SUMMARIES

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Jarvis Christian College

Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas will receive a Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program grant of \$338,274 to build a Community & Technology Center on the Jarvis campus to house programs serving nearby communities. The project will provide opportunities for low and moderate-income rural families to obtain affordable housing, become economically self-sufficient, and learn the skills that will enable them to meet the demands of a technology-driven economy. The grant will fund the construction of a 5,000 sq. foot facility that will furnish the home base for the East Texas Community Empowerment Corporation—a community development corporation whose mission is to develop housing and economic opportunities for low-income families—and serve as a meeting facility for other community groups. Construction of the facility will also enable the HBCU to expand existing programs in workforce training, adult continuing education, and service learning, while allowing it to launch new initiatives in after-school care for children and minority entrepreneurship.

Paul Quinn College

Paul Quinn College in Dallas, Texas will receive a Historically Black Colleges and Universities grant of \$550,000 to continue economic development activities within the southern sector of Dallas referred to as the Simpson Stuart Community. The community suffers from economic disinvestments and a severe lack of social services. The grant will be used for façade of art improvements at the Highland Hills Shopping Center owned by Paul Quinn College and managed by the Paul Quinn Community Development Corporation (CDC). In addition to improvements, the College and the CDC will offer business development classes to existing businesses.