

Historically Black Colleges And Universities Fiscal Year 1999 Grant Awards

Florida

Bethune-Cookman College -- Grant Amount: \$ 400,000

Bethune-Cookman College will utilize HBCU funds to facilitate economic development by providing technical or financial assistance for the establishment, stabilization, and expansion of micro-enterprises, including minority businesses, and to provide direct home ownership assistance to low and moderate income persons.

Alabama

Bishop State Community College -- Grant Amount: \$ 400,000

Bishop State Community College with it's HBCU grant will focus on revitalizing the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue community which has been selected by the city of Mobil as a target area to be redeveloped. The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue Redevelopment Corporation will spearhead the planning and development of a supermarket. The college will initiate and coordinate job training and basic adult education for employment in the supermarket.

North Carolina

Elizabeth City State University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Elizabeth City State University will utilize HBCU funds to expand home ownership and affordable housing opportunities and employment opportunities for low/moderate income residents in the Elizabeth City and Pasquatank County communities. Activities will include housing rehab, home ownership assistance, pre-employment counseling, job training and placement services, technical assistance to community based organizations to maximize community development and redevelopment efforts, and the implementation of a neighborhood network program to train low-income residents in computer technology.

District of Columbia

Howard University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Howard University proposes with this HBCU grant to continue it's community and economic development activities with its community and corporate partners by undertaking activities that include facilitating community collaboration, rehabbing homes, fostering tourism, establishing a campus of learners, providing technical assistance for fair housing activities and re-funding it's curriculum in community development. The proposed activities will be carried out in a target area that includes five distressed communities around the university.

North Carolina

Johnson C. Smith University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,690

The university will address the problems of twelve neighborhoods in the northwest corridor of Charlotte, North Carolina. HBCU funds will be used to upgrade existing housing stock and create new affordable housing that will attract the next generation of homeowners. The university will also provide homeownership counseling.

Oklahoma

Langston University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Based on the results of a 1998 community survey and comprehensive planning strategies, the university will undertake the development of a 45,000 sq. ft. commercial/retail/civic strip shopping center. To augment the commercial development, Langston, in two phases, will conduct a housing needs survey and develop a housing strategic plan to identify the housing needs for low to moderate income residents in the target area.

Georgia

Morehouse College -- Grant Amount: \$ 400,000

Morehouse University has created a Neighborhood Revitalization Task Force, which consist of students, faculty, and staff from the college and includes representatives from the seven neighborhood organizations located in the target area. Through these organizations, students will be provided community service internships. Morehouse will work on behalf of the community, with the City of Atlanta, to develop specialized neighborhood revitalization plans. Such plans will be the basis for creating a HUD approved neighborhood revitalization strategy area.

North Carolina

North Carolina A & T State University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

North Carolina A&T State University proposes to provide comprehensive training in the vocational/technical trades, business enterprise development assistance to minority-owned businesses, and job placement assistance and counseling to community residents within the Southeastern part of Greensboro, North Carolina.

North Carolina Central University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

North Carolina Central University will partner with the City of Durham, the Housing Authority of the City of Durham and Eagle Village CDC to promote neighborhood stability and economic growth in the Eagle Village and South East Central Durham communities. This is to be accomplished through the operation of a Home Ownership and Housing Rehabilitation Program, Master Site Planning, and a Campus of Learners initiative.

Virginia

Norfolk State University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466, 665

Norfolk State University is pursuing a holistic approach to revitalization in the City of Norfolk. The target area is Central Brambleton. The University will use HBCU funds to expand existing projects, such as: the provision of decent and affordable housing; helping welfare families become self-sufficient; creating a small business incubator; enhancing literacy in the target area by developing the basic skills of low to moderate income persons; providing information on health issues; and educating residents regarding fair housing laws and regulations.

Alabama

Oakwood College --Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Oakwood College will utilize the HBCU grant to aid in the elimination of blighted homes in target areas of the Terry Heights and Hillandale communities. The activities include: rehabbing 15-20 substandard/blighted owner-occupied homes in partnership with the Terry Heights Community Development Corporation (THCDC); expanding adult education opportunities by creating a second center for adult learning; and continuing and expanding an after school tutorial program for school age children in the target area.

Louisiana

Southern University at New Orleans -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Southern University, in conjunction with its partners the Urban League of greater New Orleans, and the Beinville corridor development collaborative, proposes to develop a master plan of the Beinville corridor. The goal of the master plan is to create a holistic plan to empower neighborhood and community-based not-for-profit organizations to develop the capacity to revitalize their community. An Urban Design Research Center will be developed. This Center will be non-profit, community-based, and university affiliated. The Center will be used for community planning and design for residents, organizations, community leaders, business partners and government.

Alabama

Stillman College -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

In partnerships with the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa Housing Authority and Westside Community Development Corporation, Stillman College proposes to increase the accessibility of learning by establishing centers in Rosedale Court, McKenzie Court and Crescent East. This activity will make training to increase and improve employability skills, educational and family development programs available to 450 families. "Creating Community Connections" is an extension of the Stillman College community outreach mission that allows the college to assist low-income families to achieve independence and sufficiency.

Texas

St. Philip's College/ Alamo Community College -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

St. Philip's College, of the Alamo Community College District, through its partnership with St. Paul United Methodist Church will renovate the Brackenridge School Building as part of the Carver Community Cultural Center masterplan development. The Brackenridge Building will be used to house the College of the Community Adult Education Center. The Brackenridge Building will provide service space for organizations with goals to address the high rate of illiteracy in the San Antonio Enterprise Community area.

Virginia

St. Paul's College -- Grant Amount: \$ 466, 665

St. Paul's College will utilize this HBCU grant to continue revitalizing the downtown area of Lawrenceville. Activities to be carried out include: providing assistance for the local senior citizens' organizations; creating a micro-enterprise revolving loan fund to assist local businesses with five or fewer employees; providing assistance to local recreation centers which provide a myriad of activities for low and moderate-income families; and creating a land acquisition program in Lawrenceville to build affordable housing for low and moderate-income families.

Texas

Texas College -- Grant Amount: \$ 400, 000

Texas College will utilize its HBCU grant to rehabilitate the Willie Lee Glass Building as the site for sustained and substantive programs and services for the community. HBCU funds will also be used for pre-employment training and computer access for tenants of two nearby federally assisted housing projects.

Arkansas

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

UAPB will continue to participate in the long-term revitalization of North Pine Bluff through: housing and business development; educational enhancement programs; and community empowerment assistance. UAPB will partner with the City of Pine Bluff in addressing the substandard housing conditions of North Pine Bluff by implementing a new single-family home construction program through the Southeast Arkansas CDC and its for-profit affiliate construction company-SEARK Community Builders, Inc. The educational preparedness of K-2 students will be improved through the continuation of a UAPB/Dollarway School District Tutorial Program. Community-based employment opportunities will be created by providing businesses seed grants to SEACDC. Operational stability of UAPB's non-profit partners - Southeast Arkansas and Family CDCs will be ensured. A facility will be constructed to house the UAPB Economic Research and Development Center. All activities will focus on the need of low to moderate income residents in the University Park neighborhood located on the north side of the City of Pine Bluff.

South Carolina

Voorhees College -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Voorhees College will continue to carry out existing programs to improve the quality of life for residents in the Denmark community. Activities include: operation of the Voorhees-Denmark CDC to address housing needs, and stimulate economic growth through training and economic development activities; and operation of a neighborhood network center that will enhance self-sufficiency and employability of low and moderate income residents.

North Carolina

Winston - Salem State University -- Grant Amount: \$ 466,665

Winston-Salem State University is proposing to continue providing services in the Columbian Heights community of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The university's goal is to expand its role and effectiveness through the S.G. Atkins CDC to impact the quality of life for residents in the Columbian Heights area. Proposed activities include: increase capacity of the S.G. Atkins CDC; complete phase II of the Excelsior Street revitalization project; increase home ownership through the Home Smart Program; implement a community empowerment program within the area; increase housing and economic development activities for low-income residents; and develop community-based programs and outreach services.

West Virginia

West Virginia State College -- Grant Amount: \$ 400, 000

West Virginia State College will utilize HBCU funds to carry out a project called "Helping Our Undergraduates Succeed in Education (HOUSE)". This program will help to improve the economic prospects of members of the community and revitalize the neighborhood. The program will provide transitional housing for high-risk youth and teach them self-sufficiency while giving them the opportunity to obtain a college education.