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Augusta Technical College Receives \$2.9 million Through US Department of Education Predominantly Black Institutions Program

The grant will be for a total of 5 year(s).

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Augusta Technical College has been selected to receive funding under the U.S. Department of Education's Predominantly Black Institutions Program. This grant will be in the amount of \$2.9 million over 5 years.

Augusta Technical College provides more than 5000 students with technical education in over 130 programs of study that lead to certificates of credit, diplomas, and associate degrees. Within 22 colleges in the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG), Augusta Tech is distinguished by its special career-focused offerings and placement of students in high growth industries.

To accomplish the goals, objectives, and priorities of the PBI project, the following new or enhanced services will be provided:

- Expand the capacity of the Student Success Center.
- Implement an Integrated Student Support Redesign model.
- Expand the institution's research capacity.
- Establish a Center for Professional Excellence to provide training to assist faculty in creating remote learning experiences for faculty training.

"Since 2011, Augusta Technical College has received \$5.4 million from the Department of Education Predominantly Black Institutions competitive grant program to improve the educational outcomes of our students," stated College Provost Dr. Melissa Frank-Alston. "We are pleased to receive this new funding which will allow the College to continue to meet its student success outcomes from the first two rounds of funding and expand wraparound services for our students and professional development for our faculty and staff."

The U.S. Department of Education's Predominantly Black Institutions (PBI) Program makes grant awards to eligible institutions to plan, develop, undertake and implement programs to enhance the institution's capacity to serve more low- and middle-income Black American students; to expand higher education opportunities for eligible students by encouraging college preparation and student persistence in

secondary school and postsecondary education; and to strengthen the financial ability of the institution to serve the academic needs of these students.

About Augusta Technical College

Augusta Technical College, a unit of the Technical College System of Georgia, is a public postsecondary institution that provides academic and technical education, customized business and industry training, continuing education, student support, economic development, and adult education services to its service area (Burke, Columbia, Lincoln, McDuffie, and Richmond Counties) at a competitive financial value. Associate of Science Degrees, Associate of Applied Science Degrees, diplomas, and technical certificates of credit are provided through traditional and distance delivery methods. For more information, visit augustatech.edu.

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