



Report from Office of Your N.C. Rep. Angela R. Bryant House District 7

Recent State Grant Awards for Halifax County

- **Rural Center Grant for water and sewer** for an economic development project. Halifax County is requesting \$814,530 from the Rural Center to be combined with \$42,870 from the applicant and \$929,141 in CDBG funds. The total project cost is \$1,786,541 and will result in several hundred jobs when finalized and completed.
- **Drop-out Prevention Grants:**
 1. The Halifax County Schools Safety Net for Academic Performance (SNAP) Program has been awarded \$174,654.26. The goal of SNAP Dropout Prevention initiative is to provide programs and services targeted to the needs of students at-risk of dropping out of school, particularly in the areas of academics and attendance. The focus of the program will be on student success.
 2. Together Transforming Lives Inc. has been awarded \$175,000 for Project T.I.L.T - Transforming Individuals 4 Leaders 4 Tomorrow. Project T.I.L.T. plans to engage 45 “at risk” students who have been referred by the school and provide them with interactive low-ratio mentoring, tutoring, conflict avoidance skills and parent involvement activities.
 3. Project C.A.R.E (Child Abuse Resource and Education) of Halifax and Warren Counties has been awarded a \$71,500 grant for the Reaching Forward Project.
- **Transportation Recovery Funding:** Halifax County has been awarded a \$464,458 transportation project to aid in the state’s economic recovery. The money will be spent to build a new bridge over Quankey Creek on Sam Powell Road (State Road 1434) in Halifax County. The \$464,458 contract was awarded to R.E. Burns & Sons Inc. of Statesville. The project is scheduled to begin as early as March 15, 2010, and is scheduled to be finished by July 1, 2010.
- **Golden LEAF Foundation** -- \$100,000 grant to Halifax Community College for equipment for their allied health program; \$140,000 to UNC-Chapel Hill for work by Dr. Jim Johnson to build a model of interventions for African American males in the Halifax

County public schools.

- **Green Business Fund:** Biomass Marketing Associates, LLC, Hobgood -- \$100,000 - *Development of additional renewable energy component for gasification units--* Developing a system to capture heat produced from gasification of biological waste, and using that energy to heat water.
- **CDBG- Recovery Funding:** Town of Hobgood -- \$598,341.00 CDBG-Recovery award to install curb and gutters, drainage, sidewalk and street improvements in the Riddick Street area.
- **Main Street Funding** – Roanoke Rapids was awarded designation as a NC Main Street Community by the NC Department of Commerce. The NC Department of Commerce, Office of Urban Development offers communities technical assistance and program guidance in the area of downtown revitalization. This assistance is based on the National Main Street Center’s 4-Point Approach to downtown revitalization.

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