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**Subject:** Economic Development Opportunities

Attached hereto is a notice of a grant opportunity that your college may wish to pursue. Please take a look and if we can help you with the process, let us know.

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Program Number: 01711

Title: DOC--EDA--Technical Assistance Program--University Centers

Sponsor: Economic Development Administration

SYNOPSIS:

Grants are provided to support projects designed to help colleges and universities in using their own and other resources to address the economic development problems and opportunities of their service areas. University Centers are evaluated at least once every three years. Eligible applicants include public and private institutions of higher education.

Deadline(s):

Established Date: 05/12/1982

Follow-Up Date: 01/01/2001

Review Date: 02/11/2000

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Deadline Ind: Receipt

Deadline Open: Yes

Award Type(s): Centers, Research/Service  
Outreach  
Technical Assistance

Citizenship/Country of Applying Institution:  
Any/No Restrictions

Locations Tenable: U.S.A. Citizenship (including U.S. Territories)

Appl Type(s): **Colleges/Universities**  
**Educational Organizations/Inst.**  
Indian Tribes/Governing Orgs.  
**Non-Profit**  
Public Institution  
Private Institution/Organization

## State/Local Agencies

Target Group(s): NONE  
Funding Limit: \$0 SEEBELOW  
Duration: 0  
Indirect Costs: Yes  
Cost Sharing: No  
Sponsor Type: Federal

Geo. Restricted: NO RESTRICTIONS

CFDA#: 11.303

### **OBJECTIVES:**

Grants are provided to support projects designed to help colleges and universities in using their own and other resources to address the economic development problems and opportunities of their service areas.

During FY 2000, EDA will give priority consideration to projects that help communities achieve and sustain economic growth, including those that support the sponsor's "New Markets" and "Liveable Communities" initiatives and the priorities of the Department of Commerce, including, among other things, the following: construction and rehabilitation of essential public works infrastructure and economic development facilities that are necessary to achieve long-term growth and provide stable and diversified local economies in the Nation's distressed communities; assistance to communities suffering job losses and/or plant closings resulting from changing trade patterns; commercialization and deployment of technology, particularly information technology and telecommunications, and efforts that support technology transfer, application, and deployment for regional economic development; projects from Minority Serving Institutions to plan and implement activities that will create opportunities for minority enterprise and technology-based employment in distressed areas; entrepreneurial development, especially programs that build local capacity such as small business incubators and community financial intermediaries, and projects benefiting minorities, businesses owned by women, and people with disabilities (e.g., revolving loan funds); economic adjustment, especially in response to military base and Department of Energy facility closures and downsizing, defense industry downsizing, and post-disaster, long-term economic recovery; projects that fall under the New Markets Initiative--those that attract private investment in economically distressed inner city areas, small and medium-sized towns, rural areas, and Native American communities; projects located in federally designated rural and urban Enterprise Communities and Empowerment Zones and state enterprise zones; projects that demonstrate innovative approaches to economic development; projects that support the economic development of Native American communities including Alaska Native Villages; and projects that support locally created partnerships that focus on regional solutions for economic development.

### **RESTRICTIONS:**

Eligible applicants are public and private institutions of higher education; Indian Tribes; state and local governments; and non-profit organizations working in cooperation with state and local governments.

Funds in the amount of \$6,469,000 have been appropriated for FY 2000. The average funding level for planning grants last year was \$98,300. The sponsor expects that most funds will be used for support to existing University Centers. The sponsor is in the process of designating the program as a multi-year program and expects at least \$6,469,000 in funding to be available in each of the second and third years. University Centers are evaluated at least once every three years. Indirect costs are allowed.

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