**North Carolina Agricultural &** Technical State Un IV

> "Preparing for Employment in Challenging Times"

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### North Carolina A & T State University Construction Management Office of Sponsored Programs (CMOSP)

History in the Community

- An 1890 Land Grant Institution
- A High Research Activity University
- CMOSP operates through the "Leadership and Community Development" Cluster in the Division of Research
- The CMOSP was established in 1997

# Responding to the Most Urgent Needs & Trends

- As unemployment rose the number of self employed or people using hobbies to generate extra cash increased by 15% in southeast Greensboro
- Drastic spike in the homeless popula teens and young adult males

 Steady increases in unemployment among special needs and hard to place populations



# Successful Outreach Initiatives



Minority Enterprise Training & Development was designed to Educate, Empower & Employ

### Impact on the Unemployed & Underemployed

Since 2006 NCA&TSU has provided specialized training to 42 existing minority owned business and established 12 new businesses

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Prior to enrolling in the METAD these businesses had **7** employees combined. Today they employ **23** residents of Southeast Greensboro and utilize approximately **10** subcontractors



### Effective Outreach = Strategic Partnerships

Welfare Reform Liaison Project Inc. C.A.A. Est 1997 Joseph's House Inc. Est. 2005 Malachi House Incorporated Est. 1985



Each of these organizations have a proven record of achieving measurable goals and positively impacting the community. These partnerships position each grassroots organization to achieve more through joint outreach efforts and direct assistance.

### Welfare Reform Liaison Project Inc./C.A.A.



Partnership with NCA&TSU resulted in **21** adults earning their GED, **12** enrolling in continuing education or vocational programs and **35** FT jobs for previously unemployed adults in southeast Greensboro in **9** months.

# Where do homeless high school students do their homework?

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## Joseph's House Inc.

In 2004 Guilford County Schools reported **164** homeless students were enrolled in classes, by 2006 that number increased to nearly **400** students.

Prior to Joseph's House there were only **7 beds** in Guilford County dedicated for homeless youth

Provides basic needs to homeless young adult males ages 16 -24

Food, Clothing & Shelter, Health Screenings, Education & Employment Training

This partnership allowed JHI serve 95 young adult males

# Malachi House Inc.

### **On-the-job Vocational Training**

Each day, program participants work at various training sites, learning new job skills, developing a positive work record and becoming financially self-sufficient.

- Some areas of skill development include:
- Carpentry
- Construction
- Vehicle maintenance and detailing
- Warehousing
- Assembling a furniture showroom
- Customer service and distribution
- Manufacturing
- Custodial services
- Culinary training





# Malachi House Inc.

### Impact of Partnership

- Currently NCA&TSU is providing a \$20,000 sub-grant through HUD HBCU funds.
- These funds are being used to rehabilitate **85** men who otherwise be on the street or in jail and battling addiction.
- All 85 are enrolled in at least 1 education initiative, 2-3 employment skill programs and remain substance free.

After completing this **12** month program:

- All graduates will have a positive work record
- Approximately **75%** will be placed in a FT job within **6** months
- Approximately 87% remain drug free
- Less than **10%** will re-offend

# **Measurable Impact**

- Over 100 Jobs Created offering livable wages and benefits
- 20 Teens reunited with family
- Over 60 young adults males transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency
- Grassroots Organizations are able to expand the number of residents they assist annually
- 12 New Minority Owned Businesses established
- At least 20 Existing Businesses Stabilized
- Hundreds of Citizens Empowered

