Southern University at Shreveport

U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Universities Rebuilding America Partnership Grant
Facts about Southern University at Shreveport

- Established in 1967
- Located in Shreveport, LA
- Two Year College
- Commuter Campus
- Enrollment of over 2500
- Dr. Ray L. Belton, Chancellor

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SUSLA Receives Grant to Assist Evacuees
by Michelle Com

Southern University at Shreveport Chancellor, Dr. Roy Helm, announced during a press conference on April 7, 2006, that the University’s plan for a $350,000 grant provided through HUD’s new Rebuilding America Partnership (URAP) initiative.

HUD Secretary Alphonse Jackson awarded 16 universities over $5 million to assist in rebuilding communities throughout the Gulf Coast region affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

The URAP initiative was created through an existing design program that benefited schools of architecture and planning and a grant program that assists Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Of the 16 universities six were from Louisiana: Southern University - Shreveport, Southern University - Baton Rouge, Southern University - New Orleans, Tulane University, Grambling State University, and Xavier University of Louisiana.

The grant will allow Southern University at Shreveport’s Division of Community Outreach and Workforce Development to establish a Center for Transitional Relief Services, conduct Construction Training and Home Ownership Counseling and partner with the Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Louisiana in New Orleans to provide outreach and service programs for affected youth. Also, displaced small businesses from the Gulf Coast region will receive financial and technical support through SUSLA’s Small, Women, and Minority Owned Business Incubator.

Mr. Darrin Dixon, Manager of the Small, Women, and Minority-Owned Business Incubator, stated: "These activities were selected from an assessment of the needs of the affected population. Through collaborative efforts of the University and its community partners, it is hoped that some relief can be provided to the citizens that survived this unprecedented disaster."

SUSLA gets HUD grant

Southern University at Shreveport was recently awarded a $560,000 grant through the Housing and Urban Development’s new Universities Rebuilding America Partnership initiative. The grant will allow SUSLA’s community outreach and workforce development division to establish a Center for Transitional Relief Services, conduct Construction Training and Home Ownership Counseling and partner with the Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Louisiana in New Orleans to provide outreach and service programs for affected youth.

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SUSLA PROPOSED TASKS

- Provision of technical support and office space to displaced small businesses from the Gulf Coast Region.
- Provision for the establishment of a Service Center for Displaced Residents.
- Provision for Construction Training and Home Ownership Counseling.
- Provision of outreach and service programs for affected youth.
Activity Sites

SUSLA'S Business Incubator

Proposed site for Service Center
HUD URAP Activities

Construction Training Class

New Orleans Area Boys & Girls Club
Thank You