

Economic & Workforce-Related Projects
Continuing Education & Lifelong Learning (Grambling State University)

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Name	Year(s)	Partner(s) Location	Parish(es)	Agency (\$)	Commentary
CHOICES	2009 - 13	New Living Word Ministries (NLWM) in Ruston (LA)	Lincoln, Union, Claiborne	DOJ via OJP (\$200,000).	Title of initiative is Creating Honorable Opportunities Involving Community, Education, & Service . Project involves assisting ex-offenders to transition back into communities and/or their families. Initiative involves both females and males. Approximately 120 individuals are being equipped to become business owners and/or entrepreneurs throughout North Central LA. Approximately 95% of the clients African-American. Min/Rev Jerry Baldwin serves as the CEO of NLWM of Ruston (LA). Involves faculty from GSU Colleges of Education & Professional Studies.
EMERALD	2008- 13	Delta Regional CDC (Ferriday, LA); PRIDE Community Assoc (Waterproof, LA); Renewal, Inc. (Monroe, LA); Greater Grambling Chamber of Commerce (Grambling, LA); Pilgrim's Rest Outreach Min. (Winnsboro, LA); Greater North LA CDC (Jonesboro, LA); North Louisiana Community Enhancement Corporation (Bastrop, LA)	Catahoula; Concordia; Tensas; Madison; Morehouse; Ouachita; Lincoln; East Carroll; Jackson; Winn; Bienville	SBA (\$487,500)	Title of initiative is Expanding Minority Entrepreneurship Regionally Across the Louisiana Delta Region . Designed to assist minority small business and/or entrepreneurs throughout the LA Delta Region. Approximately 120 clients being served. CEOs of the organizations include: Emerson Slain (Ferriday); Kemmeka Davis (Waterproof); Bishop Alvin Walker (Monroe); Barbara McIntyre (Grambling); Ed January (Winnsboro); Janice Simmons (Jonesboro); and, Min/Rev Payne Montgomery (Grambling/Bastrop). Involves faculty from GSU Colleges of Business & Education.
LIFT	2011 - 14	Rivers of Joy Outreach Ministries (Jonesboro, LA); Service Outreach Incorporated (Bossier City, LA); & Citizens United International (Slidell, LA)	Bossier, Jackson, & St. Tammany	Pending (\$750K to be requested)	Low-Income Fathers Training (LIFT) Institute ; project is designed to assist non-custodial parents in sustaining self-sufficiency and meet their family obligations. Training in the areas of: small-business ownership; entrepreneurship; and, basic job creation. Proposals are forthcoming; CEOs are: Bishop David Stewart (ROJM), Laverne Tanner (SOI) and Belinda Brown (CUI). Involves faculty from GSU Colleges of Business, Education, Arts & Sciences, & Professional Studies.
Edgenics, Inc.	2011 - 15	Edgenics, Inc. which is a minority-owned business. Dr. Robert Dansby serves as CEO of Edgenics, Inc.	GSU Service Area via Bienville, Claiborne; Jackson; Lincoln; Union; & Webster.	Pending (\$500K to be requested); will also have revenue potential for GSU.	Partnership involving GSU's School of Nursing in the development of an e-Healthcare Curriculum via online courses. Will prepare those in the healthcare industry via electronic files and related documents. GSU Colleges of Education & Professional Studies.