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The Belk Foundation Announces \$100,000 Grant to Saint Augustine's College for Career Center

CHARLOTTE – The Belk Foundation awarded a \$100,000 grant to Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh, for a new career center to be located on its campus at Goold Hall.

The Belk Career Center is part of a larger \$3.4 million renovation project at Goold Hall. Through the state-of-the-art Belk Career Center, students will receive increased access to face-to-face career services. The expanded offerings will include career development workshops, individual resume and cover letter critiques and practice interview sessions.

"The Belk Foundation is pleased to announce this grant to help fund a new career center for Saint Augustine's," said Paul Wyche, trustee of The Belk Foundation. "We believe the new center will be a tremendous asset to the students by providing support and help as they plan their transition from college to careers and jobs in today's competitive workplace."

"The services and workshops offered through the new Belk Career Center will give our students and the community members who take advantage of these programs a competitive edge in the business world," said Dianne Boardley Suber, president of Saint Augustine's College. "The College is excited to embark on this renovation project, and we thank the Belk Foundation for its contribution."

The project is slated to be completed by spring 2009.

About Saint Augustine's College

Saint Augustine's College is a private, accredited, undergraduate liberal arts institution in Raleigh, N.C. The College offers majors in more than 30 disciplines through its divisions of Business, Education, Liberal and Interdisciplinary Studies, Military Science, Natural Science and Mathematics, and Social Sciences.

About The Belk Foundation

The mission of The Belk Foundation is to support deserving educational, religious, cultural, social, health and human services causes and organizations located in markets served by Belk department stores. Grants are awarded to support the goals and programs of community organizations including:

- secondary schools, colleges and universities;
- religious institutions and organizations, with an emphasis on Presbyterian organizations and causes;
- arts and other cultural organizations;
- community-based human services organizations; and
- hospitals and other healthcare organizations and institutions.

The Belk Foundation is a family foundation committed to fulfilling the philanthropic vision of its founders to encourage and support causes aimed at the "up-building of mankind." The grants it awards are a public expression of the Belk family's values of stewardship, community involvement and planned giving. Through its generosity, the Foundation seeks to build goodwill and enhance the reputation of Belk stores among the customers and communities they serve.

For more information about The Belk Foundation, contact Susan Blount, Foundation administrator, at (704) 426-8396, or Paul Wyche, Foundation trustee, at (704) 426-8404.

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