

## **N. Erie Community College – Technology Upgrades (X005)**

March 26, 2010

- Grantee:** Erie Community College (“ECC” or the “College”)
- ESD Investment:** A grant of up to \$100,000 to be used for the cost of technology acquisition and installation and related infrastructure upgrades.
- Project Location:** 4041 Southwestern Boulevard, Orchard Park, Erie County
- NYS Empire Zone (or equivalent):** N/A
- Project Completion:** August 2010
- Grantee Contact:** Robert Slawinowski, Assistant Academic Dean for  
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- Project Team:**
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### **Project Description:**

#### Background

Erie Community College is a two-year community college that is part of the SUNY system. It is the fourth-largest community college in New York State, with an enrollment of over 13,000 students, and serves Erie County and the surrounding communities of Western New York. The College was originally formed in 1946 as the New York State Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences at Buffalo, joining the State University system in 1948 and becoming Erie County Technical Institute in 1953. In 1968, the College was renamed the Erie Community College. ECC’s three main campuses, located in Buffalo, Williamsville and Orchard Park, offer more than ninety associate degree and certificate programs, non-credit courses and training programs.

#### The Project

The project, which will benefit the Business Administration Department at ECC South Campus in Orchard Park, consists of the installation of state-of-the-art smart classroom technology, computer laboratory upgrades and installation of technology to support these upgrades. The new smart classroom technology will enhance the abilities of the faculty and students to deliver and receive classroom instruction in a state-of-the-art business environment. The project, which will begin in May 2010 and will be completed before the fall semester in August 2010, will positively impact over 400 students currently enrolled in

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the Business Administration program at ECC South Campus. The work will be completed primarily by ECC.

Upon completion of the project, the Grantee will furnish a final report describing the impact and effectiveness of the project.

Financing Uses	Amount	Financing Sources	Amount	Percent
Building Renovations	\$14,000	ESD Grant	\$100,000	100%
Machinery & Equipment	86,000			
Total Project Costs	\$100,000	Total Project Financing	\$100,000	100%

**Statutory Basis – Community Capital Assistance Program:**

The project was authorized in the accordance with Chapter 84 of the Laws of 2002 and reappropriated in the 2009-10 New York State budget.

**Disclosure and Accountability Certifications:**

The Grantee has provided ESDC with the required Disclosure and Accountability Certifications. Grantee’s certifications indicate that Grantee has no conflict of interest or good standing violations and, therefore, staff recommends that the Corporation authorize the grant to the Grantee as described in these materials.