

# Downtown campus gets \$1M from foundation

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GREENSBORO — The Union Square Campus will get \$1 million from a local foundation.

The [Phillips Foundation](#) announced today it will give the money to the project. The first campus building is scheduled to open in fall 2016.

The campus at South Elm and East Lee streets will focus on nursing and health care education. Cone Health, GTCC, N.C. A&T and UNCG are expected to be its first tenants.

“This initiative fits the Phillips Foundation’s mission of making strategic investments in transformational, game-changer opportunities for Greensboro, and we are proud to be an early advocate for the project,” said Elizabeth Phillips, the foundation’s executive director.

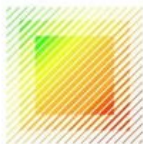
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The Phillips Foundation was formed in 2005 by the late Kermit Phillips, a Greensboro real estate developer. The foundation awards grants in the Greensboro area to groups working on issues of education, housing and homelessness; economic development; arts and culture; and children and families.

Today’s announcement follows last week’s news of \$5.5 million in pledges from the Joseph M. Bryan Foundation of Greater Greensboro (\$4 million) and The Cemala Foundation (\$1.5 million).

The UNC Board of Governors on Friday approved 10-year leases by A&T and UNCG. Opportunity Greensboro, which is organizing the project, said this rental revenue will



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help cover construction costs.

The city of Greensboro has said it will consider donating land, building a parking lot or deck and contributing \$500,000.

The first campus building is expected to cost as much as \$40 million.