

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
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Resolution No. 62-15

Mrs. Cathy Bevins, Chair
By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, August 3, 2015

A RESOLUTION to endorse the application of Towson University (“University”) to the State of Maryland Community Investment Tax Credit Program for certain tax credits.

WHEREAS, the University is recognized as one of the nation's best regional public universities, offering more than 100 bachelors, masters and doctoral degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences, and applied professional fields; and

WHEREAS, the University has applied to the State of Maryland for an allocation of tax credits in the amount of \$50,000 under the Community Investment Tax Credit Program; and

WHEREAS, the University, through Towson UTeach (“UTeach”) prepares undergraduates for certification in grades 7-12 as secondary education teachers in science, technology and mathematics and the Towson University Center for STEM Excellence (“TUCSE”) offers a bioscience education outreach program through the SciTech Student Learning Laboratory and the Maryland Loaner Lab; and

WHEREAS, it is the University’s goal to increase students’ interest in STEM subjects through engaged learning activities and thus enhance the educational offerings in the identified priority neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the University will use the tax credit allocation to leverage contributions to fund a project that will place UTeach undergraduates at the TUCSE from January 2016 through December 2017 to oversee distribution of science kits to schools located in priority neighborhoods, and will co-facilitate on-site experiential learning for students visiting the TUCSE's SciTech Student Learning Lab; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland requires, as part of the application process, that local governing bodies endorse proposals submitted to the Community Investment Tax Credit Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Baltimore County, Maryland, that the County fully supports and endorses the application of the University for an allocation of tax credits to be issued under the Maryland Community Investment Tax Credit Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage by the County Council.