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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL NETS \$4.5 MILLION Ambulatory Care Center & Health Science Library to be Built

WASHINGTON, DC -- U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded a \$4.5 million grant to the Marshall University School of Medicine for the construction of an ambulatory care center and health science library.

The Southern West Virginia Rural Health Center will attract patients for multidisciplinary, subspecialty or high-technology services not available in rural areas. The Center will make it easier to recruit and retain health professionals. Moreover, the Fairfield West area of Huntington will see increased economic development.

"This center will bring to West Virginians the highly specialized, technologyintensive health care that can only be found in this nation's largest cities," said Rahall.

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CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION

MEMORANDUM FOR: Terrance R. Duvernay, Deputy Secretary, D

FROM: Nicolas P. Retsinas, Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, H

ACTION: Project Approval (Number WV15SPG39)

DEADLINE:

The following project has been prepared for release:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A Special Purpose Grant in the amount of \$4,500,000 to the University of West Virginia, Marshall University School of Medicine for the construction of an ambulatory care centere and health science library.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:

As grantee, the Marshall University School of Medicine will use these funds to construct the Southern West Virginia Rural Health Center in Huntington. This center will draw patients into Huntington for multidisciplinary, subspecialty or high-technology services not available in rural settings, provide economic development for the Fairfield West area, and help recruit and retain health professionals.

STATUS:

The approval letter is accompanied by a HUD executed Grant Agreement for the University of West Virginia, Marshall University School of Medicine's execution. After the University returns the executed Grant Agreement and provides other specified documentation to HUD, it may begin drawing down Grant funds for the project.