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### **A Statement from South Piedmont Community College about the Community College Bond**

UNION COUNTY –South Piedmont Community College is grateful for the support and trust of local voters in choosing to back the Community College Bond which will fund a new Center for Entrepreneurship.

“We are incredibly grateful to Union County voters for the passage of the Community College Bond,” South Piedmont’s President Dr. Maria Pharr said. “Their trust in us to be good stewards of public funds and their belief in the Center for Entrepreneurship show that Union County values the college’s role in helping small businesses grow and thrive and which ultimately improves the lives of all residents.”

With the bond’s passage, college leadership looks to move quickly to start construction on the new Center.

“Our community is hungry for the resources our Center for Entrepreneurship would provide, which includes supporting local businesses and growing the economy. Given this, we hope to work with county leaders to ensure construction can begin as soon as possible,” Dr. Pharr said.

Throughout the general election, South Piedmont engaged in a public education campaign to inform leaders and the public about the new Center. These efforts involved presentations at more than a dozen local events, a town hall forum hosted by the College, and some online advertising.

“While the election has ended, our focus on educating the community about the importance of this space has not. We look forward to continued public engagement about the Center for Entrepreneurship in the coming months,” Dr. Pharr said.

To learn more about the Community College Bond and the Center for Entrepreneurship, please visit: [spcc.edu/UnionCountyBond22/](http://spcc.edu/UnionCountyBond22/)

**About SPCC**

South Piedmont Community College sits at the crossroads of where you are and where you want to be. It is a college with heart and opportunity; it helps residents of Anson County and Union County gain knowledge, improve skills and expand possibilities no matter their starting point. Through accessible, affordable, high-quality programming, South Piedmont empowers its students to complete their education and achieve their goals.

South Piedmont Community College has four locations, two in Union County and two in Anson County, and has served residents since 1999. Programs include traditional undergraduate studies, adult basic skills education, and work-based learning. Learn more at [spcc.edu](http://spcc.edu).

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