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**Midway College Receives Funding from
James Graham Brown Foundation**

Funds part of capital campaign for new Learning Resource Center

MIDWAY, Ky. - Midway College President Dr. William B. Drake, Jr. today announced the receipt of a \$500,000 gift from the James Graham Brown Foundation, Inc. for the College's new \$5 million Learning Resource Center currently under construction.

"We are thrilled and tremendously grateful for this gift," Drake remarked. "The James Graham Brown Foundation is noted for its commitment to higher education. We are pleased with their support of our efforts along with our generous alumni, trustees and friends who also have supported our funding requests for this project and to date have helped us reach the \$3.7 fundraising mark.

This capital project targets all facets of Midway College's mission: the Women's College, the School for Career Development and our Online programs. The need for and the design of the building are directly related to the College's strategic initiative to dramatically increase enrollment over the next five years. Flexibility and technology will drive this next phase of growth, and this new structure will be the nucleus of this capacity. This enrollment growth will launch Midway College into the top ten in terms of the number of Baccalaureate degrees granted in Kentucky and will position Midway College to develop a comprehensive curriculum of graduate and professional degrees all focused on workforce enhancement in Kentucky.

The building is scheduled to be completed in January of 2011.

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About [Midway College](#)

Midway College, a multi-dimensional Baccalaureate and Master's Degree granting institution, was founded in 1847 as the first school in the United States to serve orphaned and disadvantaged students. Over the years Midway College has expanded its mission to serve students through its women's college, school for career development, online college, and graduate school.

In May 2009 the College graduated its largest class in the school's history, with more than 350 graduates. Midway College is currently ranked 13 out of the 32 public and private institutions in Kentucky as a provider of baccalaureate degrees. The College has a full-time faculty of 62 and an enrollment of 1,800 students. Accelerated

degrees are offered in business, computer information systems, health care administration, homeland security, human resource management, nursing, sport management and teacher education. The graduate school offers an accelerated 20 month MBA program. Midway College currently offers courses at 14 locations throughout Kentucky and online. Midway College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

In January 2010 the College announced it would open a School of Pharmacy in Paintsville, Kentucky and begin its first class in August 2011. This school will accept up to 80 students per year and be at 320 students when fully operational. It is expected to employ 100 and have a regional annual economic impact of \$30 million.