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Governor Musgrove Awards \$250,000 Grant to Marion County

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has awarded a \$250,000 grant to Marion County through the Mississippi Rural Impact Fund Program on behalf of Rutter Rex, Inc. for a building expansion project.

“The Mississippi Rural Impact Fund Program is just one of the ways that we are continuing to support our communities in their efforts to add jobs to their communities,” said Musgrove. “Montgomery County is to be commended for showing great initiative in improving the quality of life of its residents.”

The funds are awarded by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA), which also approves grant recipients.

“We will continue to work closely with local officials and business owners to strengthen job creation opportunities within new and existing industries,” said Steve Hale, executive director of the MDA.

The Mississippi Rural Impact Fund Program (RIF), administered by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA), is designed to assist and promote businesses and economic development in rural areas by providing grants and loans to rural communities and loan guarantees to rural businesses. Governor Musgrove proposed the program during his 2003 State of the State and the State Legislature enacted it during the 2003 regular session.

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