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CHARLESTON, IL --A fund campaign for the construction of the Tarble Arts Center at Eastern Illinois University is underway in the Mattoon community. Coordinators are Obed Henderson and Doris Reynolds.

Approximately 400 letters, pledge cards, and informational brochures have been mailed to retail businesses, professional persons, and organizations, according to Don Carmichael, Center Director and coordinator of the campus and Mattoon-Charleston community campaign.

Other members of the Mattoon fund drive committee are Marshall Ervin, Corma Farrell, Peggy Fuesting, Delores Justice, Laura Piller, Betty Ronchetti, Linda Schilling, Elizabeth VanVoorhis, and Alice Young.

Carmichael said the committee members were also seeking the help of Eastern alumni in the Mattoon area, and that these alumni may contact Henderson.

In announcing the opening of the campaign, Henderson said "the emphasis of the Tarble Arts Center is 'regional' in its proposed services. That includes everyone in the Mattoon area, and its facilities can be enjoyed by all of us. I urge your support of this project."

Aubert North, Park Ridge, campaign chairman of the joint effort by the Eastern Illinois University Foundation and the University, announced last week that the drive has reached \$120,000, bringing the campaign almost halfway to its \$250,000 goal.

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Total cost of the Tarble Arts Center is \$1.4 million. Funds available from the original gift of \$1,000,000 from the late Newton E. Tarble now provide about \$1.2 million of the cost, with the remaining \$200,000 to come from the fund-raising campaign. An additional \$50,000 is being sought for contingencies.