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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FOUR ORGANIZATIONS GRANTED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SEED GRANTS

CHARLESTON, IL--Four organizations at Eastern Illinois University have been granted Affirmative Action Seed Grants at EIU.

Receiving the grants were Eastern's Department of Educational Administration Project LEAD (Learning by Example to Accept Diversity), Student Publications/Department of Journalism, Special Education Council on Exceptional Children and the English Department.

The program, now in its second year, is designed to provide an incentive for groups on campus to further the Affirmative Action goals, according to Eastern's assistant director of Affirmative Action, Rhonda Chasteen.

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Organizations applied for the seed grants by outlining a plan of what they would use the grant money for and sending in the proposal for review by the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee, a 15-member cross-section of students, administration and faculty.

"We received several very worthwhile proposals for good programs," said Chasteen. "We're disappointed that there is not enough funding to support all of the good ideas on campus."

The dollar amount given to an organization is determined by the merit of the proposal and the needs of the project, Chasteen said.

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GRANT RECIPIENTS

CHARLESTON, IL--Robert Barger (far left), Eastern Illinois University's acting director of Affirmative Action, and Rhonda Chasteen (far right), assistant director of Affirmative Action, proudly pose with recipients of Affirmative Action Seed Grants at EIU.

Pictured with them from the left are Frank McCormick, professor of English; Kathleen Shank, chair of the Special Education Department; Ray Calabrese, chair of the Educational Administration Department; John David Reed, chair of the Journalism Department; and Glenn Robinson, Student Publications business manager.