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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EASTERN NEARS UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN GOAL

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's 1991 United Way Campaign has now met 84 percent of its \$25,000 goal, according to Gary Gueldner, treasurer of Eastern's United Way Committee.

With \$21,085 already raised, Eastern's committee is one step closer to raising one-fourth of the Eastern Coles County United Way Campaign's \$100,000 goal, Gueldner said.

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Eastern's campaign, which kicked off at a Sept. 18 breakfast, will continue until the University's goal is met.

"The campaign is progressing, but I hope to see more participation from faculty, staff and students. Participation from everyone will be the major factor in the success of this year's drive," Gueldner said.

He added, "The committee members are anxious to achieve the set goal as soon as possible and are confident it will be met if the work continues."

In the past, more than 200 Eastern faculty, staff and students have supported the campaign.

Gueldner said in the coming weeks volunteers will be contacting people to remind them that the campaign is continuing and to ask for their assistance.

As a result of contributions to the 24 agencies the Eastern Coles County United Way helps support, thousands of individuals of all ages in Coles County will receive needed human care services.

In addition to Gueldner, members of the EIU Central Committee include Jeff Cooley, internal auditing (committee chair); Sharon Bartling, English; Larry Bates and Ed Corley, economics; Shelly Flock, university relations; Susan Harris; planning and budget; Lou Hencken, housing; Cal Smith, speech communication; and Carol Strode, physical plant.