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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU RECEIVES GRANT FOR DRUG EDUCATION PROGRAM

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's Drug Free Schools and Communities Program, administered through the Office of Safety Programs, has received a \$159,737 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to continue a drug and alcohol prevention program that uses a comprehensive, community-based approach.

The grant will allow Eastern to proceed with its joint effort with vocational education centers and businesses associated with the centers in Illinois to provide life skills training to youths, including drug and alcohol prevention programming.

Currently the program is being funded by a \$167,990 award initially granted in October 1990. Total funding for the three-year program is \$327,727.