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## Little Haiti College Access Network Awarded \$10,000 Planning Grant

~ Grant designed to facilitate the process for developing community-based college access programs ~

Tampa, FL- Today the Florida College Access Network awarded a \$10,000 college access planning grant to members of the local college access network—Little Haiti C.A.N. Sant La Haitian Neighborhood Center will receive a one-time grant of up to \$10,000 to cover costs associated with determining the community's college access needs and designing an implementation plan for launching effective and sustainable college access programs through network and collective strategies. Organizations serving the Haitian American communities of South Florida recently came together in June to form a local college access network with a mission to expand college access programming to parents and students of the Haitian American communities of South Florida. Members of the network include Konbit for Haiti, Florida International University, Miami-Dade College, Miami Edison High School, Educate Tomorrow, Pierre Toussaint at Notre Dame Catholic Church, Haitian American Scholarship Fund, and Sant La Haitian Neighborhood Center. All local network members are part of the statewide effort to help meet future workforce demand by increasing the proportion of working adults in Florida who hold a postsecondary degree or credential to 60% by 2025.

## **About Florida College Access Network**

Florida College Access Network engages communities for higher education promoting college-readiness, access, and success for all students, particularly limited-income, first generation, and underrepresented students through research, communication, advocacy, and community support. Our Big Goal is to increase the proportion of working adults in Florida who hold a quality postsecondary degree or credential to 60% by 2025. For more information, visit www.floridacollegeaccess.org