

Holmes Community College announced that it has been awarded \$714,485 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds for fiscal year 2010-2011. Governor Haley Barbour provided funding to Mississippi's community and junior colleges from the Government Services Fund included under the State Fiscal Stabilization Act. The funds will be used to assist in meeting the cost of utilities at the college's three campuses and other centers throughout the nine-county district. Dr. Glenn F. Boyce, President of Holmes Community College, said: "Due to unprecedented economic challenges, the college was forced to reallocate funding and eliminate some positions. These cuts would have been much deeper had we not had the ARRA funding support. The college is most appreciative of the stimulus funding received from the Governor's office and is committed to creating transparency and accountability for expenditures of these funds."The ARRA contact person at Holmes Community College is Steve Caldwell, Executive Vice President. Mr. Caldwell can be contacted via email at scaldwell@holmescc.edu or telephone (662) 472-9015. To find out more about Holmes Community College's ARRA grants, please visit <http://www.holmescc.edu>.