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Athens Tech Foundation Inc. receives investment from Frances Wood Wilson Foundation

The Frances Wood Wilson Foundation has made a Lead Gifts investment in the “Legacy Starts Now” capital campaign. Mr. Terry Wingfield, President of the Frances Wood Wilson Foundation, presented a check to the Athens Tech Foundation Inc. during their meeting on Monday, January 14, 2008. The \$100,000 donation will be utilized to purchase a new ambulance to be used by the college’s new Paramedic Technology and Emergency Medical Technician programs. The use of an ambulance will allow students to learn essential skills in a real-world setting, in turn, making the students ready to directly enter the work force as well-trained paramedics.

Named for his wife, Mr. Fred B. Wilson established The Frances Wood Wilson Foundation in 1954. The Frances Wood Wilson Foundation is a private foundation which supports charitable, religious, civic, and educational activities through grants and scholarships.

The “Legacy Starts Now” capital campaign was designed to provide a solution to the community’s shortage in healthcare professionals. Athens Technical College is an integral part of the local Emergency Medical Service community disaster response plan, and the college’s ambulance will be an excellent addition to this plan. Since students must be an Emergency Medical Technician before entering the Paramedic Technology Program, these students would be able to provide much needed assistance to area medical services.



(Left to right: Dr. Joe Pyle, Dean of Life Sciences; Mr. Terry Wingfield, President of The Frances Wood Wilson Foundation; Dr. Flora Tydings, President of Athens Technical College; Mr. Jack Edmunds, Athens Technical College Foundation Member; and Mr. Glenn Henry, Program Chair, Paramedic Technology and Emergency Medical Technician)