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New America Opens Office In Downtown Orangeburg

On Tuesday, January 31, 2012, New America Corporation celebrated the grand opening of its new office located at 1747 Amelia Street in downtown Orangeburg, SC. Support and well wishes were extended by community and governmental leaders including USDA Rural Development State Director Vernita Dore, City of Orangeburg Mayor Paul Miller, Orangeburg County Council Chairman Johnnie Wright, Orangeburg County Chamber President Ralph Fauling, and Orangeburg County Economic Development Manager Patricia Salley.

Vernita F. Dore, USDA rural development state director, announced the award of a \$100,000 grant to New America Corporation to support its business development efforts. "On behalf of the Obama Administration, I am pleased to be here at this Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting ceremony of the New America Corporation. Rural Development investments create jobs and stimulate the economy. These funds were awarded to New America through our Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) and will be used to provide training and loan services to benefit small businesses in the City of Orangeburg servicing area," Dore said.

Adolphus Johnson, president and CEO of New America Corporation was pleased to see the broad support received at the celebration. "With the outpouring of support from the local community, New America is well on its way to being a driving force in helping to build access to economic opportunities in Orangeburg," Johnson stated.

New America Corporation is a nonprofit organization committed to helping individuals and communities access the American Dream through overcoming socio-economic barriers in the areas of education, housing, and business. More information can be found at www.new-america.org.

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