

About the Downtown Campus



Evans Building Evolution

- Built in **1921**
- Frank Evans High School: **1922 - 1933**
- Operated as Spartanburg High School: **1933 - 1959**
- Evans Junior High School: **1959 - 1978**
- Sold to Spartanburg County: **1978**
- Spartanburg Community College's downtown campus: **2011**

Source: "Spartanburg County School District 7: The First 98 Years" by Ella Poats

Downtown Campus Facts

- 110,000 square feet of space on 3 floors
- Numerous classrooms
- 4,977 square foot auditorium
- 7,149 square foot gymnasium
- On-site and nearby parking

Partnership & Funding



Public/Private Partnership

\$8 million to renovate

- Public funds: \$4 million
- Federal grants: \$1 million
- Private funds: \$3 million

How You Can Help

- Provide financial support
 - Naming and other opportunities are available
- Serve on community advisory committee
- Be an advocate

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Spartanburg Community College's

Downtown Campus

Our community's HUB for connecting PEOPLE with education and jobs



The Vision

- Develop an educational **hub** for those who live, work and play in downtown Spartanburg
- Respond to the Spartanburg County **40/30 Challenge** to increase higher education attainment of citizens of all ages
- Create a **Workforce Development Center** to meet the needs of underemployed and unemployed citizens



Community Benefits

- Convenient **access** for underserved population
- Enhanced **quality of life** for downtown residents
- Increased traffic and **economic impact** for downtown businesses
- Workforce **training** for downtown businesses
- Incentive for **new businesses** to locate downtown
- Collaboration with **College Town** partners
- **Preservation** of a historical building and downtown “anchor”
- **LEED-certified** renovations and a green campus

Community Needs

- **39,673** people live within the city limits
- **30%** are under 18 years of age
- **18.7%** are between the ages of 18 - 29
- **27.5%** of those over 25 years of age do not have a high school diploma
- **44.5%** have household incomes under \$25,000
- **23.3%** live at or below the poverty level
- **25.6 %** September 2009 unemployment rate

Source: City of Spartanburg, S.C. Employment Security Commission

Spartanburg Community College

Mission

Spartanburg Community College (SCC) provides affordable access to high-quality technical and transfer programs and professional and personal development opportunities in a teaching and learning environment that prepares students for success. The college is a key community partner in advancing the Upstate's economy.

Source: Spartanburg Community College's Vision 2020



Spartanburg Community College: Access and Success

- **24.3%** enrollment increase from fall 2008 to fall 2009
- **96%** of 2008 SCC graduates are working or continuing on for baccalaureate programs
- More than **80** programs of study available
- More than **8,000** people served annually through non-credit, continuing education classes

Source: Spartanburg Community College

Benefits of Downtown Campus

- Proximity to world-class library
- Makes SCC a proactive partner in downtown development
- Central location in a thriving and growing downtown
- Revitalization of historic building with deep ties to Spartanburg and educational system
- Convenient parking deck

Community Partnerships

Spartanburg Community College will provide educational and workforce development programs at the Downtown Campus in collaboration with:

- **40/30 Challenge**
- **Adult Learning Center**
- **Career Source**
- **Clemson Extension**
- **Boys & Girls Club**
- **Spartanburg County Public Libraries**
- **Spartanburg Housing Authority**
- **University of South Carolina Upstate**