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## **Graduate Greenville Receives \$50,000 Grant from Greenville Women Giving**

(Greenville, SC)...At a special awards ceremony held earlier this month, Graduate Greenville was chosen as a recipient of grant dollars from Greenville Women Giving. Grant dollars received by Graduate Greenville will support a summer enrichment program and a Graduation Coach aimed at keeping youth, identified as at risk of dropping out of school motivated to succeed in school and beyond.

“Graduate Greenville strives to improve high school success and increase the percentage of high school students in Greenville County schools graduating within four years,” said Graduate Greenville Board Chair Frank Holleman, of Wyche, Burgess, Freeman & Parham, P.A. “We are so appreciative of the generous support of Greenville Women Giving. Receiving funding dollars from concerned organizations like Greenville Women Giving will go a long way in helping to make sure that effective summer programs and support from Graduation Coaches can continue and even expand into additional schools.”

**About Graduate Greenville:** Graduate Greenville, a partnership between United Way of Greenville County, Greenville County Schools and the Alliance for Quality Education, is a community-wide effort to improve high school success and increase the graduation rate. Graduate Greenville’s ultimate goal is to ensure that all students succeed, graduate from high school, and go on to live highly productive lives.

**About Greenville Women Giving:** Greenville Women Giving is a philanthropic organization serving Greenville County, founded on the idea that women, informed about philanthropy and about needs in their community, collectively can make a real difference. Greenville Women Giving is committed to strengthening the community through the collective resources of our members by awarding high-impact grants in five areas: arts and culture, education, health, human services, and environment.