

Technology Resource Center

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To the TRC Family and Friends,



Over the past three years we have worked very hard to reach out to our community and make the technology resources we have integrated into the TRC itself, available to everyone. We have also been fortunate as we have shared three holiday seasons with “Feed our Friends” for thanksgiving, where we shared meals with anyone who came into the center during Thanksgiving Day. We also packaged meals and delivered them to shut-in’s at the local senior’s center. We also promoted our “Secret Santa” Christmas activity where we shared presents with families in need and their children. We also served food and once again shared meals with shut in seniors. During this three year period we have been presenting cultural events, informational presentations, workshops and a wide variety of specialty events. We have provided computer training and access to the internet as well as computer related service and support. We have made “Smart Office Space” available to small business owners as they startup and use our resources to help them grow. We have established working relationships with local educational institutions as we provide computer and video related training as a supplement to the current curriculum. We have had churches, local community organizations and political groups using our meeting space as well as fashion shows, art exhibitions and entertainment all held in our multipurpose meeting space.

During the startup building of the TRC there have been a number of serious setbacks that have impacted on our growth and development. As a result of local government and political forces it took us an unusually long period of time to get approved for our site plan and this forced us to pay for space that we could not use. Once we got our approval we completed the changes that needed to be made for our needs. Once this was done we were faced with another large problem as the entire city block across from our location was demolished and a large 200 apartment complex with thirty thousand square feet of commercial space was started. As a result the street in front of our place of business was closed three to four days out of every week for almost eighteen months. As an additional difficulty, I was injured twice during a two year period requiring major surgery and long recovery times. As the founder and CEO of this company that in combination with the already mentioned problems could have put us out of business. Then the economic downturn moved in and we have not been able to access credit for our business to continue. The programs and the community outreach that we have been doing have all been worthwhile and although we continue to seek access to capital we have found ourselves short and are now looking to raise the capital via unconventional means. We are asking for donations to help fund the programs that we would like to continue to offer at the TRC. Please follow the Donate Button we have provided throughout our web site and make a tax deductible contribution to Encounters in Black Traditions and the Faith Over Fear Foundation, which are the two organizations that have been contracted to provide the community outreach here at the TRC. We continue to work to build programs that help us to bring technology based resources to our community at large. We are grateful in advance for any and all contributions that help us continue the work that we have begun. Our fund rising via the web is being hosted by Allholdings.com and they will be accepting and processing our fund raising program via the web. We would like to thank you again for your assistance.

TRC Management on behalf of Encounters In Black Traditions & the Faith Over Fear Foundation