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The UNIVERSITIES at Shady Grove

Where: Rockville, MD 20850

Ownership of Business: State of Maryland

Size of Business/Number of Employees in Montgomery County: 51-100

Describe how you and/or your organization invest in your employees. (e.g., benefits, professional development, workplace culture, etc.)

USG provides a full range of benefits including Tuition Remission, Health, Life Insurance, Disability, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Flexible Spending, Leave, Retirement, Supplemental Retirement Account. USG believes in creating a thriving workplace environment characterized by fair treatment, open communication, trust and mutual respect.

What local and state regulations, policies, and/or approaches to the local economy are most helpful to you and your organization to attract and retain talent? Why is this important to you and the success of your organization?

Local and state regulations, policies and approaches that support the growth and expansion of higher education opportunities designed to meet the needs and demands of the the regional economy.

Bio

Dr. Stewart Edelstein is Executive Director of the Universities at Shady Grove and Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the University System of Maryland. USG is comprised of nine public universities offering 80 bachelors and graduate degrees, serving over 4000 students. He serves on the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce and co-chairs its Economic Development Committee. He also serves on the Committee for Montgomery and the Montgomery County Business Roundtable for Education. Dr. Edelstein received his bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo and his Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley. USG under Dr. Edelstein's leadership has worked closely with Montgomery College and Montgomery County Public Schools to better articulate curriculum planning and college access initiatives within the county. An important partnership initiative is a series of 2+2+2 programs – together with MCPS and Montgomery

College – to create education and career pathways in health and technology fields. These programs place special emphasis on strengthening the pipeline for minority and first generation college student populations.

Description

The Universities at Shady Grove (USG) is the partner campus of 9 Maryland public universities, all of which share in the mission of creating educational and economic opportunities for the residents of Montgomery County and the surrounding region. Students who successfully complete their coursework on the USG campus graduate with a degree from one of its nine partner universities. USG's innovative and pioneering "partnership" approach to higher education exists primarily to help prepare and connect the region's college graduates with career opportunities right here at home. Its 80-plus upper-level undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs—coupled with a full range of student support services—are selected to reflect the current demands and needs of the regional economy. Through its unique collaborations with partner academic institutions, wrap-around student supports, state-of-the-art learning environment, and a robust scholarship offering, USG complements the partner degree offerings, delivering expanded access to education, particularly for first generation college students and other non-traditional students.

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