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Phase One of \$24M Student Housing Expansion at Savannah State Complete

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The historic, newly renovated **Camilla Hubert Hall** is joining two new residence halls in welcoming freshmen students to modern campus living at Savannah State University this fall.

Hardin Construction Company, LLC completed and turned over the three student-housing facilities to the university, immediately adding 357 beds to Savannah State's escalating student population. HADP was the project architect.

Camilla Hubert Hall (78 beds) and the new residence halls, **Tiger Pointe** (106 beds) and **Tiger Place** (173 beds), make up the first phase of a \$24 million freshman-housing complex initiative.

Each of the buildings offers one- and two-bedroom units, and amenities that include laundry facilities, lounge areas and keyless entry systems.

Camilla Hubert Hall - completed in 1938 as a residence for 150 female students and last renovated in the 1970s to house married and graduate students before officials took it out of service in 1998 - will serve as a co-ed residence for freshmen honors students.

Hardin Construction has begun work on an additional residence hall and the renovation of two other historic buildings-Adams and Morgan Halls. This Phase 2 of the project will provide nearly 300 additional beds by early 2012.

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Camilla Hubert, Adams and Morgan Halls are all located on Savannah State's historic Alexis Circle.

According to the firm, **Camilla Hubert** greeted construction crews with a few surprises. For example, floor joists were in various stages of disrepair, creating bowed and uneven surfaces throughout the building. Workers replaced some joists completely, and, in other sections of the building, installed sister joists to provide reinforcement or level out the flooring. Unusually thick and bulky corridor walls presented another challenge. To address this, crews created recessed entryways to room doors, and alcoves inside the rooms.

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