Google Tech Equity Collective: Accelerating Black Innovation in Tech

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Amount: $50,000 USD

Description of the project: The Department of Computer Science at Prairie View A&M University is a recipient of the Google Tech Equity Collective Impact Fund of $50,000. This fund, totaling $1 million and awarded to 20 organizations, is dedicated to accelerating Black innovation in tech through reskilling, upskilling, and training programs. As part of the initiative, the Department of Computer Science at Prairie View A&M University is committed to fostering Black technical talent by 1) involving them in hands-on projects within the emerging field of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML); 2) introducing them to the latest advancements in state-of-the-art techniques; and 3) engaging them with expert-led workshops to enhance accessibility to high-quality training and skill development. Overall, this fund provides a pathway for black technical talent within our Computer Science department to develop engineering skills, foster career development, and excel in AI/ML roles.

Important links:

Google announcement: https://www.techequitycollective.com/impact-fund/

Google news: https://blog.google/outreach-initiatives/diversity/introducing-the-2024-tech-equity-collective-impact-fund-grantees/