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Columbus State University Foundation
4225 University Ave.
Columbus, Ga. 31907

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Office of Development
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Columbus, GA 31907

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