Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Archway Partnership
Month-End Update
November 2009

Archway Professional Activities:

- **November 3** – Attended Lamar Dodd School of Art Lecture and Reception on UGA campus; hosted four community members from Pulaski County.
- **November 4** – Attended UGA Cooperative Extension Southwest District Plan of Work meeting in Tifton.
- **November 8** – Attended White Glove Dinner in support of the Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library; hosted in Hawkinsville by Library Board Member Genelle Jennings and Regent Mansfield Jennings.
- **November 10** – Met with Adriane Wood, DCA Representative/Region 6, to discuss ongoing Archway initiatives in Hawkinsville-Pulaski.
- **November 17** – Facilitated and planned November Archway Executive meeting. Agenda included a presentation by UGA College of Environment and Design graduate students, Hazel Lewis and Gwen Wolfgang; as well as a discussion of the results from the October Archway Public Forum.

Projects and Status:

- **Community Health**
  - **November 24** – Met with TRH Hospital Administrator, Dan Maddock to discuss potential collaboration between the hospital and the Archway Partnership; including a Community Health Public Forum to be hosted by Taylor Regional Hospital. Discussion also included the development of an Archway community health article for *The Hawkinsville Dispatch & News*.

- **Economic Development**
  - **November 5** – Attended Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner; Regent Mansfield Jennings named Citizen of the Year.
  - **November 10** – Attended Ten-Year Anniversary celebration of Hawkinsville Better Hometown program
  - **November 11** – Met with Hawkinsville City Commissioner Wilson Credle to discuss economic development efforts in Hawkinsville and Pulaski County.
  - **November 13** – Submitted Requests for Higher Education Resources for the City of Hawkinsville Downtown Development Authority; as well as the City of Hawkinsville-United Pulaski Economic Development Impact Study.
  - **November 16** – Met with Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Development Authority Chairman, John Way to discuss potential for Development Authority Board Training; the opportunity to combine training with other local economic development entities.
  - **November 16** – Facilitated working session of Riverfront Advisory Committee members, Hawkinsville Rotary Club River Park Committee members and others
to identify priority projects within the Uchee Shoals Riverfront Park concept created by UGA College of Environment and Design students, Hazel Lewis and Gwen Wolfgang; outcomes from that discussion led to local engineer, Lance Woods developing cost estimates and plans for implementation of the landscaped terraces. Middle Georgia Regional Commission staff used the students’ design and Mr. Woods’ estimates to apply for funding of the project through the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Grant program in November.

- **November 23** – Completed Georgia Work Ready testing at Middle Georgia Technical College in Hawkinsville.
- **November 25** – Attended Board of Directors’ Meeting for United Pulaski Economic Development; provided update for ongoing Archway initiatives related to economic development.

**Government Service Delivery**

- **November 2** – Attended Pulaski County Commission meeting
- **November 2** – Attended Hawkinsville City Commission meeting
- **November 13** – Met with Hawkinsville City Manager, Jerry Murkerson to discuss the City of Hawkinsville Personnel and Organizational Study, and the City of Hawkinsville Comparative Revenue Study.
- **November 18** – Participated in conference call with UGA Archway staff, Robin Lunsford, and Dr. Vicky Williams, Director of the Master of Public Administration program, to discuss desired outcomes and design of City of Hawkinsville Personnel and Organizational Study to be completed by MPA students in Spring 2010.
- **November 20** – Attended called Hawkinsville City Commission meeting to discuss grant funding opportunities
- **November 20** – Attended Association County Commissioner of Georgia Sixth District Meeting.

**Leadership Development**

- **November 11** – Met with local residents, Joe Sapp and Brent Lowe to discuss the potential of developing a “young leaders/young professionals” group in Hawkinsville for those aged 45 and younger.
- **November 17** – Participated in conference call with Matt Bishop and Fanning Institute faculty, Louise Hill and Emily Davis; as well as local partners, Manse Jennings (ComSouth), Lee Slade (United Pulaski), Kimberly Brown and Therisa Patton (Chamber of Commerce), to discuss and finalize plans for upcoming Community Leadership Program.
- **November 19** – Facilitated and planned for initial steering committee meeting for developing “young leaders/young professionals” organization.
- **November 30** – Attended and provided support for the Community Leadership Program Facilitator Training curriculum offered to 24 local participants by Fanning Institute faculty Louise Hill, and Archway Partnership Faculty, Matt Bishop.
November 30 – Submitted grant application and proposal for “New Pulaski Leaders,” for funding through the Community Leadership Initiative; grant written by Archway Professional on behalf of the Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce.

Public Education

- November 6 – Met with Better Hometown Director Karen Bailey to discuss and finalize application for State Farm Service Learning Grant for Mile Branch Riverfront Park Pollinator and Wildflower Garden – to be utilized as a service learning project for Pulaski Middle School students. Grant written and submitted by Archway Professional.
- November 12 – Met with Pulaski School Superintendent Janis Sparrow and Hawkinsville City Commissioner Shelly Berryhill to plan for upcoming Pulaski County School Tour to be filmed for the upcoming Archway T.V. project on ComSouth Channel 100.

Next Steps:

Community Health
- Continue to make arrangements for Archway Public Health Professional, Laura Bland to discuss ongoing Public Health-related initiatives in Washington County with Regent Mansfield Jennings
- Extend written invitation of Taylor Regional Hospital to participate on the Archway Executive Committee
- Identify dates for Taylor Regional Hospital Tour; finalize plans with Dan Maddock.

Economic Development
- Identify local community partners to participate in development of economic development strategic plan.
- Submit request for higher education resources related to the development of a comprehensive economic development strategy for the City of Hawkinsville and Pulaski County.

Government Service Delivery
- Submit Request for Higher Education Resources for Recreational Assessment and Five-Year Plan.
- Explore opportunities to utilize the resources of the Carl Vinson Institute of Government (CVIOG) for the development of a revenue study for Pulaski County; as well as to facilitate conversations around the potential for the consolidation of government services.

Housing
- Attend next scheduled GICH and HURA meetings with local community members.
Leadership Development
- Facilitate and host the final session of the Facilitator Training program on Monday, December 7.
- Follow-up with local participants of the Community Leadership Program to discuss next steps for implementation.
- Provide alternative approaches for program design for the developing “young leaders/young professionals,” organization.
- Coordinate and assist in facilitating potential association with the Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce.

Public Education
- Finalize plans and activities for upcoming Pulaski School Tour scheduled for Monday, December 14
- Work with Archway faculty to facilitate conversation between local partners in education and the College of Education regarding student achievement and other identified priorities under education.

Other Archway Activities
- Develop presentation for December Archway Unit meeting in Athens.
- Submit draft of annual report activities for Hawkinsville and Pulaski County.
- Continue priority identification; engage Issue Work Groups as needed.
- Continue planning of proposed Archway T.V.