Sumter County Archway Partnership  
January 2010 -- Month-End Update

Community Priorities and Project Actions for January 2010

Community and Economic Development:
• Attended monthly meeting of Americus Sumter Payroll Development Authority.
• Met with Charlotte Cotton and Lynn Taylor in preparation for upcoming retreat.
• Met with Mandy Young to consider partnering opportunities for Archway and City of Americus in 2010.
• UGA Archway Partnership (Matt Bishop, Dennis Epps, Mary Beth Bass and Barbara Grogan) provided facilitation assistance at the Annual City County retreat, which the Americus Sumter Payroll Development Authority also attended. The topic of conversation focused on Economic Development for the community. Additional follow-up is planned for February 2010.
• Attended an information session hosted by the River Valley Regional Commission and GA Department of Transportation regarding Highway 280 improvements relative to the Cordele Inland Port.
• Joined City of Americus and Sumter County at a GA Department of Transportation meeting with GDOT Board members and staff. The meeting reinforced our community’s desire for road improvements along Highway 280.

Public Education:
• Signed contract to begin Sumter County Schools Demography Study with the UGA College of Education.
• Attended monthly meeting of the Sumter Ferst Foundation. Assisting with communication efforts.
• Attended Chamber of Commerce Education Committee monthly meeting. Provided update of Archway activities.

Public Health:

Leadership Development:

General:
• Attended weekly Rotary meetings.
• Attended monthly BOC County Department Head breakfast. Provided update of Archway activities.
• Attended monthly Americus Theater and Cultural Authority meeting.
• Attended City of Americus monthly meeting
• Attended Sumter County Board of Commissioners monthly meeting.
• Attended monthly Leadership Sumter class focusing on the healthcare industry in Sumter County.
**Next Steps**

- Continue College Town Marketing component. Report back to Executive Committee for next steps.
- Continue Tripp Street Corridor Revitalization. Review sample designs with Executive Committee.
- Continue preparing documents and coordinate participation in Co-Op. Coordinate with DCA
- Monitor HSBT gymnastics marketing plan development.
- Assist LLSP students as they continue to develop strategic business plan.
- Assist Sumter County Schools to develop a plan to showcase the successes of Sumter County Schools.
- Continue City/County/PDA Economic Development Discussions.
- Provide update to Steering Committee and local media.
- Begin GICH process with community, attend first retreat along with Community Housing Team.

**Student Involvement**

**Name: Danielle Kraselsky**  
UGA Program: Grady College, Hooper Sanford Baldwin & Thomas  
Partner Org: Americus Sumter Payroll Development Authority  
Focus: Logo and letterhead development.  
Status: Ongoing

**Name: Hazel Lewis**  
UGA Program: SPIA  
Partner Org: City of Americus, Sumter County Board of Commissioners  
Focus: SCPRD Ball Park Vegetation Design, Walking Trail from S Lee Street to SCPRD/Hwy 19, Courthouse Vegetation Design, Sumter County Schools PLC, CRA, and monument Vegetation Designs.  
Status: Ongoing

**Name: Samantha Stewart**  
UGA Program: Terry College of Business, LLSP  
Partner Org: Sumter County Board of Commissioners  
Focus: Strategic Business Plan for Sumter County Fairgrounds  

**Name: Danielle Kraselsky**  
UGA Program: Grady College, Hooper Sanford Baldwin & Thomas  
Partner Org: Sumter County Board of Commissioners  
Focus: Marketing plan for SCPRD Gymnastics Program  
Status: Ongoing

**Name: Dr. Mark Huber, MIS Class**  
UGA Program: Terry College of Business  
Partner Org: City of Americus and Sumter County Board of Commissioners  
Focus: One-Stop-Shop Website  
Status: Fall ’09 / Ongoing in Spring 2010
Name: Katy Carlson  
UGA Program: MPA  
Partner Org: City of Americus, Sumter County Board of Commissioners  
Focus: Community issues impacting desire to become “college town”.  
Status: Completed

Name: Erin Wurtz  
UGA Program: Health Promotion and Behavior  
Partner Org: Sumter Regional Hospital  
Focus: Communitywide public health issues  
Status: Completed

Name: Hazel Lewis and Lauren Woodward  
UGA Program: CED  
Partner Org: City of Americus  
Focus: Eastview Cemetery  
Status: Completed, presented to City on July 13th.

Name: Chris and Amanda Thornton  
UGA Program: CED  
Partner Org: City, BOC, GSW  
Focus: CED summer internship focusing on various local projects.  
Status: Completed, Gallery Showing August 11th.

Name: Dr. Dave Chatterjee, MIS Class, Team 3  
UGA Program: Terry College of Business  
Partner Org: Sumter County Board of Commissioners, SCPRD  
Focus: Identify/Define Data System for SCPRD  
Status: Completed

Name: Dr. Mark Huber, MIS Class  
UGA Program: Terry College of Business  
Partner Org: Southwestern Judicial Circuit, Sumter County BOC  
Focus: Circuit Administrator Software Evaluation  
Status: Completed