Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Archway Partnership
Month-End Update
January 2010

Archway Professional Activities:

- **January 14** – Participated in conference call with Matt Bishop to set goals for Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Archway Partnership work plan for 2010.
- **January 19** – Facilitated and planned January Archway Executive meeting; UGA Archway faculty members, Dr. Mel Garber, Sue Chapman and Matt Bishop were in attendance.
- **January 21** – Met with Sumter County Archway Professional, Barbara Grogan and Americus City Manager, Charlotte Cotton to discuss expectations for upcoming City Council Retreat in Statesboro.
- **January 21** – Met with Chuck Southerland, editor of *The Hawkinsville Dispatch & News*, to outline proposed Archway Community column to run every other week.
- **January 22** – Hosted planning session for Gulf South Summit panel discussion with Laura Bland, Ilka McConnell and Emily Watson.
- **January 27** – Facilitated Mission and Goals-Setting session of the City of Americus Planning Retreat in Statesboro.
- **January 29** – Attended Pulaski County Extension Agriculture Advisory Committee meeting.

Projects and Status:

- **Community Health**
  - **January 7** – Met with representatives from Elder Care Pharmacy, Inc., to discuss Archway’s involvement in Community Health issues, including the development of a community needs assessment.
  - **January 7** – Made initial contact with Vonnie Berryhill (Family Connections) to plan for and identify potential members of Community Health Taskforce.
  - **January 11** – Met with Dan Maddock to discuss ongoing development of Community Health Forum.
  - **January 22** – Confirmed date for meeting between Regent Mansfield Jennings and Archway Public Health Professional, Laura Bland to discuss Archway Public Health initiatives throughout the state.

- **Economic Development**
  - **January 5** – Attended Hawkinsville-Pulaski Riverfront Advisory Committee priority-setting meeting for 2010, hosted by Middle Georgia Regional Commission (MGRC).
  - **January 12** – Attended Eggs & Issues Breakfast, hosted by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce.
o **January 12** – Assisted Better Hometown Director in planning for upcoming Scenic Byway public hearing.

o **January 19** – Attended Economic Outlook Luncheon, hosted by UGA Terry College of Business; Regent Mansfield Jennings and Better Hometown Director, Karen Bailey attended.

o **January 20** – Participated in conference call with Jamie Roskie (Director, LUC) and UGA Law student, Andrea Dent (LUC) to outline objectives of Ocmulgee Greenway project for the Spring 2010 semester.

o **January 22** – Continued conversation with Select Trees regarding the potential to donate trees to various entities in Hawkinsville-Pulaski County for ongoing greenspace initiatives.

o **January 30** – Met with LUC student, Andrea Dent to provide information on the Ocmulgee Riverfront Park project and conduct site visit.

• **Government Service Delivery**

  o **January 13** – Met with City Commissioner Phil NeSmith to discuss potential consolidation of law enforcement agencies in Hawkinsville and Pulaski County and related issues.

  o **January 13** – Made initial contact with Carl Vinson Institute of Government to discussion issues surrounding possible consolidation of law enforcement entities in Hawkinsville and Pulaski County.

  o **January 21** – Contacted Harry Hayes (CVIOG) to follow-up on issues related to law enforcement consolidation, comparative revenue studies and E-911 services.

• **Housing**

  o **January 5** – Attended January GICH meeting.

  o **January 12** – Attended January Hawkinsville Urban Redevelopment Authority (HURA) meeting.

• **Leadership Development**

  o **January 7** – Met with Mark Alexander to discuss ongoing program planning for the Ocmulgee Order.

  o **January 8** – Met with Lucious Bray to discuss outreach efforts into minority communities in Hawkinsville and Pulaski County—particularly as they relate to leadership development.

  o **January 11** – Facilitated initial planning session of the local Community Leadership Program, Pulaski Tomorrow.

  o **January 14** – Met with John Follett to discuss ongoing efforts and next steps related to Pulaski Tomorrow.

  o **January 15** – Met with members of the Ocmulgee Order to continue planning for the upcoming kick-off event set for February18.

• **Public Education**

  o **January 20** – Participated in conference call with Dr. Asen Kirin (LDSA), Sue Chapman and Randy Colson (Hawkinsville High School, Art Teacher) to schedule HHS student visit to LDSA in March.
January 28 – Began correspondence with Pulaski County School Superintendent to identify possible dates for College of Education faculty to visit Pulaski County to discuss issues related to the student achievement gap and ongoing initiatives in this area.

Next Steps:

- Community Health
  - Facilitate meeting with Archway Public Health Professional, Laura Bland to discuss ongoing Public Health-related initiatives in Washington County with Regent Mansfield Jennings
  - Finalize plans for upcoming Community Health Forum with TRH and other community health partners.
  - Continue planning and development of Community Health Task Force.
  - Search for possible summer internship opportunities related to community health.

- Economic Development
  - Facilitate pre-planning session for local economic development entities (Pulaski County-Hawkinsville Development Authority, Hawkinsville Development Authority, Hawkinsville Downtown Development Authority, United Pulaski Economic Development, and the Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce) related to the development of an economic development strategic plan
  - Continue technical assistance in development of websites for United Pulaski Economic Development and Middle Georgia Regional Development Authority, as requested.
  - Continue to provide support to ongoing Ocmulgee Riverfront Park projects, as needed; including serving as liaison to Select Trees.
  - Continue to provide resources and information to Andrea Dent (LUC) regarding the Ocmulgee Greenway project.

- Government Service Delivery
  - Continue to provide assistance for statewide water plan, as needed.
  - Continue to coordinate, as needed, between the City of Hawkinsville and Dr. Wilkins regarding the Personnel and Organizational Study.
  - Contact local Recreation Department to discuss needs, etc., based on the results of the Archway Public Forum.
  - Continue to work with CVIOG regarding the development of a revenue study for Pulaski County; as well as to facilitate conversations around the potential for the consolidation of government services.
  - Coordinate student MIS project and audit of Pulaski County information systems.

- Housing
  - Attend next scheduled GICH and HURA meetings with local community members.
  - Attend GICH Retreat in Griffin.
  - Help facilitate small group meetings, as needed and requested by MGRC.
• **Leadership Development**
  - Facilitate Planning and Steering meeting of Pulaski Tomorrow.
  - Continue planning and provision of technical assistance to Ocmulgee Order.
  - Increase outreach efforts to minority community.

• **Public Education**
  - Coordinate discussion between Pulaski County Schools and UGA College of Education regarding student achievement and parental involvement in Pulaski County.
  - Continue to provide support to upcoming HHS student visit to Lamar Dodd School of Art in March.

• **Other Archway Activities**
  - Facilitate meeting of the Archway Steering Committee to direct and guide efforts of Issue Work Groups.
  - Coordinate publication of Archway Community Column in *The Hawkinsville Dispatch & News*.
  - Continue planning of proposed *Archway T.V.*