Monthly Key Accomplishments – February 2011

1. **Executive Committee Adopts 2011 Work Plan**
   The Brunswick-Glynn County Executive Committee adopted the 2011 Work Plan to guide project development and programming in the coming year. Three broad community priorities are identified in this Work Plan: 1) Planning for Growth; 2) Enhancing Leadership Development; and 3) Promoting Intergovernmental Cooperation and Coordination.

   Executive Committee members also agreed to take on liaison roles at the beginning stages of development for the Issue Work Groups for the two new priorities of “Enhancing Leadership Development,” and “Promoting Intergovernmental Cooperation and Coordination.” Liaisons to each Issue Work Group are as follows:

   1. Enhancing Leadership Development* – Gary Colberg, Dr. Valerie Hepburn, Tony Sammons and Woody Woodside
   2. Promoting Intergovernmental Cooperation and Coordination* – Pat Grozier, Mike Hulsey, Commissioner Mary Hunt, Randal Morris and Mayor Bryan Thompson

*As Chairman, Joel Willis to serve as liaison to both Focus Groups.

The purpose of the liaison role is to both identify specific needs, challenges, etc., around each of the broad topical areas; as well as to help identify and recruit community members to serve on the larger Issue Work Groups. Once those groups are formalized and begin work, the Executive Committee liaisons will serve in an advisory capacity, as needed.

2. **Health Center Training Grant Opportunity**
   UGA College of Public Health Assistant Dean, Dr. Marsha Davis, participated in an exploratory conference call with members of the Brunswick-Glynn County Executive Committee to identify potential areas of partnership in implementation of the recently awarded five-year, $3.2 million award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to establish the Georgia Public Health Training Center to improve accessibility and training for public health systems around the state. College of Coastal Georgia President, Dr. Valerie Hepburn agreed to help guide these efforts locally as the project unfolds along the coast. Dr. Davis has agreed to participate in a conference call with the entire Executive Committee on February 17 for further exploration of this initiative in Glynn County.

3. **Altama Community Transformation (ACT) District, Phase I Proposal Accepted**
   Faculty from four of UGA’s Public Service and Outreach Units traveled to Brunswick to present a scope of work to create a redevelopment plan for Phase I of the Altama Community Transformation (ACT) District. Phase I constitutes the Altama corridor and the four intersections, or nodes, along the corridor: 1) Cypress Mill/Community Road; 2) Brunswick High School/College of Coastal Georgia; 3) Fourth Street; and 4) Parkwood Drive.
Presenting to a joint meeting of the Archway Executive Committee and the Growth Task Force, UGA faculty outlined the purpose of the project and expected deliverables. Anticipated to be a four to six-month project, the purpose of the Phase I proposal is listed below:

- Conduct research and analysis of previous and current plans;
- Assist a diverse group of ACT stakeholders to create a design and redevelopment plan for the Altama Avenue corridor;
- Develop an implementation plan that will be transferable to the remainder of ACT District; and
- Provide for needed training and education regarding funding mechanisms necessary for future implementation.

Next steps include formal agreement between the community and UGA to conduct the work as proposed in the scope, as signified through a signed and executed Memorandum of Agreement. Research and analysis for the various components are underway; population of the local Design Committee anticipated in coming weeks.