**Education Related Actions**

**Participants:**
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Sumter County Schools Board of Education Members and Staff

Barbara met with the Sumter County Schools Board of Education in May and June and confirmed the activities listed below, as well as shared information on the completed grant project.

**Alternative Revenue Streams:** Dr. Catherine Sielke, with the UGA College of Education, is moving forward with a project which will involve the following:

- Conduct a cost analysis for funding the district’s goal of International Baccalaureate and pre International Baccalaureate program for the 2012 – 2013 school year.
- Determine current fiscal status of district including reviewing issues raised in previous audits, miscellaneous revenues, charges for services, cash flow charts, and investment practices.
- Develop a plan for making changes to increase the amount and flow of district revenues.
- Develop tables that compare Sumter County Schools to other districts similar in size (enrollment) and in fiscal capacity (property values). Included would be spending for instruction and non-instructional areas by percent and by fte. Also included would be mill rates, equalization funding, and fund balances.
- Develop a plan for funding the goals – reallocation of current dollars and finding new sources for funding.

**Community Partnerships and Programming:** Sumter Archway Partnership will soon begin coordinating with Sumter County Schools and UGA College of Education to assist in developing a system to officially develop, organize, manage, promote and recognize community partners for their efforts. Additionally, we will work towards ensuring the programming efforts meet their intended goals, such enhancing student performance, media relations, etc...

**Bus Stop Shelters and Signage:** Prepared Lowe’s Foundation grant document to be submitted electronically by Sumter County Schools. The document requests funds for shelters and signage to be placed at needed locations. Document also includes community outreach letter and solicitation of community support through labor to serve as matching portion of grant.