Archway Professional Sharon Liggett continues to meet with campus departments or other agencies that are engaged with the Archway projects in Grady County including the Terry College of Business, Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication and School of Social Work Institute for Nonprofit Organizations.

A key to the collaborative nature of the Archway Partnership is the individual contacts and meetings throughout the community on a daily basis. December meetings included the following:

- Celeste Tyler, Communications Director, City of Cairo
- Tommy Pharis, Charter Applications & Issue Work Group
- Martha Fowler, Grady County Schools, Instructional Technology
- Chris Addleton, Parks Grant, Downtown Revitalization
- Glenn Barrett, Motocross, Cycling and Trails Enthusiast
- Vicky Redden, City Building Department
- Arthur Tatum, Mule Day & Farmer’s Market
- Rep. Darlene Taylor, Archway Update & GMA Downtown Initiative
- Jennifer Majors, Downtown
- Nola Daughtry, Family Connection
- Kay Addleton & Donna Powell, Historical Society
- Jeanette Sickel, Mule Day
- Maggie Roddenbery, Community Volunteer
- Plantation Trace Regional Tourism Meeting
- Downtown Revitalization Meetings
- Grady County Commissioner All Ball Retirement Reception
- Tall Timbers Director Lane Green Retirement Dinner
- Joint Development Authority Meeting
- Chamber of Commerce – Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
- Cairo-Grady County Historical Society Meeting

The Grady County Archway Partnership Executive Committee conducted their monthly meeting January 10, 2013. Highlights:
Update on the progress of two issue work group meetings:

1. Community Health and Wellness
   - Of the three new sub-groups, only the fitness & trails group has met to walk the Little Tired Creek Trail. The City has begun clearing the trail as well as Azalea Park.

2. Education-Business and Industry Work Group
   - Tommy Pharis updated the group on the CHS and Shiver Charter process. CHS has been notified that they are receiving a charter and Shiver is revising their application.
   - CHS will reapply for the College and Career Academy grant cycle later in 2013. Bartow, Henry and Madison counties were awarded CCA grants.
   - Grady County Schools will host a listening session on school safety January 17.

The Archway Professional worked with the Chamber of Commerce leadership to develop a program for their annual dinner. The theme will be Education for a Quality Work Force. College and university presidents Dr. Richard Carvajal, Bainbridge College, Dr. Craig Wentworth, Southwest Georgia Technical College and Dr. Gary Bonvillian, Thomas University will participate in a panel discussion highlighting recent collaborations with Grady County Schools and local business and industry leaders for its Annual Dinner program. In addition, the Chamber will host a trade show of academic and work force development programs at the dinner.