Sumter Community Leadership Program Holds First Class
The Advancing Sumter Community Leadership Development Program, initiated through the local Sumter Archway Partnership with the Fanning Institute for Leadership and University of Georgia, held its first class on January 14. It is a new organization that was targeted to a wide array of individuals in the community. The overall goal of the organization is to educate citizens who plan to remain in this community and provide leadership training that can be used in their jobs civic clubs, churches, and volunteer or elected capacities. Recruitment and selection was geared toward ensuring a diverse group of citizens participate without restrictions placed on age, gender, or educational attainment. Classes will run through April 1.

The Richard B. Russell Library recorded eight excellent interviews with citizens from across Sumter County December 2-4, 2013. Collection of interviews will continue into late February, culminating with an interview with Pres. Carter. The oral history interviews will be used to promote and preserve Sumter Count and her rich heritage.