Ongoing Efforts

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Issue Work Group**
The new Teen Pregnancy Prevention Issue Work Group has been collecting pregnancy and health related data and community resources, as well as identifying stakeholders to be invited into the initiative. This work group addresses the community goal of both prevention and improving pre-natal access to services and care.

**Cairo Train Depot Re-Design**
Progress continues in the interior re-design of the City of Cairo Train Depot. This project is collaboration between the City of Cairo, Archway Partnership Downtown Issue Work Group and the Lamar Dodd School of Art and is an action item in the downtown renaissance plan.

**Cairo College and Career Academy**
The Education/Business & Industry Issue Work Group continue to focus on the Cairo High School College and Career Academy. The major activity this month was identifying business and industry partners who could actively participate in the 17 CCA curriculum pathways through site visits, provide content expertise, on-the-job training, internships for students, externships for instructors, job-shadowing, material donations and other resources. This initiative enhances student learning opportunities and local work-force development.

**UGA Engineering Students Assist Cairo-Grady County**
The UGA College of Engineering has provided 12 students and two faculty members to partner with both the City of Cairo and Grady County. The city requested assistance with a landfill relocation analysis as the site will be completely full within five years. The students will provide several disposal options for the city’s municipal solid waste thereby assisting the city commission with policy direction and cost-effective disposal methods. They will also measure the quantity and quality of the methane gas to determine resale possibilities or on-site generation potential thereby creating a potential revenue stream or cost-saving measures for the city. Grady County requested a study for the installation of solar panels at the jail and at the courthouse. Key questions that are being examined include design, configuration, efficiencies, generation and a cost-benefit analysis. This project has the potential to provide both revenue and costs savings for Grady County government.

Looking Forward

**Regional DDA Training**
The City of Cairo Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will host a regional training for DDA members needing the state-required training.

**Youth FitFest**
The Archway Partnership Community Health and Wellness Issue Work Group will host the third annual Youth FitFest as a strategy to address childhood obesity.