Accomplishments

New Funding Partner Added

The City of Whigham has joined the Grady Archway Partnership as a funding partner.

Ongoing Efforts

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Work Group

The new Teen Pregnancy Prevention Issue Work Group has been collecting pregnancy and health related data, 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. Archway utilized its spring Public Service & Outreach Student Scholar Annie Chow to assist in collecting data and identifying resources to assist with the initiative.

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 (LDSOA) and is an action item in the downtown renaissance plan. Operations Coordinator Sharon Liggett has met with LDSOA faculty member Thom Houser and the project is scheduled to be completed in September.

College and Career Academy Continues Progress

The Education/Business & Industry Issue Work Group continues to focus on the Cairo High School College and Career Academy. The major activity this month was continuing to identify 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/or other resources. This initiative enhances student learning opportunities and local work-force development.

Barber Park Revitalization Project

As part of the overall community health & wellness initiative of improving parks and recreation for fitness/obesity reduction, the County is beginning to pursue a splash pad. CED students spent two summers designing park plans.
Looking Forward

Cairo 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.

New requests for higher education resources include:

a. Grady County Schools – Assistance with Charter System application
b. Grady County Schools – Assistance with Strategic Planning
c. City of Cairo – Gateway Design Assistance (US 84 W and GA Hwy 112)
d. Cairo-Grady County JDA – Engineering Assistance Industrial Park
e. Grady County & TCL Authority – Water & Sewer