

## 2023 IN REVIEW

### Student Involvement:



### DOWNTOWN OF THE YEAR

With nearly 100 percent occupancy, bustling shops and restaurants, and the lively feeling created by numerous murals around town, downtown Hartwell has seen a revival over the last several years. This renewal was recognized by the Georgia Downtown Association this year as the community was recognized as the 2023 Downtown of the Year.

### Faculty Involvement:



### Projects Completed:



**ROI: \$4,865,032**



# PROJECT SPOTLIGHTS

## PRIORITY AREAS

1. Workforce Development and Education
2. Preparing for Growth
3. Quality of Life
4. Tourism

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

Since the Archway Partnership started in Hart County nearly 15 years ago, quality of life and community improvement has been a priority. A number of projects this past year addressed those issues, including the Gateway Industrial Park solar installation and the NEGA Ag Expo, which drew more than 700 attendees.

*“Most of the people in Georgia have never been to Athens. They know about the University of Georgia because they see it in their communities.”*

*– Jere Morehead  
President of the  
University of Georgia*



*“We continue to benefit from having access to the vast resources of the University system.”*

*– Bill Leard  
Executive Committee Chair*

## HARMONY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Thanks to the dedication of longtime member Diane Merritt, Harmony Grove Baptist Church has hosted several Archway projects intended to gain historic preservation status, tell the story of the more than 150 year-old church and preserve and map the slave graves that date back to before the Civil War.

For more information on Archway Partnership in Hart County, contact our Archway Professional.



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