

Program Name: LISC

Department Name: Housing & Neighborhoods Department

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Program Strategy: Increasing Police Presence and Eliminating Crime

Program Summary:

This is a community revitalization strategy aimed at reducing crime havens by implementing non-police strategies such as real estate development involving housing and commercial development; and community building/engagement efforts. LISC Jacksonville works with community development corporations (CDCs) to help them in their work to revitalize neighborhoods. We supply training, funding and advocacy on their behalf. CDCs work with boards made up of community residents and employers and have grassroots knowledge of what the community wants and needs. Jacksonville Journey allows LISC to leverage City of Jacksonville dollars with local and national funding for the betterment of the communities we serve in our joint effort to eliminate crime. LISC takes no administrative fees from these funds.

Program Overall Status and Successes: LISC Metrics for its work with CDC partners supported through Jacksonville Journey funding is based on Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) and defensible space strategies. All program activities described occur in Health Zone 1.

Note: As of March 7, 2014, data access for statistics for the month of January 2014 is not currently available from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. Listed below is the last report from JSO.

LISC Jacksonville Crime Report for Jacksonville Journey for: Grace & Truth CDC, Metro North CDC, New Town Success Zone, Northwest Jacksonville CDC, Operation New Hope CDC, Wealth Watchers and Duval County for October 2012 compared to October 2013. NOTE: Statistics are from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office; Data is one month behind.

The combined CDC neighborhoods' year over year select crime categories for October **decreased 5%**. Select crime statistics for the **county as a whole decreased 5%** for the same period. Data Source: LISC Jacksonville and Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Crime Analysis Unit

Category	Combined CDCs Areas	Duval County
Assault-Battery*	Increased 3% (234/241)	Increased 11% (1029/1146)
Burglary-Other*	Decreased 55% (58/26)	Decreased 22% (162/127)
Burglary-Residential	Increased 3% (112/115)	Increased 4% (571/594)
Burglary-Vehicle	Decreased 22% (59/46)	Decreased 30% (509/357)
Murder	Decreased 50% (2/1)	Decreased 29% (7/5)
Robbery*	Increased 21% (38/46)	Increased 19% (144/171)
Sexual Offense*	Decreased 70% (10/3)	Decreased 63% (59/22)
Theft*	Decreased 4% (252/242)	Decreased 10% (1882/1700)
Theft-Vehicle	Increased 38% (16/22)	Increased 9% (127/138)
Vandalism*	Decreased 3% (108/105)	Decreased 7% (567/530)
Overall Total:	Decreased 5% (889/847)	Decreased 5% (5057/4790)

*Includes the following crime classifications: Assault/Battery= Simple Assault/Battery, Aggravated Battery; Burglary-Other=Burglary/Business; Robbery=Robbery/Business, Robbery/Carjacking, Robbery/Home Invasion, Robbery/Individual; Sexual Offenses=Sex-Lewd, Sex-Rape/Battery; Theft=Petit Theft/Business, Petit Theft/Non business, Grand Theft/Business, Grand Theft/Non Business; Vandalism=Criminal Mischief-Vehicle, Criminal Mischief-Business, Criminal Mischief-Non Business

Combined CDC Areas

Six categories of select crimes categories decreased. Sexual-Offense decreased 70%; Burglary-Other decreased 55%; Murder decreased 50%; Burglary-Vehicle decreased 22%, Theft decreased 4% and Vandalism decreased 3%. All other categories increased lead by Theft-Vehicle increased 38%; Robbery increased 21%, Assault-Battery increased 3%; and Burglary-Residential increased 3%.

Countywide

Countywide six select crime categories decreased. Sexual Offense decreased 63%; Burglary-Vehicle decreased 30%; Murder decreased 29%; Burglary-Other decreased 22%; Theft decreased 10% and Vandalism decreased 7%. All other categories increased led by Robbery increased 19%; Assault Battery increased 11%; Theft-Vehicle increased 9%; and Burglary-Residential increased 4%.

Individual CDC	Decrease or Increase
Grace & Truth	Decreased 7% (143/133)
Metro North	Decreased 14% (304/262)
New Town Success Zone	Decreased 20% (41/33)
Operation New Hope	Increased 7% (168/180)
Northwest Jacksonville	Increased 2% (202/207)
Wealth Watchers	Increased 3% (31/32)

Commercial Development Update:

- **Northwest Jacksonville's** North Point Commercial Center is awaiting approval from a lender on a loan to complete the unfinished space.

Multi -Family Update:

- **Metro North CDC** - Notter Street – a 16-unit multiple family housing rehabilitation project is in the predevelopment phase with the City providing 100% NSP funding. Metro North is waiting on the contract from the City to begin rehabilitation.

Single Family Construction/Rehabilitation Update:

- A total of **286** single family houses have been completed and sold to date. Metro North sold 1 home this month 1386 Shearwater Drive and Operation New Hope sold 1 home this month, 637 Phelps Street.
- **Metro North** has 1 home under construction, 372 70th Street and 1 home with construction starting in March, 250 West 9th Street.

Connections Engagements:

CDCs provided leadership and sponsored community building/community engagement activities that foster a greater sense of community ownership and resident buy-in, thus increasing a commitment to community safety. Activities are highlighted below:

In February, LISC CDC partners provided leadership and sponsored **19** connection activities engaging over **499** people in the neighborhoods.

February 2014

Purpose of Connections	Current Month		Year to Date 10-1-13 – 9-30-14		Ages 0-2	Ages 3-5	Ages 6-11	Ages 12-14	Ages 15-18	Ages 19+	# of Homeless	# of Veterans
	Events	People	Events	People								
Business	1	13	5	72						13		3
Community as a Whole	11	394	43	1533				49		345	3	4
Organization (CDC)	5	86	34	922						86	14	15
Residents	2	6	30	344						6		
Total Activities	19	499	112	2871								
Total Population Served by Age in February								49		450	17	22

Residents Meeting	1	18	6	123						18		
Social Network/ Communications	1	100	6	515						100		
Total Activities	8	176	58	1801								
Total Age Population Served for February								2		174		

Highlights Include:

- **Clara White** assisted 6 ex-offenders with supportive services; V. Sawyer and C. Lockwood housing assistance; A. Joseph, R. Williams, and J. Smith rental assistance; B. Goodman employment assistance.
- **Grace & Truth** attended the Norwood Neighborhood Association meeting on February 20, 7 attendees. Discussed community movie night event for youth, current rental properties, the community auditorium and fundraisers for the association.
- **Metro North** hosted a crime prevention meeting at their bi-monthly community advisory council meeting. The meeting was held on January 29, 18 attendees. Discussed crime prevention and cyber safety for children.
- **Metro North** staff throughout the month of February communicated through social media to 100 residents tips on crime prevention and events occurring in the Metro North community.
- **Northwest Jax** and Sherwood Community Network Neighborhood Association held a business meeting on February 10, 7 attendees. Discussed the need for an afterschool program for the children in the community. The members stressed that there was a big need for youth activities. A member from the school board was present and discussed the disservice to the low-income neighborhoods and what needs to be done in the public schools system to help schools in these areas. There were safety issues concerns with the basketball court in the back of the Beverly Hills Center and the youth attending the meeting felt that the lighting should be corrected to prevent crime. It was encouraged that the association members contact the appropriate city staff to assist in this matter. There were 7 youth from the community who voiced their concern as well about the park adjacent to the center. Also discussed the beautification projects they have already applied for a mini grant as well as establishing a community garden. The members of the association states the constructing of the garden will enhance the appearance as well encourage healthy eating habits for the community.
- **Northwest Jax** and Magnolia Gardens Neighborhood Association held a meeting on February 13, 11 attendees. The meeting agenda included the annual Community Block Park which funding is needed. The event this year is April 5 there will be food, games, and vendors for the entire family. The President stated that last there were an estimate of about 3,000 people who attended with their families. Discussed the annual block party and ways to increase the finances to serve even a larger group this year. It was suggested that the fund raising process began immediately after each event so the community can see what goes on and will be more geared to assisting in the project. It was also encouraged that the association began with community initiatives such as beautification and other community identified needs that will lead to the annual "Block Party" as a way of a celebration of the things they have done within the year for the community. It was also suggested that the two associations merge together so they can do more for the Magnolia Garden community. Discussed criminal activity or crime in the area where they reside, the crime which they stated was on the side of Magnolia Gardens where the other association is located.
- **Northwest Jax** and Planet Watch Neighborhood Association held a forum on February 17, 14 attendees. The community members, along with JSO are collectively 'watching' the area around 18th and Flanders Streets for any suspicious activities. To date, the community residents state that they've realized a reduction in crime.
- **Operation New Hope** Garden Stewart "Pastor Tom" conducted a kick off of the 2014 planting season on February 8, 8 attendees. During this event, gardeners planted broccoli, mustard greens and collards.

Program Providers – Where there are multiple agencies working together, please specify each agencies role. If type other than those illustrated below, please add to legend type below.

Types: D\$=City direct funded provider PT = Partner or subcontracted provider – NO FUNDING

PT\$ = Partner or subcontracted provider receiving funds from direct funded provider

Provider(s)	Type (Include type code from above)	Contact Name	Address/Tel. No.	Program Specifics/ Services Provided
LISC Jacksonville	\$399,023	Janet Owens Eugene Montgomery	10 West Adams Street, Suite 100 353-1300	Grant admin, technical assistance, program leveraging
Ability Housing	\$78,000	Shannon Nazworth Executive Director	76 South Laura Street Suite 303 359-9650	Real estate development; Community engagement
Clara White Mission	\$40,000	JuCoby Pittman-Peele Executive Director	613 West Ashley Street 354-4162	Commercial Corridor Revitalization; Community Engagement
Grace & Truth CDC	\$40,000	Bishop E.J. Johnson Executive Director	932 North Shore Drive 338-9990	Real estate development; Community engagement
Metro North CDC	\$57,000	Reggie Fullwood Executive Director	3105 N. Main Street 358-1224	Real estate development; Community engagement
New Town Success Zone	\$15,000	PeDro Cohen Executive Director	1658 Kings Road 470-8262	Education; Community engagement
Northwest Jacksonville CDC	\$70,000	Paul Tutwiler Executive Director	3416 Moncrief Road 598-9196	Real estate development; Community engagement
Operation New Hope	\$70,000	Kevin Gay Executive Director	1830 North Main Street 354-4673	Real estate development; Community engagement
Wealth Watchers	\$29,023	Carrie Davis Executive Director	1225 West Beaver Street 380-0292	Real estate development; Community engagement

Program Budget/Financial Status				
Budget Item	Budget	Actual (cumulative)	Balance	Variance/Explanation
LISC 2012-13 Grant	\$399,023	\$0.00	\$399,023	
Ability Housing	\$78,000	\$0.00	\$78,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Clara White Mission	\$40,000	\$0.00	\$40,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Grace & Truth CDC	\$40,000	\$0.00	\$40,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Metro North CDC	\$57,000	\$0.00	\$57,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
New Town Success Zone	\$15,000	\$0.00	\$15,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Northwest Jacksonville CDC	\$70,000	\$0.00	\$70,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Operation New Hope	\$70,000	\$0.00	\$70,000	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Wealth Watchers	\$29,023	\$0.00	\$29,023	Received contract from city, awaiting signature from New York office.
Total:	\$399,023	\$0.00	\$399,023	

Program Information

Program Metrics/Statistics/Outcomes – CDCs develop targets at the beginning of the grant term for single family housing development, affordable rental housing development, and high impact projects. CDCs also set targets for capacity building activities related to organizational development and community engagement.

This contract reflects a partnership between LISC Jacksonville and the City of Jacksonville where LISC provides funding recommendations, administration and oversight for the city; and LISC leverages City funds 1:1 through various sources to nonprofit community development corporations.

Together, LISC and the City (through the Housing and Community Development Division) make joint funding decisions to strengthen Jacksonville's community development corporations who in turn engage in a variety of physical revitalization and community building activities in an effort to fight crime and improve the lives and economic viability of neighborhood residents and businesses.

LISC does not take an administrative fee for managing the City's funds. LISC further leverages the City's funds through our normal business activities of providing various support services, such as technical assistance and financing to non-profit businesses engaged in community revitalization efforts.

