

Program Name: LISC

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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.

Program Overall Status and Successes: LISC's metrics for its work with CDC partners supported through Jacksonville Journey funding are based on Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) and defensible space strategies. All program activities described occur in Health Zone 1 and build on neighborhood safety and civic engagement community models.

LISC Jacksonville Crime Report for Jacksonville Journey on: Northwest Jacksonville CDC and Operation New Hope and Duval County for January 2015 compared to January 2016. 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 January **increased 8%**. Overall, crime statistics for Duval County as a whole **decreased 9%** for the same period.

Category	Combined CDCs Areas	Duval County
Assault-Battery*	Increased 8% (78/84)	Decreased 7% (811/755)
Burglary-Other*	Increased 14% (7/8)	Decreased 36% (145/93)
Burglary-Residential	Decreased 23% (31/24)	Decreased 22% (429/333)
Burglary-Vehicle	Increased 250% (4/14)	Increased 16% (370/429)
Robbery*	Increased 100% (11/22)	Increased 49% (109/162)
Theft*	Decreased 12% (77/68)	Decreased 20% (1533/1225)
Theft-Vehicle	Increased 113% (8/17)	Increased 58% (139/220)
Vandalism*	Decreased 2% (47/48)	Decreased 12% (517/455)
Overall Total:	Increased 8% (263/285)	Decreased 9% (4053/3672)

* 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; 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

Note- As part of the new Jacksonville Sheriff's office data access policy, not all previously reported crime categories are available, including, but not limited to, sexual abuse, child abuse and murder/homicide.

Combined CDC Areas

Two select categories of select crimes had a decrease for the period led by Burglary-Residential decreased 23%; and Theft decreased 12%. Select crime category increases were Burglary-Vehicle increased 250%; Theft-Vehicle increased 113%; Robbery increased 100%; Burglary-Other increased 14%; Assault-Battery increased 8%; and Vandalism increased 2%.

Countywide

Five select categories of select crimes had a decrease for the period led by Burglary-Other decreased 36%; Burglary-Residential decreased 22%; Theft decreased 20%; Vandalism decreased 12%; and Assault/Battery decreased 7%. Increases were led by Theft-Vehicle increased 58%; Robbery increased 49%; and Burglary-Vehicle increased 16%.

Individual Partners	Overall Decrease or Increase
Northeast Florida Community Action Agency	Decreased 28% (32/20)
Northwest Jax	Increased 15% (115/132)
Operation New Hope	Increased 15% (116/133)

With countywide neighborhood revitalization activities Jacksonville community development partners work to create a positive environment for neighborhood stability leading to reduced crime.

Multi-Family Update:

- Operation New Hope continues construction on their 14-unit multifamily project at 122 West 8th Street, the Henrietta Dozier Apartments, with a completion date of May 2016. Once complete, the Dozier Apartments will provide quality mixed income housing to residents earning at or below 50%, 80% and 120% of area median income. Following the completion of construction in May 2016, Operation New Hope aims to begin moving in tenants in June.
- Clara White Mission continues to progress in redeveloping the former New Life Hotel at 605 North Broad Street into the Beaver Street Villas. The Beaver Street Villas will provide 16 units of housing and supportive services through the Department of Veteran’s Affairs to local veteran’s. Expected completion date for the project is July 2016.

Single-Family Update:

- Northwest Jacksonville CDC began demolition on 1065 West 11th Street that consisted of three buildings to make way for Payne Avenue Walk, a 12 single-family subdivision. The former structures were notorious among residents as a source of blight and as a haven for criminal activity. Currently, NJCDC is working through the design phase of the project. The expected date of completion for the project is still to be determined.
- Operation New Hope is finalizing agreements with the City of Jacksonville’s Housing and Community Development Division to construct three single family homes in East Jacksonville. The RFP process is set to begin shortly to obtain a contractor, and construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2016.

CDC Impact February 2016:

Clara White Mission

During February 2016, Clara White Mission continued its work in the Training and Job Creation category. First, CWM provided financial literacy training to 27 individuals focused on banking. Next, CWM provided job training to 15 individuals during the month of February via its vocational training program with 13 of these individuals completing CWM’s janitorial services program, while the 2 remaining individuals completed CWM’s culinary arts program.

Northeast Florida Community Action Agency (NFCAA)

During the month of February 2016, Northeast Florida Community Action Agency (NFCAA) completed Weatherization Assistance Program services to one family in the North Riverside area on Warrington Street located within our assigned census blocks. The weatherization services included low flow shower heads, low flow faucet aerators, hot water heater pipe insulation, attic insulation, solar screens, CFL lightbulbs, HVAC servicing and ASHRAE compliance whole house fresh air ventilation system as well as air sealing through caulking, wall and ceiling repairs.

Northwest Jacksonville CDC (NJCDC)

NJCDC began demolition on 1065 West 11th Street that consisted of three buildings to make way for Payne Avenue Walk, a 12 single-family subdivision. As a result of the demolition, seven temporary jobs were created. A groundbreaking ceremony for Payne Avenue Walk was held on February 26 with the Honorable Mayor Curry, City Council Representatives and Sheriff Mike Williams in attendance. There were 75 people in attendance for the groundbreaking ceremony. By removing these blighted buildings, crime is being reduced.

NJCDC had its first Homebuyer Workshop for the Payne Avenue Walk subdivision with 22 people in attendance as they prepare to become credit worthiness in order to purchase one of the 12 new single-family units that will be available for sale.



Payne Avenue Walk Groundbreaking and Demolition



Homebuyer Workshop

Operation New Hope

Operation New Hope helped to launch the Eastside Community Council. On February 23 a meeting was held at the First Baptist Church of Oakland in the Eastside Community that launched the Eastside Community Council to the greater Eastside Community with 42 people in attendance. The attendance ranged from everyone from residents to business owners to church leaders. The purpose of the new organization will be to provide a neighborhood resource and act as a liaison for residents, businesses and institutions for the Eastside Community. Also this month, Operation New Hope assisted the Northeast Florida Community Action Agency to provide a Homebuyer Workshop at their Client Advisory Board meeting for the members of the board. The workshop was held on Feb. 9 with 19 people in attendance.

Lastly, this month Operation New Hope started to organize a block cleanup for the 8th Street Corridor. The block cleanup will be held on Friday, March 18.

Springfield Preservation and Revitalization Council, Inc. (SPAR)

SPAR was extremely active during the month of February. SPAR held a Springfield Area Merchants and Business Association (SAMBA) meeting on February 4.

SPAR hosted a large neighborhood cleanup on February 13 with more than 30 neighborhood volunteers collecting garbage from vacant lots and city right-of-ways along First and Main Streets.

SPAR held a community event on February 17 that was open to all residents and business owners to reintroduce SAMBA to the neighborhood. More than 50 merchants and neighbors attended and toured the St. Augustine Paper Company at 1636 Main Street. Residents and business owners networked and brainstormed ideas for the revitalization of the commercial corridors.

The SPAR liaison promoted and hosted the monthly Zone 1 SHADCO meeting at the Kennedy Center on February 23. SPAR continued to work with JSO throughout the month in connection with their security fund and off duty officer program.

Finally, on February 25 SPAR engaged in LISC's MetroEdge Main Street/Springfield Commercial Corridor release and promoted the event by previewing and assisting with preparation of the presentation and attending and speaking at the release event.

CDC 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.

Engagements	February 2016			
	Events	People	Units/ Homes	Lots
Credit Counseling Workshops				
Crime Prevention Programs	3	25		
Block Captains Identified				
Community Clean-ups	3	35		
Financial Literacy and Counseling Workshops				
Individual Credit Counseling Sessions		10		
Individual Financial Literacy Training	1	27		
Homebuyer Workshops	2	41		
Job Training Workshops				
Neighborhood Business Meetings	1	50		
Neighborhood Meetings	1	42		
Removal of Blighted Structures			3	
Total:	11	230	3	

Program Providers – Where there are multiple agencies working together, please specify each agency’s 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	DS \$399,023 Working with City on contract	Janet Owens	10 West Adams Street, Suite 100 353-1300	Grant admin, technical assistance, program leveraging
Clara White Mission	PT\$	JuCoby Pittman-Peele Executive Director	613 West Ashley Street 354-4162	Commercial Corridor Revitalization; Community Engagement
Northeast Florida Community Action Agency	PT\$	Berneitha McNair Executive Director	4070 Boulevard Center Drive 398-7472	Assistance to Combat Poverty
Northwest Jacksonville CDC	PT\$	Paul Tutwiler Executive Director	3416 Moncrief Road 598-9196	Real estate development; Community engagement
Operation New Hope	PT\$	Kevin Gay Executive Director	1830 North Main Street 354-4673	Real estate development; Community engagement
Springfield Preservation and Revitalization Council	PT\$	Christina Parrish Executive Director	1321 North Main Street 353-7727	Preservation and Revitalization

Program Information

Program Metrics/Statistics/Outcomes: CDCs and LISC mutually develop targets at the beginning of the grant term for single-family housing development, affordable rental housing development, and other 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 5:1 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.