

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.

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: LISC has received JSO approval to access their new crime datasets. LISC GIS consultant is preparing the fiscal year report using the new format from JSO.

Neighborhood Revitalization Activities: Jacksonville CDCs are creating positive energy for neighborhood stabilization.

Commercial Development Update:

- **Northwest Jacksonville's** North Point Commercial Retail Office Center: All retail and office spaces are scheduled to be occupied by March 2015.

Single-Family Construction/Rehabilitation Update:

- **Northwest Jacksonville CDC, Operation New Hope, and Wealth Watchers:** Each agency has existing single-family housing projects in their respective pre-development pipelines that will ultimately transform blighted properties into beautiful homes for qualifying homebuyers. These CDCs continue to pursue with the City the necessary mortgage and development gap financing for each home.
- A cumulative total of **288** single-family houses has been completed and sold to date by LISC nonprofit partners.

Multi -Family Update:

- The Dozier Apartments, a 14-unit rental housing development located in the Springfield neighborhood, is being sponsored by Operation New Hope. Operation New Hope has assembled all requisite project financing and expects to get underway with construction by no later than February 1, 2015 and complete the project by August 2015.
- Ability Housing has received financing approval to undertake the rehabilitation of a 43-unit rental housing development. The Project is expected to be underway by no later than January 2015 and be completed by August 2015.

CDC Impact:***Clara White Mission***

For the month of November, Clara White Mission provided 29 ex-offenders with case management services to include: Bus tickets, moving expenses, and rental assistance and utility assistance. The goal of Clara White's work with ex-offenders is to aid these individuals in becoming hardworking, productive citizens contributing to the well-being of Jacksonville.

Northwest Jax

The CDC leased two affordable rental units that were purchased by the CDC and rehabilitated. The units are located at 1030 West 25th Street and 1565 West 30th Street.

As a result of the CDC's crime watch initiative, the residents are engaged in their neighborhood and vigilant in reducing crime in Northwest Jacksonville. The residents reported to JSO one residential burglary, one vehicle burglary, one simple assault/battery domestic minor injury, one bodily harm and one person injury assault.

Operation New Hope

In November, the agency continued working at the community garden that is being maintained by area homeowners.

Wealth Watchers

The agency has two parcels located at 9227 Waynesboro Avenue and Suray Avenue. These parcels were abandoned and derelict in the neighborhoods. Wealth Watchers will use these parcels for new community spaces.

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	November 2014		Hot Spots	Units/ Homes	Lots	Veterans	Ex-Offenders	Formerly Homeless
	Events	People						
Crime Prevention Forums	1	6						
Block Captains Identified		3						
Crime Hot Spots Identified		1						
Financial Literacy and Counseling Workshops	1	9						
Individual Credit Counseling Sessions		7						
New Rental Housing Identified for Ex-Offenders				2				
Supportive Services for Ex-Offenders		29					29	
Rental Units Purchased, Rehabilitated and Leased for Affordable Rental				2				
Students Enrolled in Monthly GED Preparation Class		21				1	2	
Total:	2	76		4		1	31	

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	D\$ Working with City on contract	Janet Owens Eugene Montgomery	10 West Adams Street, Suite 100 353-1300	Grant admin, technical assistance, program leveraging
Ability Housing	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	Shannon Nazworth Executive Director	76 South Laura Street Suite 303 359-9650	Real estate development; Community engagement
Clara White Mission	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	JuCoby Pittman-Peele Executive Director	613 West Ashley Street 354-4162	Commercial Corridor Revitalization; Community Engagement
New Town Success Zone	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	PeDro Cohen Executive Director	1658 Kings Road 470-8262	Education; Community engagement
Northwest Jacksonville CDC	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	Paul Tutwiler Executive Director	3416 Moncrief Road 598-9196	Real estate development; Community engagement
Operation New Hope	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	Kevin Gay Executive Director	1830 North Main Street 354-4673	Real estate development; Community engagement
Wealth Watchers	PT\$ Sub-contract pending LISC/City approval	Carrie Davis Executive Director	1225 West Beaver Street 380-0292	Real estate development; Community engagement

Program Information

Program Metrics/Statistics/Outcomes – CDCs and LISC mutually develop targets at the beginning of the grant term for single family and affordable 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 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.

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.