

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'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 December 2014 compared to December 2015. *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 November **decreased 9%**. Overall, crime statistics for Duval County as a whole **decreased 13%** for the same period.

Category	Combined CDCs Areas	Duval County
Assault-Battery*	Decreased 5% (112/106)	Decreased 2% (840/820)
Burglary-Other*	Decreased 67% (12/4)	Decreased 31% (150/104)
Burglary-Residential	Decreased 30% (40/28)	Decreased 36% (507/324)
Burglary-Vehicle	Increased 136% (14/33)	Increased 8% (492/531)
Robbery*	Increased 25% (20/25)	Increased 14% (147/168)
Theft*	Decreased 19% (73/59)	Decreased 20% (1572/1251)
Theft-Vehicle	No Change (10/10)	Increased 17% (152/178)
Vandalism*	Decreased 25% (57/43)	Decreased 16% (539/451)
Overall Total:	Decreased 9% (338/308)	Decreased 13% (4399/3827)

* 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

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Select crime category increases were Burglary-Vehicle increased 136%; Robbery increased 25%; and Theft-Vehicle remained the same.

Countywide

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Select crime category increased were Theft-Vehicle increased 17%; Robbery increased 14%; and Burglary-Vehicle increased 8%.

Individual Partners	Overall Decrease or Increase
Northeast Florida Community Action Agency	Decreased 25% (32/24)
Northwest Jax	Decreased 10% (162/146)
Operation New Hope	Decreased 4% (144/138)

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 with a completion date of May 2016. The original completion was March but there was a four week delay in getting the slab of the building poured. This delayed the punch lists and the project close out until May and it will be June before renters will be able to move in.

CDC Impact January 2016:

Clara White Mission

A mother of three contacted Clara White Mission after losing her job and she was in the process of being evicted. Clara White located emergency funds to assist the mother with rent and child care. Clara White contacted the apartment complex the client was living at and they were willing to work with Clara White while the mother’s claim for assistance was being processed. The mother is going through a career training course for employment which is why child care is needed. The mother is very appreciative for the assistance Clara White provided.

Northeast Florida Community Action Agency (NFCAA)

Northeast Florida Community Action Agency (NFCAA) sponsored the North Riverside Neighborhood Cleanup in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day on January 18. A total of 20 agency staff and volunteers met at Mallison Park, 3151 Lenox Avenue from 9:00 a.m. until noon. A neighborhood cleanup brings volunteers and the community together to clean and improve public spaces that have been neglected, vandalized, or misused. Crime is less likely to occur when a neighborhood is clean and used frequently by residents and their friends. By reclaiming a park, playground and public spaces, you will make the area less attractive to criminals and more attractive to the community, which makes the community safer. This type of event can go a long way to getting the community interested and involved long term. Partnerships for the event were LISC, United Way of Northeast Florida, HandsOn Jacksonville, and the City of Jacksonville’s Clean It Up, Green It Up program.





Northwest Jacksonville CDC (NJCDC)

Northwest Jacksonville CDC in conjunction with LISC, United Way and Hands on Jacksonville sponsored its annual MLK Day of Service with five preselected Neighborhood Associations.

In addition, our community put their talents to work creating Valentine’s Day Cards and gift bags for the seniors of the community. A total of 25 volunteers assisted in the volunteer activity. The volunteers met at the Edward Waters College gym for registration, breakfast, and rally prior to deploying to Northwest Jacksonville CDC.



Operation New Hope

In the month of January, Operation New Hope teamed up with LISC, United Way and The Sanctuary on 8th Street to hold a community wide cleanup in honor of Martin Luther King Day of Service. The community wide cleanup included over 40 volunteers. The volunteers helped with a block by block cleanup of the Eastside neighborhood, a facelift painting project on the outside of The Sanctuary on 8th Street and giving away smoke detectors to needy families in the Eastside Neighborhood.

Operation New Hope began the framing phase of construction on the 14 unit multi-family project the Dozier Apartments. Construction should be completed by May 2016.

Also this month, Operation New Hope held a financial literacy class for all their Breaking the Cycle participants. This financial literacy class included information on smart budgeting, the importance of good credit and information on free tax preparation.



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	January 2016							
	Events	People	Hot Spots	Units/Homes	Lots	Veterans	Ex-Offenders	Formerly Homeless
Credit Counseling Workshops								
Crime Prevention Forums								
Block Captains Identified								
Community Clean-ups	5	78						
Financial Literacy and Counseling Workshops	1	7						
Individual Credit Counseling Sessions		6						
Individual Financial Literacy and Counseling								
Job Training Workshops								
Neighborhood Association Meetings	1	14						
New Rental Housing Rented to Ex-Offenders		5				5		
Supportive Services for Ex-Offenders		35				35		
Total:	7	145				40		

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.