“How can we engage the full resources of the University on community identified economic development needs?”
The Archway Partnership connects communities with higher education resources to address locally-identified community and economic development issues.
WHAT WE DO

COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE

STUDENT EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

FACULTY RESEARCH APPLIED TO CRITICAL COMMUNITY ISSUES
2005
Pilot Project Began

2008
Expanded into Four Additional Communities

2009
Added Another Two Communities

2011 - Present
Maintained Eight Active Communities
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HOW WE WORK

Archway Professional
Community-based faculty member facilitates stakeholder engagement and connects community with resources

Executive Committee
Community stakeholders set priorities around complex identified needs and issues

Issue Work Groups
Interested community stakeholders create and implement work plans to address specific issues
Higher Education Resources

- All 17 UGA schools and colleges
- 18 graduate students annually
- 1050 undergraduate and graduate students (to date) in projects
- 14 of 31 University System of Georgia Institutions
- 12 of 24 Technical Colleges

Community & State Stakeholders

- County governments
- City governments
- Hospitals
- Utilities
- Boards of Education/K-12 systems
- Faith-based organizations
- Business owners/industry representatives
- Chamber of Commerce
- Development Authorities
- Community leaders
- Georgia Department of Community Affairs
- Georgia Department of Economic Development
- Media outlets
- Nonprofit organizations
- Statewide Associations (ACCG & GMA)
- Georgia Department of Education
- Georgia Department of Labor
- Regional Commissions
Chamber
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OF COMMERCE
Everything's Better in Metter!

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Welcome Sign

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EVERYTHING'S BETTER IN METTER

Welcome Center
Chamber of Commerce

Sign Dimensions

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Perspective

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Better Community

City of Metter
Welcome to the official City of Metter website. Explore this site to learn about the services and opportunities provided by our city and communicate with us about your needs and hopes for Metter, Georgia.
Hi, my name is ______. I'm a nurse here at Taylor Regional Hospital. We here at Taylor Regional are working with the University of Georgia on a research project to identify ways that we can help patients after they get discharged from the hospital.

This research project is designed to collect information about patients' self-management of their health conditions after they are discharged from the hospital. The information that is collected will be used to identify ways to help improve patients' self-management of their conditions and prevent hospital readmissions.

I would like to invite you to participate in this study. Your participation is voluntary, and there is no cost to you. If you decide to participate, you will be asked to complete the following:

1. Complete a survey at home or in the hospital
2. Take part in 4 interviews and allow information to be collected from you for 6-12 months after your interview.

The interviews will be conducted face-to-face in the hospital or your home, or on the telephone. These interviews may take place in your home or hospital. You will be paid $100 for your participation.

If you have any questions about the study, you can contact me at the hospital or by phone. Thank you for considering participating in this important research project.
Greater and easier **access to higher education resources** by communities – creating the connection

Easier **access to communities** for researchers and students

Collaborative **projects** are tailored to address priority issues uniquely identified by each community

Competitive **advantage to faculty** in attaining grant funding and addressing local and regional issues

Student **learning opportunities on critical “real-world” issues** enhancing classroom instruction
Funded 131 Graduate Assistantships

650 Issue Work Group Members

Collaborated with 14 of 28 University System of Georgia Institutions

Engaged All 17 UGA Schools/Colleges

Over 10,500 Students Involved

Partnered with 12 of 24 Colleges in the Technical College System of Georgia
$227 million
Estimated Economic Impact Over 12 Years
THE ARCHWAY PARTNERSHIP WELCOMES L.I.F.E. LEAGUE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
Serving the State
“The Archway Partnership has produced many enlightened and innovative approaches to solving long-standing community problems.”
Don Cope, President and CEO, Dalton Utilities
Co-Chair, Dalton-Whitfield Archway Partnership Executive Committee

Supporting Faculty Research
“With regard to patient and stakeholder engagement, a major strength of the proposed project is its integration into the Archway Partnership. It thus builds upon an established community-academic partnership and relationships with community partners.”
Reviewer Comments
Recent Grant Submission by Henry N. Young, PhD
Kroger Associate Professor in Community Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy

Enhancing Student Instruction
“Archway has provided me the opportunity to see the real world application of things I had previously only learned about in class. Archway provides an invaluable practical component to my education that has made me appreciate the importance of service even more.”
Rosanna Cruz, PhD Candidate
Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication
THANK YOU!