

Communities of Opportunity Initiative

Community Progress Report
January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010
Due Wednesday, March 31, 2010

Name of Community: Jenkins County
Date: March 31, 2010

Local Champion: Jenkins County Family Enrichment Center, Inc.

Co-Op Strategies	List Measures of Success, (Or Barriers If Applicable)	Action Items Completed for Each Strategy	Cost Estimate	Provide a Brief Description of Issues and Action Items to be Addressed Next Quarter
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide job training / retraining in computer and other marketable Skills	20 individuals increased their CWR scores by using the Key Train curriculum.	\$5000	*JCFEC will provide weekly computer classes for 8 weeks. *Partner with the Dairy Queen of Millen to provide employee training at JCFEC
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide potential workforce with training in work ethics, career experiences, secondary Ed. Opportunities (S.T., O.T., GSU, A.S.), and drug prevention	Working with the Jenkins County Crusade for Christ to hold a job fair in July 2010.	\$1,000	Recruit individuals to take the CWR test.
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide job support such as transportation, apprenticeship opportunities, and job shadowing	Providing CWR testing for Shaw Industries; this allows local residents to apply for jobs with Georgia Power.	\$5000	Locate job sites to become certified work ready sites.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Assist students (8 th - 12 th) with employment goal setting	Wrote the 2010 / 2011 WIA grant to provide youth with employment opportunities.	\$5000	Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JCFEC wants to put 50 - 60 youth to work this summer.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Create a youth entrepreneur program (ES, MS, and HS)	Wrote the 2010 / 2011 WIA grant to provide youth with employment opportunities.	\$5000	Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JCFEC wants to put 50 - 60 youth to work this summer.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Provide youth work experiences for 11 th and 12 th graders	Wrote the 2010 / 2011 WIA grant to provide youth with employment opportunities.	\$5000	Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JCFEC wants to put 50 - 60 youth to work this summer.

Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Provide career / job training for all high school students	Wrote the 2010 / 2011 WIA grant to provide youth with employment opportunities.	\$5000	Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JC FEC wants to put 50 - 60 youth to work this summer.
New Business to Jenkins County	Recruit new industry small and large to Jenkins County (consider providing tax breaks or other incentives)	*CCA was not awarded the prison bid for Jenkins County. Jenkins County is still trying to recruit industry.		Recruit individuals to write letters on behalf of our community to state leaders to help recruit industry into Millen.
New Business to Jenkins County	Locate funding to assist in marketing Jenkins County to new business	Development Authority is working on entrance to the new industrial park.		Professional development training in marketing for staff of community collaborative and its partners. Three JC FEC staff members will attend Georgia Academy in August.
Certified Work Ready Community	Complete required Work Key Assessments	20 individuals increased their CWR scores by using the Key Train curriculum.	\$5000	Recruit individuals to use the Key Train curriculum and retake the CWR test to increase their score
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Provide Broadband Access Community Wide	Apply for a 5-County Regional Grant to fund broadband	Final Version of the Broadband Feasibility study issued by Key Bridges.	\$200	Working on Broadband access for Jenkins County in conjunction with several other counties.
Community Awareness and Education	Create a Demographic Database	Evaluator began extracting information for evaluation. This eliminates double entry.	\$7500	Need money to pay for evaluation.
Community Awareness and Education	Solicit time pledges from community volunteers	Resource Co-Op scheduled for April 2010. The committee meets monthly to organize the event.		Start working on the recruitment for the Volunteer Co-Op.
Community Awareness and Education	Quarterly articles in local newspaper	Monthly articles were printed in local paper highlighting local programs and services.		Need more expertise in journalism.
Community Awareness and Education	Develop Telephone Tree	Researched cost of Telephone Tree. The cost is within an obtainable range.	\$1,200	JC FEC will try to find funds to pay for a telephone tree.
Community Awareness and Education	Post informational billboards	None	\$5000	Solicit money to pay for more billboards for public awareness.
Community Awareness and Education	Create informational flyer/ newsletter	Lunch and Learns held bimonthly	\$1000	Develop local newsletter for collaborative partners and community.

Community Awareness and Education	Develop County Website	County Website is up and running. JCFEC website is developing. JCFEC receptionist will now begin updating our website and provide links to valuable resources.	\$2000	Get JCFEC up-to-date and functioning properly.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement emergent, pre-literacy and early childhood education: Building Blocks, Parents as Teachers, Pre - K, Head Start, Pre- schools	*Wrote Operation Round Up grant and received \$1920 to purchase books. *Hired two new parent educators *Partnered with the school Pre K program to assist in Pre K registration.	\$6000	Recruit more families to be involved in the PAT program. Started a teen PAT program to teach responsibility and to encourage completion of high school and secondary education.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement academic credit recovery services BLAST, Eagle Academy, Summer School	*Did not write 21 st CCLC grant because of the per student fee. *Afterschool program has over 100 students involved.		Continue to look for grants to sustain the Afterschool program.
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Programming and Curriculum	Implement Drug Free Communities Program	Wrote and submitted the Drug Free Coalition grant.	\$200	Will continue to implement Drug Free task force until we hear from the grant.
Programming and Curriculum	Adopt Violence Prevention policies - Bullying, Domestic Violence, CAN, and Gang	Obtained a guest speaker for the Dream Building Conference in August.	\$4000	JCFEC will host a 2010 two day Dream Building Conference in July. Plans are being made.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement School Health Services - BMI, Eye / Ear Screenings, Scoliosis, Immunizations, Dental Screenings	*Insurance surveys were sent to all students to obtain insurance information. *The Dental Screening bus was at the school during the month of March.		Continue to implement CHIPRA grant; Will send information about Peachcare to all local businesses.
Programming and Curriculum	Create marketing program to promote public awareness of programs available through JCFEC and partners. MOU's with parents, local partners, and community to commit to specific service delivery or collaborative work components	Lunch and Learns held bi-monthly		None
Training Mentoring	MOU between school system & JCFEC to outline specific program, services and	None		JCFEC will write the federal mentoring grant again.

	activities that are collaborative responsibilities			
Training Mentoring	Marketing & Recruiting to Civic Groups to volunteer and / or donate funds to promote public awareness of programs available through JCFEC and collaborative partners	*Held 1 st annual signature event, raised \$5,000.		Start recruiting volunteers and door prizes for next year's event.