Archway Partnership engages student interns during the summer

During the summer months, several college students from the University of Georgia (UGA) and Dalton State College (DSC) have been working with the Archway Partnership to accomplish community-identified projects that support the Communit-E³ vision and goals.

- **Samuel Kelleher**, graduate student in the UGA College of Environment and Design, is working on ideas for enhancing the Market Street area as well as making the interstate exchanges more inviting to visitors.
- **Leah Graham Stewart**, recent graduate of the UGA College of Environment and Design, has designed a logo and prepared conceptual landscape designs for the City of Varnell.
- **Jason Dazzo** and **Kristen Carroll**, also from the UGA College of Environment and Design, are adding detail to planned public amenities that will serve and enhance the Dalton Greenway Project, connecting potential parks with Mt. Rachel. And, **Chris Kelly** is working on concepts for parcels that could be used for farmers markets.
- **Jimbo Graves**, graduate student in the UGA Institute for Nonprofit Organizations, has assisted with research and design of an online small business resource center.
- **Patrick Lines**, graduate student in the UGA Department of Geography, assisted the county with updating its GIS for use by 911 professionals in fire response.
- **Charles Simpson**, graduate student in the Masters of Business Administration program through the UGA Terry College of Business, is assigned to the Archway Successful Sustainable Industries Work Group. Charles is addressing efforts to rebrand the image of the flooring industry to attract a highly qualified workforce.
- **Jeff Fletcher**, recent graduate of the Terry College, is assigned to the Archway Higher Education Work Group. His efforts focus on meeting the industrial and technical needs of the community by increasing the interest of related career paths to the next generation of workers.
- **Maury Gortemiller**, graduate of the UGA Lamar Dodd School of Art, has visited the community to capture images that will support the highly innovative nature of business and industry as well as technical education.
- **Edward Joaquin**, doctoral student in the UGA College of Education, has participated in K-12 Work Group meetings. His role is to identify potential resources available through the College of Education to support local education efforts.
- **Jennifer Taylor**, graphic design student in the UGA Lamar Dodd School of Art, provided graphical assistance to the Prenatal to Pre-K Work Group’s initiative on healthy lifestyles for children. In addition, 4 DSC students, **Dawn Duncan**, **Olivia Cobb**, **Diego Espinoza** and **Sarah Crow**, led educational sessions at the “We Can!” Summer Camp for youth.