

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

COMMUNITY: CHOCTAW CORRIDOR

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>RESPONSIBLE ENTITY*</u>	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
4th Q 2011					
OUTREACH		Host community meeting to review plan/timetable	RDA	Manage expectations of community and clearly define roles	64
OUTREACH		Coordinate capacity building proposal in CIP area with existing system	RDA/OCD	Implement plan to involve community in CIP process	64
REHAB		Identify and obtain applications for 2 façade improvements	RDA	Focus near Catalyst Project area	47
TRANSPORTATION		Coordinate streetscape improvements for Choctaw Drive	RDA/DPW	Evaluate numerous curb cuts, improve right-of-way, drainage, street trees, bikeways and sidewalks	48
OUTREACH		Select / assign Project Manager for tasks in community coordination	RDA/OCD	Approximately 1/3 time of Project Manager to oversee process of engaging community	64
OUTREACH		Meet with police department on addressing public safety concerns	RDA/BRPD	Assess the cost of establishing mobile police units at high crime locations	64
RECREATION		Coordinate Choctaw Drive RR ROW bike/pedestrian trail	RDA/DPW/BREC	Meet with railroad and identify potential public funding sources	49
LAND REHAB		Identify brownfields sites within the Corridor	CPPC	CPPC research and identify potential brownfields sites within the Corridor	49
1st Q 2012					
TRANSPORTATION		Plan & implement community inspired crosswalks	RDA/DPW	Assess major north-south streets: Plank Road, N. 38th Street, N. Acadian Thruway & N. Foster Drive	45
CODE		Institute building code enforcement	DPW/RDA	Target area around Catalyst Project site first	38
CATALYST		Begin discussions to assemble sites for Catalyst Project	RDA	Work with local property owners for investing/land lease options	53
REHAB/INFILL HOUSING		Establish housing rehab and construction program in surrounding neighborhoods	RDA/OCD	Assess property conditions and financial requirements	47
TRANSPORTATION		Plan streetscape improvements & funding for Choctaw Drive	DPW/RDA	Prioritize improvements with DPW plans and budgeting for target area	48
CATALYST		Facilitate redevelopment of Choctaw Village Shopping Center	RDA	Work with existing owner to identify incentives for redevelopment or aid in sale to interested developer	53
CODE		Land use and zoning change to PUD	CPPC/RDA	RDA submits PUD application to CPPC	38
TRANSPORTATION		Review proposed transit operational improvements & coordinate with CIP	RDA/CATS	Establish goals for specific transit service improvements as CIP is implemented	45
LAND REHAB		Initial Assessment of brownfields	CPPC	Brownfields Steering Committee conduct Initial Assessments of identified brownfields	49
2nd Q 2012					
OUTREACH		Engage owners with planning on revitalization of existing commercial businesses	RDA	Meet with property owners and business operators to establish a Business Association	64
RECREATION		Plan and design improvements to publically controlled open spaces	BREC/RDA	Existing Gus Young Park, proposed Ward Creek Park, and Creek renaturalization	51
TRANSPORTATION		Groundbreaking for streetscape improvements along Choctaw Drive	DPW	Repair sidewalk on north edge of Choctaw Drive, improve lighting, and consolidate curb-cuts	48
TRANSPORTATION		Plan transit stops/shelters at key intersections	CATS/DPW	Seneca Street at North 38th Street and North Acadian Thruway at Choctaw Drive	45
CATALYST		Meet with Choctaw Village property owners on plans	RDA	Negotiate redevelopment of site	53
CODE		Land use and zoning change to PUD	CPPC/RDA	CPPC staff submits proposed changes to City-Parish Planning Commission & Metro Council	38
LAND REHAB		Remediate brownfields	CPPC	CPPC acquire EPA funding and remediate identified brownfields	49
3rd Q 2012					
CATALYST		Issue RFP for Phase One	RDA	Redevelopment of Choctaw Village Shopping Center site	53
OUTREACH		Follow up with business owners on façade improvements	RDA	Review all RDA programs and business needs for expansion, relocation, and local employment potential	64
REHAB/INFILL HOUSING		Meet with local developers/builders for housing rehab and infill	RDA/OCD	Establish eligibility & requirements; market to small & minority companies; host bid preparations workshop	47
RECREATION		Plan for Choctaw Drive RR ROW bike/pedestrian trail	RDA/DPW/BREC	Work with Railroad to establish plan for pedestrian amenities along ROW	49
OUTREACH/TRAIN		Coordinate with appropriate agency for job training	RDA	Begin workforce training to include literacy, work readiness + skills	64
CODE		Land use and zoning change to PUD	CPPC/RDA	CPPC and Metro Council approve PUD designation	38
4th Q 2012					
CATALYST		Select developer for Phase One	RDA	Construction of commercial space at 38th Street and Choctaw Drive	53
REHAB/INFILL HOUSING		Begin rehab/infill of blocks closest to corridor	RDA / OCD	Coordinate with property owners to assemble larger sites for new construction	47
RECREATION		Groundbreaking planned improvements for public open spaces	RDA/BREC	Existing Gus Young Park, proposed Ward Creek Park, and Creek renaturalization	51
OUTREACH		Schedule community clean up event	RDA/METRO	Organize churches, residents, and businesses in work day as a signal of change	64
1st Q 2013					
CATALYST		Plan senior housing for site on North 38th Street at Seneca Street - Phase Five	RDA/OCD	Evaluate need in area, potential financial sources, and developers	56
TRANSPORTATION		Conduct pilot express stops at key intersections	CATS/RDA	Study of 2 hourly AM & PM limited stop lines to downtown	45
CATALYST		Issue RFP for Phase Two	RDA	Supermarket operator in place; façade and interior improvements to existing building	55
CATALYST		Ground breaking for Phase One	RDA	Commercial new construction	53



2nd Q 2013				
OUTREACH	Evaluate community capacity building efforts	RDA / OCD	Goal of developing sustainable community leadership	64
OUTREACH/TRAIN	Coordinate with appropriate agency to provide financial literacy/homeownership workshops	RDA	Plan workshops	64
CATALYST	Select developer for Phase Two		Select supermarket operator and entity for improvements	35
3rd Q 2013				
CATALYST	Issue RFP for Phase Three	RDA	East of supermarket - new construction of 2 story mixed-use and 1 story commercial	55
OUTREACH	Community spring cleaning/community gardens	RDA/METRO	Start community gardens on some vacant lots	64
CATALYST	Groundbreaking for Phase Two	RDA	Façade and interior improvements to existing building	55
OUTREACH	Coordinate with appropriate agency to host small business training	RDA	Entrepreneurial workshops with experienced provider	64
OUTREACH	Work with appropriate agency to host employment training for supermarket position	RDA	Work with experienced workforce development entity; provide work readiness and customer services; prepare workers to get experience at other locations before new supermarket opens	64
4th Q 2013				
RECREATION	Ribbon cutting for park improvements	RDA/BREC	Gus Young Park, Ward Creek Park, and Ward Creek renaturalization	51
OUTREACH	Meeting with businesses for progress update	RDA	Begin discussions of business association for shared services, etc.	64
RECREATION	Groundbreaking for RR ROW bike trail	RDA/DPW/BREC		49
TRANSPORTATION	Groundbreaking transit stops/shelters	CATS/RDA	Seneca Street at North 38th Street and North Acadian Thruway at Choctaw Drive	45
CATALYST	Select developer for Phase Three	RDA	East of supermarket - new construction of 2 story mixed-use and 1 story commercial	55
CATALYST	Issue RFP for Phase Four	RDA/DPW	Extend Delaware Street south, new construction of single-family homes on vacant land	56
OUTREACH	Coordinate with appropriate entity to host workshop in financial literacy and homeownership	RDA/OCD	Preparing potential buyers for new homes	64
1st Q 2014				
REHAB / INFILL HOUSING	Ribbon cutting for infill and rehab housing	RDA/OCD	First group of residences	47
CATALYST	Groundbreaking for Phase Three	RDA	mixed-use and commercial east of supermarket	55
CATALYST	Apply for housing program to finance senior housing - Phase Five	RDA/OCD	Submit HUD 202 or Low Income Housing Tax Credit with sponsor	56
CATALYST	Select developer for Phase Four	RDA/DPW	Extend Delaware Street south, new construction on vacant land	56
TRANSPORTATION	Ribbon cutting for transit stops/shelters	CATS / RDA	Seneca Street at North 38th Street and North Acadian Thruway at Choctaw Drive	45
2nd Q 2014				
RECREATION	Plan greenway connection to Downtown Greenway	RDA/DPW/BREC	Pedestrian enhancements on Choctaw Drive to North 17th Street	51
REHAB / INFILL HOUSING	Continue rehab/infill	RDA/OCD	Throughout community	47
CATALYST	Ribbon cutting for Phase One	RDA	New construction complete at 38th Street and Choctaw Drive - Holiday opening	53
CATALYST	Ribbon cutting for Phase Two	RDA	Supermarket complete - Holiday opening	55
3rd Q 2014				
OUTREACH	Community spring cleaning/community gardens	RDA/METRO		64
CATALYST	Ground breaking for Phase Four	RDA/DPW	Extend Delaware Street south, new construction of single-family homes on vacant land	56
CATALYST	Ground breaking for Phase Five	RDA/OCD	Senior independent living including space for community services	56
OUTREACH	Planning for adaptive re-use and marketing vacant commercial properties	RDA	Along the rest of the Choctaw Corridor	64
4th Q 2014				
RECREATION	Ribbon cutting for RR ROW bike/pedestrian trail	RDA/DPW/BREC		49
OUTREACH	Kick-off of adaptive re-use of commercial properties	RDA		64
REHAB / INFILL HOUSING	Ribbon cutting of houses with pre-approved buyers	RDA/OCD	Homeownership counseling graduates prepared for purchase as houses completed.	47
1st Q 2015				
CATALYST	Ribbon cutting for Phase Three	RDA	Construction completed when tenant identified for retail and 1/2 of mixed-use	55
2nd Q 2015				
CATALYST	Ribbon cutting for Phase Four	RDA / DPW	Delaware Street extension and new single-family homes	56
CATALYST	Ribbon cutting for Phase Five	RDA / OCD	Open senior independent living and services to community	56