



One City ... Four Unique Experiences!



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Chairman's Letter

March 27, 2014

Dear Citizens,

We are very pleased to, once again, report on the activities and progress of the Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) in FY 2013. The agency is required, by Florida Statutes 163 part III, to issue this Annual Report updating the citizens of the community, and the CRA funding partners, on our progress. The theme of our report is "One City ... Four Unique Experiences", and we believe the seeds of transformation and renewal are active and alive here in Panama City!

As a Staff Department of the City, the Mission of the CRA is to remove the damaging influences of slum and blight and begin to change the economic fortunes of distressed areas in the City. This is done by forming plans, in concert with the community, and strategically implementing those plans to improve the economic climate and conditions in various target areas. Currently, there are four (4) CRA Districts designated under the provisions of the law in Panama City. Those areas are Downtown, Downtown North, St. Andrews and Millville. A key aspect of the CRA's focus and mission is to rebuild an environment where new investment can grow and prosper. This will, of course, improve the social and environmental conditions found in the community that will gradually reverse the blighted conditions we see in some portions of our community.

We are truly excited This Year, to report significant progress in implementing several CRA projects.

Listed below are just a few highlights you will find in this report:

- Initiation of major steps to redevelop the Downtown Marina, including a ground breaking
- Completion of the Jenks Professional Corridor Project
- Added new business growth to the City and CRA areas
- Major movement in developing Cultural District plans
- Vital grant awards including State BP Grant funds
- Initiation of major clean-up of public properties, right-of-ways, and parcels in Downtown North
- Supported construction of new park improvements in St. Andrews, Millville and Downtown North
- Awarded renovation grants that improved the appearance and tax base of the community in multiple areas of the CRA

All these efforts, and many more to come will improve the safety, aesthetics, investment climate, and quality of life for the citizens of our great City. I am pleased to provide you with this report so the citizens, and funding partners, can learn more about the outstanding progress being made by the CRA. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering your time, please feel free to contact me, the CRA Office, or any member of the City Commission by calling our offices at 850-872-3001. Thank you for the privilege of serving you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Brudnicki", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Greg Brudnicki, CRA
Chairman

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Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency

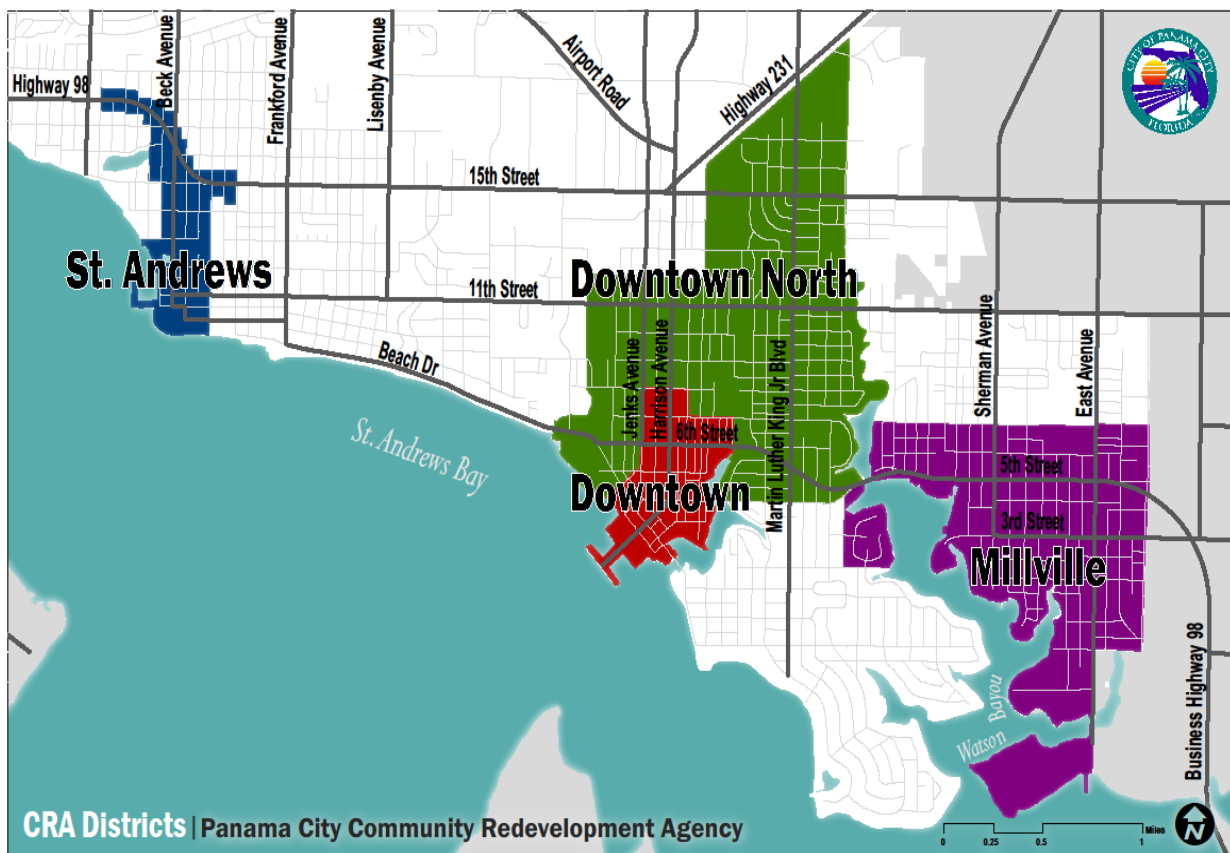


Introduction

The Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) has four (4) Districts. Those Districts are Downtown created in 1984, St. Andrews created in 1989, Downtown North created in 1993 and Millville created in 2004. Please see the map referenced in this report.

Each District works with citizen-based advisory committees to formulate plans to reverse blighted conditions. Dollars generated by local property tax growth are used to fund projects and programs outlined in the District plan. Last year, the Downtown CRA Plan was updated and extended until 2034. CRA's are authorized, under Florida Statutes Chapter 163 part III, for periods of 30-to-60 years. This special state law allows for the creation, operation, and administration of the CRA District process. Each District plan is designed to make targeted improvements to remove blighted conditions, improve infrastructure, provide better safety, transform building appearances, and work on attracting more investment opportunities.

Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency District Map

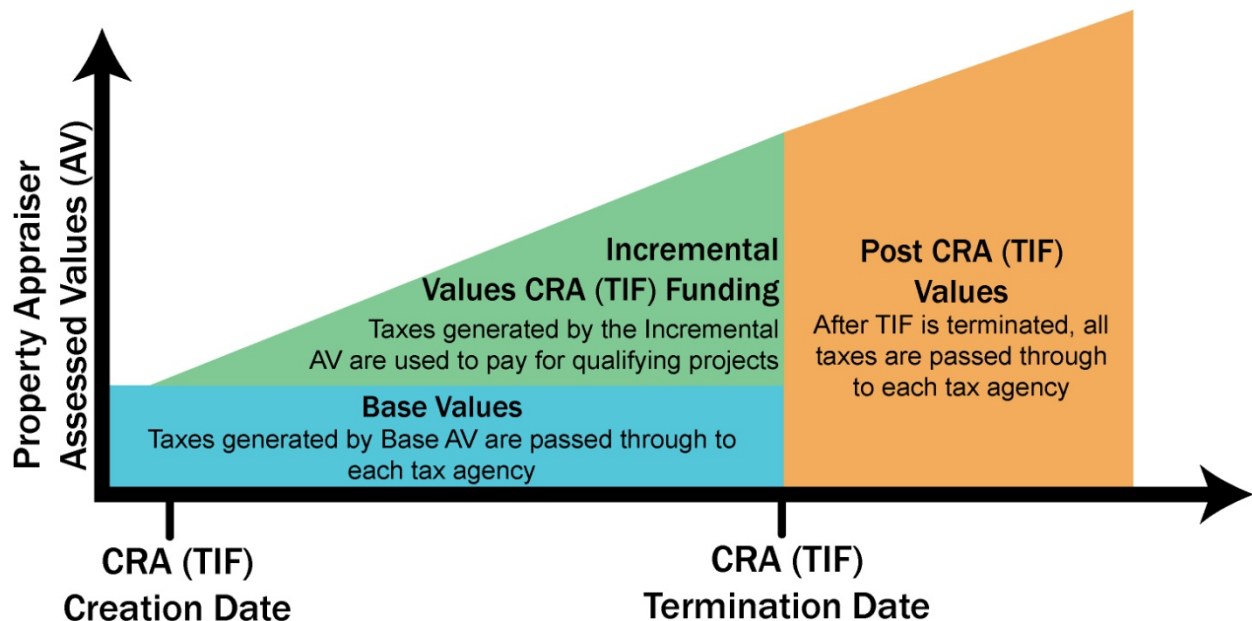


Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency



Community Redevelopment Agency TIF

Plans are implemented as projects, opportunities, and funds become available to address the specific needs identified. CRA staff must be quick to recognize opportunities, and strategic changes that need to be made, as conditions progress in the area. As tax revenues grow (overtime), the ability of each CRA District to fund projects and plans improves. This process continues until conditions are reversed and the District can expire. See the chart below for a graphic illustration of the process as well as picture highlights of some recent CRA Projects:



Waterfront Farmers' Market – St. Andrews



Removing old Power Lines – Downtown Marina

Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency



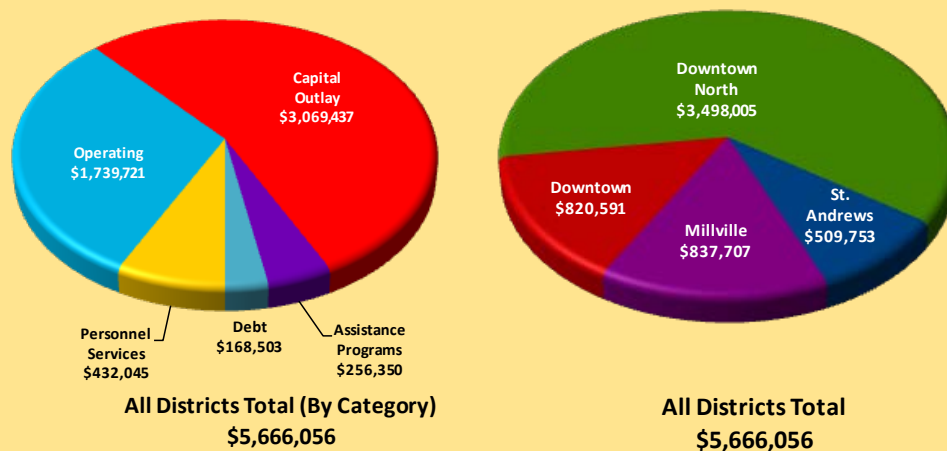
New District-wide Grant Programs

The CRA Board evaluated the need for grant programs in all CRA Districts to attract investment and reverse blighting influences. In October, 2011, the Board adopted a grant program that allows for commercial and residential improvement incentives. In addition, a new paint-voucher program was created as well as a job-creation, incentive-credit program. Thus far, the new grants program has been responsible for retaining, or creating, several new jobs. In 2013, a total of 40 grants worth \$219,586.13 has been awarded that leveraged more than \$445,783.33 in new investments. Additional information and details about the program can be obtained on the City of Panama City's web site under the CRA home page.

www.pcgov.org/residents/panama-city-community-redevelopment-agency-cra

CRA Financial Information FY 2013

FY 2013 Budget Summary



FY 2013 Financial Summary (Actual)

Revenues	\$1,523,876
Operating Expenses*:	(\$2,161,756)
* Includes Capital Project Expenditures	
Assets	
Cash & Cash-Equivalent Assets:	\$2,635,487
Capital Assets (Net after Depreciation):	\$4,474,442
Liabilities:	(\$104,481)
Net Assets (End of Year)	\$7,005,448

Note: Financial Summary is based on FY 2013 Audit by Tipton, Marler, Garner & Chastain CPA Firm. Full copies of the audit are available upon request from the CRA Office.

Downtown District

Marina Redevelopment Project

2013 marked significant progress for the Downtown on a number of fronts. In March, the City Commission/CRA Board hosted a special ground-breaking ceremony to signify the start of the long awaited Marina Redevelopment Project. The Commission authorized borrowing \$13.1M dollars to initiate the effort. The multi-million dollar project will take more than two (2) years to construct and will involve making improvements to the seawall, construction of a new Civic Plaza for hosting various community events, improvements to the marina facilities including public restrooms, several development pads for new businesses, restoration of memorials honoring our military, a Marina Park, and much more. Pictured are scenes from the ground-breaking ceremonies.



Retirement of the Voodoo Jet

To prepare the Marina site for renovation and change, the CRA hosted a meaningful public salute to provide a proper send off and retirement of the Voodoo Jet. This great symbol graced the City Marina from 1976-2013. The jet was actually the second aircraft presented to the City by the US Air Force. The jet served as a constant reminder of the deep ties the community has enjoyed with our military bases. However, due to plans for a Marina redesigned, and the aging condition of the jet due to salt air, plans were made to honor the military in a new way. Plans will be implemented over the next few years to include a new memorial being prominently located in an area named Memorial Walkway.



Downtown District

The Former Sears Car-care Building

Not only was the Downtown busy making improvements for the future, we also addressed some long-standing demolitions that needed to take place. The former Sears car-care building had been vacant and deteriorating for decades. The owner decided to take advantage of the CRA commercial grant program and was approved for demolition assistance. Pictured is the before and after image of crews removing this long-standing, blighted property from the Downtown landscape.



Extension of the Downtown CRA

Another major event that took place in 2013 was the action taken by the CRA Board and the City Commission to extend the Downtown CRA for another 20 years! Without this approval, the CRA District would have expired on April 22, 2014. Also, the City worked cooperatively with Bay County on this issue, and both staff and the Commission had no objections to the planned extension. The CRA will now sunset under the provisions of FS Chapter 163 part III in April of 2034, but much work remains to be done. Highlights of the newly revised plan include continuing the community policing efforts, improving the streetscape, completing the Marina re-development project, encouraging increased economic and tourism-based activities, increased use of grants, and possibly even adding small business loans to our tool box to name just a few. A word of appreciation is extended to both the City and County for all their vision and support of the CRA mission to improve our Downtown.

“Dickens of a Christmas” Celebration

Each year the “Dickens of a Christmas” celebration gets larger and larger with thousands of people visiting our Downtown District during the holiday season. This major event is funded in part through CRA grants and DIB matching funds, as well as private sector donations raised in the community. The primary focus of this event is to support tourism and spur economic activity in Downtown. This year, we added an additional attraction that brought many visitors from the surrounding areas to Downtown to see our new 34 ft. LED Christmas Tree. Our partner in this effort was the City of Panama City. Thank you to everyone who supported this successful effort in 2013.





Downtown District

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

2013 ended with a major announcement by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Secretary, Mr. Herschel T. Vinyard, Jr. Secretary Vinyard personally traveled to Panama City and announced that the City would receive \$2.2 Million dollars in funds from the BP Natural Resources and Damage Assessment (NRDA) State BP Fund. The City, through the efforts of the CRA, was awarded this funding for planned boating and fishing access improvements for the Downtown and St. Andrews Marinas. Pictured is Secretary Vinyard during his formal announcement ceremony that brought elected officials from all over Northwest Florida to our beautiful Downtown Marina property.



DEP Secretary Herschel T. Vinyard

Downtown Events/Improvements

There is no doubt 2013 was an exciting year for Downtown Panama City. To follow are scenes of Downtown events throughout the year, various commercial grant façade improvements, and a picture of our newest pilot program authorized by the CRA Board involving a Sidewalk Café in front of Trigo's Deli on Harrison Avenue.



Sidewalk Café at Trigo's Deli



'Dickens of a Christmas' Downtown

Downtown District

Downtown District Events

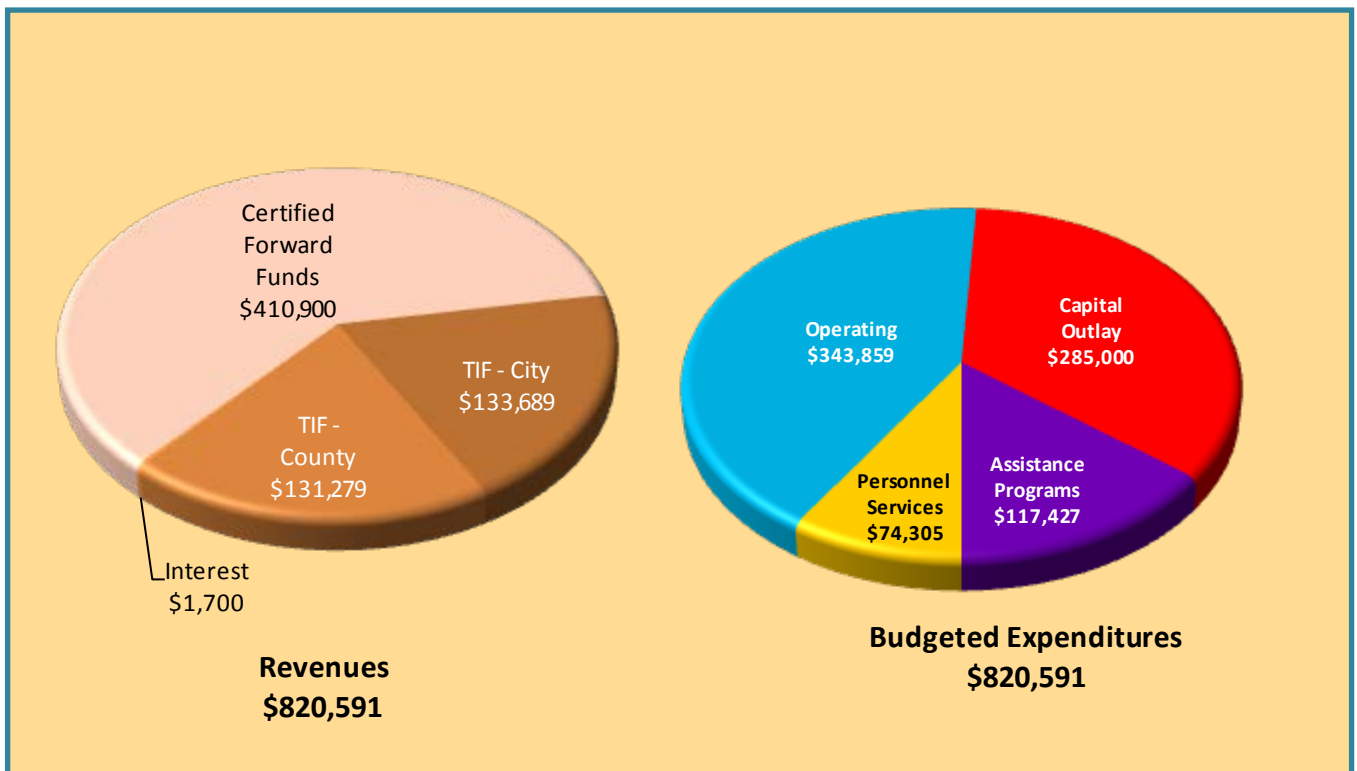


Voodoo Jet being removed from the Marina

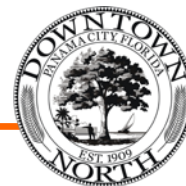


Garden Club Members collecting Magnolia seedlings for future Marina Redevelopment Project

Downtown District Financial Information



Downtown North District



Florida Redevelopment Award

Ink Trax won the statewide award for Outstanding Rehabilitation, Renovation, or Re-use project in 2013, for successfully rehabilitating a former Coca-Cola building that had been vacant for 30 years. Ink Trax converted the facility into a functioning screen-printing business that brought more than 20 jobs to the Downtown North area. The building's owner was able to retain the 1930's façade, but gave the inside modern amenities and energy-efficient fixtures. This project was the first of it's kind, on such a large scale, for the City of Panama City. This project will serve as a model to motivate other business, and property owners in the district, to renovate their properties as well.

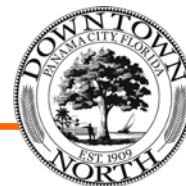


Downtown North Commercial Assistance Program

The mission of the Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is to offer leadership, resources, and tools to directly assist in the redevelopment and revitalization of the City's CRAs in order to eliminate slum and blight, stimulate economic growth, and provide a framework for sustainable community development. Several businesses in the Downtown North district have applied and received assistance via the Commercial Improvement Incentive program, which is a 50% reimbursement grant for external improvement to businesses. As a result, the Downtown North is getting a new image with the façade improvements.



Downtown North District



Cultural Heritage Tourism District



The Downtown North CRA district hired a professional consulting team to assist in the development of an arts-centered community development plan. The newly proposed district will use history, arts, and culture in innovative ways as tools for revitalizing the Glenwood neighborhood. A series of public meetings and focus groups were held in order to receive community input on locating the culturally and historically significant places and assets in the community. From these public forums, and the consulting firm's research and knowledge, a new conceptual plan was developed. The purpose of this project is to utilize and emphasize the rich African-American culture and history of Panama City to create economic opportunities through increased tourism. The cultural elements of food, art, music, and festivals are needed in order to create a tourist destination. The Great Blacks in Wax Exhibit was one of the first annual events that has become a wonderful opportunity to showcase African-

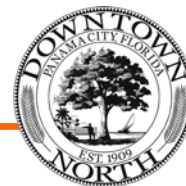
American history locally. This history features the Historic Glenwood Community in Panama City. The exhibit has proven to be a great way to educate the public, especially the youth, about the tremendous accomplishments and contributions of African Americans in our country. Also, the Great Blacks in Wax project has been a good test case for the original concept of the Cultural District.

Jenks Professional Corridor



The Downtown North CRA district worked in conjunction with the Downtown CRA and the City of Panama City to complete the Jenks Avenue Corridor Improvement Project. This represented the first time, in recent history, that CRA's partnered with the City to install major improvements along a City street. The construction includes new LED lighting, bike lanes on both sides of the road, resurfacing, and sidewalks from 6th to 15th Streets. The project was completed in November of 2013 and has greatly improved the look of this well-traveled corridor.

Downtown North District



Sidewalk Network Improvements

The Downtown North CRA district initiated a major sidewalk program providing sidewalks to communities within the district that did not have this basic infrastructure. Staff recommendations for additional sidewalks, and drainage improvements within the Downtown North CRA district, are also being proposed and funded by the Downtown North CRA district. Site selection was based on a former Sidewalk Plan developed by Public Works, but which was not funded. In the upcoming fiscal year, the Downtown North will be addressing more sidewalks and street-lighting improvements.

Assistance/Information Provided:

- A special thanks is extended to Public Works, Mike Kazunas and his staff person Jennifer Aldridge. These individuals have been invaluable by providing information as well as walking the proposed sites to determine the feasibility of the projects. Thank you so much for your assistance, expertise, and knowledge.



SCHEDULED SIDEWALK PROJECTS

9th St. from HARRISON Ave. to MLK Blvd. (southside)
OAK Ave. from 7th St. to 8th St. (eastside)
12th St. from HARMON Ave. to WILSON Ave. (southside)
14th Ct. from PALO ALTO Ave. to MLK Blvd. (northside)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 215-3869



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DOWNTOWN NORTH
PROGRAM MANAGER

A.D. Harris Learning Village

The Downtown North CRA district now manages the A.D. Harris Learning Village. The mission of the Downtown North CRA is to utilize the A.D. Harris Learning Village as a one-stop, human-services site for the delivery of community-based, educational, cultural, and multi-generational services to unite the community. The A.D. Learning Village is now beginning to attract several tenants. One of those tenants is the Florida Department of Health - Bay County. The Village Health Center had its Grand Opening in September, 2013. The Village Health Center is a Emergency Room Division Facility. They have been a critical addition to the A.D. Harris Learning Village campus and the district as a whole. Early reports indicate the clinic has save Bay Medical, and other area hospitals, approximately \$3 million dollars in emergency-room services. In the upcoming fiscal year, the Downtown North CRA district looks to add three or four new tenants.



In mid-November, the CRA offices moved from 803 Jenks Ave., Suite 1, into the Administration building at the A.D. Harris Learning Village located at 819 East 11th Street, Suite 11. CRA Staff

Downtown North District



is now acclimated to the new offices. If you get a chance, stop by and tour the facilities. The move saved the CRA thousands of dollars on rent, and also allows the Staff to be on-site in order to attend to various tenant needs as we renovate this exciting community resource.

Glenwood MLK Recreation Center Splash Pad Project

The long awaited Splash Pad project was created in May 2013. The project was a joint effort between Leisure Services and Community Redevelopment Agency – Downtown North. The project fulfilled a portion of the recreational elements contained in the Downtown North plan, and services the youth of the Glenwood area. This entertainment feature has been a great success for the community, and is enjoyed by children and parents alike.

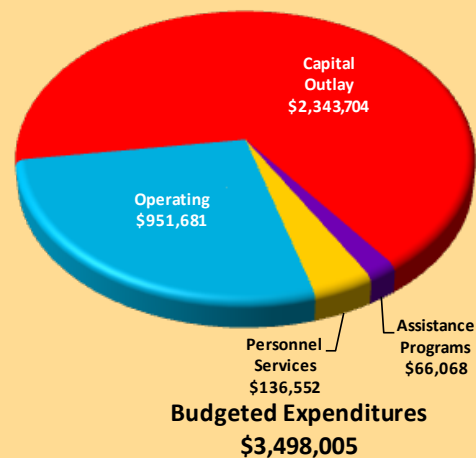
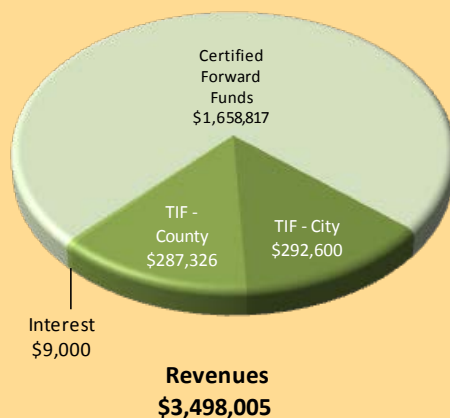


Isorona (NantHealth) to Expand in Panama City

In November, 2013, Governor Scott announced 300+ new jobs for Panama City when Isorona (NantHealth) expanded. NantHealth specializes in development of advanced medical software designed to help deliver high quality health care services.



Downtown North District Financial Information



St. Andrews District



St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market

2013 was a banner year for the St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market. The St. Andrews CRA District has supported the St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market since its creation in 2004 as an economic-development tool to assist in the revitalization of the Downtown St. Andrews business district. The St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market began in 2004 as a community activity. It started at the Marina under a modest circus tent with only a handful of vendors, but led by the aspirations and desires of the St. Andrews Community. The St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market was started as an economic-development tool of the St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership with a goal of improving the economic health of St. Andrews by providing a place for merchants to sell their products directly to the consumer, a quality activity center for the community, and opportunities to incubate small businesses. During the fall of 2010, a group of passionate volunteers took the market on as a challenge and the market grew exponentially. The St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership made an agreement with another local, non-profit organization in June 2011, who then assumed responsibility for the market's operations until February of 2013.



In September 2011, the market outgrew the Marina and expanded to the lovely boardwalks of Smith's Yacht Basin, owned by The Shrimp Boat Restaurant owner, Loren Smith. In February of 2013, the Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership resumed market operations. The St. Andrews Waterfront Market has returned to its roots to make the St. Andrews Community a better place to live, work, dine, shop, and relax. The Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership is working in cooperation with the Panama City CRA, the City of Panama City, and the St. Andrews Marina to bring citizens and visitors to the St. Andrews Waterfront Market. The Farmers Market has grown steadily, and currently brings tremendous amounts of foot traffic and business to the area.

Trailer Park Demolition

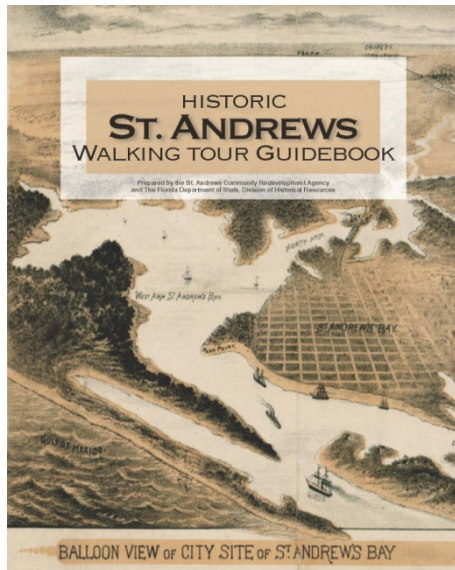
Historic St. Andrews has been fortunate to have a healthy residential neighborhood. Over the life of the St. Andrews CRA District, which started in 1989, the neighborhoods within the CRA area have seen some of the challenges posed by blighting conditions. The trailer park, which was located at the corner of 14th Street and Beck Avenue, has been demolished. The project was supported by the CRA with a grant for \$10,000 to aid in the demolition of the blighted trailers. The land has been cleared and is currently available for sale. This property is a prime location for redevelopment with approximately 1.25 acres of land.



St. Andrews District



Historic Walking Tour Grant & Award



People have always been drawn to St. Andrews because of the unique and interesting history of our community. The stories and interesting facts have been shared with the public in many ways including walking tours of the area. This past year, the CRA received and completed a grant to create a walking-tour guidebook, docent manual for training, a key flipbook for tour guides, and a fully narrated audio tour in MP3 format. During the course of the project, the CRA contracted with local media company, The Write Place. The team consisted of Pat Sabiston and Carol Whiting. The grant total \$17,842.

This project has created a series of tools to share a consistent message about the history of St. Andrews. The Walking Tour Guidebooks are available for purchase from the Publishing Museum. The audio MP3 files are available

for download from our website (historicstandrews.com). In 2013, we estimate at least 440 locals, visitors, and tourists took advantage of the tour and guidebook materials.

Museum and Market Coordinator

In March 2013, the CRA and Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership (HSAWP) formed a 90-Day Plan to open and revamp the St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market for the 2013 season. The plan included combining a part-time position of the Museum Coordinator, with a part time position of the Market Coordinator. The newly created, full-time position opened a new venue for the public to have access to the Museum and promote activities through the Visitor Center at the Museum. The CRA has now partnered with the HSAWP to contract with John Carbullido to perform these functions and duties. The CRA has contracted with HSAWP to provide these services with an allocation of \$24,000 per year. The newly combined position is supported by the CRA allocation and the revenue from the Farmers' Market. Our goal is for this effort to be self sustaining.

CPI/NOAA Grant for Bayview Avenue Boardwalk and Signage Enhancement Project

The Bayview Avenue Boardwalk was built in 1999, and has been improved over the years with a series of other grants. We are fortunate to have received another grant for revitalizing what has become a well-used and well-liked feature of our waterfront community. The project is called the Bayview Avenue Boardwalk and Signage Enhancement Project and will consist of replacing decking; and redesigning the railing to incorporate historical signage related to the Historic Walking Tour, other attractions and features. The latest enhancement project is now underway and is expected to be completed by June 2014.

St. Andrews District



Scarecrow Festival (5th Annual)

The St. Andrews CRA and Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership (HSAWP) hosted the 5th Annual Scarecrow Festival at Oaks By The Bay Park on October 26th. The festivities began on October 12th with a Scarecrow Contest where the CRA and HSAWP encouraged business owners, and property owners in St. Andrews, to participate by placing scarecrows in front of their facilities along Beck Avenue.



Boat Parade of Lights

The Panama City Boat Parade of Lights was held on November 30th. The event featured more than a dozen decorated boats that made their way from the Downtown Marina to the St. Andrews Marina. The St. Andrews CRA partnered with the Downtown Improvement Board and the City Marinas to host the annual event that just celebrated its 27th year. The parade attracted approximately 3,000 to each marina to watch the beautifully decorated boats.



Relocation of the St. Andrews Community Garden

In 2010, the Community of Historic St. Andrews, a vibrant community that reached out to its businesses and residents, form a community garden. This effort was initiated by the St. Andrews Community Redevelopment Agency as a way to get the community involved in the revitalization of St. Andrews. The St. Andrews CRA applied for and received a Lowe's Community Enhancement Fund (LCEF) grant for \$25,000. The funds for the grant have been used to purchase raised-bed edging, fencing, a garden shed, garden tools, irrigation, soil, etc. The original garden location was at 1227 Beck Avenue on the Smith Yacht Basin property under agreement with the property owner. The garden remained there for a little more than two years. Upon the expiration of the agreement, the St. Andrews CRA partnered with the HSAWP and St. Andrews School to formulate a plan to relocate the garden onto the St. Andrews School property. In this new space, it is easily accessible to the public and serves as a place for the children to learn about science, gardening, urban agriculture, and team work. The new garden is at the corner of 14th & Bayview Avenue.



St. Andrews District



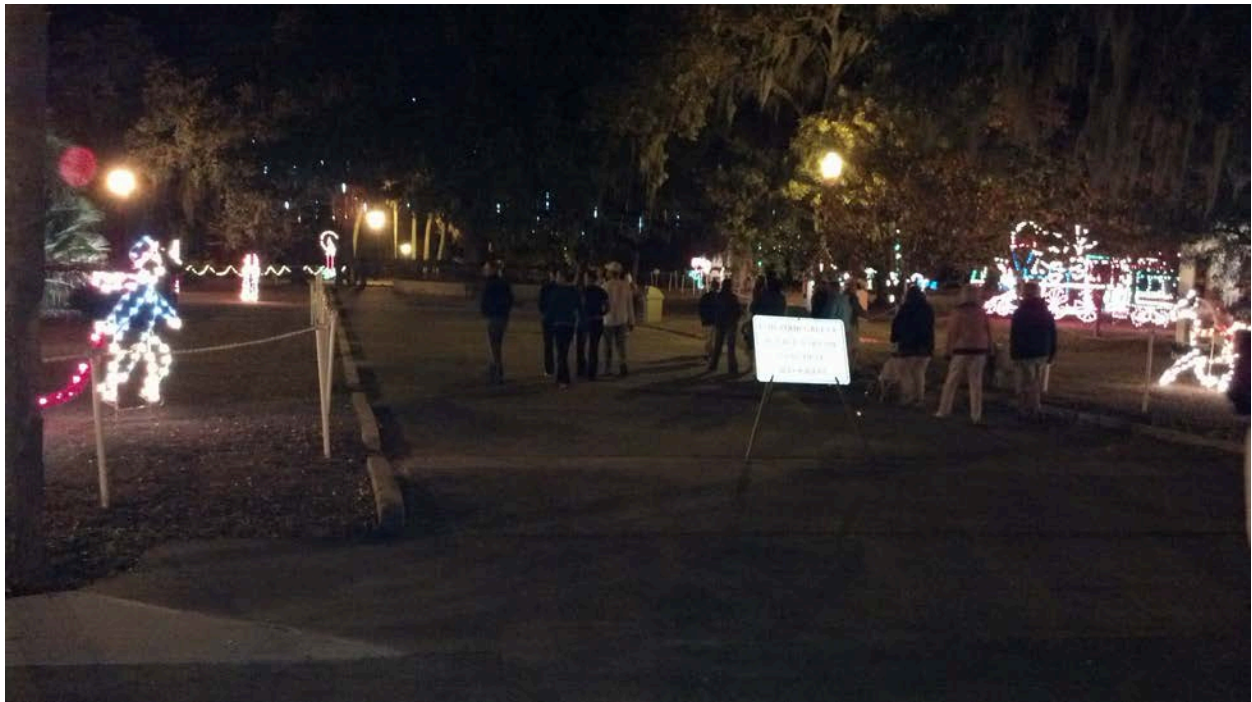
Mardi Gras 2013

The people of Historic St. Andrews know how to put on a celebration. In February, 2013, the St. Andrews CRA sponsored the Krewe of St. Andrews who hosted the 16th Annual Saint Andrews Mardi Gras Kid's Parade and main parade. The event featured a two-day festival that drew thousands up on thousands of people to Historic St. Andrews. The main parade, which was held on Saturday, drew close to 40,000 people to watch the festivities.



Historical Seasonal Displays

Historic St. Andrews shares its appreciation for the holidays with the entire community by displaying historical, seasonal displays starting in November and lasting through January. The decorations are put up in Oaks By The Bay Park in downtown St. Andrews. The historical displays feature tiny constructed buildings that resemble homes and businesses from St. Andrews' rich history. In addition to the historical buildings, the lighted holiday displays are spread out through the park to create a magical theme. The historical, seasonal displays draw people into St. Andrews, and then they linger to shop and frequent the restaurants in the area.



St. Andrews District



Did You Know? Websites & Facebook Pages

Did you know you can get information about St. Andrews through Facebook AND on the Internet?

Facebook Pages

Historic St. Andrews (www.facebook.com/Historic.St.Andrews)

Panama City Publishing Museum and Visitor Center
(www.facebook.com/PCPublishingMuseum)

Panama City Boat Parade of Lights (www.facebook.com/PanamaCityBoatParadeOfLights)

St. Andrews Waterfront Farmers' Market
(www.facebook.com/St.Andrews.Waterfront.Farmers.Market)

St. Andrews Community Garden (www.facebook.com/Historic.St.Andrews.Community.Garden)

St. Andrews Scarecrow Festival (<http://www.facebook.com/StAndrewsScarecrowFest>)

Websites

Historic St. Andrews (www.historicstandrews.com)



New Businesses in 2013

Historic St. Andrews has seen a resurgence of business growth as well as a new vitality among the core of the downtown business district. We share our current and new businesses with the community through a publication titled the "Passport to Historic St. Andrews". This booklet includes a map of the area along with coupons that serves as a passport to the community for visitors and tourists alike. We have welcomed the following new businesses to our community in 2013:

Answer Marketing Inc.

Chez Amavida (Coffee & Tea)

Clara Jean's Antiques

The Crystal Pistol

FINNS Island Style Grub

Lowe's House of Bourbon

Star Gallery Inc.

Thai Basil Bar & Restaurant

The White Elephant Thrift

Cottage

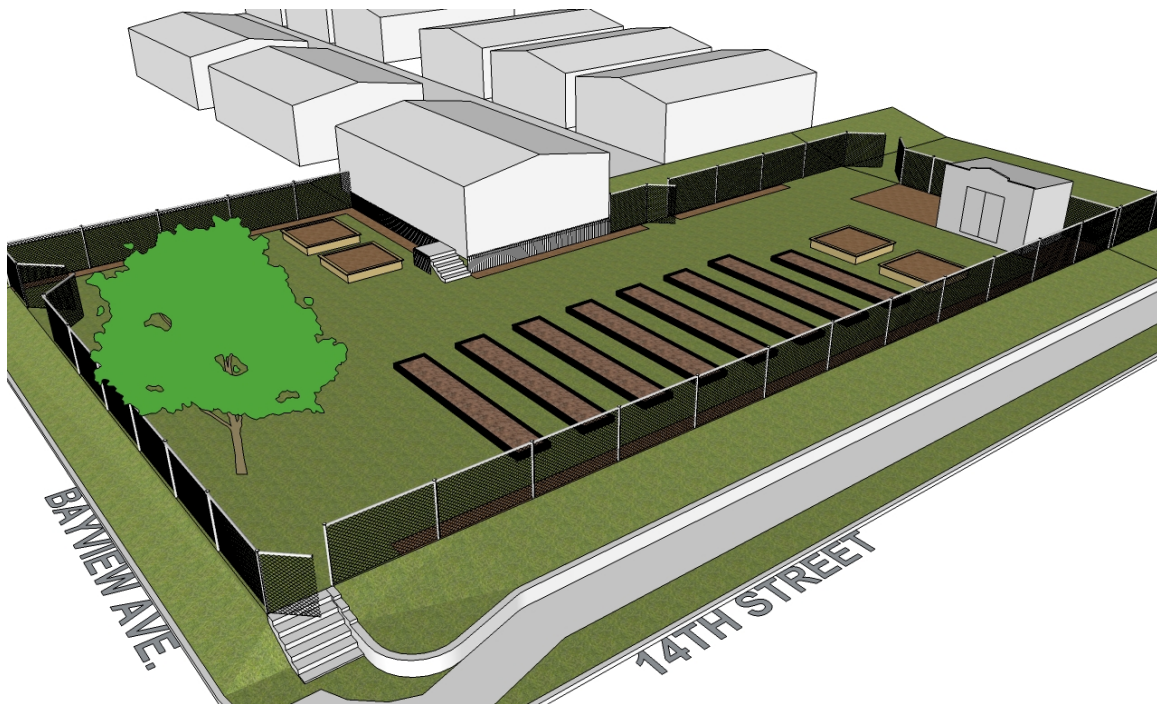


Welcome
to
Historic
St. Andrews



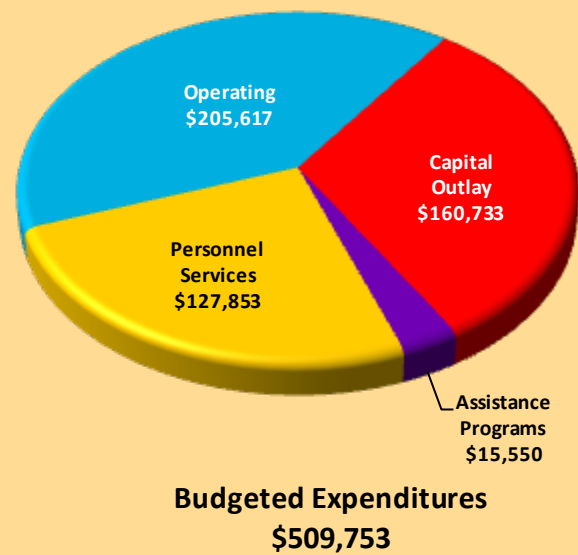
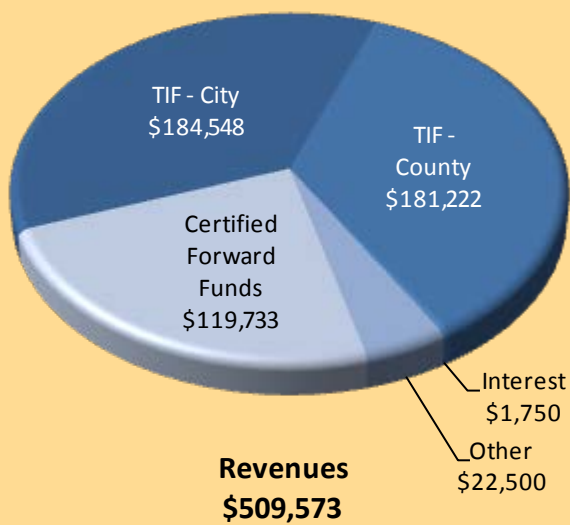
For More Information, Call us at (850) 879-7208
Or visit us on the Web at
www.HistoricStAndrews.com

St. Andrews District



New and Improved St. Andrews Community Garden Layout

St Andrews District Financial Information





Millville District

Improvement Assistance Program

The Panama City Community Redevelopment Agency's (CRA) Commercial/Residential Improvement Assistance Program had a stellar year in 2013. The current Commercial/Residential Improvement Assistance Program is a 50% matching incentive toward exterior improvements, which includes a \$900 paint voucher for residents, and businesses, in the Millville community. During fiscal year 2013, the Millville Community Redevelopment Area has provided matching assistance for a total of \$57,305.27, and leveraged a total of \$117,978.35 in improvements within the Millville community.

This year, the Commercial/Residential Improvement Assistance Program has helped make a significant impact in the effort to remove slum and blight from the Millville community. This program provides a unique opportunity for citizens to improve the exterior facades of their property. One of the businesses that took advantage of the Commercial Improvement Assistance Program was the 28-unit residential condominium, Bayou Pointe Villas Home Owner's Association. The improvements to the condominiums had a significant impact on the Millville community, because it is located in a high-traffic area on Business 98 near the Millville gateway sign.



Waterfront Park Fishing Pier

The Waterfront Park Fishing Pier completed multiple objectives from the Millville CRA Plan. One of the objectives was to "Allow the waterfront to be an asset instead of an issue for the residents of Millville and provide for sound future growth". A second objective addressed in the creation of the fishing pier was to "Provide recreational opportunities for the citizens of the Millville Neighborhood, which are readily accessible to improve the quality of life for residents. Preserve land to serve as public parks and open space for current and future residents". In an effort to move forward with those objectives, a fishing pier and other amenities were proposed for the Waterfront Park. The Waterfront Park Fishing Pier was completed in the summer of 2013. The fishing pier has become a focal point and destination for both residents and visitors. The fishing pier provides one of the only public-access points to Watson Bayou in Millville. The fishing pier is part of a phased approach to improving the Waterfront Park. The fishing pier creates a multifunctional





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venue in the Millville community for recreation, personal fitness, and community events. A children's fishing tournament, and a boat parade along Watson Bayou, are planned for the future as community-based events, which could be held at the Waterfront Park Fishing Pier.

Millville Community Clean-Up



The CRA provides funding for a bi-annual "Clean-Up Day" in Millville. This is an ongoing effort to eradicate blight in the community by providing residents with an opportunity to clean up and get rid of items that need to be taken to the landfill. The Panama City Solid Waste Department picks up large items, and other trash, which the City typically charges an additional fee for at pick-up.

In September, Millville hosted the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup along Watson Bayou at three locations: by the Watson Bayou bridge, the Waterfront Park, and the Church St. Boat Ramp. The volunteers helped to clean out more than 1,100 lbs of trash from Watson Bayou, including two car tires, scrap metal, one boat seat, and hundreds of plastic as well as glass bottles.



Another objective in the Millville CRA Plan is to "Preserve and maintain historic and architecturally significant structures and sites especially the historic 3rd Street Cemetery". In an effort to support that objective, volunteers from around the area participated in a cemetery cleanup for the Historic Millville Cemetery, located at East 3rd St. and East Ave. The CRA Staff would like to thank those volunteers who came out to help improve the appearance of our community.

Millville Community Events

In an effort to increase children and family-based activities, as well as to provide enjoyment of the waterfront in the Millville community, the CRA worked with the Millville Community Alliance (MCA) to create a series of movie nights in the Millville Waterfront Park. The series was called, Movies in the Park. All the movies started playing at dusk, although there were additional activities for children prior to the movie. Movies





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in the Park will continue in 2014. Movies in the Park start in May and ends in August. Some of the movies shown last year were; “Brave”, “Horton Hears a Who!”, “The Sandlot”, and “Ice Age”: Continental Drift. Such community events are a wonderful way to improve community engagement and public participation. Much of the successes of these events are because of the tireless work from community organizations and our partnership with the MCA.

Other annual community events in Millville, are the Spring Fling and Turkey Toss Disc Golf Tournaments. This year, the Spring Fling was in June and the Turkey Toss was in November. The MCA and the Panama City Leisure Services Department sponsored both of the Disc Golf Tournaments at Joe Moody Harris Park. The CRA Staff would like to thank all the volunteers and participants who came out to help. We hope to see you at the next Disc Golf Tournament in spring 2014.

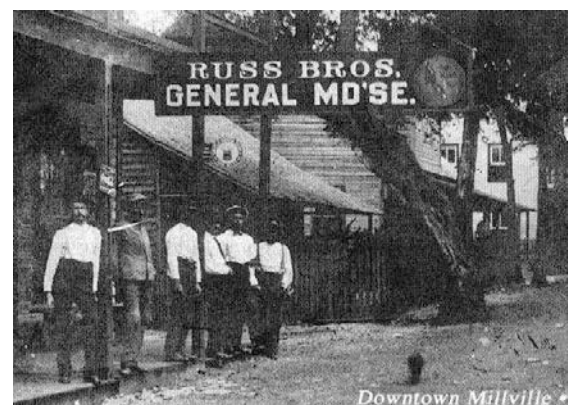


In December, the Millville community held its 13th Annual Children’s Christmas Parade that was a huge success. There were almost twice as many participants and spectators in the parade this year over the 2012 numbers. It is great to see the increased interest in the Millville community and children in our area. The Millville Community Alliance (MCA) received donations from local businesses to assist in the transport of more than 1,400 children from around the county to enjoy the Christmas Parade. The MCA and CRA Staff wants to thank everyone who participated in the parade. We hope to build upon this year’s success and grow even larger next year.



DID YOU KNOW?

On April 24, 1913, Bay County was created by Florida legislators. That same year, Millville was incorporated to make it the third municipality in the county. The towns of Millville, St. Andrew, and Panama City were consolidated and became part of greater Panama City on March 12, 1926.



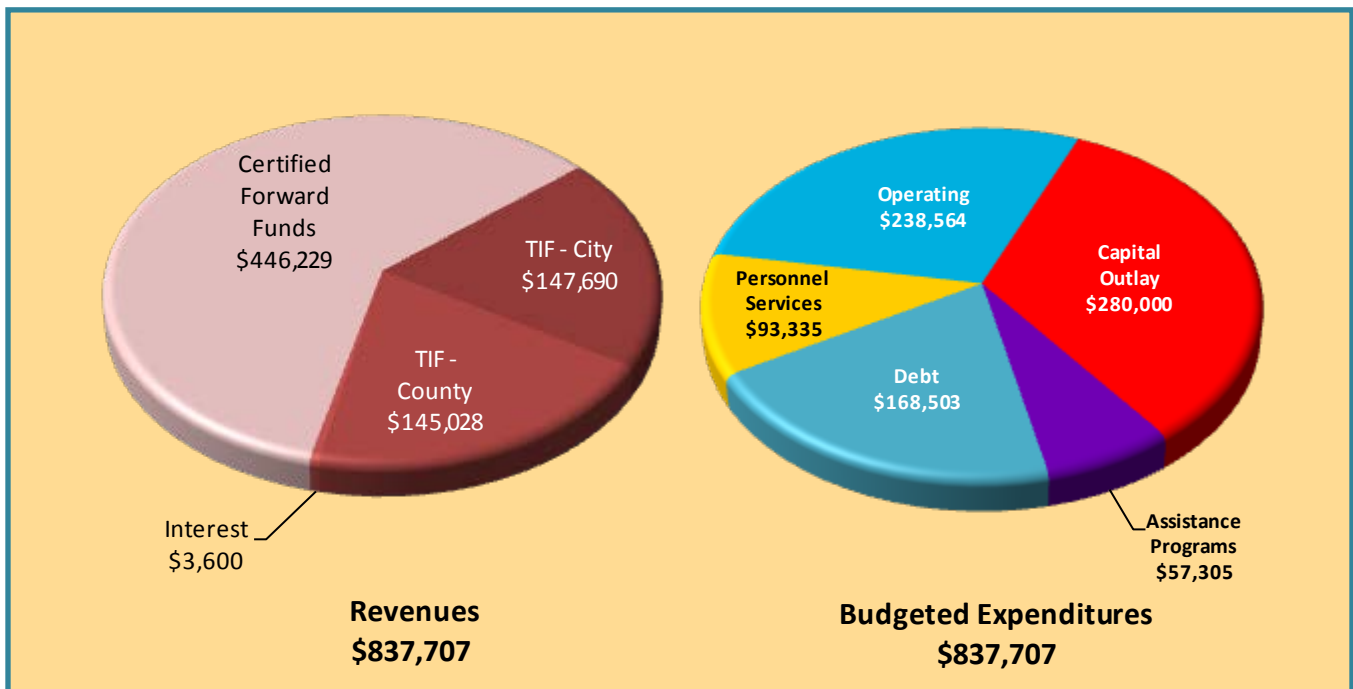
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View from the Millville Fishing Pier

Millville District Financial Information



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Last fiscal year was very exciting with the Panama City CRA accomplishing many projects to revitalize and redevelop our community. We gratefully acknowledge and appreciate the many volunteers who have continued to demonstrate their support by participating on the various CRA committees. Our committees and partners include: Glenwood Working Partnership, Inc.; the Downtown North/GWP Design and Planning Committee; Downtown Northwest Advisory Committee; the A. D. Harris Improvement Society, Inc.; the Neighborhood Watch committees; the Millville Community Alliance; the Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership; the Downtown Advisory Committee; the Downtown Improvement Board; Main Streets; Tyndall AFB; and many other churches and community groups. We salute our volunteers and understand that we could not accomplish our goals without their tireless dedication and support. The assistance, and partnership, rendered by these organizations is instrumental in making our community a better place to live, work, and play. A special recognition ceremony was held to honor our many volunteers in April, 2013. More recognitions are planned for next year.



Tyndall AFB volunteers at Oaks By The Bay Park

FY 2013 CRA Board Members

Greg Brudnicki – Chairman

John Kady – Pro Tempore

Kenneth Brown

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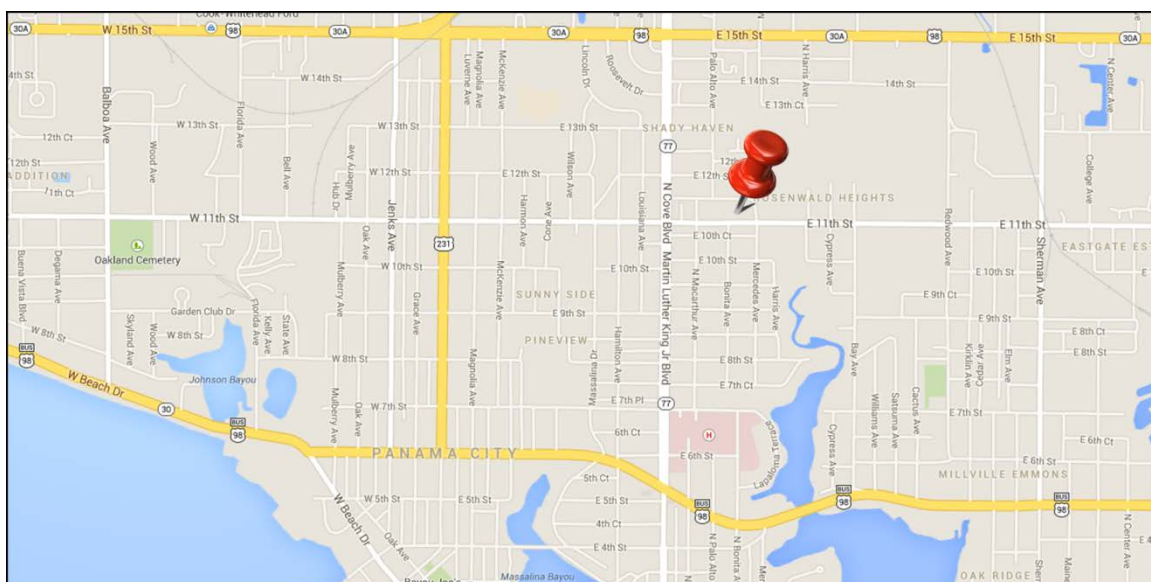
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Go to the Community Redevelopment Agency's website to learn more about our programs, committees, and how you can get involved.

"Organization doesn't really accomplish anything. Plans don't accomplish anything, either. Theories of management don't much matter. Endeavors succeed or fail because of the people **involved**. Only by attracting the best people will you accomplish great deeds." - Colin Powell



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