



A Comprehensive Strategy for Revitalization

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### Highway 80 Corridor Public Forum/Focus Groups *Community Invited to Share Ideas for Redevelopment; Revitalization*

**Jackson, Miss. (April 8, 2010)** -- The City of Jackson will host a public forum and focus group session designed to gather input from members of the community to aid in the preparation of an Economic Development Strategy for the Hwy 80 Corridor on Thursday, April 8, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. The public forum and focus group sessions will be held at the Johnnie Champion Community Center, 1335 Hattiesburg Street, Jackson, Mississippi. The Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) will facilitate the meeting.

Information gathered through these focus groups will be utilized in the preparation of the Economic Development Strategy for the Highway 80 Corridor. Participants will be provided with a brief overview of the Strategy's purpose and be given an opportunity to discuss the issues facing the Highway 80 Corridor today and their vision for the future in sector-specific focus groups.

"We are committed to do all that we can do to bring business owners and residents together so that we can promote successful growth in the area," said Mayor Harvey Johnson.

"It is important that we gather information from all members of the community as we move forward with the revitalization of Highway 80," Johnson added.

The Central Mississippi Planning and Development District has been selected as the contractor responsible for preparing the Economic Development Strategy for the Highway 80 Corridor.

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