

New Orleans, Louisiana Renewal Community

ID	Renewal Community Name	OLAS#	Population	Sq Miles	Poverty	Unemployment
90	New Orleans	LA0020	20,600	3	45%	18%

The New Orleans RC is composed of seven census tracts in the center of the City.

Through its Course of Action, the New Orleans RC will focus on certain specific strategies, the highlights of a few of which are as follows:

Community Partners: Actions that this RC has in place and/or will undertake to establish and utilize community partners include:

- Increasing community involvement in economic development initiatives and projects. The One-Stop Business Center of the New Orleans Workforce Partnership as a major partner in this endeavor represents a \$1 million investment by the City in local economic development. Staff will use this investment to promote the growth of Renewal Community businesses. Expanding the capacity of the One-Stop Business Center to include access to tax accounting, financial planning services and expertise in RC tax incentive and financing programs will ensure that the facility is a full service center with the capacity to expand economic growth within the RC.

Improving Local Services: Actions that this RC has in place and/or will undertake to improve local services include:

- Improve Commuting Capacities and Increase Infrastructure for Business Growth: Developing regional strategies to provide residents access to transportation, including improved access to airport job opportunities for RC residents. Street construction, sewer/drainage improvements, and sidewalk reconstruction will assist in the improvement of RC neighborhoods and make these more attractive to new businesses.
- Investments in Education and Workforce Development: Provision of job training and job placement services, including customized job training provided by industries in need of new employees.
- Comprehensive Child Care Services: Emphasizing services provided through initiatives such as Early Head Start, and the Healthy Start/Great Expectations prenatal-to-14 months program.

Crime Reduction Strategies: Actions that this RC has in place and/or will undertake to reduce crime include:

- Community Policing Initiatives (COPS), working closely with neighborhood and civic groups to identify and address factors contributing to neighborhood crime.
- Expansion of Neighborhood Watch and Business Watch programs.
- RC residents will be actively solicited to be engaged in efforts to promote the safety and viability of their neighborhoods through organized activities with public safety officials.