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Southern Bancorp Community Partners

(SBCP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and certified community development financial institution (CDFI) with a mission to transform rural communities.

Invest. Empower. Transform

Clarksdale, MS



- Mississippi Delta Poorest Region in the United States
- Clarksdale is located in Coahoma County
- Home of the Blues



Coahoma County, Mississippi 2012-2022 Strategic Community Plan







Coahoma County Strategic Community Plan

Your Plan, Our Future!

Community Engagement 600+ residents create a detailed community strategic plan



The Beginning

Project Concept







Inclusive Art Education Civil Rights History

Indigenous Folk Art

Proposed Activities

- Juried Art Festival in MLK Park
- Educational Traveling Trunks
- Art Gallery



- Multi-Generational Programming
- Visiting Artist Series
- Civil Rights Reading Room





Clarksdale Reviltization, Inc. (Non-Profit)

City of Clarksdale (Government)

Coahoma County Board of Supervisors (Government)

Southern Bancorp Community Partners (CDFI)

Coahoma Community College (HBCU)

Building Selection



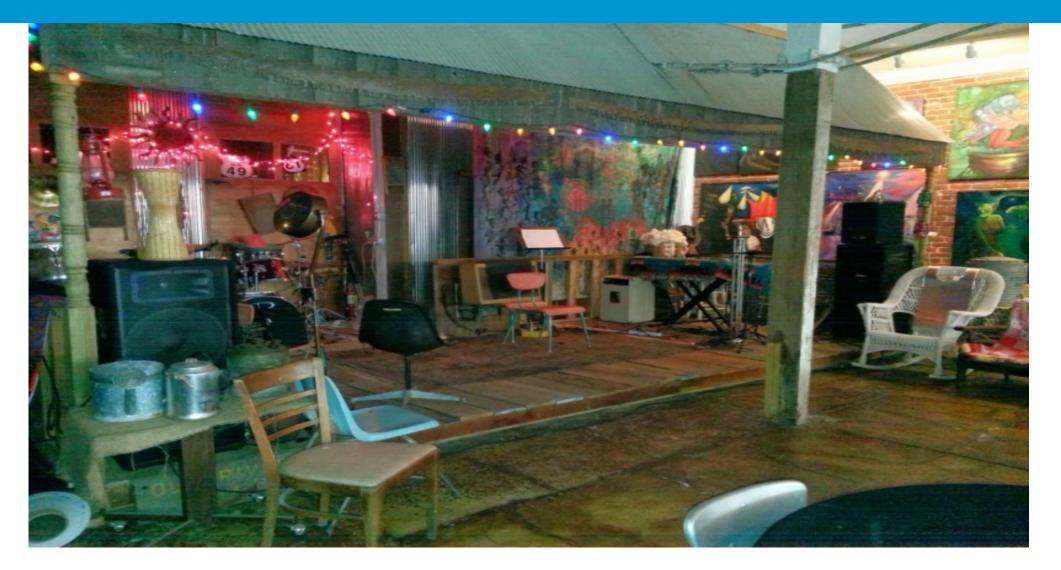
Former Cotton Storage Building

Downtown Clarksdale

7,000 Square Ft

3,000 Square Ft Warehouse Attached





Juke Joint Stage



Kitchen & Merchandising Area

- Purchased Building
- Recruited Board Members for the Independent Non-Profit Board
- Established New Partnerships with Two After School Programs
- Identified Additional Funding for Programming/Staff
- Exploring innovative concepts such as 3D Printing

