

# 2008 MCB Project Summary Outline

Please use this outline for each project

Community/Neighborhood: Louisiana

Name of Project: Scenic-By-Way Wall

Project Coordinator: Cindy Blaylock

Type of Project: \_\_\_\_\_ Long-term (1-5 years)  Short-term (up to 12 months)

Time Frame: Date begun 9/07 Date completed 9/08

Number of volunteers? 45 Age range of volunteers 16 - 80

## Cost of project

Materials	Donated	\$ <u>480</u>
	Purchased	\$ <u>300</u>
Labor	Volunteer	\$ <u>1500</u>
	Paid	\$ <u>4700</u>
Total cost		\$ <u>6980</u>

## Sources of funding (How was money raised for this project?)

Grants _____	\$ _____
Donations	\$ <u>4,000</u>
Other (explain) _____	\$ <u>4980</u>

Part of the community assessment process identified several entities that Community Betterment and the Chamber of Commerce could and should partner with. The Little Dixie Highway of the Great River Road was one committee that Community Betterment wanted to partner with to bring an interpretive visitor center to Louisiana along the by-way. The scenic-by-way committee wrote a grant through Missouri Department of Transportation for federal funding and were awarded over \$80000 to build the sight. The City of Louisiana donated the land and some of the in kind labor towards the project. It was determined that the historic retaining wall along the by-way was no longer safe but that committee didn't have enough funding to rebuild the wall. The Community Betterment saw this as an opportunity to be a part of a project that locals and visitors alike could enjoy for many years to come. Since the by-way has been named, our community has seen a marked increase in visitor traffic. The visitor area will depict and explain the wealth of historical architecture and help draw visitors to those areas of interest.