

## Investments in Banks County July 2013—June 2018

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Prepared and obtained \$1,650,000 in federal and/or state grant funding for the county and/or the cities for community and economic development initiatives.

### INFORMATION SERVICES

- Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) assistance for Banks County, Town of Homer, and the City of Maysville.
- Banks County participated in the 2018 Aerial Photography & USGS 3DEP LiDAR Grant.

### PLANNING

- Comprehensive Plan Update - Banks County
- Comprehensive Plan Update - Town of Homer
- Comprehensive Plan Update - City of Maysville
- Windmill Park Conceptual Site Plan - Banks County
- Hudson River Dam Emergency Action Plan - Banks County
- City Park Conceptual Site Plan & Design - City of Maysville
- Hazard Mitigation Plan Update - Banks County
- Historic District Boundary/Guidelines - Town of Homer
- Downtown Redevelopment Study - City of Maysville

### WORKSOURCE GEORGIA MOUNTAINS

Assisted 53 individuals with workforce development services in one of three program areas: Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth.

### FINANCE/HUMAN RESOURCES

- Provided \$150,000 in Revolving Loan Funding (RLF) for a local business in Banks County
- Prepared Personnel Policies for the City of Maysville and Standard Operating Procedures for the City of Maysville Police Department

### *Project Spotlight*

Diana Foods - a global provider of natural ingredients to the food and beverage industry will create 80 new jobs and invest \$50 million to construct a 90,000-square-foot food processing, manufacturing, and research and development facility in the Banks Crossing Business Park. GMRC assisted the City of Commerce and Banks County with obtaining a \$1,000,000 Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant for infrastructure improvements to serve this new facility and provide capacity to the industrial park.





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## BANKS COUNTY, GEORGIA

### TOTAL POPULATION

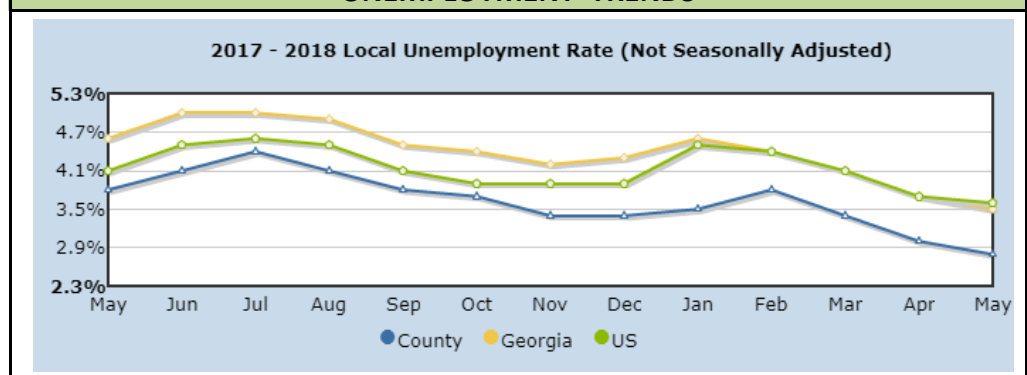
	2010	2016	CHANGE		AGE DISTRIBUTION	
			#	%	2016	
Georgia	9,713,521	10,310,371	596,850	6.1%	< 18 yo	23.6 %
GMRC Region	601,216	670,327	69,111	11.5%	18-64	60.2 %
Banks County	18,408	18,397	-11	-0.1%	65+	16.2 %
Alto town (pt.)	516	504	-12	-2.3%		
Baldwin city (pt.)	743	740	-3	-0.4%		
Gillsville city (pt.)	28	28	0	0.0%		
Homer town	1,146	1,136	-10	-0.9%		
Lula city (pt.)	158	159	1	0.6%		
Maysville town (pt.)	937	960	23	2.5%		
Balance of Banks Co.	14,880	14,870	-10	-0.1%		

### MINIMAL EDUCATION

#### Adults age 25+ - 2016

< 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	8.7 %
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	15.9 %
HS Graduate	42.9 %
Some College	15.6 %
Assoc. Degree	6.0 %
Bach. Degree	7.1 %
Grad. Degree	3.9 %

### UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS



### COMMUTING PATTERNS - 2010

Origination of Banks Co. Employees			Destination of Banks Co. Residents		
Origin		Share	Destination		Share
Banks Co.	GA	45.5%	Banks Co.	GA	32.8%
Jackson Co.	GA	20.3%	Hall Co.	GA	18.1%
Habersham Co.	GA	7.0%	Jackson Co.	GA	16.3%
Franklin Co.	GA	6.1%	Habersham Co.	GA	14.7%
Madison Co.	GA	4.8%	Gwinnett Co.	GA	2.9%
Hall Co.	GA	3.9%	Clarke Co.	GA	2.9%
Rabun Co.	GA	3.4%	Stephens Co.	GA	2.7%
Gwinnett Co.	GA	2.5%	Franklin Co.	GA	1.7%
White Co.	GA	1.5%	White Co.	GA	1.5%
Other		4.9%	Other		6.3%
<b>Total Trips</b>		<b>5,557</b>	<b>Total Trips</b>		<b>7,707</b>

Demographic data courtesy of the U.S. Census Bureau and unemployment rates courtesy of the Georgia Department of Labor