COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

- Columbus Georgia has developed a Community Improvement Program that we feel is a “Recipe for Success”.

- I would like to share that “Recipe” with you.
Recipe

- Take a pinch of Coordination
- Sprinkle in a dash of Cooperation
- Add some communication…..

- Blend together carefully with the leadership from the neighborhood and cook up a great program.
The city Manager has allocated and designated the resources to provide the “necessary ingredients”
Cooperation

- Public Services –
- Waste collection
- Urban forestry
- Special Enforcement
- Streets and Roads
Fire Department

- Smoke detectors
- House Numbers
Columbus Health Department

- Animal Control
- Rabies Clinic
Inspections and Code

- Inspections
- Coordination for repairs
Community Reinvestment

- Providing Assistance
- Federal Programs
- Non-Profit Partners
- Other resources
Police Department

- Eliminate illegal activities
Citizens Involvement

- Mow and clean up their yards
- Put trash on curb
- Become involved with anti-drug groups
- Attend Leadership Academy
Communication

- Informational flyers
- Door to door invitations
- Identify neighborhood leadership and solicit their help in getting the word out
Leadership Academy

- One more ingredient:
- Direct interaction between the Citizens and City Officials
- When and how to access services
- A modified “civic lesson” to empower our citizens
The “Secret” Ingredient

- Continuation –
- The City can provide all the other ingredients, but it is up to the people to provide continuation.
Mix:

- Coordination
- Cooperation
- Communication
- And,
- Continuation

For a sure fire recipe for: