John Robert Lewis Blackbelt Development Process

"We need some creative tension: people crying out for the things they want."-John R. Lewis

Collaborating and Creating Change



TARGET OUTCOMES

- REDUCE CRIME.
- INCREASE LITERACY
- PREPARE A SUSTAINABLE WORKFORCE
- FACILITATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- ENHANCE SOCIAL LITERACY
- REDUCE RECIDIVISM
- ENHANCE LIFE QUALITY
- ENHANCE COMMUNITY RESOURCES (Health, Education, Safety, Economic)
- CREATE SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC CHANGE

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The John Robert Lewis
Black Belt Development
Process is a holistic
transformative process
rooted in a comprehensive
regional strategy with ideas
to improve the overall
quality of life in the
Blackbelt. Organizers aim
to create a synergistic effect
to transform the Alabama
Blackbelt into the financially
prosperous region it once
enjoyed.

Initially, organizers created a
Steering Committee as a
strategic guidance, oversight,
and decision-making body.
Utilizing the concept of crossfunctional collaboration, the
Steering Committee is
harnessing and leveraging the
expertise of leaders from
multiple professional disciplines
to form a "Think Tank". These
stakeholders are responsible for
generating ideas and solutions
to guide the effective
implementation of the project.

