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ATTENTION: Land Reuse Grant Advisory Committee

This letter is in support of the Land Reuse and Revitalization Program for Texarkana.

Our downtown area has been in decline for a number of years with abandoned properties and lots creating a perception of decay. Revitalization of these properties and establishing greenspace will create an environment more conducive to bringing people back to our roots. Adaptive reuse of existing properties and the present infrastructure can be another step toward making downtown a thriving center of activity once again.

Please consider this letter a show of support and our commitment toward the Land Reuse and Revitalization Program since it is our belief that Downtown Texarkana has a definite need for change and we are certainly interested in participating in the process.

Sincerely,

Ruth Ellen Whitt
Acting Chairman
TECAP