

## **CONCLUSION**

The University District grows out of 20 years of UALR community engagement. During these decades, UALR leaders have embraced metropolitan university roles and responsibilities and acted on them. Community leaders accept UALR as a metropolitan university, anticipating the University's leadership and guidance on resolving or reconciling many contentious public policy issues. The University District Partnership became a reality sometime during the past three years of partnering, visioning, and planning. This Strategic Plan looks forward 20 years, guiding and directing actions that will create a dynamic urban place and improve the quality of life for all persons who live, work, shop, learn, play, socialize, and worship in the area.

