

September

2003: The Algiers Development District (ADD) was created with the vision of advancing Algiers to be the best place possible for residents, schools, businesses and the community.

October 2005: ADD successfully saved the Naval Support Activity military base from closure through the nationwide Base Realignment and Closure, or BRAC, process. A few days before Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana, ADD was informed that our efforts as well as those from the Algiers Economic Development Foundation, our community members and elected officials in the State of Louisiana “saved the base”.

2006-2007: ADD and the district committed their efforts to rebuilding and reorganizing New Orleans post-Katrina years.

April 2007: Built and installed “Welcome to Algiers” signs in five of the major entrances to the community with landscaping to create a sense of community and pride for Algiers residents.

September 30,

2008: Officials break ground at Federal City ceremonially beginning construction.

September

2009: The Orleans Parish Sheriff’s Office (OPSO) and the ADD launched the “Keep Algiers Clean” initiative dedicated to improving the quality of life in Algiers.

- OPSO’s Community Service Division helped with trash and debris pick up, painting the Holiday Drive Bridge and the removal of illegal signs and other items from the neutral grounds.
- Completed the sanding and painting of the Holiday Drive Bridge which had long been in disrepair and is located at one of the most highly trafficked intersections in Algiers.
- Partnered with the Algiers Charter Schools Association (ACSA) and New Orleans Hornets (now Pelicans) and visited schools to educate children about blight.
- New Orleans Hornets’ shooting guard Marcus Thornton visited the schools and talked about the importance of having a clean community and how students can help improve the community with these efforts.

February

2009: City begins the rehabilitation of General De Gaulle Drive in Algiers.

April 2009: Developers start demolition in Algiers and the Federal City project begins. To date, it is the largest economic development program in the State of Louisiana.

June 2009: The Woodland Drive project begins which included the removal and replacement of approximately 0.4 miles of concrete pavement roadway, driveways and sidewalks.

July 2009: ADD welcomed project to purchase blighted property on General De Gaulle Drive and build an extended stay hotel, a restaurant and office space.

2009: Completed in 2009, the lighting of the Intra-coastal Bridge has improved safety for traffic traveling to and from the lower coast of Algiers.

March 30,

2010: ADD holds a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially open Woodland Drive to the public.

2010: The ADD partnered with the City of New Orleans to complete two new road extensions into the Federal City complex at Opelousas and Patterson.

- July 2011:** Federal City opens the new national headquarters for Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North.
- July 2011:** Naval Support Activity gives a 21-gun salute to honor the nation's 235th birthday.
- April 2012:** Federal City YMCA fitness center grand dedication
- May 2012:** Federal City dedicates new YMCA fitness center.
- October 2012:** Joint Development Committee formation.
- November 2012:** Groundbreaking Ceremony for Bike and Hike Path.
- 2012:** The ADD provided funds and completed repairs on the General De Gaulle overlay between Holiday and Behrman the which is one of the most heavily traveled areas of Algiers.
- May 2013:** ADD acquires land on Federal City from the US Department of Navy.
- 2013:** Phase 1 of the Federal City project, the Military Phase, is completed which included MARFORRES Gym, Childcare Center, and new state-of-art auditorium.
- October 2013:** ADD holds a ribbon cutting ceremony to dedicate Phase 1 of the Bike and Hike Path which extends from the Algiers Ferry to the former Todd Shipyard, near Federal City.
- January 2014:** New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy Campus opens.
- September 26, 2015** Inaugural celebration of the first annual Algiers Fest honoring our military and Algiers community.
- December 2015:** New Orleans Sewerage & Water Board accepts infrastructure. January 2016 Entergy gas and service side connections complete.
- July 2016:** Delgado Student Life Center opens in the former Naval Chapel.
- July 2016:** \$6.0M LSU Health Fitness Center Expansion – Addition of: Swimming Pool, Locker Rooms and Additional Fitness Areas.
- July 2016:** Economic District Created for New Orleans Riverside.
- September 17, 2016:** Second annual Algiers Fest.
- May 31, 2017:** Ochsner Fitness Center Closes

October 7, 2017: Third annual Algiers Fest cancelled due to Tropical Storm Nate.

January 2017: Water meter installations completed.

December 2017: Entergy comprehensive LED lighting installations completed.

December 2017: ADD hires two consultants to assist with the development process.

April 2018: LSU Health Fitness Center Grand Opening.

June 29, 2018: Joint Development Committee (JDC) was disbanded.

June 30, 2018: New Orleans Federal Alliance (NOFA) dissolved as an entity.

August 2018: Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards announces ACT 360 state funds for Delgado Advanced Technology Center.

October 6, 2018: Fourth annual Algiers Fest.

December 2018: Security camera installations completed at all entrances.

October 5, 2019: Fifth annual Algiers Fest.

January 2019: Clara's Little Lambs Child Development Center opens.

May 31, 2019: Delgado Advanced Technology Center Groundbreaking.

March 1, 2020: Delgado Advanced Technology Center construction begins.

October 2020: Algiers Fest canceled due to COVID-19.

March 2020 - June 2020: COVID-19 pause.

December 2020: Synergy Physical Therapy & Performance opens at LSU Health Fitness Center.

June-July 2021: Completed installation of new solar lights on the Levee Bike, Jogging, Walking Path.

**August 16,
2021:** Delgado Advanced Technology Center Opening Ceremony.

**February 12,
2022:** First Mardi Gras Festival at Federal City.

**February 25,
2023:** Second Mardi Gras Festival at Federal City.

May 25, 2023: Executed final agreements on NOMMA three expansion parcels and the long term lease of the Fitness Center.
Executed NORD lease of the Fitness Center Pool and Pool locker rooms.

October 2023: Brown-Taylor (B-T) Construction commenced on a mixed income independent senior residential development.
Additional B-T residential developments will follow.

**January 27,
2024:** Third Mardi Gras Festival at Federal City.