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Abbeville County

April 2023 Activities Report



Aging

- 270 congregate meals served in Abbeville County in April
- 1,365 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 18 seniors served with transportation in County
- 61 hours of home care, personal care provided
- Minor Home Repair program available for ramps, grab bars and hand rails



Community Development

- City of Abbeville Structure Demolition project expected to go out to bid in May 2023, 17 structures to be demolished, cleared
- City of Abbeville Chestnut Street Park improvements going out to bid in August 2023



Economic and Business Development

- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Administered CDBG-CV funds to deliver 240 home-delivered meals to seniors in the County in April
- Researched development ordinance question for the Town of Donalds
- Assisted Starr-Iva Water & Sewer District and Abbeville County with information for a grant close-out



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
- Continue to support Emergency Medical Technician and paramedic training as part of a federal grant



Transportation

- Attended Zoom conference call meeting to discuss rural and small metro transportation planning issues from around nation
- Presented Strategic Ten-Year Asset Management Plan (STAMP) to USCOG Board for review as an amendment to the Long Range Plan. Document will serve to combine traffic safety performance measures and goals into one document.

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Edgefield County

April 2023 Activities Report



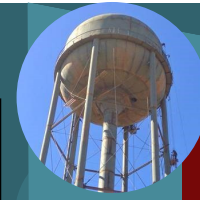
Aging

- 340 congregate meals served in Edgefield County in April
- 1,019 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 20 seniors served with transportation in County
- 1 senior received minor home repair in County
- 119 hours of home care, personal care provided



Community Development

- Held Edgefield County community needs assessment hearing for public comment Feb. 24
- Grant Application Development under the Community Development Block Grant program



Economic and Business Development

- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Discussed potential environmental assessment needs for a building rehab project
- Assisted with broadband internet access survey responses at regional Senior Citizens meeting and at other events
- Continued working with the SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
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Transportation

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Greenwood County

April 2023 Activities Report



Aging

- 204 congregate meals served in Greenwood County in April
- 5,518 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 75 seniors served with transportation in County
- 1 senior received minor home repair in County
- 329 hours of home care, personal care provided



Community Development

- Mathews Mill Sewer Upgrade Phase I construction began April 10; Phase II will go out to bid in June 2023
- Baptist Street Sewer Upgrade construction completion is expected July 30, 2023



Economic and Business Development

- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Met with group discussing transit expansion and alternatives in the county
- Attended Vision Greenwood board meeting
- Attended Digital Economy Ecosystem strategic planning sessions
- Met with Ninety Six National Historic Site planning committee
- Administered CDBG-CV funds to deliver 944 home-delivered meals to seniors in the County in April



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
- Continue to support Emergency Medical Technician and paramedic training as part of a federal grant



Transportation

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Laurens County

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Aging

- 140 congregate meals served in Laurens County in April
- 2,456 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 60 seniors served with transportation in County
- 18 hours of home care, personal care provided
- 1 senior received minor home repair in County



Community Development

- Clinton-Joanna Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade expected to bid in May 2023
- Highway 56/76 sewer upgrade completion expected in June 2023
- City of Clinton Fire Truck delivery expected June 2024



Economic and Business Development

- Submitted quarterly reports for Fibertex sewer and Metric Road water line, water tank Economic Development Administration (EDA) projects
- Contract for Fibertex Sewer Project has been awarded and signed. Metric Road Water Project nearing bid stage.



Government Services

- Researched and submitted a second Textile Communities Act Distressed Area determination letter for a potential development project
- Continued to work with LCWSC to administer two EDA projects
- Submitted two applications for environmental assessment grant program projects for the City of Clinton
- Met with City of Laurens grant writer to discuss potential projects
- Provided technical assistance on a zoning issue in Clinton



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
- Continue to support Emergency Medical Technician and paramedic training as part of a federal grant



Transportation

- Attended Zoom conference call meeting to discuss rural and small metro transportation planning issues from around nation
- Presented Strategic Ten-Year Asset Management Plan (STAMP) to USCOG Board for review as an amendment to the Long Range Plan. Document will serve to combine traffic safety performance measures and goals into one document.

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McCormick County

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Aging

- 315 congregate meals served in McCormick County in April
- 1,018 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 13 seniors served with transportation in County
- 21 hours of home care, personal care provided
- 1 senior received minor home repair in County



Community Development

- Town of McCormick Main Street Streetscape Phase II construction is under way including veterans park
- Held McCormick County community needs assessment hearing for public comment Feb. 23



Economic and Business Development

- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Submitted an application for environmental assessment grant program
- Continued working on the Town of McCormick Comprehensive Plan update
- Assisted with broadband internet access survey responses at regional Senior Citizens meeting and at other events



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
- Continue to support Emergency Medical Technician and paramedic training as part of a federal grant



Transportation

- Attended a Zoom conference call meeting to discuss rural and small metro transportation planning issues from around the nation
- Presented Strategic Ten-Year Asset Management Plan (STAMP) to the USCOG Board for review as an amendment to the Long Range Plan. Document will serve to combine traffic safety performance measures and goals into one document.

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Saluda County

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Aging

- 443 congregate meals served in Saluda County in April
- 577 Home-Delivered Meals served in County
- 17 seniors served with transportation in County
- Minor Home Repair program available for ramps, grab bars and hand rails



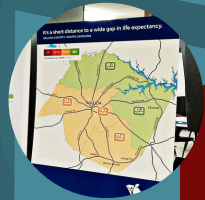
Community Development

- Town of Saluda Streetscape project for North Main and West Church streets going out to bid in July 2023
- Town of Ridge Spring Sewer Rehab project in start-up phase including acquisition, going out to bid in fall 2023



Economic and Business Development

- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Administered CDBG-CV funds to deliver 580 home-delivered meals to seniors in the County in April
- Assisted with broadband internet access survey responses at regional Senior Citizens meeting and at other events
- Continued working with the SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity



Workforce Development

- Updated "Your Next Step" booklet to be distributed to high school seniors before graduation; includes list of employers who hire recent high school graduates as well as job search tips
- Continue to support Emergency Medical Technician and paramedic training as part of a federal grant



Transportation

- Continued administering a temporary public transit program in County - 82 trips at 146 miles total from October through April
- Presented Strategic Ten-Year Asset Management Plan (STAMP) to the USCOG Board for review as an amendment to the Long Range Plan. Document will serve to combine traffic safety performance measures and goals into one document.

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