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**Abbeville County**

**December 2023 Activities Report**



## Aging

- 316 congregate meals served in Abbeville County
- 1,890 home-delivered meals served in County
- 19 seniors served with transportation in County
- 78 hours of home care, personal care provided
- 1 senior received minor home repair in County



## Community Development

- City of Abbeville Structure Demolition project bid package for asbestos testing is at Commerce for approval; 12 structures to be demolished, cleared
- City of Abbeville Chestnut Street Park improvements going out to bid in February 2024
- Abbeville County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 22 at 2 p.m.



## 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

- CDBG-CV funding provided 429 home-delivered meals to seniors in County in December
- Assisted the Town of Due West with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by the SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Met with Small Business Development Center regional board and reviewed business media strategies proposed by Lander University Business students for small businesses
- Attended a regional meeting of the SC Office of Resilience Air Quality workshop



## Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
- Services to Adults, Dislocated Workers and Youth (16-21) - employment and training opportunities in WIOA programs
- Business services to employers; On-The-Job Training (OJT) and Incumbent Worker Training (IWT)
- Regional and local job fairs



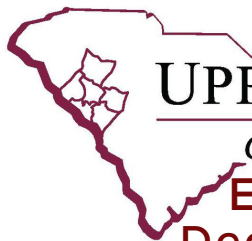
## Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying the cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; a draft report is available and is awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
- Participated in online meetings to discuss rural road safety and regional planning

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**Edgefield County**

**December 2023 Activities Report**



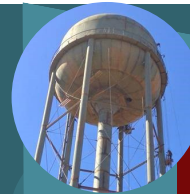
## Aging

- 332 congregate meals served in Edgefield County
- 1,142 home-delivered meals served in County
- 22 seniors served with transportation in County
- 42 hours of home care, personal care provided
- Minor Home Repair program available for ramps, grab bars and hand rails



## Community Development

- Edgefield County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 23 at 11 a.m.
- 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

- Assisted Town of Edgefield with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Continued assisting Town of Edgefield with four SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SCBEST) grant applications.
- Met with Small Business Development Center regional board and reviewed business media strategies proposed by Lander University Business students for small businesses



## Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
- Services to Adults, Dislocated Workers and Youth (16-21) - employment and training opportunities in WIOA programs
- Business services to employers; On-The-Job Training (OJT) and Incumbent Worker Training (IWT)
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## Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying the cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; a draft report is available and is awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
- Participated in online meetings to discuss rural road safety and regional planning

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## Greenwood County

### December 2023 Activities Report



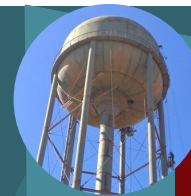
#### Aging

- 861 congregate meals served in Greenwood County
- 5,711 home-delivered meals served in County
- 99 seniors served with transportation in County
- 3 seniors received minor home repair in County
- 277 hours of home care, personal care provided



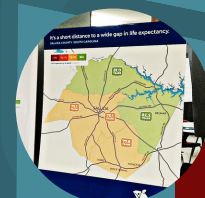
#### Community Development

- Mathews Mill Sewer Upgrade Phase I construction began in April; Phase II contract signed, construction start date March 3, 2024
- Booker T. Washington Sewer Upgrade project in engineering phase
- Greenwood County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 20 at noon



#### Economic and Business Development

- Submitted an application for EDA funds for Piedmont Technical College's Health Sciences Building
- Updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to keep region eligible for Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds



#### Government Services

- CDBG-CV funding provided 1,514 home delivered meals to seniors in Greenwood County
- Attended a Vision Greenwood board meeting to review Edgefield and South Main Street corridor improvement plans
- Assisted Ninety Six CPW and the Town of Ware Shoals with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by the SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Met with Ninety Six National Historic Site planning committee



#### Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
- Services to Adults, Dislocated Workers and Youth (16-21) - employment and training opportunities in WIOA programs
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- Regional and local job fairs



#### Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying the cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; a draft report is available and is awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
- Participated in online meetings to discuss rural road safety and regional planning



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**Laurens County**

## December 2023 Activities Report



### Aging

- 160 congregate meals served in Laurens County
- 2,655 home-delivered meals served in County
- 59 seniors served with transportation in County
- 203 hours of home care, personal care provided
- 2 seniors received minor home repair in County



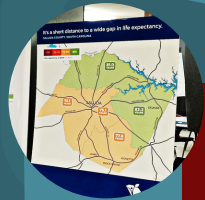
### Community Development

- Clinton-Joanna Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade construction began in December 2023
- City of Clinton Fire Truck delivery expected June 2024
- Laurens County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 21 at 10 a.m.



### Economic and Business Development

- Fibertex sewer construction is approximately 60% complete
- Metric Road water project will go out for bids in February 2024



### Government Services

- CDBG-CV funding provided 233 home-delivered meals to seniors in Laurens County in December
- Assisted Laurens CPW and the City of Clinton with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Continued to work with Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission to administer two Economic Development Administration projects



### Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
- Services to Adults, Dislocated Workers and Youth (16-21) - employment and training opportunities in WIOA programs
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### Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; a draft report is available and awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
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**McCormick County**

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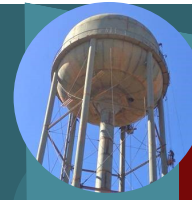
### Aging

- 286 congregate meals served in McCormick County
- 993 home-delivered meals served in County
- 13 seniors served with transportation in County
- 9 hours of home care, personal care provided
- 2 seniors received minor home repair in County



### Community Development

- Town of McCormick Main Street Streetscape Phase II construction is under way including veterans park, additional parking spaces at Town Hall; expected construction completion date March 24, 2024
- McCormick County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 20 at 2:30 p.m.



### 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 grant application for an improved sign at the Fort Charlotte historic site near Mt. Carmel
- Assisted McCormick CPW with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Met with Small Business Development Center regional board and reviewed business media strategies proposed by Lander University Business students for small businesses



### Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
- Services to Adults, Dislocated Workers and Youth (16-21) - employment and training opportunities in WIOA programs
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### Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; a draft report is available and awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
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**Saluda County**

## December 2023 Activities Report



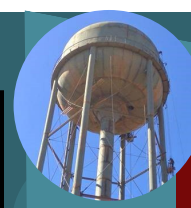
### Aging

- 444 congregate meals served in Saluda County
- 951 home-delivered meals served in County
- 9 seniors served with transportation in County
- Minor Home Repair program available for ramps, grab bars and hand rails



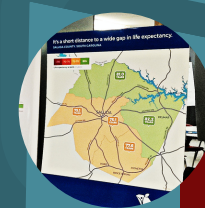
### Community Development

- Saluda Streetscape project for N. Main, W. Church streets bid package sent to Commerce for approval
- Town of Ridge Spring Sewer Rehab project in start-up phase including acquisition, going out to bid in Feb. 2024; engineer working on bid package, USCOG and Town working to acquire right of way
- Saluda County community needs assessment hearing scheduled for public comment Feb. 21 at 2 p.m.



### 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

- CDBG-CV funding provided 740 home-delivered meals to seniors in Saluda County in December
- Assisted the Town of Ridge Spring with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Met with Small Business Development Center regional board and reviewed business media strategies proposed by Lander University Business students for small businesses



### Workforce Development

- SC Works Centers administration
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### Transportation

- Continued working with a Federal Highways Administration group studying cause of roadway departure crashes in our region; draft report is available and awaiting cost proposals from SCDOT.
- Participated in SCDOT training to review, update urban boundary maps based on the 2020 Census
- Participated in online meetings to discuss rural road safety and regional planning