



**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

**Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg  
358 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936**

**JANUARY 19, 2021  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Officials Present:** Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark, Vice Chairman Dr. Curtis Brantley, Councilman L. Martin Sauls, Councilman Pastor Alvin Adkins and Councilman John Kemp.

**Staff Present:** County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda H. Simmons, County Attorney David Tedder, Administrative Services Director Kimberly Burgess, Emergency Services Director Chief Russell Wells, Lisa Wagner Director of Planning and Building and Jonathan Dunham.

**Others Present:** Willie Aiken, Coroner for Jasper County and Jessica Dailey, Community and Economic Development Specialist of the Lowcountry Council of Governments

**Call to Order:** Chairwoman Clark called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 PM.

Clerk of County Council, Wanda Simmons read the report of compliance with the Freedom of Information Act for the record.

**Executive Session**

**SECTION 30-4-70. Meetings which may be closed; procedure; circumvention of chapter; disruption of meeting; executive sessions of General Assembly.**

**(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:**

- (2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice related to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim – Sections 30-4-70(a)(2) – Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT); Sgt. Jasper Park**

Chairwoman Clark noted that they would be discussing any information or updates on the contract for Jasper Ocean Terminal. She also noted that on Sgt. Jasper Park they would be attempting to work out a contract.

**Motion to go into executive session to discuss the topics as presented on the agenda:** Councilman Sauls

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

**Return to regular session:**

**Motion to return to regular session:** Councilman Sauls

**Second:** Councilman Adkins

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley. The invocation was given by Councilman Sauls.

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion to approve the agenda as presented:** Councilman Sauls

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

This motion was not voted on.

**Motion to amend the agenda to remove New Business Item A, "Consideration of an SCA Board of Directors Appointment for 2021 for a 3-year term", and put it on the next meeting agenda:**

Councilman Kemp

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Vote:**

**Councilman Sauls:** No

**Councilman Adkins:** Yes

The motion passed.

**Motion to approve the amended agenda removed New Business Item A, "Consideration of an SCA Board of Directors Appointment for 2021 for a 3-year term":** Councilman Kemp

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Vote:**

**Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley:** Yes

**Councilman Sauls:** No

**Councilman Adkins:** Yes

The motion passed.

**Approval of the Minutes of January 4, 2021:**

**Motion made to approve the minutes of January 4, 2021 with the correction that Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley abstained from the vote to approve appointing Councilwoman Barbara Clark as Chairperson of the County Council:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Second:** Councilman Kemp

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

## **Presentations:**

### **A. Coroner Willie Aiken – Coroner’s Office**

Coroner Willie Aiken was present to address this request. He thanked everyone for having him there for the meeting and for working with him. He said he wanted to speak with the council collectively. He said he wanted to make sure everyone was on the same page to create the Coroner’s Office for the county. He said they were behind on getting what they need to operate, because the Coroner’s facility that they were trying to utilize was not up to code. He noted that thanks to Mr. Fulghum and staff they would be getting something temporary to house the equipment in that they would need for an office space. He thanked everyone for their assistance and asked to keep an open line of communication. He noted that he was currently driving his own vehicle for the Coroner’s use. He said he would continue to do so until the van that the county had purchased for the Coroner’s office was ready. He said his vehicle did not have lights on it, so it was taking him longer to get to the scene because he had to travel slower promoting safe travel. He said they were awaiting lights to be put on the van and hopefully that would be done within the next week then it would be ready for operation. He also noted that he was not using the Coroner’s morgue at this time, since it had a mold issue.

Dr. Brantley asked if the budget that was passed for this current year had been turned over to the Coroner. Chairwoman Clark said that the funds in the budget were there for the Coroner’s use, and that the county would begin work on the years upcoming budget shortly. Council continued with some further discussion of other issues of the regarding the Coroner’s office.

### **B. Jessica Dailey – Public Hearing for the 2021 Community Block Development Grant Needs Assessment by the Lowcountry Council of Governments.**

Ms. Jessica Dailey Community and Economic Development Specialist of the Lowcountry Council of Governments was present to answer any questions regarding this public hearing of the 2021 Community Block Development Grant Needs Assessment and to review this presentation with County Council and for the public. She noted that this program started on April 1, 2021. She reviewed each of the slides in depth for the public hearing and for Council. A copy of her presentation has been attached as Attachment A to the minutes of this meeting.

Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley asked Mr. Fulghum if we had applied for all of the grants that the county qualified for. Mr. Fulghum said that the county was a victim of its own success because they have the maximum number of allowable grants open at this time and therefore are precluded for applying for another grant until one of those are closed out. Mrs. Daily said the county could apply for the CDBG-CV1 Funding grant.

**Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 any citizen of the County may sign to speak before the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.**

Chairwoman Clark asked if there were any public comments for this meeting. Clerk to Council, Wanda Simmons noted that no public comments for this meeting had been received.

**Resolutions:** There were no resolutions for this meeting.

**Ordinances:**

**A. Lisa Wagner – Public hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance Number [2021-01](#) to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 040-00-02-094 from the Residential Zone and Community Commercial Zone to the Community Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.**

Lisa Wagner was present to address this request. She noted that the subject property consisted of 3.09 acres and was located at 12336 Speedway Boulevard. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as Community Commercial (CC). The property is currently split zoned Residential and Community Commercial. The property has been used for many years as a storage area although it has never been formally developed.

Ms. Wagner noted that according to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Urban Transition,” which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely or surrounded by the municipality. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation.

She noted that the adjacent parcels are zoned Community Commercial, Residential, and Planned Development District through the City of Hardeeville. Adjacent land uses are commercial, residential, and vacant property.

She stated that the subject property is accessed by Speedway Boulevard, which is a four-lane state maintained highway, classified as a major arterial road. Ms. Wagner noted that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request to have the property designated as Community Commercial.

Ms. Wagner noted that the property had been posted and that everyone had been notified and letters had been sent to the adjacent property owners. She said this had also been posted in the local paper.

**Motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of this ordinance as presented:** Councilman Kemp

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

**B: Lisa Wagner – Public hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance Number [2021-02](#) to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-00-01-001 from the Residential Zone and Community Commercial Zone to the Community Commercial Zone on the**

## Jasper County Official Zoning Map

Lisa Wagner was present to address this request. She noted that the subject property consisted of 24.04 acres and was located at the intersection of Alligator Aly and Speedway Boulevard. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as Community Commercial (CC). The property is currently split zoned Residential and Community Commercial. The property is undeveloped.

Ms. Wagner noted that according to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as "Resource Conservation," which are areas that fall alongside the rivers that flank the east and west of Jasper County. These areas should be used primarily for conservation and recreation. Any development should be very low in impact.

She noted the adjacent parcels are zoned Rural Preservation, Community Commercial and Resource Conservation. Adjacent land uses are residential, commercial, recreational, and vacant property. She stated that the subject property is accessed by Alligator Aly, which is a two lane state maintained highway, classified as an arterial road. Ms. Wagner said the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request to have the property designated as Community Commercial.

Ms. Wagner noted that the property had been posted and that everyone had been notified and letters had been sent to the adjacent property owners. She said this had also been posted in the local paper. She also noted that the applicant had provided his phone number if the council needed to call him.

**Motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of this ordinance as presented:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Second:** Councilman Kemp

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

**C: David Tedder – Public hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance Number [2021-03](#) to amend an ordinance # 2019-08 regarding the abandonment of a portion of Jasper Station Road.**

Mr. Tedder was present to address this request. He put the map up for public viewing and reviewed the area of the road that was being requested for the abandonment of the portion of Jasper Station Road. The map is attached to the minutes as Attachment B.

Councilman Kemp asked is this was a viable road at this time. Mr. Tedder noted that it is a maintained dirt road. Mr. Fulghum stated that it was a substantial road.

**Motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of this ordinance with the changes as presented:** Councilman

Kemp

**Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

## **New Business**

### **A: Andrew Fulghum – Consideration of an SCA Board of Directors Appointment for 2021 for a 3-year term.**

This item was removed from this agenda to be placed on the next council meeting.

### **Old Business:**

There was no old business for this agenda.

### **Council Members Comments:**

Chairwoman Clark stated that when Council receives their packet to please look through it and if they had any questions regarding their packet to please ask.

Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley stated that his prayer was that as we celebrated another Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday on yesterday that he trusts we would all internalize and personalize the principles that he advanced and demonstrate them in our encounter with all humankind.

Councilman Sauls said he had a few different calls, one today with the Executive Board and the Executive Director of Southern Carolina Alliance related to prospects for Sherwood and property at the South Carolina Port Authority. He noted they are working on incentives to be presented to the County Council within the next few meetings. He noted that at hospital the COVID cases are unfortunately continuing to increase. He noted that the vaccine itself is on limited stock, but he noted that the hospital is ready to go when the vaccines are available. He stated that with COVID cases rising and safety issues that the Chamber Board had postponed some of their functions. Councilman Sauls thanked all of the departments, staff, the emergency workers, hospital workers, the police and anyone working with people and dealing with COVID exposure for all that they are doing. He asked that God put a security blanket around these people when they are out dealing with the public and COVID exposure.

Councilman Adkins noted that he wanted to just thank God. He also noted that he had orientation on January 5<sup>th</sup> and January 7<sup>th</sup> and on January 13<sup>th</sup>. He said that it was good to meet great people and he was being like a sponge soaking up as much information and knowledge as possible. He thanked Mr. Fulghum, Ms. Simmons and Ms. Williams for setting the training up for him. He prayed that everyone will be well and that he will be praying for their family and asked or everyone to pray for his family also.

Councilman Kemp he said that he wanted to thank Delta Plantation because they have asked and agreed to take over the litter control and the coordination efforts of such in the Levy area. He noted he was at the Transportation Committee meeting. He said they gave out the 7 contracts and they have 16 contracts for next year, and he also congratulated Rudy Smith as the Chairman. He said he was at the Planning Commission meeting and congratulated Alex Pinckney for his re-election and said they discussed the driveway ordinance. He said he had also went to the Election Board meeting and that they have 2 new precincts. He said Okatie is now have Okatie 1 and Okatie 2 and Hardeeville, now has a third precinct so they have Hardeeville 1, Hardeeville 2 and Hardeeville 3. They are looking at putting an absentee ballot location in Hardeeville itself. They had one incident during the last election as the

absentee ballot did not get back to the person in time, which was a mailing problem. He also noted that they have a new clerk, Crystal Thomas and welcomed her. He thanked everyone who was working hard on COVID19. He said he was disappointed that Jasper County had been left off a lot and that he wants interest generated in Jasper County.

Chairwoman Clark also said she had a plaque to get to Mr. Fulghum from Dr. Anderson. She said the school board members wanted to thank the Council and had a plaque to put up in the county building to hang upon our wall. We need to be eager to support one another, she noted. She cautioned everyone about having previous information from employees for items that need to be voted on by council. She said in a situation such as that, since you have previous knowledge, and it comes before council you would have to recuse yourself because you had previous knowledge and information the other council members did not have. She said she wanted everyone to work together. She encouraged council that if they had any questions or concerns to get with the Administrator and noted that Mr. Fulghum is there to assist council and to try to get you what you need. She also mentioned that there are appointments to different Boards and Commissions that are detrimental to the County if we were to swap the members that had been appointed. She encouraged them to think about it, read about it and talk to other members on those Boards and Commissions so they had a good understanding because we want Jasper County to shine. We are going to work as one on this council.

#### **Administrator's Report:**

Mr. Fulghum said he had provided his Administrators report and a 2 week Progress Report in Council's packet. He said he did have a couple of things review and then would be available for any questions.

Mr. Fulghum said he had been approached by the City of Hardeeville for a potential partnership regarding a communication tower in the southern portion of the county. He said he would be meeting with them tomorrow to get further information.

Mr. Fulghum also noted that he and Mr. Tedder had been in a meeting today for Exit 3 (their weekly call) in regards to the terms of financing for Exit 3. He said he would be working with Chairwoman Clark to set this up for a workshop on that issue.

Mr. Fulghum noted the impact that COVID 19 had on the organization. He stated that if everyone had been following the news that they probably heard about the FFCRA (Families First Corona Virus Response Act). This is a Federal act that impacted the county as an employer of having 500 or fewer people, and we were mandated to provide emergency paid sick leave and also emergency family medical leave for COVID19 related sickness or caring for a family member. That has now expired, and counties had been communicating about what to do next. He said they have had a good opportunity to review the impact on our county, our employees and our finances and mentioned that the employees had been fantastic with their assistance.

The virus has been through the organization in several different departments and we have continued to provide the services to the citizens. He noted that we have had first responders and public safety be exposed in the daily duties of their job, but we have kept all services running. From a financial impact, when we have an employee exposed at work and they have to miss work (as hourly employees), we have

to have someone fill that shift. We are having to pay that employee and pay overtime to have people fill in for those employees, so we are getting expenses in two ways. For the employees who have had to take off time due to exposure, we have generated a number of hours accumulated at a cost of \$57,532.55 to date. The dollar amount for filling the gaps and providing overtime to those employees filling in is \$30,988.92 to date. The total currently \$88,500,00 spent thus far with the pandemic and just covering the shifts.

He said he has been impressed with how employees are being honest and reporting about their exposure, when they report at work, out of work and family member exposures. We have come up with an internal policy of how we will move forward with accounting for the time employees need with a fairly simple policy. We feel the employee needs to be paid if they are sick and go out. If an employee has a known exposure at the workplace, we feel it is necessary to provide admin leave with pay to the employee. If the employee is exposed away from work, they must use their own time.

Mr. Fulghum said Chief Wells had the COVID statistics report. Chief Wells presented the COVID statistics report and reviewed the positivity rate of the State of South Carolina and of Jasper County. He also noted where DHEC was holding testing sites and locations. This report is attached as Attachment B.

**Adjourn:**

**Motion to adjourn:** Councilman Sauls

**Second:** Chairwoman Clark

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Wanda H. Simmons  
Clerk to Council

Approved:



Barbara B. Clark  
Chairwoman



*Attachment "A"*

**2021  
Community Development  
Block Grant (CDBG)**

***Program Year: April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022***

Community and Economic Development  
Strengthening People Strengthening Communities



[www.lowcountrycog.org](http://www.lowcountrycog.org)

# FAIR HOUSING IS THE LAW

Also, as a part of the requirements of the program, the locality is expected to undertake activities that promote Fair Housing. Title VIII of the Civil Rights of 1968 stipulates that we all have the right to be treated fairly regardless of our race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.



**In the sale and rental of housing**

**In residential real estate transactions**

**In the provision of brokerage services**

***If you believe that you have been a victim of discriminatory housing practices, you have avenues by which the matter can be investigated.***



**Beaufort County and Lowcountry Council of Governments are committed to Fair Housing.**

**For more information contact**

**LCOG at (843) 473-3990.**

**The SC CDBG Program is designed to provide assistance to units of local government in improving economic opportunities and meeting community revitalization needs, particularly for persons of low and moderate income (LMI).**

# **LMI QUALIFIED**

## Beaufort County

|                   | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>8+</b> |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
|                   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person    |
| <b>30% Limits</b> | \$17,150 | \$19,600 | \$22,050 | \$24,450 | \$26,450 | \$28,400 | \$30,350 | \$32,300  |
| <b>50% Limits</b> | \$28,550 | \$32,600 | \$36,700 | \$40,750 | \$44,050 | \$47,300 | \$50,550 | \$53,800  |
| <b>80% Limits</b> | \$45,650 | \$52,200 | \$58,700 | \$65,200 | \$70,450 | \$75,650 | \$80,850 | \$86,100  |

# LMI QUALIFIED

Colleton, Hampton, & Jasper Counties

|            | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>8+</b> |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
|            | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person   | Person    |
| 30% Limits | \$11,000 | \$12,600 | \$14,150 | \$15,700 | \$17,000 | \$18,250 | \$19,500 | \$20,750  |
| 50% Limits | \$18,350 | \$21,000 | \$23,600 | \$26,200 | \$28,300 | \$30,400 | \$32,500 | \$34,600  |
| 80% Limits | \$29,350 | \$33,550 | \$37,750 | \$41,900 | \$45,300 | \$48,650 | \$52,000 | \$55,350  |

**The CDBG program has been funded through the State since 1982 by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title I of the Housing Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (Title I).**

**The Annual allocation from HUD for the program is administered by the S C Department of Commerce – Division of Grant Administration. SC has been allotted approximately \$20,214,575 in CDBG funds for 2021.**



# **SC STATE CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

## **Draft 2021 Action Plan**

Written comments on the plan can be submitted from January 4 - February 4, 2021.

Email: [lrross@sccommerce.com](mailto:lrross@sccommerce.com)

Mail: SC Department of Commerce  
Grants Administration  
1201 Main Street, Suite 1600  
Columbia, SC 29201

# **GRANT PROGRAM CATEGORIES**

**There are three broad grant program categories:**

- Community Development**
- Business Development**
- Regional Planning**

**The Community Development Program is further broken down into several subcategories to address infrastructure, community facilities, and neighborhood priorities as follows:**

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

|   |
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| <b>COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE</b><br>\$12,378,139 |
| <b>APPLICATION REQUEST</b> Mid-March            |
| <b>APPLICATION DEADLINE</b> Mid-April           |
| <b>WATER</b>                                    |
| <b>SEWER</b>                                    |
| <b>DRAINAGE</b>                                 |
| <b>ROADS</b>                                    |
| <b>MINIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$50,000        |
| <b>MAXIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$750,000       |

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| <b>SPECIAL PROJECTS</b> \$1,000,000                    |
| <b>APPLICATION REQUEST</b> Mid-August                  |
| <b>APPLICATION DEADLINE</b> Mid-September              |
| <b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>                            |
| <b>PUBLIC HEALTH &amp; SAFETY</b>                      |
| <b>ENERGY CONSERVATION &amp; HISTORIC PRESERVATION</b> |
| <b>PARK/TRAILS/GREENWAYS</b>                           |
| <b>MINIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$50,000               |
| <b>MAXIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$200,000              |

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| <b>COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT</b><br>\$3,000,000   |
| <b>APPLICATION REQUEST</b> Mid-August  |
| <b>APPLICATION DEADLINE</b> Mid-September  |
| <b>BROWNFIELD PROJECTS/DEMOLITION OBSOLETE BUILDINGS</b>                             |
| <b>DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS*</b>  |
| <b>PLANNING FOR REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE</b><br>(\$25,000 maximum)                    |
| <b>LIBRARIES</b>   |
| <b>PUBLICLY OWNED FACILITIES</b>   |
| <b>TRANSPORTATION-ORIENTED PUBLIC FACILITIES</b>                                     |
| <b>PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES/SERVICES</b>   |
| <b>DEMOLITION VACANT, DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES TO ADDRESS/SUPPORT CRIME PREVENTION</b> |
| <b>FIRE SUBSTATIONS OR FIRE TRUCKS</b>   |
| <b>HEALTH CLINIC FACILITIES/EQUIPMENT</b>  |
| <b>PUBLIC FACILITY MODIFICATIONS</b>   |
| <b>MINIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$50,000   |
| <b>MAXIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT</b> - \$500,000*<br>(*\$750,000 for streetscape projects)  |

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| READY TO GO   | \$600,000 |
| APPLICATION REQUEST ONGOING<br>APPLICATION DUE 30 DAYS AFTER REQUEST  |           |
| ACTIVITIES LISTED IN COMMUNITY<br>INFRASTRUCTURE & COMMUNITY<br>ENRICHMENT  |           |
| MINIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT - \$50,000<br>MAXIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT - \$500,000*<br>(*maximum waiver available)   |           |
| NATIONAL OBJECTIVE  |           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Benefit low-to-moderate income (“LMI”) Persons</li> <li>•Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight</li> <li>•Meet other urgent community needs posing a serious threat to the health or welfare of the community</li> </ul> |           |

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| NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION<br>\$1,000,000- MUST HAVE A PLAN  |
| APPLICATION REQUEST Mid-August<br>APPLICATION DEADLINE Mid-September  |
| INFRASTRUCTURE - WATER, SEWER, ROADS,<br>DRAINAGE   |
| PUBLIC FACILITIES (SIDEWALKS, SECURITY<br>LIGHTING, CAMERAS, POLICE SUBSTATIONS)  |
| HOUSING - INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT<br>AFFORDABLE HOUSING   |
| HOUSING - LIMITED EXTERIOR ONLY   |
| DEMOLITION AND CLEARANCE OF<br>VACANT/DILAPIDATED PROPERTIES  |
| PUBLIC SERVICES (CRIME WATCH PROGRAM,<br>DRUG/GANG EDUCATION,<br>AWARENESS/PREVENTION PROGRAMS)                             |
| MINIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT - \$50,000<br>MAXIMUM FUNDING AMOUNT - \$500,000*<br>(*\$750,000 if project includes infrastructure) |

**10% MATCH REQUIREMENT FOR ALL PROJECTS**

# GRANT PROGRAM CATEGORIES

## **Business Development Program: \$2,000,000**

This program provides financial resources for local governments to pursue opportunities that create new jobs, retain existing employment, stimulate private investment, and revitalize or facilitate the competitiveness of the local economy. Funding will be prioritized based on the following order:

1. New or expanding businesses tied to job creation
2. Area economic development activities not associated with job creation
3. New or expanding local businesses that provide essential goods and services in predominately LMI communities

## **Regional Planning Program: \$500,000**

This program is designed to provide CDBG funds to Councils of Governments to assist local governments in developing plans and building local community development capacity.

## **State TA & Admin:**

**\$ 703,850**

# OPPORTUNITY ZONES

Projects located in Opportunity Zones will receive an additional 10 bonus points ([scoppportunityzone.com](http://scoppportunityzone.com))



## **PERFORMANCE THRESHOLD**

**A unit of local government can apply for an additional Community Development grant if it has no more than two open CDBG grants (excluding Business Development or Regional Planning grants).**

**However, the open grants must not have exceeded a 30-month grant period.**

# **PERFORMANCE THRESHOLD**

**No more than one Neighborhood Revitalization/Village Renaissance or streetscape project.**

**No more than one Ready to Go project.**

**No more than one project for the same general target area/neighborhood open at the same time, unless the current project is under construction.**



# **BEAUFORT COUNTY / LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL HOME CONSORTIUM**

**The Beaufort County/Lowcountry Regional HOME Consortium (LRHC) is comprised of the following counties: Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper and all 21 municipalities in the region.**

# **BEAUFORT COUNTY / LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL HOME CONSORTIUM**

## **TOP THREE OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Rehabilitation of substandard housing**
- 2. Increase accessibility to adequate and affordable housing**
- 3. Support the development and availability of safe, decent, and affordable housing**

# **BEAUFORT COUNTY / LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL HOME CONSORTIUM**

**Beaufort, Hampton, Colleton and Jasper Counties have areas that are in need of affordable housing, rehabilitation of substandard housing, and demolition of vacant/dilapidated houses.**

**As the housing stock ages, there becomes a greater need for rehabilitation of substandard houses and the number of vacant/dilapidated houses increases while increasing the number of persons at risk for homelessness.**

**Please give us a list of the priority housing needs for your area to be considered in our upcoming 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan to be submitted to HUD by April 30, 2021.**

# **CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE** **(CDBG-CV1)**

- ▶ Funding is part of the March 2020 CARES Act
- ▶ Projects must meet one of three national objectives:
  - Benefit to low-to moderate income persons
  - Aid in the preventing or eliminating of slum and blight
  - Meet an urgent need
- ▶ Environmental Reviews and other program requirements apply
- ▶ Does not count against CDBG threshold
- ▶ No local match required.
- ▶ For more info: [www.cdbgsc.com](http://www.cdbgsc.com)

# COMMUNITY/PUBLIC SERVICES

- ▶ Purpose - Provide new or quantifiably increased public services that will primarily benefit low and moderate income (LMI) individuals and are needed to prepare for, respond to and prevent the coronavirus
- ▶ Award - \$214,621 per County or \$858,483 for Lowcountry Region
- ▶ Deadline - Funding priorities due by March 1, 2021
- ▶ Possible activities (not limited to):
  - Personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - Lease of a facility, equipment and other property needed for a public service (ventilators, medical equipment, vehicle for mobile health care)
  - COVID-19 testing and contact tracking
  - Food pantries
  - Food distribution and delivery for elderly or other primarily LMI residents
  - After school education
  - Senior services

# PUBLIC FACILITIES

- ▶ Purpose - To adapt, retrofit or rehabilitate existing schools and other publicly owned facilities to provide services in a manner that complies with public health guidelines
- ▶ Award - \$3,000,000 statewide competition
- ▶ Deadline - Letter of Intent due by July 1, 2021
- ▶ Possible activities (not limited to):
  - HVAC and air filtration improvements
  - Expansion and remodeling of classrooms to facilitate social distancing
  - Equipment or public improvements needed to expand or improve internet access

Attachment D



# Jasper County COVID Statistics



South Carolina Positivity Rate as of 19, January 2021: **27.1%**  
Jasper County Positivity Rate as of 19, January 2021: **28.4%**  
Date range is 01/03/2021 through 01/16/2021

COVID-19 in South Carolina  
As of 11:59 PM on 1/16/2021

Number of Tests | JASPER: **808**

Select Date Range to Filter Page Values: 1/3 2021 to 1/16 2021

Percent Positive | JASPER: **28.4%**

Rate of COVID-19 Tests Performed  
County Displayed: Jasper Dates Displayed: 1/3 2021 to 1/16 2021



Rate of Testing: 26.54 | 76.43

Type of COVID-19 Tests Being Performed  
County Displayed: JASPER Dates Displayed: 1/3 2021 to 1/16 2021

|                     | Positive | Negative | Grand Total |
|---------------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Virial (Molecular)  | 228      | 499      | 727         |
| Antigen             | 23       | 52       | 75          |
| Antibody (Serology) | 3        | 2        | 5           |
| Unknown             |          | 1        | 1           |
| Grand Total         | 254      | 554      | 808         |

**11.5%** of all COVID-19 diagnostic testing has occurred at the Public Health Laboratory.  
 Note: This table represents volume of tests received and not distinct individuals tested. Individuals may have multiple tests.  
 \*Unknown Test Types refer to tests with an unrecognized test type. As we continue to investigate unknown test types, they will be reclassified as more information becomes available.

- Number of individuals tested with a Viral Test
- Number of Confirmed Cases
- 7 Day Moving Average Percent Positive

Moving 7 Day Average Percent Positive of COVID-19 Tests  
 County Displayed: Jasper Dates Displayed: 1/3 2021 to 1/16 2021  
 Note: Tooltips Display Percent Positive for the current day and moving 7 day average

## Daily Reported Case Count

| Date  | Cases | Date  | Cases |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 01/03 | 22    | 01/10 | 16    |
| 01/04 | 10    | 01/11 | 5     |
| 01/05 | 9     | 01/12 | 6     |
| 01/06 | 21    | 01/13 | 13    |
| 01/07 | 7     | 01/14 | 34    |
| 01/08 | 28    | 01/15 | 5     |
| 01/09 | 19    | 01/16 | 6     |

## Community Testing information

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## DHEC - Jasper County Health Department (Closed Today)

0.67 miles away

### Dates and Times

1/19 Tuesday: Closed  
1/20 Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
1/21 Thursday: Closed  
1/22 Friday: Closed  
1/23 Saturday: Closed  
1/24 Sunday: Closed  
1/25 Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

### Further Information

Free Covid Testing every Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

Appointment Needed: No

Referral Needed: No

Pediatric Testing Available: Yes - All Ages

### Address

651 Grays Hwy, Ridgeland, SC 29936

### Customer Service Number

855-472-3432

### More Information or Pre-Registration (if applicable)

Pre-register at <https://scdhec.gov/GetTested>

## \*\*Free\*\*

## Coastal Carolina Hospital - Coastal Carolina Hospital (Open Today)

12.30 miles away

### Dates and Times

1/19 Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
1/20 Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
1/21 Thursday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
1/22 Friday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
1/23 Saturday: Closed  
1/24 Sunday: Closed  
1/25 Monday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Further Information

Open weekdays from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. \*\*CLOSED 12/24, 12/25, 12/31 & 1/1\*\*

Appointment Needed: No

Referral Needed: No

Pediatric Testing Available: Yes - All Ages

### Address

1000 Medical Center Dr, Hardeeville, SC 29927

### More Information or Pre-Registration (if applicable)

Pre-register at <https://www.hiltonheadregional.com/our-response-to-COVID-19>



## Phase 1a and 70+ (Currently Ongoing)

Beginning Wednesday, Jan. 13, any South Carolina resident aged 70 or older, regardless of health status or preexisting conditions, [can begin scheduling their appointment to receive COVID-19 vaccine](#). A map with current locations accepting vaccine appointments will be available at [scdhec.gov/vaxlocator](https://scdhec.gov/vaxlocator) beginning Wednesday, Jan 13. Employers are encouraged to reach out to their local hospitals as soon as possible and no later than Jan. 15, 2021, with a list of names and contact information of employees who want to be vaccinated. In addition, individuals in Phase 1a who want to be vaccinated should contact their local hospitals to request and schedule an appointment no later than Jan. 15, 2021. Individuals making appointments may need to present credentials to verify they qualify to receive vaccination under Phase 1a. This includes providing some proof (e.g., badge, card, license, personalized letter from employer, picture of license) of Phase 1a qualification when presenting for the vaccination.

### **Phase 1a includes:**

- **Healthcare workers**
  - Initial focus on frontline healthcare workers at high risk of exposure and mission-critical to the overarching goal of preventing death
  - Healthcare workers and medical staff can use [SCHA's list of hospital contact information](#) to schedule their vaccines.
- **Residents and staff of long-term care facilities**
- **Admitted hospital patients, who are aged 65 years and older, as long as they do not currently have COVID-19 and a provider feels it is indicated for them**
- **Anyone 70 years and older, regardless of health status or preexisting conditions**
- **State/local government employees and their contractors who are mission-critical for maintaining operations of COVID-19 vaccinations and testing in SC**

### **Healthcare workers include:**

- Anesthesiology assistants, registered cardiovascular invasive specialists, and operating room staff
- Athletic Trainers
- American Sign Language (ASL) and other interpreters in healthcare facilities
- Autopsy room staff, coroners, embalmers, and funeral home staff at risk of exposure to bodily fluids
- Chiropractors
- Dentists and dental hygienists and technicians
- Dietary and food services staff in healthcare facilities
- Environmental services staff in healthcare facilities
- Harbor pilots
- Home health and hospice workers

- Hospital transport personnel
- Laboratory personnel and phlebotomists
- Licensed dietitians
- Medical assistants
- Medical first responders (paid and volunteer): EMS; fire department and law enforcement personnel who provide emergency medical care
- Nurses, nurse practitioners, and nurse's aides/ assistants
- Opticians and optometrists and assistants/ technicians
- Persons providing medical care in correctional facilities and correctional officers
- Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians
- Physical and occupational therapists and assistants
- Physicians, including medical house staff (i.e., interns, residents, fellows), and physician assistants
- Podiatrists
- Public health healthcare workers who are frequently interacting with persons with potential COVID-19 infection
- Radiology technicians
- Respiratory care practitioners, such as respiratory therapists
- Speech language pathologists and assistants and audiologists
- Students and interns of the above categories

Phase 1b

**Phase 1b (Late Winter 2021)**

\*All time estimates are subject to change due to vaccine availability, demand, and provider participation.

**Phase 1b includes:**

- **Frontline essential workers**
  - Sectors included by ACIP: firefighters, law enforcement officers, corrections officers, food and agricultural workers, USPS workers, manufacturing workers, grocery store workers, public transit workers, and those who work in the educational sector—teachers, support staff, and daycare workers

**Phase 1.C:**

**Phase 1c (Early Spring 2021)**

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**\*All time estimates are subject to change due to vaccine availability, demand, and provider participation.  
Phase 1c includes:**

- All people aged 65 and older
- People aged 16 and older with certain underlying health conditions that puts them at high risk for severe disease ([list by CDC](#))
- Other essential workers
  - Examples included by ACIP: people who work in transportation and logistics, food service, housing construction and finance, information technology, communications, energy, law, media, public safety, and public health staff who are non-frontline healthcare workers