State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed. **Failure to provide all requested information will delay the disbursement of funds. Please return completed form to Roxanne Ancheta, AnchetaRM@scdot.gov**

Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
$500,000	U120 - Department of Transportation	Regional Rural Transportation Transit - Bamberg, Barnwell, Allendale Counties

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Lower Savannah Council of Governments
SCEIS Vendor #	7000025871
SCEIS Vendor Address	2748 Wagener Road, Aiken SC 29801
Tax ID#	57-0510796
Entity Type	Other

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	William Molnar
Position/Title	Exectuive Director
Telephone	803-649-7601
Email	wmolnar@lscog.org

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
Salaries	$118,258.00	
Fringe	$87,002.00	
Travel	$2,000.00	Professional development and mileage
Equipment		
Supplies	$1,000.00	Copies and materials
Contractual	$175,000.00	Estimated cost of a consultant
Other	$2,000.00	Meetings and hearings
Indirect Charges		
	$114,740.00	
Grand Total	$500,000.00	

Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

The Lower Savannah Council of Governments (LSCOG) serves six counties: Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, and Orangeburg. LSCOG has identified critical transportation gaps in Allendale, Bamberg, and Barnwell counties, where rural transit options are severely limited. These gaps create significant barriers to employment, healthcare, education, and essential services, particularly for low-income residents, older adults, youth, and individuals with disabilities. Lower Savannah Council of Governments (LSCOG) staff will initiate, cooridate and implement a regional transit study in Barnwell, Bamberg and Allendale counties. The study will be preformed by a consultant hired through an RFP process. The study will assess the current transit situation in these rural counties (financial, administrative, etc.) and provide regional alternatives with regard to strengthening workforce transit, accessing medical and esstential trip transportation for seniors and others, and creating a more reliable service organization that reaches across county lines. The study will focus on how to best structure, operate, and sustain services for a transit system within these very rural and challenged areas. LSCOG staff will manage the process and implement the results.

Organization Certifications

1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise

subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.

Organization Signature

Ex Director
Title

William Malvar, PhD
Printed Name

11/10/2026
Date

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act.
2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2027.
5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act.
6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2027.

Agency Head Signature

11.18.2026
Date

Justin P. Powell
Printed Name