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Abbeville County
August 2024 Activities Report



Aging

- 20,662 home-delivered meals served in Abbeville County in FY 24
- 4,112 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 21 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 1,165 hours of home care, personal care provided during FY 24
- 15 seniors received minor home repair services



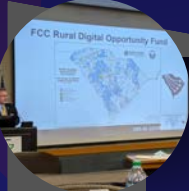
Community Development

- City of Abbeville Structure Demolition project completed in July; 12 structures demolished and cleared, closeout monitoring to begin soon
- City of Abbeville Chestnut Street Park improvements including addition of benches and playground equipment going out to bid in October 2024



Economic and Business Development

- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Assisted Town of Due West with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by the SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Continued working with SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity in several communities including Abbeville County's Calhoun Falls Rail Site C
- Met with the statewide Drought Committee to evaluate drought status across the region and state



Workforce Development

- Five job seekers attended ACS hiring events Aug. 20 and 22 in Abbeville
- Served 14 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at Abbeville SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August regionwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety

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Edgefield County

August 2024 Activities Report



Aging

- 14,816 home-delivered meals served in Edgefield County in FY 24
- 4,105 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 22 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 1,246 hours of home care, personal care provided in FY 24
- 14 seniors received minor home repair services



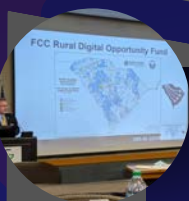
Community Development

- Submitting Community Development Block Grant application for fire truck for Town of Edgefield
- Grant Application Development under the Community Development Block Grant program



Economic and Business Development

- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Assisted Town of Edgefield with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by the SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Continued working with SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity in several communities including Edgefield sites Crest Manufacturing, Edgefield High, Plantation House, and Pottersville
- Met with the statewide Drought Committee to evaluate drought status across the region and state



Workforce Development

- Served 23 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at Edgefield SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August regionwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety



Aging

- 70,653 home-delivered meals served in Greenwood Co. in FY 24
- 10,111 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 92 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 5,925 hours of home care, personal care provided in FY 24
- 38 seniors received minor home repair services



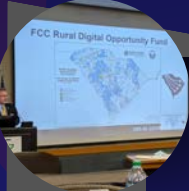
Community Development

- Mathews Mill Sewer Phase I completed in July 2024, working on closeout monitoring; Phase II construction began May 2024
- Booker T. Washington Sewer project construction began in July 2024
- Waller Avenue Streetscape construction to begin Nov. 11, 2024, completion expected March 31, 2025
- DSS Building Improvements project in start-up phase



Economic and Business Development

- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Implementation Plan to the Greenwood County Transportation Committee
- Attended a Vision Greenwood board meeting
- Continued work on environmental reviews for new CDBG grant awards for Greenwood City and County
- Assisted Ninety Six CPW and the Town of Ware Shoals with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by the SC Infrastructure Improvement Program



Workforce Development

- 86 job seekers attended ES Foundry Job Fair Aug. 29 at Piedmont Technical College in Greenwood
- 23 job seekers attended Fibertex Nonwoven hiring event Aug. 21
- Served 656 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at Greenwood SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August nationwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety

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Council of Governments
Laurens County
August 2024 Activities Report



Aging

- 31,238 home-delivered meals served in Laurens County in FY 24
- 1,798 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 56 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 2,098 hours of home care, personal care provided in FY 24
- 16 seniors received minor home repair services



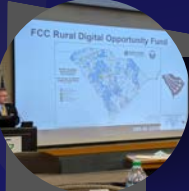
Community Development

- Clinton-Joanna Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade construction began December 2023; completion expected October 31, 2024
- Clinton-Joanna WTP upgrade Phase II including the addition of a 750,000 gallon tank is in start-up phase



Economic and Business Development

- Fibertex sewer construction is now complete
- Contracts have been awarded on the Metric Road water project and the notice to proceed has been issued
- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application



Government Services

- Assisted Laurens CPW, City of Clinton with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Continued work with Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission to administer two EDA projects
- Continued working with the SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity in several communities including Lydia Mill and Academy Mill
- Met with the statewide Drought Committee to evaluate drought status across the region and state



Workforce Development

- 136 job seekers, 27 employers attended Laurens Summer Job Fair Aug. 15 at Laurens County PTC campus
- Served 212 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at Laurens SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August regionwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety

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McCormick County
August 2024 Activities Report



Aging

- 12,688 home-delivered meals served in McCormick Co. in FY 24
- 3,428 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 11 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 964 hours of home care, personal care provided in FY 24
- 13 seniors received minor home repair services



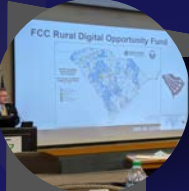
Community Development

- Town of McCormick Main Street Streetscape Phase II construction is under way including veterans park, additional parking spaces at Town Hall; construction expected to be completed at end of 2024



Economic and Business Development

- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Assisted McCormick CPW with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program
- A Town of McCormick grant application for electric vehicle charging stations was funded by SC Energy Office; USCOC will administer the grant
- A grant application on behalf of Greenwood and McCormick County SC 250 committees to install signs commemorating Revolutionary War events along the county line was awarded



Workforce Development

- Served 17 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at McCormick SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August regionwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety



Aging

- 9,879 home-delivered meals served in Saluda County in FY 24
- 5,257 congregate meals served in County in FY 24
- An average of 15 seniors per month served with transportation in County in FY 24
- 520 hours of home care, personal care provided in FY 24



Community Development

- Submitting CDBG application for Saluda County Library renovations at 307 W. Butler Street
- Saluda Streetscape for N. Main, W. Church streets construction began in May 2024
- Town of Ridge Spring Sewer Rehab project in right of way acquisition phase, will go out to bid after acquisitions are complete



Economic and Business Development

- Worked with Piedmont Technical College to provide additional information on its Health Sciences Building EDA grant application
- Loans available to help small businesses start up or expand



Government Services

- Assisted Town of Ridge Spring with grant administration for infrastructure improvements funded by SC Infrastructure Improvement Program.
- Attended a project open house for residents to share areas of concern for stormwater problems in Town of Ridge Spring
- Continued working with the SC Brownfields Environmental Site Testing (SC BEST) funding opportunity in several communities including Riverside School in Saluda



Workforce Development

- Sixteen job seekers, nine employers attended Saluda Summer Job Fair July 24 at Saluda County PTC campus
- Served 18 job seekers with on-line or in-person services at Saluda SC Works Center in August
- 1,288 individuals received at least one service online or in-person during August nationwide



Transportation

- Met with representatives of Greenwood and Saluda counties to discuss transportation corridor priorities for SCDOT
- Presented the regional Roadway Departure Safety Action Plan to the National Center for Rural Road Safety