## COUNTY OF GREENVILLE STATISTICAL INFORMATION

## **DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

## **Population Growth**

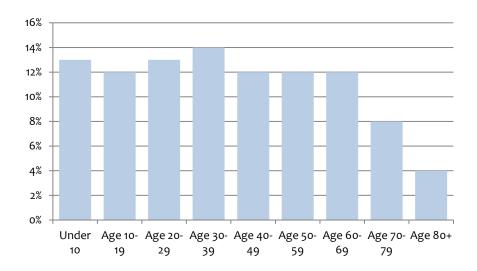
The population of the County is estimated to be 575,020 for 2026. Greenville County is the largest county in population in South Carolina. Growth rates have averaged 1.44% per year since 2021.

				Projected Annual Growth
Total Population	2010	2021	2026	Rate
Greenville County	451,225	535,463	575,020	1.44%
Upstate SC	1,362,073	1,544,124	1,631,029	1.10%
South Carolina	4,625,364	5,321,206	5,665,411	1.26%

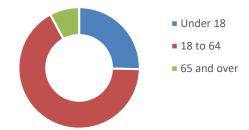
Source: Appalachian Council of Governments

## **Population by Age**

The following chart depicts the age distribution of the population of Greenville County. The median age of the Greenville population is 38.5.



## **Population by Age Category**



## **Population by Race and Ethnicity**

Race/Ethnicity	2010	2021	2026
White	73.8%	72.4%	65.4%
Black	18.1%	17.4%	15.8%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.3%	0.3%	0.1%
Asian	2.0%	2.8%	2.4%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Some Other Race	3.9%	4.6%	0.4%
Two or More Races	1.9%	2.5%	4.2%
Hispanic Origin	8.1%	9.6%	11.7%

## **Households and Families**

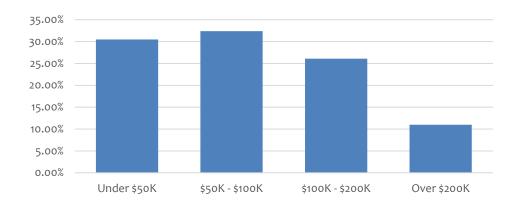
Greenville County is estimated to have 226,571 households in 2026. The population by household type is listed in the chart below.

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Households and Families	Greenville County	South Carolina	United States
Married Couples	66.4%	59.2%	59.6%
Male householder	4.6%	5.5%	6.5%
Female householder	12.6%	17.7%	15.8%
Non-family	16.5%	17.6%	18.1%

## **ECONOMIC INFORMATION**

## Per Capita Income and Median Household Income

The per capita personal income for Greenville County in 2026 is \$42,204. The estimated median household income for the County is \$76,334. The household income for Greenville County is shown in the chart below.



## **Capital Investment**

Over the past five years, Greenville has attracted more than \$2.725 billion in new business investments and 8,420 new jobs. This growth has allowed for more businesses to be created per capita than any other region in the southeastern United States. This table sets forth the total capital investment for new and expanded industry within the County for the last five years.

Year	Total Investment	Jobs Created
2020	\$ 632 Million	1,422
2021	\$ 142 Million	1,836
2022	\$ 470 Million	2,326
2023	\$ 596 Million	1,500
2024	\$ 885 Million	1,336
Five Year Total	\$ 2.725 Billion	8,420

## **Major Employers**

The following table shows the ten largest employers located within the County, the type of business and their approximate number of employees.

Company Name	Type of Business	Employment
Prisma Health	Health Services	10,000+
Greenville County Schools	Public Education	10,000+
Michelin North America, Inc.	Headquarters/R&D/Mfg (radial tires)	4,001-5,000
Bon Secours St. Francis Health System	Health Services	4,001-5,000
GE Vernova	Turbines	2,501-3,000
Greenville County Government	Local Government	2,501-3,000
State of South Carolina	State Government	2,501-3,000
TD Bank	Financial Services	2,001-2,500
Lockheed Martin	Aircraft manufacturing	1,501-2,000
Fluor Corporation	Engineering/Construction Services	1,501-2,000

## **Assessed Value of Taxable Property**

The assessed value of all taxable property in the County for the last five fiscal years is set forth below:

	Assessed Value in County			1	Total Assessed	
Fiscal Year		Real Property Personal Property			Value	
2020	\$	1,999,847,000	\$	539,246,000	\$	2,539,093,000
2021	\$	2,092,121,000	\$	550,038,000	\$	2,642,159,000
2022	\$	2,337,545,000	\$	593,401,000	\$	2,930,946,000
2023	\$	2,472,253,000	\$	598,680,000	\$	3,070,933,000
2024	\$	2,659,591,000	\$	647,297,000	\$	3,306,888,000

## **Tax Collections for Last Five Years**

The following table shows taxes levied (adjusted to include additions, abatements) for the County, taxes collected as of June 30 of the year following the year in which the levy was made, the amount of delinquent taxes (which include taxes levied in prior years but collected in the year shown), and the percentage of taxes collected.

Fiscal	Total	Total Tax Collections	Percent
Year	Tax Levy	To Date	Collected
2020	\$ 676,541,598	\$ 676,541,598	100.0%
2021	\$ 703,978,715	\$ 703,978,715	100.0%
2022	\$ 746,042,835	\$ 746,042,835	100.0%
2023	\$ 792,048,647	\$ 792,048,647	100.0%
2024	\$ 895,592,190	\$ 876,878,393	97.9%

## **Ten Largest Taxpayers**

The ten largest taxpayers for Fiscal Year 2025 (tax year 2024) in the County are set forth below:

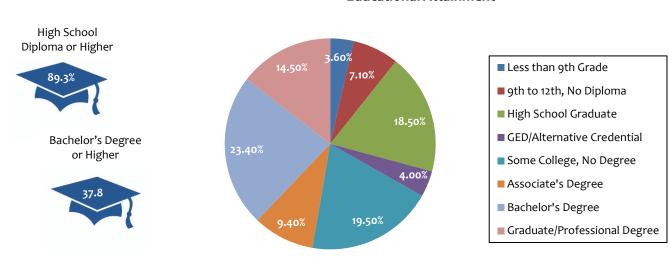
	Time of Business	Asse	Taxable essed Value	Percentage of Total Taxable
Taxpayer	Type of Business	(000	o's omitted)	Assessed Value
Duke Energy Corporation	Electric Utility	\$	70,342	2.13%
Piedmont Natural Gas	Utility		15,621	0.47%
Cellco Partnership/Verizon Wireless	Communications		10,704	0.32%
Greenridge Shops, Inc	Property Management		6,952	0.21%
Laurens Electric Coop Inc	Utility		6,630	0.20%
Simon Haywood LLC & Bellwether	Property Management		5,699	0.17%
Raia FL Exhange Group III	Real Estate Investment		5,601	0.17%
Magnolia Park Greenville	Real Estate Investment		5,063	0.15%
Disaster Management Group	Real Estate Investment		4,920	0.15%
NHE Inc	Real Estate Investment		4,536	0.14%
Total		\$	136,068	4.11%

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

## **Greenville County Public Schools/Private Schools**

Greenville County is served by one school district, which serves more than 76,000 students each year. It is the largest school district in South Carolina, and the 47<sup>th</sup> largest in the nation. Greenville's school district offers diversified learning opportunities, including magnet schools that offer special learning opportunities, International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, and unique learning experiences at the Roper Mountain Science Center. There are approximately 20 private schools within Greenville County. The table below indicates the level of education for persons 25 years and older for the County.

#### **Educational Attainment**



## **Higher Education**

Greenville County has several higher education facilities that enroll students at the college level in private or technical schools. The following table shows these institutions.

Institution	Туре
Bob Jones University	4 Year Private
Furman University	4 Year Private
Greenville Technical College	Technical College
North Greenville University	4 Year Private
The University Center	Consortium *

Source: South Carolina Commission on Higher Education

<sup>\*</sup> Students attending The University Center are enrolled in one of seven participating colleges or universities.

## **QUALITY OF LIFE**

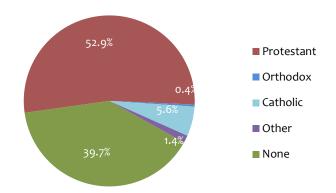
#### **Health Care**

Greenville County is served by two major health systems: Prisma Health System and Bon Secours Health System. The Prisma Health System is the state's largest provider and one of the Southeast's leading medical facilities. Bon Secours is a private, non-profit system.

Facility	Type of Facility	# Beds
Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital	General Medical & Surgical	812
Prisma Health Patewood Memorial Hospital	General Medical & Surgical	64
Shriners Hospital for Children	Orthopedic	50
Bon Secours St. Francis Downtown	General Medical & Surgical	349

#### Religion

A large variety of religious practices are found in the Greenville area. The section of the population affiliated with a religious congregation is approximately 61%. The chart below displays the percentage of individuals associated with various religions and/or denominations.



#### The Arts

Much of the artistic and cultural activity of the county is centered around The Peace Center. The Peace

Center offers a 2,115-seat concert hall, a 439-seat theatre, a pavilion, and other event spaces. The Center brings a wide variety of performances, including Broadway shows, classical and opera performances, dance, and drama. Greenville features several theatre and ballet groups, such as the Carolina Ballet Theatre, Greenville Chorale, Greenville Symphony, International Ballet, and South Carolina Children's Theater.

Greenville also features several museums and art galleries. The Greenville County Museum of Art is counted among the country's premier American Art museums, drawing visitors from around the world to see installations of work by two of the



nation's greatest contemporary artists, Andrew Wyeth and Jasper Johns. The Bob Jones Museum and Gallery is recognized as one of America's finest collections of European Old Masters paintings in America. The Children's Museum of the Upstate offers 80,000 square feet for fun, learning, and play. It is one of the nation's largest children's museum and one of the first to become Smithsonian affiliated. Greenville is also home to the Upcountry History Museum which works to promote, present and preserve the history of Upcountry South Carolina.

#### **Convention Facilities**

The Bon Secours Wellness Arena is used for concerts, hockey, and other events. It is a 15,000 seat sports and entertainment arena that is recognized as one of the top 50 venues in the world. Greenville also has the Greenville Convention Center, with 280,000 square feet of exhibit space and 60,000 square feet of meeting and conference space.



#### Climate

The table below depicts the average climate for Greenville County based on information from the National Climatic Data Center.

Yearly Average Temperature	61.7 degrees F
Yearly Average High Temperature	90.1 degrees F
Yearly Average Low Temperature	33.3 degrees F
Yearly Average Precipiation	51"
Snowfall:Average Total Inches	3"

Source: SC Department of Natural Resources

#### Recreation

## **Greenville County Recreation**

Greenville County government (through the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department) operates over 50 parks, trails, and recreation facilities including, the Pavilion (ice skating venue), Westside Aquatic Center (50-meter public indoor swimming facility), and several water parks.

#### City of Greenville Recreation

The City of Greenville Recreation and Parks Department operates 39 parks occupying more than 500 acres of land. The largest park features The Greenville Zoo, an exotic animal kingdom featuring exhibits which represent Asia, Africa, and Australia.

#### State Recreation Areas

Various state parks can also be found in Greenville, including Paris Mountain State Park, Table Rock State Park, Jones Gap and Caesar's Head State Parks and other facilities.

## Greenville County Library

Greenville has a countywide library system with one main library facility, 11 branches, 1 bookmobile, and a website that provides much information, materials, and services.

#### Sports

Professional baseball has been a part of Greenville for more than a century. From the Spinners, Mets, Red Sox, Braves, Bombers and now the Drive, Greenville has hosted a series of professional teams. Greenville is currently home to the Greenville Drive, a Red Sox affiliate.



Greenville is also home to the Greenville Swamp Rabbits hockey team, Greenville Triumph soccer team, and the Greenville Liberty women's soccer team.

## **COUNTY SERVICES PROVIDED**

## **Tax Supported Services**

The County provides various local services that are funded primarily from the County's ad valorem tax levy and County office fees. These services include public works, public safety and law enforcement, and various administrative services.

## **Revenue-Supported Services**

The County's Department of Public Works operates a system of solid waste collection, solid waste transfer, and various recycling programs. The fee structure is set at rates that are low to moderate in comparison with local private providers. The system is supported largely from fees charged for services as well as ad valorem tax levy for Solid Waste services. The Department of Planning and Development operates the Stormwater program from a fee charged to property owners. Revenues are used to fund expenses related to the NPDES MS4 permit, County drainage projects, and floodplain projects.

## OTHER FACILITIES SERVING THE COUNTY

## **Ground Transportation**

Greenville County has 1,465 miles of state-maintained highways and 1,670 miles of roadway maintained by Greenville County. Interstate 85 is the backbone of the manufacturing region. Greenville also connects with I-26 to the south, enabling direct access to South Carolina ports, and to I-85 to the southwest from I-385.



#### **Air Transportation**

The Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport (GSP) serves the Upstate of South Carolina. More than 2.6 million passengers per year are served by 7 major airlines.



## **Public Transit**

GreenLink (aka Greenville Transit Authority) offers twelve fixed routes to destinations across the county.



# Ordinance No. 5713 COUNTY OF GREENVILLE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET ORDINANCE

**SECTION 1:** The following funds are hereby appropriated for the operations of county government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

SCHEDULE A: GENERAL FUND		
Administrative Services		\$ 3,905,561
Department of Administration		44,035,256
Department of General Services		8,864,407
Department of Public Works		26,595,450
Department of Planning and Development		
		5,960,845
Department of Public Safety		42,917,200
Elected & Appointed Offices/Judicial		28,792,234
Elected & Appointed Offices/Fiscal		4,533,505
Elected & Appointed Offices/Law Enforcement		84,673,198
Other Services		16,361,432
Other Financing Uses		8,502,046
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		\$ 275,141,134
SCHEDULE B: SPECIAL REVENUE FUND		
State Accommodations Tax		
Expenditures	\$ 1,300,000	
Other Financing Uses	75,000	\$ 1,375,000
Local Accommodations Tax	75,000	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Expenditures		500,000
Affordable Housing		J00 <b>,</b> 000
Expenditures		2,000,000
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E911 Expenditures		2 585 442
Hospitality Tax		3,585,443
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Expenditures Other Financing Uses	\$ 440,000	12.004.744
Infrastructure Bank	12,464,744	12,904,744
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Economic Development Expenditures	\$ 3,107,975	
Other Financing Uses	36,888,650	39,996,625
Medical Charities		
Expenditures		9,905,559
Natural Resources		
Expenditures		1,500,000
Parks and Recreation		
Expenditures	\$ 17,475,148	
Other Financing Uses	5,035,024	22,510,172
Public Safety Interoperable Communications		
Expenditures		2,898,172
Road Program		
Road Projects	\$ 33,162,298	
Other Financing Uses	3,096,350	36,258,648
Victim's Rights		
Expenditures		549,927
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND		\$ 133,984,290

SCHEDULE C: DEBT SERVICE FUND				
General Obligation Bonds				
Debt Service	\$	7,861,413		
Service Charges		10,000	\$	7,871,413
Certificates of Participation				
Debt Service				7,739,404
Special Source Revenue Bonds				
Debt Service	\$ 1	,212,868		
Service Charges		10,000		11,222,868
Capital Leases		,		, ,
Debt Service				8,052,049
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND			Ś	34,885,734
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SCHEDULE D: CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND				
Technological Improvements			\$	7,358,000
Equipment Projects				10,061,000
Facility/Construction Projects				3,481,000
Parks, Recreation, Tourism Projects				4,550,000
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND			\$	25,450,000
SCHEDULE E: INTERNAL SERVICE FUND				
Fleet Management				
Fleet Management Expenditures			\$	11,798,961
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**SECTION 2:** Revenues available in FY2026 are estimated according to the following schedules.

## **SCHEDULE A: GENERAL FUND**

Property Tax	\$ 158,487,600
County Office Revenue	52,972,537
State Shared Taxes	29,444,643
Other Revenue	6,772,089
Other Financing Sources	21,414,993
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 269,091,862

SCHEDULE B: SPECIAL REVENUE FUND		
State Accommodations Tax		\$ 1,310,989
Local Accommodations Tax		611,268
Affordable Housing		
Other	\$ 1,750,000	
Other Financing Sources	250,000_	2,000,000
E911		3,806,629
Hospitality Tax		15,121,300
Infrastructure Bank		
FILOT Revenues	\$ 28,121,440	
Other	338,350_	28,459,790
Medical Charities		
Property Tax	\$ 9,125,600	
Intergovernmental	238,092	
Other	24,500	9,388,192
Natural Resources		
Property Tax	1,050,600	
Intergovernmental	31,755	
Other	12,000	1,094,355
Parks and Recreation	<del></del>	, , , , , , ,
Property Tax	\$ 6,364,800	
Other	7,044,603	
Other Financing Sources	6,134,784	19,544,187
Public Safety Interoperable Communications	7,5177	3,511, 7
Property Tax	\$ 2,451,400	
Intergovernmental	61,627	
Other	14,380	2,527,407
Road Program		75 771 7
Road Maintenance Fees and Other	\$ 25,396,695	
Other Financing Sources	5,662,298	31,058,993
Victim's Rights	<u></u>	658,576
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND		\$ 115,581,686
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SCHEDULE C: DEBT SERVICE FUND		
General Obligation Bonds		
Property Tax	\$ 1,400,800	
Intergovernmental	51,086	
Other		
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Other Financing Sources Certificates of Participation	6,727,738	\$ 8,222,244
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Property Tax Other	\$ 4,202,400	ć 0.734.040
	5,531,640	\$ 9,734,040
Special Source Revenue Bonds Other/Interest Income	ć 185.000	
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Other Financing Sources	11,212,868	11,397,868
Capital Leases		9 053 040
Other Financing Sources		8,052,049
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND		\$ 37,406,201
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SCHEDULE D: CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		
Other Financing Sources		\$ 15,450,000
State Contribution		3,000,000
Capital Lease Proceeds		7,000,000
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		\$ 25,450,000

SCHEDULE E: INTERNAL SERVICE FUND		
Fleet Management		
Reimbursements		\$ 11,135,537
Health and Dental		
Premiums		46,451,810
Workers Compensation		
Premiums		4,505,860
Building Services		
Reimbursements		201,510
TOTAL INTERNAL SERVICE FUND		\$ 62,294,717
SCHEDULE F: ENTERPRISE FUND		
Solid Waste		
Property Tax	\$ 5,603,200	
Tipping Fees	9,486,100	
Other	1,264,117	
Other Financing Sources	10,000,000	\$ 26,353,417
Stormwater		
Fees		9,652,794
TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND		\$ 36,006,211

**SECTION 3:** TAX RATES. Tax rates are authorized to be levied on each dollar valuation of taxable property as listed for taxes on January 1, 2025 for the purpose of raising revenue from property taxes as set forth in aforementioned estimates of revenue and in order to finance the aforementioned appropriations. Such rates of tax shall be based on an estimated net assessed valuation of property for the purpose of taxation of \$3.6 billion and an estimated current collection rate of ninety-eight percent (98%). The ad valorem property tax millage rate imposed by this Ordinance is based on 2025 millage rates and is subject to reassessment year calculations. Pursuant to S.C. Code § 12-37-251(E), the number of mills levied for each reassessment year must be revenue neutral. The millage rate set forth herein, which includes operating millage allowable pursuant to SC Code 6-1-320(A), is subject to reassessment year adjustments pursuant to S.C. Code § 12-37-251(E) by the County Auditor. The Auditor and Tax Collector of Greenville County are hereby directed to levy and collect the millage rates authorized by this Ordinance.

	TAX RATES
General Fund	45.7
Special Revenue Fund	
Charity Hospitalization	2.6
Parks, Recreation, Tourism	1.8
Public Safety Interoperable Communications	0.7
Natural Resources Fund	0.3
Debt Service Funds	
G. O. Bonds	0.4
Certificate of Participation	1.2
Enterprise Fund	
Solid Waste	<u>1.6</u>
TOTAL	54.3

**SECTION 4: LINE ITEM ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED.** All line item accounts as set forth in the FY2026 Budget Proposal, as adjusted and established by the aforementioned appropriation, are herein established and incorporated as if fully set forth and shall be expended, transferred, or supplemented pursuant to the Greenville County Code. The County Administrator is authorized to transfer funds between departments to make necessary changes and adjustments to reflect Council amendments to the proposed budget.

**SECTION 5: REVERSION.** Upon the expiration of this ordinance all unencumbered balances remaining in the funds listed in Section 1 shall revert to their respective funds.

**SECTION 6: ACCOUNTING.** All County Offices, Departments, Agencies, Commissions, or Boards funded wholly or in part by County Council shall submit copies of annual operating budgets, financial statements and quarterly reports of revenue and expense to the Finance Department for appropriate evaluation and Council Review.

**SECTION 7: MUNICIPAL PAVING ASSISTANCE.** From the FY2026 road program, a total of \$700,000 shall be designated to assist the seven municipal road improvement programs. The allotment to any municipality shall be capped at 50% of the total amount allocated to municipalities in the County of Greenville Road Improvement Program. Each municipality prior to any future funding from Greenville County Road Improvement funds shall provide official documentation that road improvements have been appropriately made with the funding. The County shall utilize the formula used in FY2001 to determine allocations. The road assistance money set aside for municipalities in this section shall not be made available to any municipality that owes an outstanding balance to Greenville County.

**SECTION 8: ROAD PAVING DISTRIBUTION.** Road Improvement Funding distribution is based on "percentage of road miles per district" and "worst roads first" as hereafter described. Staff will base initial selections on Overall Condition Index (OCI) data collected every four years. Worst roads first shall be based on a road's assigned pavement condition (OCI) and verified by a preliminary field assessment. Roads will be selected for improvement from each district using the "worst roads first county-wide" policy, ensuring that roads are paved from each district. No one district shall receive an allocation exceeding 15% of the total funds allocated for road improvements.

**SECTION 9: INFRASTRUCTURE BANK**. Five percent (5%) of Infrastructure Bank funding from future FILOT transactions, following compliance with the master ordinance, shall be used for economic development purposes.

**SECTION 10: USER FEES.** The County Administrator is hereby given authority to set user fees designed to cover the costs of programs approved for operation in the fiscal year 2026 budget. Additionally, the County Administrator is given authority to charge an administrative fee to non-county governed entities to cover the cost of processing charges levied and collected on real property tax notices.

**SECTION 11: LEVY AUTHORIZED.** A copy of this ordinance shall be furnished to the County Auditor and the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy in the year 2025 on all taxable property in Greenville County a tax as determined in Section 3.

**SECTION 12:** All ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 13:** This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2025.

## ADOPTED IN REGULAR MEETING THIS 17th Day of June, 2025.

## **GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Benton Blount, Chairman of County Council Greenville County, South Carolina

By:

Joseph M. Kernell, County Administrator Greenville County, South Carolina

ATTEST:

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## COUNTY OF GREENVILLE GLOSSARY

The following list provides terms commonly referred to in this document. Acronyms that may not be identified within the text are also included.

#### **ACCOUNT GROUPS**

Account groups are used to establish accounting control and accountability for the County's general fixed assets and general long-term debt. The following are the County's account groups:

- (1) General Fixed Assets Account Group This account group is used to account for all fixed assets of the County, other than those accounted for in the proprietary fund.
- (2) General Long-Term Debt Account Group This account group is used to account for all long-term obligations of the County, other than those accounted for in the proprietary fund.

#### **ACCRUED**

Revenues are recorded (accrued) as earned when measurable if they will be available and they will be received within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Salary related expenditures are recorded (accrued) when earned rather than paid.

#### ADOPTED BUDGET

The financial plan of revenues and expenditures for a fiscal year as approved by the Greenville County Council.

#### AD VALOREM TAX

A tax levied on all real and certain personal property, tangible and intangible, according to the property's assessed valuation.

## AGENCY FUNDS

Assets held by the county as an agent for other tax entities within the county. These funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurements of results of operation.

#### **AMENDMENT**

A change to an adopted budget that has been approved by the Greenville County Council which may increase or decrease a fund total.

#### **AMORTIZATION**

The gradual elimination of a liability in regular payments over a specified period of time.

#### **APPROPRIATION**

A legal authorization granted by a legislative body to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. An appropriation is usually limited in amount and as to the time when it may be expended.

#### ASSESSED VALUATION

The Real Property Services Appraiser's estimation of the Fair Market Value of real estate or other property. This valuation is used to determine taxes levied upon the property.

#### **BALANCED BUDGET**

A budget in which the estimated revenues equal the estimated expenditures.

BASIS OF BUDGETING Refers to the conventions for recognition of costs and revenues in budget

development and in establishing and reporting appropriations, which are the

legal authority to spend or to collect revenues.

BOND A written promise to pay a specified sum of money (called the face value or

principal amount) at a specified date together with periodic interest at a

specified rate.

BUDGET A financial plan for a definite period of time based on estimates of

expenditures during the period and estimated sources for financing them.

BUDGET AUTHORITY Authority provided by law to enter into obligations that will result in

immediate or future outlay of government funds. The basic forms of budget authority are appropriations, borrowing authority and contract authority.

BUDGET CALENDAR The schedule of key dates involved in the process of adopting and executing

an adopted budget.

BUDGET DOCUMENT The official written statement of the fiscal year financial plan for the County as

presented by the County Administrator.

BUDGET MESSAGE A written statement presented by the County Administrator to explain

principal budget issues and to provide recommendations to the Greenville

County Council.

BUDGET YEAR The fiscal year for which the budget is being considered: the fiscal year or

years following the current year.

CAPITAL Capital can refer to physical such as plant property or equipment or to

financial resources required to acquire physical resources.

CAPTIAL BUDGET That part of the Capital Improvement plan involving capital expenditures or

borrowing for the period covered by the operating budget.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

PLAN (CIP)

A planned schedule of major capital improvements.

Capital improvements are defined as a project involving property acquisition,

construction, and/or expansion of permanent physical facilities, and the

purchase and/or replacement of major pieces of equipment.

CAPITAL LEASES Leases for assets which the government is buying or is leasing for all of their

useful lives. The county utilizes capital leases for the purchase of vehicles.

**CAPITAL PROJECT** 

**FUNDS** 

Capital project funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those

financed by proprietary funds).

CAPITAL OUTLAY Expenditures which result in the replacement of or an addition to fixed assets.

These expenditures must be over \$5,000.

COMPENSATED

**ABSENCES** 

Annual leave vested with employees up to the maximum allowed is treated as an expenditure in the period earned rather than in the period the benefit is

paid.

CONTINGENCY

**FUNDS** 

Monies set aside, consistent with financial policies, which subsequently can

be appropriated to meet unexpected needs.

CONTRACTUAL Category of costs which are paid under a formal agreement with third parties.

CPI Consumer Price Index. The measure of average change in prices over time in a

fixed market basket of goods and services.

DEBT A government credit obligation.

**DEBT SERVICE** 

**FUNDS** 

Debt service funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related

costs.

DEFICIT The excess of expenditures over revenues.

DEPARTMENT An organizational unit of the County responsible for carrying out a major

governmental function.

DEPRECIATION (1) Expiration in the service life of fixed assets attributable to wear and tear,

deterioration, action of the physical elements, inadequacy or obsolescence.

(2) The portion of the cost of a fixed asset which is charged as an expense during a particular period. In accounting, the cost of an asset, less any salvage value, is pro-rated over the estimated service life of such an asset, and each

period charged with a portion of such cost. Through this process, the entire cost of the asset is ultimately charged off as an expense.

DIVISION A major unit of organization which groups departments into classes by the

service they provide.

EFFECTIVENESS Results (including quality) of the program.

EFFICIENCY Cost (whether in dollars or employee hours) per unit of output.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS These include social security, retirement, group health, dental and life

insurance.

EMS Emergency Medical Services. EMS is responsible for the health, welfare and

safety of the citizens of and visitors to Greenville County from the effects of

natural, technological, and manmade disasters.

ENCUMBRANCE A financial commitment related to an unperformed contract for goods or

services.

ENTERPRISE FUND The fund established to account for operations that are financed and

operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods and services to the

general public, on a continuing basis, are financed or recovered primarily through user fees/charges; and for which preparation of an income statement

is desirable.

ESTIMATED REVENUES

Projections of funds to be received during the fiscal year and legally budgeted

for a given fund for a given budget period.

**EXPENDITURE** 

The incurring of an actual liability as the cost of goods delivered or services rendered including operating expenses, capital outlays and debt service pursuant to the authority granted in an appropriation ordinance.

**FEES** 

A charge by government associated with providing a service, permitting an activity, or imposing a fine or penalty.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

The County's only fiduciary fund type is its Agency Fund. Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurements of results of operations.

FINANCIAL POLICIES

The County government's policies with respect to taxes, spending and debt management as these relate to government services, programs, and capital investment.

FISCAL YEAR (FY)

An accounting period of 12 successive calendar months to which the annual budget applies. The County's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30.

**FIXED ASSETS** 

Assets of long-term character with value of \$5,000 or more which are intended to be held or used for an extended period of time, such as land, buildings, machine and a suite post.

buildings, machinery, and equipment.

FRANCHISE FEES

Fees levied on a business corporation in return for granting a privilege sanctioning a monopoly, or permitting the use of public property, usually subject to regulation.

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) The calculation of the number of employees required to complete the tasks scheduled within each department. This is calculated by dividing the total number of scheduled hours by the normal hours scheduled for one employee.

**FUND** 

A fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein. Funds are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations.

**FUND ACCOUNTING** 

The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds or account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are summarized by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the County: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**FUND BALANCE** 

Fund equity for governmental funds and trust funds which reflects the accumulated excess of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other uses for governmental functions.

**GAAP** (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) Accounting rules and procedures

established by authoritative bodies or conventions that have evolved through

custom and common usage.

**GASB** (Governmental Accounting Standards Board) The highest source of

accounting and financial reporting guidance for state and local governments.

The general fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to **GENERAL FUND** 

account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for

in another fund.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION** BONDS (GO) Bonds payable from ad valorem taxes upon all the property assessable by the

issuing municipality and from other general revenues.

**GFOA** (Government Finance Officers Association) The professional association of

state and local finance officers in the United States who are dedicated to the

sound management of government financial resources.

GIS Geographic Information System

**GOAL** The long-term financial and programmatic public policy outcomes or results

that the County expects from the efforts of departments.

GOVERNMENTAL

**FUNDS** 

Governmental funds are used to account for the County's expendable financial resources and related liabilities (except those accounted for in proprietary funds). The measurement focus is upon determination of changes

in financial position. The following are the County's governmental fund types; general fund, special revenue fund, debt service fund, capital project fund.

**GRANTS** A financial contribution by Federal or State governmental units. Grants may

be for specific purposes, for a category, or a block of related users.

**INFRASTRUCTURE** Long-lived assets that normally are stationary in nature and can be preserved

a significantly greater number of years than most capital assets. Examples

include roads, bridges, tunnels, and drainage systems.

**INDIRECT COST** Costs associated with, but not directly attributable to, the providing of a

product or service. These are usually costs incurred by service departments in

support of operating departments.

INTERFUND Budgeted amounts transferred from one governmental accounting fund to

another for work or service provided.

REVENUE

INTERGOVERNMENTAL Revenue received from another government unit for a specific purpose.

INTERNAL SERVICE

**FUND** 

Internal service funds are proprietary funds and are used to account for goods

services provided by one department or agency to other departments or

agencies of the County, or to other governmental units, on a cost-

reimbursement basis.

ΙT Information Technology

LEVY To impose taxes, special assessments, or service charges. Also, another term

used for millage rate.

LONG-TERM DEBT Debt with a maturity of more than one year after the date of issuance.

MILLAGE RATE The amount of tax stated in terms of a unit of the tax base; for example, each

mill generates \$1 for every \$1,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property.

MISSION A broad statement of purpose that is derived from organizational and/or

community values and goals.

MODIFIED ACCRUAL

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

A basis of accounting for governmental funds in which revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current

assets, and expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

MULTIYEAR BUDGET

PLANNING

A budget process designed to make sure that the long-range consequences of

budget decisions are identified and reflected in the budget totals.

NET ASSETS Investment in capital assets, net of related debt. All assets and all liabilities

Are included. Considered a measure of expendable available financial

resources.

NON-OPERATING EXPENDITURES

Expenditures of a type that do not represent direct operating costs to the

fund and includes transfers out and reserves for contingency.

OBJECTIVE Specific, measurable statements that support a particular goal, reflecting the

amount of change expected as a result of the Key Action Steps and other

program strategies.

OPERATING Category of costs for the day-to-day functions of a department or unit of

organization.

OPERATING BUDGET A comprehensive plan, expressed in financial terms, by which an operating

program is funded for a single fiscal year.

OPERATING Legally authorized transfers from a fund receiving revenue to the fund

TRANSFERS through which the resources are to be expended.

PRIOR YEAR The year immediately preceding the current year.

PROPERTY TAX Taxes computed as a percentage of the value of real or personal property

expressed in mills.

PROPOSED BUDGET The recommended County budget submitted by the County Administrator to

the County Council for adoption.

**PROPRIETARY** 

**FUNDS** 

Proprietary funds are used to account for activities that are similar to those

often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is upon

determination of net income. The County has two proprietary fund types:

internal service fund and enterprise fund.

REAL PROPERTY Land and buildings and/or other structures attached to it that are taxable

under state law.

RESERVE An account used to indicate that a portion of a fund's balance is legally

restricted for a specific purpose and is, therefore, not available for general

appropriation.

REVENUE The yield of receipts of receivables that a governmental unit receives into the

treasury for public use.

REVENUE BONDS Bonds financed by a dedicated revenue source. The county uses revenue

Bonds for infrastructure purposes and Fee-in lieu of taxes are used for

financing.

REVENUE FORECASTING The utilization of various approaches used by governments to determine the

levels of revenue available for use in future years.

SALARIES Gross earnings of all authorized positions.

SPECIAL REVENUE

**BONDS** 

Bonds that are not considered general obligations of the government, but are

to be repaid through specific government resources.

SPECIAL REVENUE

**FUND** 

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted to

Specified purposes. The following activities are accounted for in the special revenue funds: federal revenue sharing, community development, charity

hospitalization and other federal and state grants.

TAX YEAR The calendar year in which ad valorem property taxes are levied to finance

the ensuing fiscal year budget.

UNENCUMBERED

BALANCE

The amount of an appropriation that is neither expended or encumbered.

USER FEE Charges for specific services rendered only to those paying such charges as,

for example, landfill services charges.

## COUNTY OF GREENVILLE ACRONYMS

AAA Bond Rating

ACOG Appalachian Council of Governments

AECOM Architecture, Engineering, Construction, Operations, and Management

AODT Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment

APWA American Public Works Association

ATF Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

CAD Computer Aided Dispatch

CAFR Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

CALEA Commission for Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies

CARES Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act

CDL/CLP Commercial Driver's License/Commercial License Plate

CIP Capital Improvement Program

CODIS Combined DNA Index System

COOP Continuity of Operations

CPI Consumer Price Index

COPs Certificates of Participation

CSP Conservation Stewardship Program

CU-ICAR Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research

DHEC Department of Health and Environmental Control

DSS Department of Social Services

EEO Equal Employment Opportunity

EMS Emergency Medical Services

EOC Emergency Operations Center

EQIP Environmental Quality Incentives Program

FAA Federal Aviation Administration

FASIT Fugitive Apprehension and Special Investigation Team

FBI Federal Bureau of Investigation

FEMA Federal Emergency Management

FOIA Freedom of Information Act

FTE Full-Time Equivalent

GAAP Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

GADC Greenville Area Development Corporation

GAMA Geographic Aided Mass Appraisal

GASB Governmental Accounting Standards Board

GCMS Gas Chromatography – Mass Spectrometry

GCRD Greenville County Recreation District

GFOA Government Finance Officers Association

GIS Geographic Information System

GOB General Obligation Bond

GTA Greenville Transit Authority

HSUS Humane Society of the United States

IBIS/NIBIN Integrated Ballistics Information Network/National Integrated Ballistics Information

Network

ICC International Code Council

IPRB Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds

IT Information Technology

LEC Law Enforcement Center

LMRS Land Management Records System

NAME National Association of Medical Examiners

NCIC National Crime Information Center

NIBRIS National Incident Based Reporting Systems

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

OCI Overall Condition Index

OCRI Official County Road Inventory

OCRI-D Official County Road Inventory by District

OWA Outlook Web Access

PC Personal Computer

PREP Property Records Education Partners

PRIA Pilot Records Improvement Act

PSAP Public Safety Answering Point

REWA Renewable Water Resources

RFP Request for Proposals

ROD Register of Deeds

SCDMV South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles

SCDOT South Carolina Department of Transportation

SCJB South Carolina Judicial Branch

SLED South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

SSRBs Special Source Revenue Bonds

TEC Technology Enhanced Courtroom

VESTA Valuable Enterprise Services in Technology Achievement

VPN Virtual Private Network