

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.

Contribution Information	Purpose		
	State Agency Providing the Contribution	\$500,000.00 P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	
	Amount	\$500,000.00	

	Organization Information
Entity Name	Town of Norway
Address	8403 Savannah Hwy / PO Box 127
City/State/Zip	Norway, SC 29113
Website	Obsolete
SCEIS Vendor #	7000037915
Entity Type	Municipality

	Organization Contact Information
Contact Name	Contact Name Lynn P. Garrick
Position/Title	Mayor
Telephone	(803) 263-4300, ext. 3
Email	<u>mayor@townofnorwaysc.com</u>

Plan/Accounting of how t	anting of how these funds will be spent:	
Description	Budget	Explanation
General Fund accounts payable	\$126,810.53 Please see attached statement	statement
Public Service Commission accounts payable	\$218,418.57 Please see attached statement	statement
Audit expenses (roughly 4 years)	\$52,000.00 Please see attached statement	statement
Law enforcement expenses	\$20,000.00 Please see attached statement	statement
Payroll tax expenses	\$13,000.00 Please see attached statement	statement
Emergency funds	\$69,770.90 Please see attached statement	statement
Grand Total	Grand Total \$500,000.00	

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

Please see attached statement

Last updated: August 2022

- 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 **Organization Certifications** 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

V LYNN P. GARRICK

Printed Name

MAYOR

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Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 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, 2024.
- 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, 2024.

10/25/2023

Date

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Agency Head Signature

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Printed Name

State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution Attachment

The following items outlined below show how these funds will be spent and provide a public benefit:

These funds will catch up past and current General Fund and Public Service Commission accounts payable, along with helping to catch up the audits. A local entity has donated money to the Town to help with the cost of conducting audits but with the number of years that have to be caught up it is not enough to complete them all. With the audits brought current, the Town will be free to apply for grants (i.e., law enforcement (vehicle and equipment), park and recreation (playground), water and sewer (radio read meters, new lines, etc.) to benefit residents and businesses in and around the Norway area.

A substantial portion of these bills were accrued during COVID when people simply could not pay their bills, or they relocated, thereby impacting the Town's revenues. Our loss of income was so great during that time that we have not yet been able to bring our financial obligations current.

Hunter-Kinard-Tyler School is located in our area. These funds will help the Town to continue to provide water and sewer services to the school. The Town of Norway also provides water and sewer services to Norfield Family Health Center, a community health center. The Town of Norway has one of the oldest water systems in the state and the leaks are an ongoing struggle for a small town which is a huge contributing factor to our debt. Our water payment each month is not reducing our debt to the Department of Public Utilities because we are billed for more water than we are selling, and we simply are not able to pay the full bill each month. Couple lost income with massive water leaks (that we have been unable to find and contain) and our financial picture is bleak at best. The Town has recently been awarded a Viability Grant through SC Rural Infrastructure Authority. This should help show any issues that the Town has with water leaks and/or sewer problems. Currently the Town has no money to repair any issues that may be discovered with either system. However, this Legislative Grant will help to provide funding to fix as many of these issues as possible. We do not know what these issues are at this time and are not able to give a dollar amount.

The Town's water tank on Hwy 332 (Norway Road) has a system were a land line talks to the valve in order to fill the tank. The system is telling the valve to run constantly, therefore causing the tank to overflow. There is a system that works via cell phones that would prevent the tank from overfilling and spilling over. This system would eliminate the old land line system and cost approximately \$4,000.00. The new system would benefit the people of Norway with better and consistent water pressure.

Two of the Town's lift stations get clogged up causing backups in residents' homes. The Town is looking at a system that would prevent materials such as diapers and shop rags from reaching the pumps. These systems cost approximately \$6,000.00 each.

Currently, the Town has no law enforcement, except what the county sheriff's office can provide due to the competitive salaries being offered around the area. We simply cannot compete with those salaries. With this funding we are hopeful that we will be able to attract experienced officers willing to ensure the safety and security of our residents and businesses.