



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

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

Organization Information

Entity Name	Port Royal Sound Foundation
Address	310 Okatie Hwy.
City/State/Zip	Okatie, SC 29909
Website	www.portroyalsoundfoundation.org
Tax ID#	20-4431922
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information

Contact Name	Mary G. Hayward
Position/Title	Executive Director
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Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:

Description	Budget	Explanation
Programming Expenses	\$48,000.00	supplies and support for all programs, field trips, summer camp
Repairs & Maintenance	\$96,000.00	maintain all exhibits, buildings, landscaping for our campus
Administrative Support	\$201,000.00	administrative support to operate our free-to-the-public museum and organization
Professional Fees	\$14,000.00	professional fees including audit and tax
Facilities & Equipment Rental	\$16,000.00	equipment lease, off-campus storage
Office Supplies/Computers/IT	\$58,000.00	general office supplies and IT
Marketing/Printing	\$67,000.00	general marketing & advertising
Grand Total	\$500,000.00	

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

The Port Royal Sound Foundation's (PRSF) mission is to preserve the Port Royal Sound for the environmental, cultural, and economic well-being of our area. Over 29,000 people visit our Maritime Center museum and aquarium each year, participating in and benefitting from our extensive education and research-based programs. The Maritime Center is an educational resource for the entire community and always free to the public, showcasing 50+ exhibits that focus on the Sound's ecology, history, culture, and art, and include live animals and aquariums. Environmental education is critical to our mission, and one of the most important outcomes of our work is creating environmental stewards. Many of the children we reach have not experienced the Sound, explored its marshes, or been on a boat. Connecting them to their unique environment inspires community pride, and hands-on learning sparks curiosity, creativity, and an interest in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) education and careers. Field trips reach over 4,000 students a year, including many from our area's Title I schools. We host 6 weeks of summer camp, and our free annual STEAM Festival is a family favorite, reaching over 700+ community members. PRSF believes that high-quality educational activities and outdoor experiences should be accessible for all, regardless of limiting circumstances. For this reason, much of what we offer is FREE or has minimal program fees. While news reports tout Beaufort County as wealthier than other parts of South Carolina, the Port Royal Sound reaches into four counties, all of which have significant populations of families with limited income and/or access to high-quality educational programs. The Maritime Center has become a Welcome Center for the millions who visit Beaufort County every year, drawn to the area by the Port Royal Sound. This funding is critical to help us adapt to the changing needs of our community, accommodate an increasing demand for education and research initiatives, keep our programming accessible, and protect the water quality of the Sound for years to come.

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.

Mary G. Hayward

Organization Signature

Executive Director

Title

Mary G. Hayward

Printed Name

10/27/2023

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, 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.

Duane Parrish

Agency Head Signature

11/13/2023

Date

Duane Parrish

Printed Name