

## 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 before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information					
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose			
	P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	Riverbanks Zoo & Garden Infrastructure			

Organization Information				
Entity Name	Richland-Lexington Riverbanks Park District			
Address	500 Wildlife Parkway			
City/State/Zip	Columbia, South Carolina 29210-8014			
Website	www.riverbanks.org			
SCEIS Vendor #	7000024830			
Tax ID#	56-0946437			
Entity Type	Special Purpose District			

Organization Contact Information				
Contact Name	Ashley Harris			
Position/Title	Vice President of Finance			
Telephone	803-602-0835			
Email	aharris@riverbanks.org			

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:					
Description		Budget	Explanation		
Fuskers water damage and infrastructure repair		\$375,000.00	Water damange to support beams warrants necessary repair.		
Repair water damage at Tapir exhibit		\$250,000.00	Water damage to the tapir barn warrants necessary repair.		
Generators for backup power during outages		\$350,000.00	With increasing inclement weather, additional generators are needed.		
Diesel tank		\$25,000.00	Diesel tank necessary to service generators.		
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	<b>Grand Total</b>	\$1,000,000.00			

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

Tuskers is the zoo's largest indoor eating establishment, centrally located in the zoo. At Tuskers, visitors are able to dine inside or out. The restaurant has a variety of menu options which allows guests the ability to take a break to enjoy a meal, and then continue their stay exploring the zoo and garden. Keeping animal exhibits up to standard often involves ensuring the animal has a barn to go in for shelter from sun, rain or wind. The exisiting habitat is temporarily closed due to the water damage inflicted on the barn. Until the barn is repaired, visitors will not be able to enjoy the animals on exhibit. During the recent storms, the need for additional generators became apparent. Generators large enough to power life support systems are necessary for every building that animals inhabit. Keeping a supply of diesel on hand to run generators during power outages is vital to emergency procedures.

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- 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

President & CEO
Title

Thomas Stringfellow

10/21/2024

## **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.

Date

- 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.

Printed Name

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- 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, 2025.
- 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 cartify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2025.

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Agency Head Signature	Date
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