



## 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
\$1,000,000.00	P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park - Interpretive Center

### Organization Information

Entity Name	Mitchelville Preservation Project d.b.a. Historic Mitchelville
Address	539 William Hilton Parkway
City/State/Zip	Hilton Head Island, SC 29928
Website	exploremitchelville.org
Tax ID#	27-2308109
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

### Organization Contact Information

Contact Name	Ahmad Ward
Position/Title	Executive Director
Telephone	843-255-7301
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### Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:

Description	Budget	Explanation
Archaeological research in designated area for Interpretive Center: Shovel Test survey, Artifact Analysis, Field work, Data Recovery and Community Archaeological Outreach as mandated by the State Historic Preservation Office	\$691,108.00	Exact cost illustrated in Description. More details available by request
Permitting, Wifi / fiberoptic infrastructure, Estimate Specifications on Electrical, Mechanical. Plumbing on upcoming Interpretive Center, Interiors Concept Development / Space Design	\$308,892.00	Necessary infrastructure to allow for the construction of the Interpretive Center
Early Phase Architectural Schematic Design		Est. \$100,000.00
		Schematic Design / space allocation / concept development Est. - \$208,982.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$1,000,000.00</b>	

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

The archaeological research on the Interpretive Center site will not only open the door to the implementation of the long-awaited Mitchelville Interpretive Center, it will also allow the community to be involved through programming that will engage them through the process. The Community Outreach piece will expose researchers, K-12 students, teachers, history enthusiasts, etc to the growing knowledge of Mitchelville, the Plantation / Reconstruction Era and a 4000 year old First Nations imprint that continues to surprise our scientists / archaeologists. This creates energy for the project and provides education of the Lowcountry / South Carolina area.

### 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.

  
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Organization Signature

Ahmad Ward  
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Printed Name

Executive Director  
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Title

2/18/2025  
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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, 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 certify 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

Duane Parrish  
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Printed Name

02/27/2025  
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Date