



March 31, 2025

Ms. Tonisha James
SC Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism
1205 Pendleton St
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Ms. James,

With our third quarter reporting, we have satisfied the legislative earmark, Hampton Court Flower Show FY24/25. Please accept this as our final summary for these funds, which totaled \$250,000. As budgeted, we were able to utilize these funds to promote the Charleston region to the international audience.

The Hampton Court Flower Show is a long-standing festival renowned for its vibrant presence in the United Kingdom. Our garden booth is the true representation of a South Carolina escape, captivating the imagination of the international traveler.

Thank you for the support of our additional regional promotion, and please feel free to reach out with any questions whatsoever! 843-805-3063 (direct)

Sincerely,

Laurie Lynn A. Smith
Chief Operating Officer

Enclosure

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State of South Carolina Contribution Expenditure Report

This form is designed to collect the quarterly and annual expenditure reports required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 1.7.21 of the appropriations act and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution to the designation organization at the end of year quarter and by June 30, 2025.

Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
	P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	Hampton Court Flower Show - \$250,000

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Explore Charleston
Address	375 Meeting St
City/State/Zip	Charleston, SC 29403
Website	www.ExploreCharleston.com
Tax ID#	03-0386059
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information	
Name	Laurie Lynn Smith
Position/Title	Chief of Staff
Telephone	(843) 805-3063
Email	lsmith@explorecharleston.com

Reporting Period	
Reporting Period	Quarter 3: January 1, 2025 - March 31, 2025

Accounting of how the funds have been spent:							
Description (Attach additional detail for subgrantees and affiliated nonprofits)	Budget	Expenditures				Total	Balance
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4		
Hampton Court	\$250,000.00					\$0.00	\$250,000.00
Hampton Court Promotions - Booth				\$211,250.00		\$211,250.00	-\$211,250.00
Hampton Court Promotions				\$24,450.00		\$24,450.00	-\$24,450.00
Hampton Court Promotions - Media Screens				\$12,563.07		\$12,563.07	-\$12,563.07
Hampton Court Promotions - Photography				\$997.95		\$997.95	-\$997.95
Hampton Court Promotions - House of Commons Event				\$4,806.41		\$4,806.41	-\$4,806.41
						\$0.00	\$0.00
						\$0.00	\$0.00
						\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$254,067.43	\$0.00	\$254,067.43	-\$4,067.43

Explanation of any unspent funds (to be provided only if unspent funds remain at the end of the fiscal year):

Continued on the other side of the fiscal year

Expenditure Certification

The Organization certifies that the funds have been expended in accordance with the Plan provided to the Agency Providing the Distribution and for a public purpose.

Smith for Helen J. Hie
Signature
Laurie Smith for Helen Hill
Printed Name

Chief of Staff
Title
3-31-25
Date