



### State of South Carolina Fiscal Year Spending Report

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 11.7.21 of the appropriations act of 2022 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 fiscal year spending information from the designated organization.

Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Earmark name
P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	Blackville Downtown/Main Street Revitalization	

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Town of Blackville
Address	5983 Lartigue Street
City/State/Zip	Blackville, SC 29817
Entity Type	Municipality

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Fonda E. Patrick
Position/Title	Town Administrator
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Accounting of how the funds have been spent:						
Description	Budget	Expenditures			Total	Balance
		Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026		
Repair bathrooms in Downtown Development Center	\$65,000.00	\$95,646.96	Complete		\$95,646.96	-\$30,646.96
Pressure wash, remove/replace rotten soffit and fascia board of the community center, and paint all fascia and exterior doors	\$38,000.00	\$37,500.00	Complete		\$37,500.00	\$500.00
Repair water fountain in the downtown area	\$5,000.00	\$9,506.00	Complete		\$9,506.00	-\$4,506.00
Restripe parking spaces on main street	\$5,000.00				\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Improve town-owned building (Main Str.-#1) for potential lease & revital.	\$160,000.00	\$31,700.00	\$54,425.00		\$86,125.00	\$73,875.00
Improve town-owned building (Main Str.-#2) for potential lease & revital.	\$36,000.00	\$61,440.00	\$7,093.13		\$68,533.13	-\$32,533.13
Improve town-owned building (Old Feed-n-Seed;Hwy 3-#1) for potential lease and revitalization	\$20,000.00				\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Improve town-owned building (Hwy 3-#2) for potential lease/revital.	\$30,000.00	\$109,300.00	\$1,750.00		\$111,050.00	-\$81,050.00
Re-landscape downtown island area on main street	\$15,000.00	\$3,500.00			\$3,500.00	\$11,500.00
Light repair and paint or stucco the facial of 20 storefront buildings	\$100,000.00	\$63,787.47	\$4,500.00		\$68,287.47	\$31,712.53
Replace downtown streetlights with LED lights	\$10,000.00				\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Replace street signs in the downtown area	\$10,000.00	\$44,500.00			\$44,500.00	-\$34,500.00
Add banner flags and poles in the downtown area	\$6,000.00	\$10,990.00			\$10,990.00	-\$4,990.00
Grand Total	\$500,000.00	\$467,870.43	\$67,768.13	\$0.00	\$535,638.56	-\$35,638.56

Project is under way Project is complete, funds are exhausted Project completion date Fall 2025

Project yet to be started Estimated start date Summer 2024 Estimated completion date Fall 2025

Please provide a detailed spending summary, goals that were accomplished, and how the expenses benefit the public. If project is yet to be started, provide an explanation.

**\*\*Project Summary:\*\***

The Town of Blackville initiated a comprehensive Downtown/Main Street Revitalization Project using the \5500,000 PRT grant to breathe new life into its core downtown area. The project focused on improving public facilities, beautifying streetscapes, revitalizing vacant town-owned buildings, and enhancing the overall experience for residents, businesses, and visitors.

**\*\*Goals Accomplished:\*\***

**1. \*\*Public Facility Upgrades:\*\***

**\*\*Repaired bathrooms\*\*** in the Downtown Development Center, improving sanitation and accessibility for public events and daily use.

**\*\*Restored the community center exterior\*\***, including pressure washing, replacing rotten soffits/fascia boards, and painting—all of which preserved the structural integrity and appearance of a key public space.

**2. \*\*Downtown Beautification:\*\***

**\*\*Water fountain in downtown\*\*** was repaired, adding aesthetic and environmental value to the area.

**\*\*Main street parking spaces were restriped\*\***, improving organization and safety for drivers and pedestrians.

**\*\*Re-landscaped the downtown island area\*\***, contributing to an inviting, green visual appeal in the heart of town.

**\*\*Banner flags and poles were installed\*\***, adding color, civic pride, and seasonal festivity.

**\*\*Street signs in downtown\*\*** were replaced, enhancing wayfinding and maintaining compliance with updated signage standards.

3. \*\*Building Revitalization:\*\*

\* Renovated four \*\*town-owned buildings\*\*:

- \* Main Street #1
- \* Main Street #2
- \* Hwy 3 – Old Feed-n-Seed
- \* Hwy 3 – Building #2

These improvements prepared the buildings for \*\*potential lease and commercial revitalization\*\*, supporting economic development and small business growth.

4. \*\*Commercial Front Improvements:\*\*

- \*\*Light repairs and painting/stucco of 20 storefront buildings\*\* were completed to improve curb appeal and encourage private investment.
  - \*\*Streetlights were upgraded to energy-efficient LED fixtures\*\*, increasing safety and reducing long-term energy costs.
- \*\*Community Benefits:\*\*

\*\*Economic Revitalization:\*\* By improving vacant town-owned properties, the project attracted potential tenants, increasing the prospects for new local businesses and jobs.

\*\*Tourism Appeal:\*\* With enhanced aesthetics and better signage, the downtown now offers a more welcoming environment for tourists, aligning with the goals of the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism grant.

- \*\*Public Safety and Accessibility:\*\* Improved lighting, repaired restrooms, and better traffic markings enhanced safety and usability of public spaces.
  - \*\*Civic Pride and Engagement:\*\* Beautification projects, like banners and landscaping, promoted community pride and provided a fresh, unified downtown identity.
  - \*\*Environmental and Operational Efficiency:\*\* LED streetlights and updated infrastructure promote sustainability and lower operational costs for the town.
- \*\*Conclusion:\*\*

The \$500,000 PRT grant played a transformative role in rejuvenating Blackville's downtown area. Through strategic investments in public facilities, beautification, and property improvements, the town has not only enhanced its appearance but also laid the foundation for long-term economic and community growth.

Organization Certifications

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.

Town of Blackville  
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Town Administrator  
Title  
June 23, 2025  
Date