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County Contributions Program info session set for Aug. 6; nonprofit grant application portal opening Aug. 11

With applications opening soon, Charleston County will host a public information session for nonprofit, 501(c) organizations interested in applying for funding through the [County Contributions Program](#), which includes Community Investment, Local Accommodations Tax, and State Accommodations Tax funding.

The session will take place from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, in County Council Chambers, located on the second floor of the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building at 4045 Bridge View Drive.

The event will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to gain a broader understanding of each program and to learn more about application requirements, timing, contracts, and other necessary conditions.

Each funding opportunity is detailed below. The [Application Portal](#) for these programs will open at 9 a.m. Monday, August 11, 2025, and close at 5 p.m. September 12, 2025.

Community Investment Funding

- \$250,000 is available to non-profit 501(c) organizations that provide community-based programs in Charleston County. (Maximum award of \$10,000).
- All applications will be reviewed and ranked by county staff according to criteria established by County Council.

Local Accommodations Tax

- \$400,000 is available to non-profit, 501(c) organizations that increase tourism in the Charleston County area through advertising and promotion. (Estimated maximum award of \$40,000).
- All applications will be reviewed by the Charleston Area Convention & Visitors Bureau and the College of Charleston's Office of Tourism Analysis, both of which work to determine Charleston's tourism impact via review of economic, media, marketing, and community metrics.

State Accommodations Tax

- \$525,000 is available to non-profit, 501(c) organizations that own or entirely maintain tourism-related facilities in Charleston County. Eligible projects include renovations and maintenance of said facilities.
- All applications will be reviewed and ranked by the State Accommodations Tax Committee according to criteria approved by County Council.

Overall funding and allocation amounts are subject to approval by County Council.

Applications are available here: www.charlestoncounty.gov/departments/budget.

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