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COUNTY OF GREENVILLE
VISION AND MISSION

The vision of the government of Greenville County, South Carolina is to be a thriving, vibrant, diverse community with abundant opportunities for unmatched quality of life that blends tradition and innovation.

The mission of the government of Greenville County, South Carolina is to provide quality public services to all citizens of Greenville County.

Greenville County values shall include:

- Spiritual growth in a family environment
- Excellence through teamwork
- Responsible focus on community needs
- Visible commitment to citizens
- Integrity in all that we do
- Courageous adherence to open and honest communication
- Encouragement of knowledge and competence

Greenville County
is
“...at your service.”
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GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS
ASSOCIATION BUDGET AWARD

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the County of Greenville, South Carolina, for its biennial budget for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005.

In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan, and as a communications device.

The award is valid for a period of two years only. We believe our current budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE
READER’S GUIDE TO THE BUDGET DOCUMENT

Greenville County’s budget document describes how the County of Greenville’s government plans to meet the community’s needs. This document is not only an assembly of information required for making policy and resource decisions; it is also a resource for citizens in learning more about the operation of their county government.

The County of Greenville’s budget document is divided into the following major sections: Budget Message, Introduction, Budget Highlights, Fund Overview, and Appendix. These sections contain information useful to the administration of the County and are cross-referenced throughout the program document. Financial data, for example is presented in two sections: (1) the budget highlights section presents actual revenues and expenditures, as well as projected future year revenues and expenditures; and (2) the fund overviews present the budgets by department to demonstrate the connection between resources, programs, and services.

BUDGET MESSAGE
This section contains the County Administrator’s budget message which outlines key features of the FY2008/FY2009 biennium budget and a discussion of past and futures challenges in budgeting. The message also discusses underlying administrative practices that support the County’s budget goals. This section also includes the approved budget ordinances for both years of the biennium.

INTRODUCTION SECTION
The Introduction section contains a profile of the Greenville community, a discussion of the organizational structure of the County, an organizational chart of the County, an overview of the budget process and fund types, and a summary of Council priorities.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS
The Budget Highlights section contains a comprehensive analysis of revenues and appropriations for all funds. This section summarizes the overall financial condition of the County’s major funds.

FUND OVERVIEW SECTIONS
The Fund Overview Sections provide information concerning the different financial funds of the County: General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Internal Service Fund, and Enterprise Fund. The overview of the General Fund provides budget information by specific department. The Capital Projects Fund section includes information on the County’s multi-year Capital Improvement Plan.

APPENDIX
The Appendix Section contains a complete set of the budget, financial, and investment policies that guide the financial practices of the County. The section also contains a glossary and an index for the budget document.