



CMCOG Meeting Notice

Midlands Technical College – Airport Campus
Academic Center Room 143 (Mary B. Robertson Conference Center)

1260 Lexington Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170

or Zoom Meeting

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12:00PM

DATE: March 18, 2022

TO: CMCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Foster Senn, CMCOG Board Chair

Please be advised that the next meeting of the Central Midlands Council of Governments Board of Directors will be held on **Thursday, March 24, 2022 at Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus, Academic Center Room 143 (Mary B. Robertson Conference Center). See attached map of the campus for additional information.**

You may also join by Zoom (please join the meeting 10 minutes prior to the 12:00pm).

The meeting will start promptly at 12:00PM, so please arrive on time. We need a quorum to conduct business, so it is very important for you to plan to attend each meeting. The meeting packet has been mailed and emailed to you.

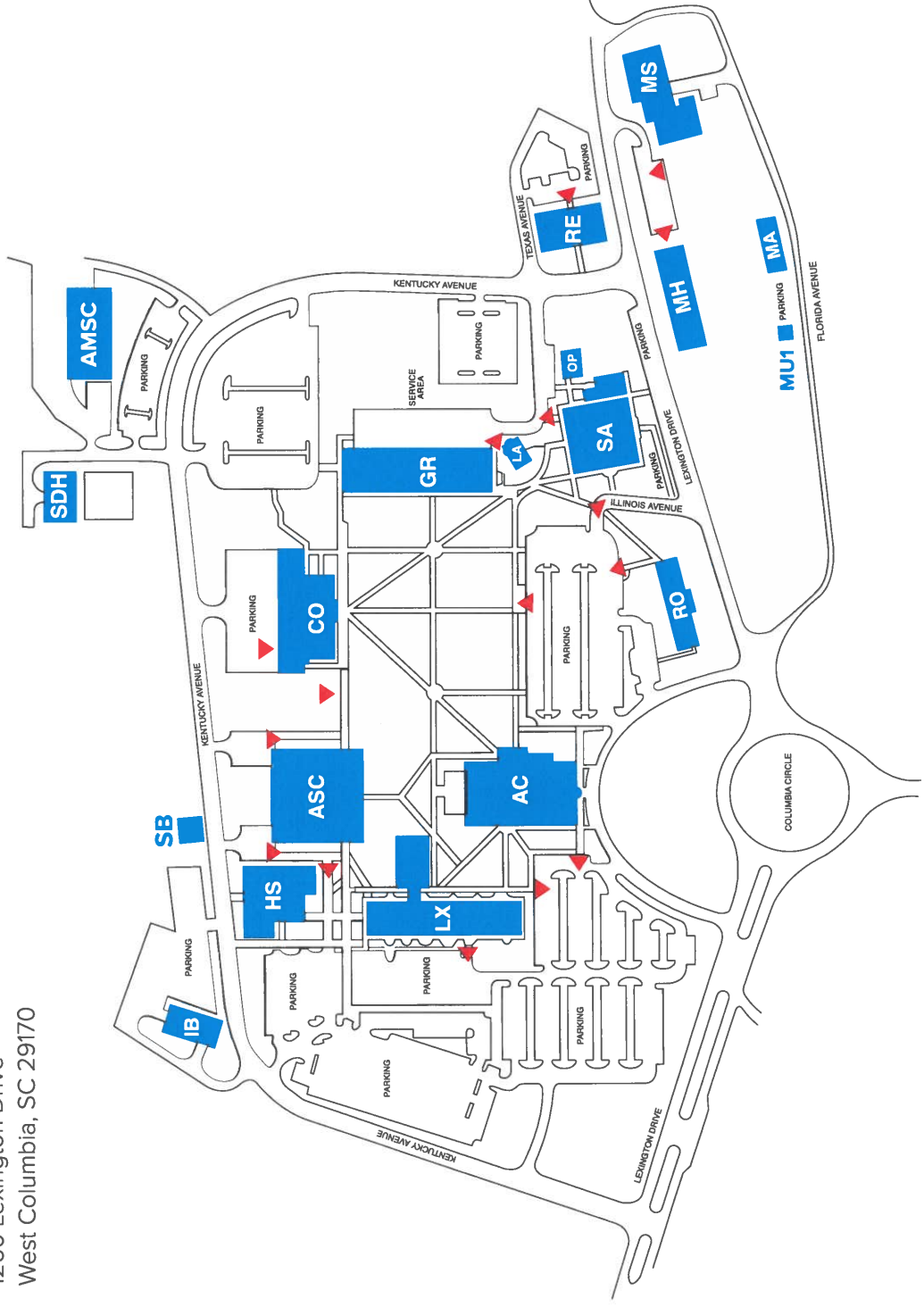
I thank you for your time and service to the Central Midlands Council of Governments.

Enclosures

BUILDING LOCATION MAP AIRPORT CAMPUS



1260 Lexington Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170



Building Legend Airport Campus

- AC - Academic Center
- AMSC - Advanced Manufacturing and Skilled Crafts Center
- ASC - Airport Student Center
- CO - Congaree Hall
- GR - Granby Hall
- HS - Health Science Building
- IB - Industrial Building
- LA - Lab Building
- LX - Lexington Hall
- MA - Maintenance Building
- MH - Morris Hall
- MS - Materials Support Facility
- MU1 - Mobile Unit #1
- OP - Operations
- RE - Reed Hall
- RO - Robinson Building
- SDH - Springdale Hall
- SA - Saluda Hall
- SB - Storage Building

▲ Curb access ramps for students with disabilities



Board of Directors Meeting

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OVERALL AGENDA

ACTION

A. Call to Order and Introductions

Foster Senn, Chair

1. Determination of a Quorum
2. Approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda
3. Invocation
4. Introduction of New Board Members
 - Joe Taylor, City of Columbia
 - Howard Duval, City of Columbia
 - Kelly Bush, Town of Irmo
5. Chairman's Introduction
 - Good News from CMCOG – Around the Region and Regional Spotlight

**Foster Senn
Benjamin Mauldin
Moses Bell**

B. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the February 24, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes (*Enclosure 1*)

C. Regular Agenda

1. 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – South Main Street (*Enclosure 2*)

Reginald Simmons

INFORMATION

D. Announcements / Committee or Staff Reports / Correspondences

1. Overview of the Family Caregiver Support Program (*Enclosure 3*)
2. CMCOG Rural Projects Status Updates
3. Impact: How the 2021 Infrastructure Bill affects SC Transportation Network? (*Enclosure 4*)
4. Overview of the 2022 & 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (*Enclosure 5*)
5. Executive Director's Report

**Jenny Andrews
Darren Ledbetter
Machael Peterson**

**Reginald Simmons
Benjamin Mauldin**

E. Old/New Business

F. Other Business

G. Adjourn

REMINDER: The next CMCOG Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2022

Note: Full Agenda packets can be found on the CMCOG website at www.cmcog.org.



**Board of Directors Meeting of the
Central Midlands Council of Governments**

**Thursday, February 24, 2022 ♦ 12:00 p.m. ♦ Midlands Technical College – Airport Campus –
Academic Center Room 143 (Mary B. Robertson Conference Center) or via Zoom**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Todd Beasley, Richland County
Will Brennan, Vice-Chair, City of Columbia
Larry Brigham, Lexington County
David Busby, Lexington County
John Carrigg, Lexington County
Rebecca Connelly, Lexington County
Glen Conwell, Lexington County Council
Kyle Crager, Fairfield County
Todd Cullum, Lexington County Council
Smokey Davis, Lexington County
William DePass, City of Columbia
Amadeo Geere, City of Columbia
T. Wayne Gilbert, Richland County
Bob Hall, Batesburg-Leesville
Brian Carter, West Columbia
Darrell Hudson, Lexington County
Robert Liming, City of Columbia
Paul Livingston, Richland County Council
Steve MacDougall, Town of Lexington
Edward McDowell, City of Columbia
Walt McLeod, Newberry County
John McMeekin, Mayor, Town of Winnsboro
Joe Mergo, Lexington County
Michelle Ransom, COMET for Leroy Dechamps
Dr. Ron Rhames, Midlands Technical College
Foster Senn, Chair, Mayor, City of Newberry
William Simon, Richland County
Lynn Sturkie, Lexington County Administrator

GUESTS PRESENT:

Bill Jordan, AECOM
Darren Ledbetter, SCDOT
Christina Lewis, SCDOT
Betsy McCall, SCDOT
Lynn Stockman, NCCOA
Joey McInyre, SCDOT
Charlie Wessinger, Lexington County

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frederia Addison, LTC Ombudsman Volunteer
Coordinator/Information Support Specialist
Roland Bart, Senior Planner
Guillermo Espinosa, Senior Planner
Anna Harmon, Director, LTCOP
Petula Hendley, Director, Financial Services
Candice Holloway, Director, Area Agency on Aging
Murlene Innis, Planner, CDBG
Jason Kent, Manager, GIS
Ben Mauldin, Executive Director
Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/
Transportation Director
Gregory Sprouse, Director, Research, Planning
Chris White, Director, Workforce Development

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Foster Senn called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. on February 24, 2022.

1. Determination of a Quorum

Chairman Senn declared that a quorum was present.

2. Approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda

MOTION, approved

Walt McLeod moved, seconded by Robert Liming to approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda. The motion was approved.

3. Invocation

Smokey Davis gave the Invocation.

4. Chairman's Introduction

- Ben Mauldin and Chairman Foster Senn presented Good News from CMCOG and Around the Region. Paul Livingston presented a Regional Spotlight on Richland County.

B. Consent Agenda

B1. Approval of the January 27, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

B2. COATS MPO Congestion Management Plan

MOTION, approved

Smokey Davis moved, seconded by John McMeekin to approve the January 27, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes and Consent Agenda. The motion was approved.

C. REGULAR AGENDA

C1. Quarterly Financial Status Report (2nd Quarter FY 22)

Ben Mauldin gave a brief overview and summary regarding the CMCOG FY 2022 second quarter fiscal statement. Mr. Mauldin requested approval.

MOTION, approved

Robert Liming moved for approval, seconded by Ron Rhames to approve the Quarterly Financial Status Report (2nd Quarter FY 22). The motion was approved unanimously.

C2. 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – Lower Saluda Greenway

Gregory Sprouse requested first reading approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program to add \$1.5 million in non-federal funding for the regionally significant Lower Saluda Greenway.

The purpose of the Lower Saluda Greenway, a proposed 10.5-mile multi-use paved path along the north side of the Lower Saluda River, is to increase safe access to nearby parks, trails, and destinations, aid in short-trip multimodal travel, and increase regional connectivity and unity between the Lexington and Irmo areas with the communities of Columbia, West Columbia, and Cayce.

The Lower Saluda Greenway provides a geography to which all planning efforts and technical analyses were tethered. The greenway runs north of and parallel to the Saluda River. The corridor connects three segments of the existing greenway/bikeway network: 1) the Saluda Riverwalk of the Three Rivers Greenway near I-26 to the east; 2) the Saluda Shoals Trail near the center of the corridor, within Saluda Shoals Park; and 3) the existing Johnny W. Jeffcoat Walkway and on-street bike lanes at the Lake Murray Dam to the west.

Based on the evaluation of alternatives this project should include a paved greenway, boardwalks, bridges, trailheads, lighting, call boxes, and other site-specific safety improvements to complete the 10.5-mile Lower Saluda Greenway.

A brief discussion took place.

MOTION, approved

Joe Mergo moved for approval, seconded by Walt McLeod to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$1.5 million in non-federal funds for the Lower Saluda Greenway. The motion was approved unanimously.

C3. 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – COATS MPO Guideshare

Reginald Simmons requested first reading approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 MPO TIP and the 2020 – 2027 RPO TIP to add the following guideshare allocations beginning in FY 2022.

- CMCOG Rural TIP - \$4,000,000 Per Year
- COATS MPO Urban TIP - \$21,925,067 Per Year

MOTION, approved

Smokey Davis moved for approval, seconded by Walt McLeod to amend the 2020 -2027 MPO TIP and the 2020 – 2027 RPO TIP to add \$21,925,067 per year and \$4 million per year respectively in new guideshare allocations beginning in FY 2022. The motion was approved unanimously.

C4. 2022 & 2023 RPWP Amendment – Bike/Ped Master Plan

Reginald Simmons requested to amend the FY 2022 & 2023 Unified Planning Work Program to the City of Newberry Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for the City of Newberry will serve as a guiding document to prioritize and catalyze active transportation projects. As the city strives to create a sense of place, a safe and connected bicycle and pedestrian system will benefit residents and visitors. The goals for this plan will be developed to align with the desires of the City of Newberry. The Plan's potential goals could include:

- Encourage active transportation as a mode choice.
- Create a list of active transportation projects that will best connect people to important places.
- Illustrate a vision for what could be.
- Identify what success looks like and outline a roadmap to get there.

There was a brief discussion.

MOTION, approved

John McMeekin moved for approval, seconded by Bob Hall to amend the FY 2022 & 2023 RPWP to add the City of Newberry Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Announcements / Committee or Staff Reports / Correspondences

D1. Executive Directors Report

Ben Mauldin gave the following report:

- Next Meeting will be held March 24, 2022 at Midlands Technical College – Airport Campus
- CMCOG Staff will plan a new board orientation lunch for incoming new board members
- RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) grants were highlighted
- Staff presented information on the Twilite Manor in West Columbia and how CMCOG staff and the SCDOA assisted in having residents moved to other housing.

E. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

New board member orientation will be held in the spring and more information will be forthcoming for those member.

F. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was brought forth.

G. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Benjamin J. Mauldin, Secretary-Treasurer

Foster Senn, Chairperson



Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/Transportation Director

DATE: March 24, 2022

SUBJECT: South Main Street

REQUESTED ACTION

The Central Midlands Council of Governments' staff would like to request first reading approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program to add approximately \$849,000 to the South Main Street Streetscape Project.

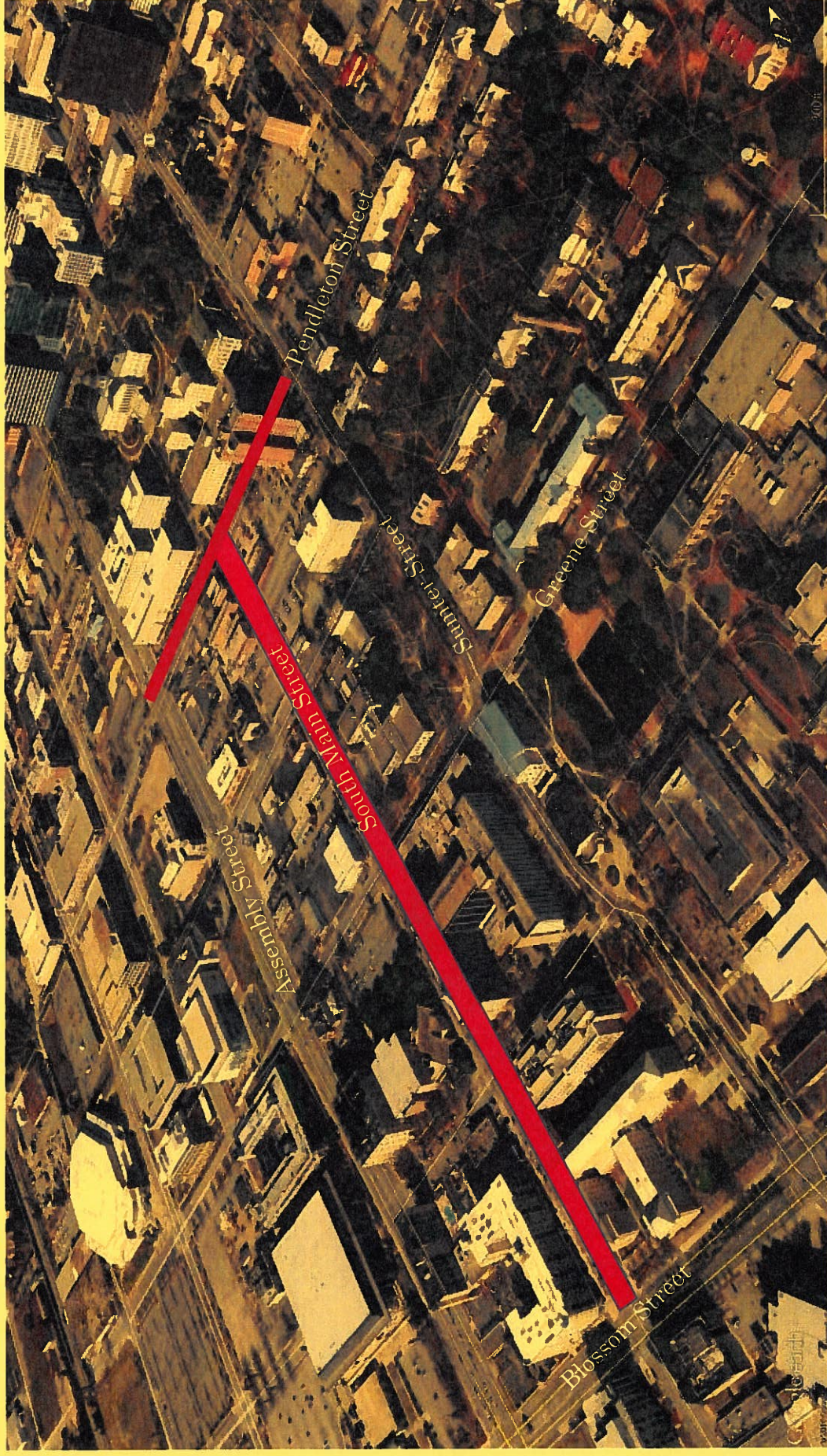
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

CMCOG in partnership with the University of South Carolina, City of Columbia, South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Comet will develop and implement the South Main Street Streetscape Project. The S. Main Street project consists of streetscape improvements along 4 blocks of S. Main Street from the intersection of Blossom Street to the intersection of Pendleton Street. South Main Street's current configuration consist of 2 lanes in each direction with dedicated turn lanes at each intersection and parallel parking on both sides of the street. The scope of this project would consist of reducing the number of lanes to one (1) in each direction, as well as the addition of bicycle lanes, wider sidewalks, and landscaping. In addition, safety upgrades will be added to the Pendleton Street corridor as well as enhanced connectivity to existing bus stops on Pendleton, College, and Sumter Streets.

ATTACHMENT

South Main Street Map

A Vision for the South Main Street District



FCG Funding Level Report

(All Accounts)

Source	Total	Allocated	Available	% Avail	Allocated Spent	Allocated Remaining	Total Budget Spent
Alz	91,753.17	91,753.17	0.00	0.0%	91,753.17	0.00	91,753.17 100.0%
CARES - Respite	9,815.85	9,815.85	0.00	0.0%	9,815.85	0.00	9,815.85 100.0%
CARES - SRC					0.00		0.00
CARES - SS	5,777.77	5,777.77	0.00	0.0%	5,777.77	0.00	5,777.77 100.0%
Elk Alz							
State Respite	142,097.63	35,155.18	106,942.45	75.3%	33,655.18	1,500.00	33,655.18 23.7%
State Respite SRC							
III E	455,819.52	450,252.41	5,567.11	1.2%	269,869.64	180,382.77	269,869.64 59.2%
III E SRC	75,581.47	61,760.12	13,821.35	18.3%	28,043.91	33,716.21	28,043.91 37.1%
III E SS	120,023.21	81,365.81	38,657.40	32.2%	55,867.34	25,498.47	55,867.34 46.5%
ARP Respite	124,308.44	10,500.00	113,808.44	91.6%	753.00	9,747.00	753.00 0.6%
ARP SRC	50,000.00	2,205.13	47,794.87	95.6%	2,205.13	0.00	2,205.13 4.4%
ARP SS	63,103.00	3,751.13	59,351.87	94.1%	1,801.13	1,950.00	1,801.13 2.9%
ARP Counseling	63,103.00		63,103.00	100.0%		0.00	
Totals	1,201,383.06	752,336.57	449,046.49	37.4%	499,542.12	252,794.45	499,542.12 41.6%
III E Total:					353,780.89		
Total Budget Not Spent					701,840.94		58.4%

Family Caregiver Support Program

FCSP received its new federal allocation and American Rescue Plan funds.

Plans for ARP funds include respite care for caregivers who have been directly impacted by COVID 19. This can be a caregiver who is dealing with long covid symptoms, or a caregiver whose care receiver suffered significant decline due to having Covid. ARP funds will also be used to provide additional supplemental services, additional services for Seniors Raising Children, and to initiate counseling services for caregivers.

Alzheimer's funding has been utilized completely. Additional Alzheimer's funding will be awarded in July 2022.

Month	Allocated Amount	Interviews Completed	Number of Vouchers	New apps	Outreach Events
July 2021	\$154,590.81	82	54	70	5
August 2021	\$55,439.92	52	38	76	0
September 2021	\$88,294.29	85	65	64	2
Q1 Total	\$298,325.02	219	157	210	7
October 2021	\$66,644.91	47	45	58	1
November 2021	\$69,693.14	61	49	53	3
December 2021	\$63,413.50	56	44	51	2
Q2 Total	\$199,751.55	164	138	162	6
January 2022	\$39,651.28	63	34	69	3
February 2022	\$44,850.00	51	40		1
March 2022					
Q3 Total	\$84,501.28	114	74	69	4
YTD totals	\$582,577.85	497	369	441	17

Family Caregiver Support Program

Recent Program Changes

This fiscal year, FCSP has worked to expand services for Seniors Raising Children. For the past several years, the only service readily available was supplemental funding to assist with back to school expenses and winter clothing for the children. We have expanded services to include various forms of respite. For the SRCs, we consider respite to be any service that provides relief for the senior. Some of these services include afterschool programs, extracurricular activities, sports, dance, driver training, etc.

We have also worked to expand our supplemental services offerings to other family caregivers. This has included additional assistive technology, house cleaning, and nutritional supplements.

Future Goals

The next service that we hope to introduce is professional counseling for caregivers and seniors raising children. We are in the process of making connections with local counseling agencies and licensed professionals to form partnerships and begin making referrals. Caregivers will be provided with these services at no cost, with FCSP agreeing to pay for a certain number of sessions.

FCSP is also hoping to continue expanding supplemental service offerings. The goal is to provide services based on what the caregiver identifies as their needs, versus continuing to provide the same services we have always provided.

We are currently working on plans to increase outreach and develop additional caregiver education resources.

**We are more
than Respite...**



Seniors Raising Children (SRC)

Provides assistance to help seniors who have taken the role of the parent. This can be due to death, or any other life changing events of the parent. This program assists seniors, age 55 and older and who are the primary caregiver.

Benefits of Respite

- Renewal
- Energy
- Engagement
- Space
- Perspective
- Identity



South Carolina
**DEPARTMENT
ON AGING**

To apply, please
contact:

**Central Midlands
Area Agency
on Aging**

236 Stoneridge Dr,
Columbia, SC 29210

(803) 376-5390

www.centralmidlands.org

Family Caregiver Support Program





You Can Count On Us Anytime

What is the Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP)?

Established under the Older Americans Act, the nationally-funded Family Caregiver Support Program provides a system of support services to help informal (unpaid) caregivers of older adults and grandparent/relative caregivers who are caring for children. Caregivers who do not have adequate support systems may experience stress and health problems of their own. This program supports caregivers by helping them to take better care of themselves by providing RESPITE, and other services.

What is Respite?

Respite is a special name for a “short-term” break for caregivers. Respite provides temporary relief from the everyday demands of providing care. Respite allows the caregiver time rest and rejuvenate.

Types of Respite

- In-home respite
- Adult Day Facility
- Facility respite overnight stay
- Nursing home or assisted living facility

Who is Eligible for FCSP?

- Individuals age 18 or older providing substantial care to an adult who is 60 years of age and older, and who needs assistance with two or more everyday activities or who is not safe to be left alone.
- Individuals age 18 or older caring for a person with Alzheimer’s disease or related dementia.

- Grandparents and older relative caregivers (other than the parent) age 55 years and older caring for a child age 18 or younger or for an adult with a disability between the ages of 19 to 59.

We are here to help! FCSP provides:

- Information to caregivers about available services
- Assistance to caregivers in gaining access to the services
- Individual counseling, organization of support groups, and caregiver training
- Respite Care
- Supplemental services, on a limited basis



Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program

Central Midlands Council of Governments

Area Agency on Aging Respite Application

Dear Caregiver,

Thank you for your interest in the Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program. This program is part of the National Family Caregiver Support Program and provides services for unpaid family caregivers who meet one of the following criteria.

- Caregivers age 18 and older providing care to individuals 60 years of age and older
- Caregivers of individuals of any age with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, and related disorders
- Older relatives, including parents, age 55 and older providing care to adults ages 18-59 with disabilities

Available services include:

- Information to caregivers about available services
- Assistance to caregivers in gaining access to services
- Individual Counseling, organization of support groups, and caregiver training
- Respite Care – A short-term break for caregivers
- Limited Supplemental Services – Incontinence supplies, medical equipment, etc.

Once you complete this application, please return it to:

Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program
236 Stoneridge Drive
Columbia, SC 29210
Fax: 803-376-5394
Email: FCSP@centralmidlands.org

If you have questions about this application, please call 803-376-5390 ext. 319.

Thank you,

Family Caregiver Staff
Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program



Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program **Central Midlands Council of Governments** **Area Agency on Aging Respite Application**

Caregiver Information			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
County:		Preferred Method of Contact: Phone Call / Email	
Phone number:		Email Address:	
Date of Birth:	Age:	Race:	Hispanic/Latinx? Yes / No
Gender:		Marital Status:	
Employment Status:		Number of people in your home:	
How long have you been caring for your loved one?			
Are you paid by anyone to provide care for your loved one?			
How many hours per week do you spend caring for your loved one?			
What type of assistance do you provide for your loved one?			
Are you receiving any other assistance with your loved one's care (Community Long Term Care, PACE, VA services, help from friends and family, etc.)?			
Are you already using an in-home care agency? If so, which one?			
Do you have any specific plans for using respite (ex.- planned vacation, upcoming surgery, etc.)?			
How would you rate your current stress levels as a caregiver? Please circle one of the options below.			
Not stressed	A little stressed	Somewhat stressed	Moderately stressed Extremely stressed



Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program **Central Midlands Council of Governments** **Area Agency on Aging Respite Application**

Care Receiver (CR) Information:			
Care Receiver #1			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address (if different from caregiver):			
Date of Birth:	Age:	Race:	Hispanic/Latinx? Yes / No
Gender:	Marital Status:	Monthly Income:	
How is the CR related to the CG?			
What medical problems make it difficult for the care receiver to care for themselves?			
Care Receiver #2			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address (if different from caregiver):			
Date of Birth:	Age:	Race:	Hispanic/Latinx? Yes / No
Gender:	Marital Status:	Monthly Income:	
How is the CR related to the CG?			
What medical problems make it difficult for the care receiver to care for themselves?			
If you are caring for more than two people, please submit additional care receiver information on a separate sheet of paper with your application.			
What type(s) of assistance are you interested in receiving from the Family Caregiver Support Program?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Respite (temporary in-home care, temporary adult day care, or short term facility stay) <input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Services (Incontinence supplies, medical equipment, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Support Group / Individual Counseling <input type="checkbox"/> Information and Referral Services <input type="checkbox"/> Other assistance, please explain:			



Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program

Central Midlands Council of Governments

Area Agency on Aging Respite Application

Caregiver's Name: _____

Notice of Non-discrimination

The Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. CMCOG does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual identity or orientation.

Consent

The information you share in this application is for the purpose of determining eligibility for the Family Caregiver Support Program. Provided information will be documented in the South Carolina Department on Aging's statewide database. This data will be kept confidential, and will not be shared without your permission. General information, without names, may be used for reporting purposes, as required by grantors. You have the right to decline to answer any question on this application. You have the right to rescind this consent at any time verbally or in writing. By signing and submitting this application, you consent to the terms listed above.

I certify that:

1. I am a Caregiver for the Care Receiver(s) listed in this application.
2. All information provided to the Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging is correct to the best of my knowledge.
3. I understand that the maximum amount of funds received in one calendar year will vary depending on the availability of funding.
4. I understand that as a participant in the Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging FCSP, I may be asked to participate in interviews and/or surveys to measure client satisfaction and effectiveness of the program. I also understand that if I choose not to respond it will not affect my eligibility for the program and its benefits.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Central Midlands Family Caregiver Support Program

Central Midlands Council of Governments

Area Agency on Aging Respite Application

~~ THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL ONLY~~
 (MD, PA, NP, RN, LPN, MSW, PT, OT, ST, or Certified Case Manager)

Please complete the ADL and continence assessment for _____ (person receiving care) based on your professional opinion and observations.

Please indicate the level of ability for each activity:

ADLS	Independent	Assistive Tech. (No help)	Supervision / Coaching	Limited Assist (Some Help)	Extensive Assistance	Total Dependence
Ambulation						
Dressing						
Eating						
Toileting						
Transferring						
Bathing						
Grooming						
Continence	Continent	Usually Continent	Occ. Incontinent	Freq. Incontinent	Incontinent	
Bladder						
Bowel						

Healthcare Professional's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name, Title: _____

Agency/Contact #: _____

Cognitive Diagnosis

If the care receiver has a cognitive diagnosis, please indicate below:

Cognitive Diagnosis: _____ MD Signature: _____

Due to cognitive impairment, the care recipient requires moderate to substantial supervision, and should not be left alone for extended periods of time. Yes _____ No _____

If you have questions about this form, please call 803-376-5390 ext. 319. If sending this sheet separately from the rest of the application, please fill in the Caregiver's name below.

Caregiver's Name: _____

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will Deliver for South Carolina

President Biden and Vice President Harris support the Senate's passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the largest long-term investment in our infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century. **The need for action in South Carolina is clear and recently released state-level data demonstrates that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will deliver for South Carolina.** For decades, infrastructure in South Carolina has suffered from a systemic lack of investment. In fact, the American Society of Civil Engineers gave South Carolina a **C- grade** on its infrastructure report card. The historic Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will make life better for millions of South Carolina residents, create a generation of good-paying union jobs and economic growth, and position the United States to win the 21st century. Specifically, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will:

- **Repair and rebuild our roads and bridges with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity, and safety for all users, including cyclists and pedestrians.** In South Carolina there are 1,702 bridges and over 7,292 miles of highway in poor condition. Since 2011, commute times have increased by 7.4% in South Carolina, and on average, each driver pays \$625 per year in costs due to driving on roads in need of repair. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is the single largest dedicated bridge investment since the construction of the interstate highway system. **Based on formula funding alone, South Carolina would expect to receive \$4.6 billion for federal-aid highway apportioned programs and \$274 million for bridge replacement and repairs under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act over five years¹.** South Carolina can also compete for the \$12.5 billion Bridge Investment Program for economically significant bridges and nearly \$16 billion of national funding in the bill dedicated for major projects that will deliver substantial economic benefits to communities.
- **Improve healthy, sustainable transportation options for millions of Americans.** South Carolinians who take public transportation spend an extra 53.8% of their time commuting and non-White households are 4.4 times more likely to commute via public transportation. 19% of transit vehicles in the state are past useful life. **Based on formula funding alone, South Carolina would expect to receive \$366 million over five years under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to improve public transportation options across the state².**
- **Build a network of EV chargers to facilitate long-distance travel and provide convenient charging options.** The U.S. market share of plug-in electric vehicle (EV) sales is only one-third the size of the Chinese EV market. The President believes that must

¹ These values are estimates and may change based on updated factor data each fiscal year.

² Transit formula funding amounts are subject to changes resulting from the 2020 census or from annual transit service data reported to FTA's National Transit Database.

change. The bill invests \$7.5 billion to build out the first-ever national network of EV chargers in the United States and is a critical element in the Biden-Harris Administration's plan to accelerate the adoption of EVs to address the climate crisis and support domestic manufacturing jobs. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, South Carolina would expect to receive \$70 million over five years to support the expansion of an EV charging network in the state³. South Carolina will also have the opportunity to apply for the \$2.5 billion in grant funding dedicated to EV charging in the bill.

- **Help connect every American to reliable high-speed internet.** 7.87% of South Carolinians live in areas where, under the FCC's benchmark, there is no broadband infrastructure. Even where infrastructure is available, broadband may be too expensive to be within reach. Over 17% of South Carolina households do not have an internet subscription. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, South Carolina will receive a minimum allocation of \$100 million to help provide broadband coverage across the state, including providing access to the at least 405,000 South Carolinians who currently lack it. And, under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 1,512,000 or 29% of people in South Carolina will be eligible for the Affordability Connectivity Benefit, which will help low-income families afford internet access.
- **Prepare more of our infrastructure for the impacts of climate change, cyber attacks, and extreme weather events.** From 2010 to 2020, South Carolina has experienced 37 extreme weather events, costing the state up to \$20 billion in damages. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, based on historical formula funding levels, South Carolina will expect to receive \$15 million over five years to protect against wildfires and \$18.3 million to protect against cyberattacks. South Carolinians will also benefit from the bill's historic \$3.5 billion national investment in weatherization which will reduce energy costs for families.
- **Deliver clean drinking water to every American and eliminate the nation's lead service lines and pipes.** Currently, up to 10 million American households and 400,000 schools and child care centers lack safe drinking water. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, based on the traditional state revolving fund formula, South Carolina will expect to receive \$510 million over five years to improve water infrastructure across the state and ensure that clean, safe drinking water is a right in all communities.

³ These values are estimates and may change based on updated factor data each fiscal year.

- **Improve our nation's airports.** The United States built modern aviation, but our airports lag far behind our competitors. **Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, airports in South Carolina would receive approximately \$161 million for infrastructure development for airports over five years⁴.**

Over the coming days and weeks, we will expect to receive additional data on the impact of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in South Carolina.

⁴ Precise allocations would change each year because the formulas use current passenger boarding and cargo data, and this estimate is based on 2019 data.



Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG **Board of Directors**

FROM: Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/Transportation Director

DATE: March 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Overview of the FY 2022 & 2023 UPWP (*Click below to download this document*)
<http://centralmidlands.org/wp-content/uploads/FINAL-UPWP-2022-2023-FINAL-DOCUMENT-APPROVED-MAY-27-2021.pdf>

REQUESTED ACTION

The Central Midlands Council of Governments staff will provide an overview of the 2022 & 2023 UPWP. Please be advised that the final report is available on our website for your review.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The 2022 & 2023 COATS Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is based on the COATS's 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan, which was updated and approved by the Policy Committee on December 9, 2021. Emphasis has been placed on developing a program which can be reasonably accomplished with available staff and consultant resources and which is consistent with the priorities of the COATS area. This 2022 & 2023 UPWP emphasizes activities that promote the implementation of the existing plan. The major projects that have been completed in past work programs include:

Transportation and Land Use Studies

- Blythewood Traffic Improvement Area Plan – June 2019
- Sandy Run Area Plan – June 2019
- Kershaw County West Wateree Transportation Study – April 2017
- Broad River Road Corridor & Community Study – December 2010
- Irmo/Dutch Fork Sub-Area Plan – June 2010
- Elgin/Richland Northeast Sub-Area Plan – June 2010
- White Knoll Sub-Area Plan – December 2008
- Lower Richland Sub-Area Plan – May 2008
- Columbia Avenue Corridor Study – August 2006

Bike and Pedestrian Studies

- Lower Saluda Greenway Feasibility Study – May 2021
- Chapin, Swansea, & Batesburg-Leesville Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan – May 2019
- Cayce, West Columbia, & Springdale Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan – December 2017
- Walk Bike Columbia Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan/Bike Share Plan – March 2015
- Regional Pathways Plan – March 2010
- Regional Bike/Pedestrian Plan – March 2006

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Regional and Rail Studies

- Regional Congestion Management Plan – January 2022
- 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan – December 2021
- CMCOG – COATS MPO Public Participation Plan – January 2021
- Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan – September 2020
- CMCOG – COATS MPO Title VI & Language Assistance Plan – September 2020
- CMCOG – COATS MPO Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Plan – August 2020
- Regional Freight Mobility Plan – November 2017
- Newberry – Columbia Alternative Analysis – March 2014
- Camden – Columbia Alternative Analysis – July 2011
- Batesburg-Leesville / Columbia Transit Feasibility Study – July 2010
- CMCOG Commuter Rail Feasibility Study – June 2006

Projects Under Development

- Short Range Transit Plan, Origin, Destination & Demographic Survey & Comprehensive Operational Analysis
- Bike Share Expansion Feasibility Study
- Columbia East Sub-Area Plan

Projects that are more than five years old will be considered for updating. Staff is also identifying new projects to be included into future work programs. Under state and federal guidance, capital improvements must be identified through scientific analysis to be considered for federal funding. Please inform Reginald Simmons of any potential areas where you would like for transportation improvements to be considered.