

State of South Carolina)

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ORDINANCE NO. 23-24-003

County of Edgefield)

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“An Ordinance Providing for the FY 2024-2025 General Operating Budget and Establishing Ancillary Budgets for Debt Service, E-911 Administration, Economic Development Fund, Solid Waste Disposal, Victims’ Bill of Rights, Emergency Medical Services, Road Maintenance, Tri-County Solicitor, Assistant Solicitor, School Resource Officer #1-9, Event Security, Sheriff Discretionary, Clerk of Court Discretionary, Pre Trial Intervention, and Criminal Domestic Violence.”

WHEREAS:

1. The Edgefield County Council, in accordance with § 4-9-30 (5) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended, has the authority to prepare an annual budget for all Departments and Agencies of the County Government; and
2. The annual County budget shall be based upon estimated revenues and shall provide appropriations for County operations and debt service for all County Departments and Agencies; and
3. Pursuant to state statutes, total funds appropriated in Fiscal Year 2024-2025 for the above purposes shall not exceed estimated revenues and funds available for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. The Edgefield County Council hereby adopts the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 County Budget for Edgefield County, South Carolina, of which a detailed copy is herein incorporated.

Section 2. The Edgefield County Council hereby authorizes and directs the Edgefield County Auditor to levy upon the taxable property in Edgefield County, South Carolina ad valorem taxes necessary to meet all budget requirements, except as provided for by other revenues, for county operations and debt service for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 ending June 30, 2025.

Section 3. The County Treasurer is hereby directed to collect said ad valorem taxes and all other revenues which may accrue to Edgefield County from all sources, pursuant to law, during Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Section 4. The Edgefield County Council approves Revenues and Appropriations for FY 2024-2025 for County operations below:

Revenues for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 General Operating Budget total \$15,816,500. Sources of funding include the following categories:

General Fund Revenues

Accommodations Tax	176,265
Animal Control	50,000
ARPA funds	45,000
Bond Revenue	100,000
Building & Planning	467,000
Clerk of Court	394,100
County Archives	700
Current Year Property Tax	5,150,000
Other Taxes	237,000
Federal Detention Reimbursement	350,000
Fund Transfers	136,730
Homestead Exemption	390,000
Local Government Fund	1,550,000
LOST Property Tax Credit	1,800,000
LOST Revenue	700,000
Magistrate's Office	475,500
Manufacturer's Exempt	240,000
Other Revenues	655,985
Motor Carrier	93,615
Probate Court	37,650
Recreation	105,500
Rent & Reimbursements	23,000
Sheriff's Office	4,600
Tax Assessor	1,200
Tax Collector	375,000
Treasurer	260,000
Unrestricted Reserves	871,655
Vehicle Tax	1,100,000
Veteran's Affairs	5,000
Voter Registration	20,000

Worthless Check	1,000
Total General Fund Revenues	15,816,500

General Fund Expenditures

ABBE Regional Library	230,000
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	75,000
Animal Control	294,820
Auditor	176,610
Beckman Center	2,000
Building & Planning	533,650
Building Maintenance	
Fuel Site	4,100
Courthouse	70,500
Council Chamber	9,000
Auditor's Building	2,500
Department of Social Services	27,500
Administration Building	10,300
Agriculture Building	12,780
Health Department	3,000
Magistrate Building	7,980
Edgefield County Park (Bettis)	17,025
Sheriff's Department	37,500
Detention Center	53,650
Sweetwater Community Center	23,000
County Maintenance Garage	4,100
Kneece Building	26,000
Circuit Judge	400
Clerk of Court	684,180
Coroner	216,395
County Administration	674,505
County Agent	1,500
County Archives	53,875
County Council	678,900
County Jail	1,879,900
County Maintenance	158,890
Court Cost	28,400
Delegation Secretary	6,835
Department of Social Services	500
Dispatch	737,885
Edgefield Health Department	6,500
Eleventh Judicial Solicitor	302,441
Emergency Management	219,207
Employment & Social Security	232
GIS/ Special Projects	106,545
Information Technology	319,150
Magistrate's Office	795,445
Medical Indigent	38,000
Miscellaneous	10,000
Countywide	1,897,756
Piedmont Tech	90,000
Probate Court	290,530
Probation Officer	100
Recreation	369,047
Registration & Election	229,200
Risk Management	550
Senior Citizens	3,000
Sheriff's Office	3,402,735
Soil & Water Conservation	7,000
Tax Assessor	382,580
Tax Collector	146,965
Treasurer	254,370
Tri-County Public Defender	60,025
Tri-County Solicitor Maintenance Contract	250
Tri-County Youth Services (DJJ rent Piedmont)	7,400

Upper Savannah COG	18,852
Veteran's Affairs	115,440
Total General Fund Expenditures	15,816,500

Section 5. The FY 2024-2025 General Operating Budget provides for the per diem rate at \$59.00 per day and the mileage rate as per current IRS rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

ANCILLARY FUNDS

Maintenance of Roads & Bridges

Revenues:	
Road Maintenance Fee	800,000
Unrestricted Reserves	
Other	27,000
Total Maintenance of Roads & Bridges Revenues	827,000
Total Expenditures	827,000

EMS

Revenues:	
Property Taxes	1,050,000
Delinquent Property Tax	53,000
Vehicle Tax	165,000
User Charges	1,058,500
Grant Fees	7,500
Other	50,500
Unrestricted Reserves	80,750
Total EMS Revenues	2,465,250
Total Expenditures	2,465,250

E911

Revenues:	
E911 Surcharges	33,000
State Reimbursement	95,000
Other State Funds	-
Unrestricted Reserves	-
Other	16,963
Total E911 Revenues	144,963
Total Expenditures	144,963

Economic Development

Revenues:	
Property Taxes	83,900
Multi-County Ind. Park	104,000
Other	7,500
Unrestricted Reserves	-
Total Economic Development Revenues	195,400
Total Expenditures	195,400

Solid Waste Fund

Revenues:	
Solid Waste User Fees	1,327,400
McCormick County Site Rental	12,046
Other	4,000
Unrestricted Reserves	-
Total Edgefield Solid Waste Fund Revenues	1,343,446
Total Expenditures	1,343,446

Tri-County Solicitor

Revenues:	
Edgefield County	302,441
Saluda County	241,953
McCormick County	127,697
Balance brought forward	170,321
Total Tri-County Solicitor Revenues	842,412
Total Expenditures	842,412

Assistant Solicitor

Revenues:	
Misc income	1,364,034
Restricted Funds	454,000
Total Assistant Solicitor Revenues	1,818,034
Total Expenditures	1,818,034

Victim's Bill of Rights Fund

Revenues:	
Assessments	23,000
Other	2,000
Transfer	60,505
Unrestricted Reserves	-
User Charges	16,000
Total Recreation Revenues	101,505
Total Expenditures	101,505

School Resource Officer #1 Strom Thurmond HS

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income	20,721
Edgefield County School District	82,885
Total School Resource Officer #1 Revenues	103,606
Total Expenditures	103,606

School Resource Officer #2 JET Middle School

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income	15,000
Edgefield County School District	82,885
Total School Resource Officer #2 Revenues	97,885
Total Expenditures	103,606

School Resource Officer #3 Fox Creek HS

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income	-
Fox Creek High School	96,318
Total School Resource Officer #3 Revenues	96,318
Total Expenditures	96,318

School Resource Officer #4 Merriweather Middle School

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income - Grant	106,811
Edgefield County School District	
Total School Resource Officer Grant Revenues	106,811
Total Expenditures	106,811

School Resource Officer #5 Merriweather Elementary School

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income - Grant	107,725
Edgefield County School District	
Total School Resource Officer #5 Revenues	107,725
Total Expenditures	107,725

School Resource Officer #6 Douglas Elementary School

Revenues:	
Edgefield County School District	
Miscellaneous Income - Grant	120,087
Total School Resource Officer #6 Revenues	120,087
Total Expenditures	120,087

School Resource Officer #7 Bettis Academy Prep

Revenues:	
Edgefield County School District	109,838
Total School Resource Officer #7 Revenues	109,838
Total Expenditures	109,838

School Resource Officer #8 Storm Thurmond CTC

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income - Grant	100,345
Total School Resource Officer #8 Revenue	100,345
Total Expenditures	100,345

School Resource Officer #9 Johnston Elementary

Revenues:	
Miscellaneous Income - Grant	97,808
Total School Resource Officer #8 Revenue	97,808
Total Expenditures	97,808

Event Security

Revenues:	
Edgefield County School District	31,600
Total Event Security Revenues	31,600
Total Expenditures	31,600

Sheriff Discretionary Fund

Revenues:	
Discretionary Funds	11,700
Other	5,800
Sheriff's Child Support	3,000
Stimulus/Discretionary Funds	1,000
Unrestricted Reserves	6,700
Balance Brought Forward	28,200
Total Sheriff Discretionary Revenues	28,200
Total Expenditures	-

Clerk of Court Discretionary Funds

Revenues:	
Fund Transfer Income	13,559
Discretionary Funds	3,552
Special Account	43,544
Total Clerk of Court Discretionary Revenues	60,655

Total Expenditures 60,655

Pre Trial Intervention

Revenues:	
11th Circuit Solicitor's Office	122,604
Total Pre Trial Intervention Revenues	122,604

Total Expenditures 122,604

Domestic Violence

Revenues:	
Misc Income	166,469
Total Criminal Domestic Violence Revenues	166,469

Total Expenditures 166,469

Opioid Settlement Grant

Revenues:	
Grant	97,000
Total Opioid Grant Revenues	97,000

Total Expenditures 97,000

Fire Tax Fund

Revenues:	
Tax Revenues	880,000
Total Fire Tax Revenues	880,000

Total Expenditures 880,000

Grand Total Ancillary Funds 9,900,631

Section 6. All of the foregoing appropriations are maximum and conditional, and are subject to reduction by action of County Council in the event that the county's revenues shall fail to meet the budgeted levels approved in this ordinance. Generally, the council authorizes transfers among line items within a department unless restricted herein or elsewhere by ordinance or council authorizes transfers among line items within a department unless restricted by ordinance or administrative directive. By majority vote of County Council, may affect transfers from Council's contingency to organizational departments.

Section 7. In order to assure the proper expenditure of monies appropriated to outside agencies, the agencies receiving monies shall supply annual financial statements to the County.

Section 8. In the event that the state reduces the funding for the salary supplement for any elected official below the funded level of the previous year, the County will retroactively make up the difference for that elected official until such time in which the state restores the supplement to its regular funding level.

Section 9. If for any reason, a court of competent jurisdiction declares any sentence, clause or provision in this ordinance invalid such determination shall not affect the remaining provisions thereof.

Section 10. This ordinance is effective July 1, 2024.

Adopted this 4th day of June 2024.

ATTEST:

Dean Campbell, Chair

Areatha Eubanks, Clerk to Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

Andrew Marine, County Attorney

Ordinance No. Adoption History

First Budget Reading	7/2/2024
Advertise Public Hearing	
Public Hearing	
Second Budget Reading	
Advertise Third Budget Reading	
Third and Final Budget Reading	
Publicize adopted Budget in paper	

David,

Good afternoon. I have attached a photo of Cassie, and below is a brief bio that I believe reflects what she is bringing to our office and the citizens of our Tri-County area. As Rick said during our meeting, and which I can also attest, an attorney who has a calling to be a prosecutor and who also resides within the Tri-County, is a rarity. In fact, there have been none with Cassie's experience and qualifications who have sought to work as a prosecutor in my time with our office. I have no doubt that she will meet or exceed our highest expectations as we strive to hold the most violent and dangerous individuals accountable for their criminal actions. Should you need anything further, please advise. Thank you for supporting our office and our mission of seeking and obtaining justice.

Sincerely,

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Cassie and her husband recently built a home on family property located approximately 8 miles from the Town of Edgefield on Sweetwater Road. They both attended and graduated from Silver Bluff High School in Aiken County. Cassie earned her undergraduate degree in Business Management from the University of South Carolina, Aiken campus, in 2010. After college, she attended the Charleston School of Law. While in law school, Cassie distinguished herself academically as the Associate Editor-in-Chief of the Charleston Law Review, and graduated Magna Cum Laude in 2013 with her Juris Doctorate Degree. She was admitted to the South Carolina Bar and began her legal career as a law clerk for the Honorable Doyet A. "Jack" Early, South Carolina Circuit Court Judge. After completing her clerkship, Cassie has served as an assistant solicitor in the Second Judicial Circuit since 2014. She has prosecuted drug cases and has distinguished herself as a violent crimes prosecutor. She has extensive trial experience. Cassie has also served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney and has assisted in the investigation and prosecution of cases in coordination with the area ATF Task Force. She and her husband are excited to be able to raise their children in Edgefield County, while Cassie continues her career as a prosecutor in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office seeking justice for the citizens of Edgefield, McCormick, and Saluda Counties. Her office will be located in the Edgefield County Courthouse.

Budget Worksheet

Run By: TMP

006-TRI-COUNTY SOLICITORS BUDGET

	*** Previous Year ***	2023	*** Current Year ***	2024	*** Next Year ***	2025	Pct	
	YTD Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	Budget	Dept Req	Admin Rcmd	Final	
							Inc	
04000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE								
04329 FUND TRANSERS INCOME	(269,833)	255,374	(278,542)	277,380	277,380	302,441	302,441	9.03
04336 MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	0	0	(18,612)	0	0	0	0	0.00
04000 TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	(269,833)	255,374	(297,154)	277,380	277,380	302,441	302,441	9.03
04003 OTHER RECEIPTS-TREASURER								
44336 OTHER RECEIPTS-TREASURER	0	0	(5,000)	0	0	0	0	0.00
44378 SOLICITOR-MCCORMICK	(107,825)	107,825	(117,116)	117,116	117,116	127,697	127,697	9.03
44379 SOLICITOR-SALUDA	(204,229)	204,299	(221,904)	221,904	221,904	241,953	241,953	9.03
04003 TOTAL OTHER RECEIPTS-TREASURER	(312,054)	312,124	(344,020)	339,020	339,020	369,650	369,650	9.03
04006 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE								
04299 BALANCE BROUGHT FWD	0	0	(160)	0	0	170,321	170,321	0.00
04006 TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	0	0	(160)	0	0	170,321	170,321	0.00
004 TOTAL REVENUE	(582,345)	567,498	(641,947)	616,400	616,400	842,412	842,412	36.67
TOTAL REVENUES	(582,345)	567,498	(641,947)	616,400	616,400	842,412	842,412	36.67
EXPENDITURES								
005 EXPENSE								
05000 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE								
05109 QS1 BALANCE PR ACCT	100,857	0	4,736	0	0	0	0	0.00
55200 OPERATING EXPENSE	0	0	37,842	0	0	0	0	0.00
05000 TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	100,857	0	42,578	0	0	0	0	0.00

Budget Worksheet
006-TRICOUNTY SOLICITORS BUDGET

	*** Previous Year ***		2023		*** Current Year ***		2024		*** Next Year ***		Final	Pct Inc
	YTD Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	Budget	Dept Reg	Admin Rcmd	2025			
05218 TRICOUNTY SOLICITORS												
05101 SALARIES	317,949	339,500	335,192	391,140	391,140	391,140	488,500	488,500	24,89			
05103 STATE RETIREMENT	59,463	65,758	63,626	74,138	74,138	74,138	92,604	92,604	24,91			
05104 WORKERS COMPENSATION	1,725	4,423	1,289	3,225	3,225	3,225	3,785	3,785	17,36			
05105 SOCIAL SECURITY	23,435	25,972	24,952	29,922	29,922	29,922	37,370	37,370	24,89			
05106 GROUP INSURANCE	45,920	68,855	62,695	60,135	60,135	60,135	95,198	95,198	58,31			
05205 BONDS	100	250	100	150	150	150	125	125	(16,67)			
05210 PRINTING AND OFFICE SUPPLIES	3,361	3,000	1,851	3,000	3,000	3,000	2,500	2,500	(16,67)			
05211 POSTAGE	681	750	807	700	700	700	850	850	21,43			
05214 MEMBERSHIP & DUES	1,014	1,275	956	1,430	1,430	1,430	1,100	1,100	(23,08)			
05215 TRAVELING EXPENSES	495	400	445	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	0,00			
05217 AUTOMOTIVE OPERATING EXPENSES	19,776	10,000	10,213	10,000	10,000	10,000	8,000	8,000	(20,00)			
05221 TELEPHONE	6,665	6,480	11,219	6,960	6,960	6,960	8,880	8,880	27,59			
05226 MAINTENANCE & SERVICE CONTRACT	1,862	2,545	2,638	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,600	2,600	8,33			
05228 BUILDING REPAIRS	0	150	0	100	100	100	50	50	(50,00)			
05241 UNIFORMS & CLOTHING	140	500	226	250	250	250	250	250	0,00			
05242 BOARDING & LODGING	1,814	1,830	20,236	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,750	2,750	(5,17)			

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006-TRI-COUNTY SOLICITORS BUDGET

	*** Previous Year ***		*** Current Year ***		*** Next Year ***		Pct Final Inc	
	YTD Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	Budget	Dept Req	Admin Remd		
05264 EMPLOYEE TRAINING	1,642	1,200	1,099	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.00
05265 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	19,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0.00
05272 SPECIAL CONTRACTS	2,088	1,910	2,088	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	0.00
05279 MISCELLANEOUS	423	700	406	500	500	300	300	(40.00)
05382 FURNITURE & FIXTURES	858	400	517	200	200	0	0	(100.00)
05383 OFFICE MACHINES	7,208	3,100	6,281	2,800	2,800	2,200	2,200	(21.43)
05384 AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.00
55206 COURT EXPENSES	0	3,500	12	1,500	1,500	400	400	(73.33)
55208 CONTRACTED SERVICES	0	0	35,000	0	0	70,000	70,000	0.00
05218 TOTAL TRI-COUNTY SOLICITORS	525,619	567,498	601,848	616,400	616,400	842,412	842,412	36.67
005 TOTAL EXPENSE	626,476	567,498	644,426	616,400	616,400	842,412	842,412	36.67
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	626,476	567,498	644,426	616,400	616,400	842,412	842,412	36.67
TOTAL FUND SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(44,569)	0	(3,092)	0	0	0	0	0.00