

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: City of Georgetown Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Requested Amount: \$ 3,000,000.00

Recipient Entity: City of Georgetown

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Scott Whittier Title/Position: City Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: swhittier@georgetownsc.gov

Entity Website: www.georgetownsc.gov County Location: City of Georgetown

Intended Use of the Funds: Funds would be used by the soon-to-be-formed City of Georgetown Housing and Redevelopment Authority to initiate programs that provide safe, affordable housing for low-income residents and essential members of the workforce, including police officers, firefighters, educators, nurses, and other critical service employees.

Justification of Request/ Public Benefit: Attainable housing is in critically short supply in the City of Georgetown. Providing funding to the Georgetown Housing and Redevelopment Authority will enable the organization to begin planning, developing, and implementing programs designed to address the community's growing housing needs. This investment will support strategic efforts to expand attainable housing options and improve long-term stability for Georgetown residents.

Carl L. Anderson

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Print Name: Lee Heath

Signature: Lee Heath

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Office of the Mayor
(843) 545-4002

February 9, 2026

The Honorable Representative Lee Hewitt
State House Representative
327D Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Request for funding for Wastewater Twenty Inch (20") Forced Main, City of Georgetown Housing Authority and Redevelopment, Firetruck, Underground Electric Distribution Improvement and Firefighter Turnout Gear.

Dear Mr. Hewitt,

Please find the attached forms requesting funding for several projects from state capital funds to support the City of Georgetown. These include:

- Twenty Inch (20") Wastewater Force Main Replacement: \$4,220,000
- City of Georgetown Housing and Redevelopment Authority: \$3,000,000
- Purchase of a New Firetruck: \$1,000,000
- Underground Electric Distribution Improvement Front Street Phase 4: \$870,000
- Purchase of Firefighter Turnout Gear: \$250,000

Twenty Inch Wastewater Force Main Replacement

The Wastewater Force Main Project is a shovel-ready infrastructure improvement essential to the reliability and long-term functionality of the City of Georgetown's wastewater collection system. The City originally planned to replace an aging wastewater lift station and construct a new force main extending from the replacement lift station to the City-owned wastewater treatment plant.

Due to funding limitations, the City proceeded with construction of the new lift station and only a partial segment of the force main, ensuring the initial phase stayed within available financial resources. However, completion of the full force main remains critical. Approximately 95% of the city's collected wastewater flows through this pipeline, making it one of the most vital components of the City's wastewater infrastructure.

The entire force main project has been fully designed, and all required permits have been secured. With engineering, environmental, and regulatory steps complete, the project is positioned for immediate construction once funding becomes available. Completing the remaining segments will significantly improve system reliability, reduce the risk of system failures, and support anticipated growth.

City of Georgetown Housing and Redevelopment Authority

The City of Georgetown has identified a critical and growing need for affordable housing for its residents. Rising housing costs have created significant barriers for many individuals and families seeking to live within the city. This challenge has also affected members of the local workforce—including police officers, educators, nurses, and other essential service providers—who increasingly struggle to find housing priced within their means.

To address this need, the City plans to establish a Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The Authority will serve as the primary vehicle for evaluating local housing needs, developing strategic plans, and implementing housing initiatives that expand affordability and access. Funding for the Authority will support the creation of development plans, identification of suitable land or redevelopment opportunities, and the construction of new housing units for residents who might otherwise be unable to afford living in Georgetown.

By establishing this Authority and securing the resources necessary for its operation, the City will take a significant step toward ensuring long-term housing stability, supporting the local workforce, and fostering a more inclusive and sustainable community.

Purchase of a New Firetruck

The City of Georgetown currently operates two fire stations to provide fire protection and emergency response services for the community. However, with continued residential and commercial growth, the City is planning the construction of a third fire station to maintain appropriate response times and ensure adequate coverage for all residents.

At the same time, the cost of essential fire equipment has risen significantly, creating challenges for the City's ability to replace aging apparatus. One of the City's frontline fire trucks has experienced frequent mechanical failures, resulting in high annual repair costs and recurring periods when the vehicle must be taken out of service. These interruptions are highly disruptive to daily fire operations and reduce overall emergency readiness, placing additional strain on the remaining apparatus and personnel.

To maintain reliable fire protection and ensure the safety of the community, the City of Georgetown is seeking funding to replace this failing fire truck. A new, modern fire apparatus will enhance operational efficiency, improve response capabilities, and support the City's long-term public safety infrastructure as Georgetown continues to grow.

Underground Electric Distribution Improvement Front Street Phase 4

The City of Georgetown operates an underground electric distribution system that serves the historic downtown district. When the system was originally constructed, several transformers and other key components were installed along the riverfront and in other low-lying locations. These areas are highly susceptible to flooding, creating ongoing operational challenges and reliability concerns.

To address these vulnerabilities, the City initiated a four-phase project to redesign and relocate this critical electrical equipment to higher ground. Although originally planned as a single project, high bid prices required the work to be divided into four phases. The City has successfully completed the first three phases. The requested funding will support completion of the final phase, enabling the City to fully eliminate flood-risk exposure for this portion of the system. Relocating the equipment will significantly reduce the likelihood of flood-related damage and will improve electric reliability for the downtown commercial community.

Currently, during flood events, the City must proactively shut down equipment located in these flood-prone areas to prevent severe system damage. These precautionary shutdowns cause service interruptions that negatively impact local businesses and complicate the safe and efficient operation of the distribution system. Completing the final phase of this project will eliminate the need for these outage events, strengthen the system's resilience, and ensure more dependable and sustainable electric service for years to come.

Firefighter Turnout Gear

Firefighters rely on specialized personal protective equipment (PPE) designed to shield them from extreme heat, flames, water, and other hazardous environments. This turnout gear is essential for ensuring firefighter safety during emergency response operations. Like all safety equipment, PPE has a defined service life and must be replaced over time to maintain its protective capabilities. Additionally, as the Fire Department hires new personnel to meet the demands of a growing community, additional sets of gear are required.

The City of Georgetown is seeking funding to purchase new turnout gear to replace aging equipment and to outfit newly employed firefighters. Investing in up-to-date protective gear ensures that firefighters can safely and effectively serve the community, maintain operational readiness, and meet nationally recognized safety standards.

Should you have any questions, kindly contact me, our City Administrator Scott Whittier at 843-545-4175 or our City Engineer, Orlando Arteaga, PE, at 843-545-4501.

Sincerely,



Jay Doyle
Mayor

Cc: Scott Whittier, City Administrator
Kathy Vermeland, Director of Finance
Orlando Arteaga, City Engineer
Chief Charlie Cribb, Fire Chief



Britton's Neck/Gresham Vol. Fire Dept.

Chief Wyman Watson
Cel: 843-621-4885
E-Mail: wymanb1@yahoo.com

7929 Hwy 908 P.O. Box 115
Britton's Neck, SC 29546



President Earl Watson
Cel: 843-506-0817
Home: 843-362-2688

TO WHOM THAT CAN HELP:

The Britton's Neck /Gresham Volunteer Fire Department are requesting help for the following items.

1. (3) complete sets of turnout gear for new members of our department.
2. (1) Fire Hydrant at the community center and Health Care Office at 6874 Highway 908, Gresham, S.C. 29546
3. (1) Water Well in Woodberry Township to have a source of water for fire fighting in this township. There are approx. 90 structures in this area plus thousands of acres of wildlife management area. It is approx. 11 miles to closest fire hydrant on highway 378. The lakes close by pose a risk of a fire truck slipping into the lake with slick banks. Fire Department and Forestry could use this water to manage fire control.
4. A small building around this pump to protect from cold weather and harms way.
5. A fence to enclose this pump and well from harms way.

1. 3 sets total turnout gear	\$3800.00 each	Total: \$11,400
2. 1 Fire Hydrant		\$ 10,000
3. Well with pump		\$ 21,000
4. Building		\$ 2,000
5. Fence		\$ 2,200
Total		\$ 46,600

Chief Wyman Watson

Britton's Neck/ Gresham Vol. Fire Dept.
Email: wymanb1@yahoo.com
Cel: 843-621-4885

1/21/2026

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Tassie Lewis, Council Member



"THE SWAMP FOX CITY"

Post Office Box 1190
107 South Main Street
Marion, South Carolina
843-423-5961
843-423-8620 (fax)

February 12, 2026

The Honorable Lucas Atkinson
South Carolina House of Representatives
333B Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Representative Atkinson,

On behalf of the City of Marion, I respectfully request your support in securing \$80,000 for our important partnership with the Children's Outreach for Education, which serves Marion County and the surrounding community.

Children's Outreach for Education partners closely with our municipality to provide much-needed assistance to two of our most vulnerable populations, school-aged children and senior citizens. Through this partnership, the organization helps ensure children have access to school uniforms, essential school supplies, and food assistance, while also meeting critical needs among seniors by providing items such as socks, coats, hats, gloves, and food.

The requested funding would be used in direct coordination with our municipality to expand and strengthen these services, allowing us to better serve families and seniors who are facing ongoing economic challenges. These programs make a meaningful difference in daily lives and help reinforce the sense of care and community that defines our county.

We are deeply appreciative of your continued support for our area and for your commitment to improving the quality of life for citizens across South Carolina. Thank you for taking the time to consider this request and for your service to our community and our state.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need any additional information. We would be grateful for your support and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

Ashley Brady
Mayor
City of Marion
843-992-3773
abrady@marionsc.gov

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Chavis One Stop Complex Splash Pad

Requested Amount: \$ ~~200,000~~ 350,000

Recipient Entity: Williamsburg County

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Summer Baxley Title/Position: Admin Asst/Budget Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: Summer.Baxley@wvc.sc.gov

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Williamsburg

Intended Use of the Funds: A design, purchase, and installation of splash pad as well as necessary site preparation and infrastructure improvements and amenities for splash pad.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The Chavis One Stop Complex is a state of the art facility. They have walking trails, multipurpose field, playground equipment, basketball court and newly constructed bathrooms with a concession area. A splash pad will be very beneficial for the children you have never had the opportunity to be something like this. This will help attract more people to the area to help grow Williamsburg County. It will also help the children stay cool after playing all day.

Lucas Atkinson
Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

[Signature]
Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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April 6, 2026

Representative Lucas Atkinson
S.C. House of Representatives District #57
Post Office Box 1019
Marion, SC 29571

Dear Representative Atkinson,

I am writing to respectfully request funding in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the Chavis One Stop Complex Splash Pad. This project is designed to enhance the quality of life for Williamsburg County residents by providing a safe, accessible, and family-friendly recreational amenity for citizens of all ages.

As a member of this community, I have witnessed firsthand the challenges faced by our rural population, particularly the limited availability of recreational facilities that promote healthy living and outdoor activity. The addition of a splash pad at the Chavis One Stop Complex will provide a much-needed space for families and children to engage in physical activity while enjoying a safe and enjoyable environment.

This project will also complement previous investments at the Chavis One Stop Complex, including the development of a walking trail, multipurpose field, playground, and newly constructed bathrooms with a concession area. Together, these amenities create a well-rounded recreational space that supports community engagement and encourages active lifestyles.

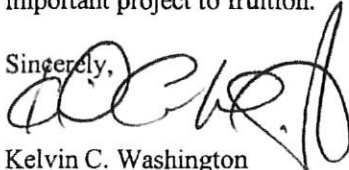
Our community continues to face significant health concerns, including high rates of diabetes, obesity, and other related illnesses. Projects like this encourage active lifestyles and provide opportunities for outdoor recreation, which are essential in promoting overall health and wellness.

The requested funds will be used for the design, purchase, and installation of the splash pad, as well as necessary site preparation and infrastructure improvements to ensure long-term functionality and safety. This addition will further enhance the Chavis One Stop Complex as a central hub for community engagement and family-oriented activities.

Williamsburg County Government fully supports the Chavis One Stop Complex Splash Pad initiative. Your consideration of this request would have a meaningful and lasting impact on the well-being of our citizens and the continued development of our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you to bring this important project to fruition.

Sincerely,


Kelvin C. Washington
County Supervisor

County of Williamsburg

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January 28, 2026

The Honorable Lucas Atkinson
S.C. House of Representatives District #57
Post Office Box 1019
Marion, S.C. 29571

Dear Representative Atkinson:

Thank you for your interest in helping Vital Aging Hemingway Wellness Center seniors address their bathroom concerns. The center is located inside of the Chavis Onestop at 2811 S. State Highway 41/51, inside of three former classrooms which were remodeled into a senior center with a kitchen, dining & exercise/multipurpose room, a game area and a craft room. The center operates Monday through Thursday with 25 to 30 seniors attending the center from the communities of Hemingway, Nesmith, Stuckey, Morrisville and Muddy Creek. Presently seniors attending the center have to walk a great distance down a hallway to use the restrooms. The seniors of this center are very concerned about the distance as many deal with chronic conditions along with the tremendous amount of effort to get to the current restrooms before a mishap occurs. They have pleaded for help with this issue and want a restroom closer to their dining/multipurpose room. Room #44 which is across the hall from the dining/multipurpose room and adjacent to the craft room is unoccupied and is presently used for storage. Vital Aging has plans for this room to be converted into a Male and Female ADA compliant restrooms and additional craft room storage. In addition, a deep well sink will be installed in the adjacent craft room to expand craft activities for the seniors.

To date \$60,000 has been secured for this project and the funds are held by Vital Aging in a separate restricted bank account for this purpose. Vital Aging has been told that additional funds are needed before this crucial project can be completed.

Williamsburg County Government is asking for an additional \$140,000.00 in funding to have adequate funds on hand to complete this project. ADA accessible restrooms closer in proximity to the senior's activities, will make the Vital Aging Hemingway Center more "Senior friendly" and accessible so that more seniors in the Hemingway and adjoining communities can attend the center and continue to benefit from the nutritional, exercise and other enhancing programs provided by Vital Aging at this center.

We thank you for your compassion and concern for Williamsburg County's senior population as we all join together to provide quality facilities and resources for our seniors to age gracefully and remain at home.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kelvin C. Washington".

Kelvin C. Washington
County Supervisor

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March 9, 2026

Representative Lucas Atkinson
S.C. House of Representatives District #57
Post Office Box 1019
Marion, SC 29571

Dear Representative Atkinson,

I am writing to respectfully request additional funding in the amount of \$100,000 for the Muddy Creek Community Center and Park in Williamsburg County. This project is designed to enhance the quality of life for our residents by providing a safe and welcoming space where community members can engage in recreational activities that promote both physical and mental well-being.

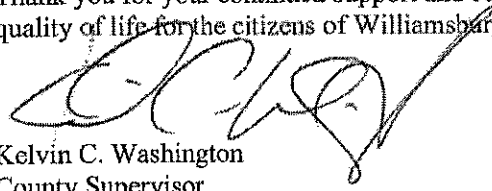
As a member of this community, I have personally witnessed the challenges faced by many of our rural residents. Access to recreational and wellness resources is limited, and this project will help address that need by creating opportunities for individuals and families to refresh their minds and bodies while fostering stronger community connections.

Our community continues to face significant health challenges, including diabetes, kidney disease, obesity, and other chronic health conditions. Recreation facilities such as this play an important role in encouraging healthier lifestyles and providing a space where residents can participate in physical activity and community programs.

The requested funds will help offset rising construction and equipment costs associated with improvements to the facility. Planned upgrades include the purchase and installation of playground equipment, construction of a walking trail, improvements to bathrooms and kitchen facilities, installation of new windows and insulation, upgraded lighting, new HVAC units, and bringing the building into full ADA compliance. These improvements will ensure the center can safely and comfortably accommodate community programs, events, and family gatherings.

Williamsburg County Government fully supports the efforts of the Muddy Creek Community Center and Park, and we believe this investment will have a lasting positive impact on the residents we serve. Assistance from your office would be greatly appreciated by our community.

Thank you for your continued support and consideration. We look forward to working with you to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Williamsburg County.


Kelvin C. Washington
County Supervisor

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House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: City of North Myrtle Beach Boardwalk

Requested Amount: \$ 3,000,000

Recipient Entity: City of North Myrtle Beach

The entity is a: State Agency, ~~X~~ Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Ryan Fabbri Title/Position: City Manager

Phone Number: 843-424-5065 Email: RL Fabbri @ nmb.us

Entity Website: www.nmb.us County Location: Horry Co./Lake Drive

Intended Use of the Funds: To construct a public boardwalk at Lake Drive in the city of North Myrtle Beach.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: To improve access to coastal resources
including fishing and to address safety concerns due to
citizens and tourists fishing on the side of a busy street; and
to boost tourism and economic activity in the City.

William H. Bailey

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Wm. E. J.

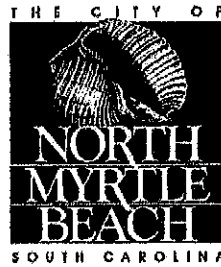
Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



January 8, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman
House Ways and Means Committee
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister:

I am writing on behalf of the City of North Myrtle Beach to request your support for \$3,000,000 in general fund revenues in the 2026-27 budget to help fund the construction of a new boardwalk in the City of North Myrtle Beach. In December, the City acquired the necessary permit for this project, so we are now working to secure the funds to construct the boardwalk, a project that will yield substantial economic, recreational, and social benefits.

The new boardwalk is expected to boost tourism and economic activity. It will be an attractive destination that will draw both residents and visitors, prompting the growth of nearby businesses such as restaurants, bait shops, and souvenir stores. This increase in commerce will not only enrich our local economy but also generate tax revenues for both our municipality and the state of South Carolina.

The new boardwalk will also provide enhanced access to our beautiful coastline, serving as a unique recreational venue for a diverse range of activities such as fishing, crabbing, walking, and sightseeing—accessible to individuals of all ages and abilities, including those with physical disabilities. We envision the boardwalk becoming a vital community gathering space, fostering social interaction and a sense of belonging among residents and visitors alike. The new boardwalk will symbolize our resilience and the restoration of an essential social hub.

The proposed boardwalk presents great promise for our community's economic vitality. I hope that you will prioritize this initiative for the benefit of all residents and visitors to the City of North Myrtle Beach. Thank you for your continued support of our beautiful city. I welcome the opportunity to discuss the boardwalk project further with you.

Sincerely,

J. O. Baldwin, III
Mayor

City of North Myrtle Beach



SC DEPARTMENT of
**ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES**

**SEE SPECIAL
CONDITION(S)**

December 16, 2025

City of North Myrtle Beach
C/O Ryan Fabbri
1018 2nd Ave S
North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582-3573

9489 0090 0027 6372 8298 25

Re: BCM06089 - City of North Myrtle Beach Boardwalk

Dear Mr. Fabbri:

The Bureau of Coastal Management (the Department) has reviewed your application for a public boardwalk at Lake Drive, North Myrtle Beach, Horry County, South Carolina and has issued a permit for this work. You should carefully read the description of the authorized project and special conditions that have been placed on the permit, as these conditions may modify the permitted activity. In addition, there are a series of general conditions that should be reviewed. The original and one photocopy of the permit, as issued, are enclosed. After carefully reading the permit, if you wish to accept the permit as issued, sign and date in the signature block entitled "PERMITTEE" on the original version of the permit and **return it to this Department. Keep the photocopy for your records.**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: You are required to sign and return the original version of your permit to this Department within thirty (30) days. S.C. Code Ann. § 48-6-30(D)(2) provides, "Within thirty calendar days after the mailing of a decision [pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 48-6-30(D)(1)], an applicant, permittee, licensee, certificate holder, or affected person desiring to contest the department decision may request a contested case hearing before the Administrative Law Court, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act."

In order to request a construction placard, please submit a critical area placard request through ePermitting. You must send in this request before the time you wish to start construction. At that time a construction placard will be sent to you to post at the construction site.

PLEASE NOTE: You are not authorized to commence work under the permit until we have received the original version of the entire permit signed and accepted by you, and a construction placard has been issued and posted at the construction site. The receipt of this permit does not relieve you of the responsibility of acquiring any other federal, state, or local permits that may be required. Please return the signed permit to the following address:

Bureau of Coastal Management
1362 McMillan Ave, Suite 400
Charleston, SC 29405

Sincerely,

Sarah E. Reed
Project Manager
Critical Area Permitting Section

Enclosure

cc: Wayne Beam, Agent

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
BUREAU OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT**

CRITICAL AREA PERMIT & COASTAL ZONE CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

Permittee(s): City of North Myrtle Beach

Permit Number(s): BCM06089

Date of Issuance: 12/16/2025

Expiration Date: 12/16/2030

Location: On and adjacent to House Creek at Lake Drive and 39th Avenue North, North Myrtle Beach, Horry County, South Carolina (TMS#: 145-02-25-001, 002, 003, and 004.)

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This permit is issued under the provisions of S. C. Code Ann. Section 48-39-10, et seq., and 23A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 30-1 through 30-18, *as amended*. **Please carefully read the project description and special conditions that appear on this permit/certification as they will affect the work that is allowed and may modify the work from that shown on the submitted plans. All special conditions attached to the permit will take precedent over submitted plans.** The general conditions are also a part of this permit/certification and should be read in their entirety. The S. C. Contractor's Licensing Act of 1999, enacted as S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-11-5 through 430, requires that all construction with a total cost of \$5,000 or more be performed by a licensed contractor with a valid contractor's license for marine class construction, except for construction performed by a private landowner for strictly private purposes. Your signature on and acceptance of this permit denotes your understanding of the stated law regarding use of licensed contractors. **All listed special and general conditions will remain in effect for the life of the permit. This applies to permittee, future property owners, or permit assignees.**

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED

The plans submitted by you, attached hereto, show the work consists of the following: the construction of a 12' x 1,483.3' public boardwalk and fishing pier alongside Lake Drive and 39th Avenue North. The boardwalk will be accessed by a 12' x 38.5' walkway and a 12' x 17' walkway. The boardwalk will have one (1) 10' x 40' access deck/ fishing station and six (6) smaller 8' x 20' access decks/fishing stations along the boardwalk. The total square footage of the boardwalk will be 20,033 SF or 0.46 acres including 0.29 acres of shading of vegetated marsh grass. The stated purpose of this project is to provide the public with safe access to the waters of House Creek for recreational activities to include fishing.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The project must be designed and constructed to minimize disturbance to shellfish resources and avoid direct encroachment on any oyster reefs.
2. Dock construction methods, including access, must be designed to avoid and minimize impacts to marsh and shellfish resources. Barges and timber mats used during construction should not be placed over marsh vegetation and shellfish resources.
3. The permittee shall instruct all personnel associated with the project of the potential presence of manatees and the need to avoid collisions with manatees. All construction personnel must monitor water-related activities for the presence of manatee(s).

4. The permittee shall advise all construction personnel that there are civil and criminal penalties for harming, harassing, or killing manatees which are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the Endangered Species Act of 1973.
5. Barriers must not impede manatee movement and additionally any siltation barriers used during the project shall be made of material in which manatees cannot become entangled and must be properly secured, and regularly monitored to avoid manatee entrapment.
6. All vessels associated with the project shall operate at "no wake/idle" speeds at all times while in the construction area and while in water where the draft of the vessel provides less than a four-foot clearance from the bottom. All vessels will follow routes of deep water whenever possible.
7. If manatee(s) are seen within 100 yards of the active construction area all appropriate precautions shall be implemented to ensure protection of the manatee. These precautions shall include the operation of all moving equipment no closer than 50 feet to a manatee. Operation of any equipment closer than 50 feet to a manatee shall necessitate immediate shutdown of that equipment. Activities will not resume until the manatee(s) has departed the project area of its own volition, or until 30 minutes has elapsed if the manatee(s) has not reappeared within 50 feet of the operation. Animals must not be herded away or harassed into leaving.
8. The permittee understands and agrees that all in-water lines (rope, chain, and cable, including the lines to secure turbidity curtains) must be stiff, taut, and non-looping. Examples of such lines are heavy metal chains or heavy cables that do not readily loop and tangle. Flexible in-water lines, such as nylon rope or any lines that could loop or tangle, must be enclosed in a plastic or rubber sleeve/tube to add rigidity and prevent the line from looping and tangling. In all instances, no excess line is allowed in the water. Where appropriate in water wires, cables, should be fitted with PVC sleeve from the surface to the bottom to prevent any potential scraping of the passing manatees.
9. Any collision with and/or injury to a manatee shall be reported immediately to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service contacts: Melanie Olds, South Carolina Manatee Lead, Charleston Field Office, at 843-727-4707 ext. 40413; or Terri Calleson, Manatee Recovery Coordinator, North Florida Field Office, at 904-731-3286
10. All necessary measures must be taken to prevent oil, tar, trash, debris and other pollutants from entering the adjacent waters or wetlands during construction.
11. The discharge of any kind of waste into state waters, including, but not limited to, garbage, refuse, trash or debris, will be prohibited at the dock facility.
12. Adequate litter receptacles must be located near all docks and walkways.
13. The permittee must implement best management practices during construction to minimize erosion and migration of sediments off site. These practices may include use of mulches, hay bales, silt fences, or other devices capable of preventing erosion and migration of sediments. All disturbed land surfaces must be stabilized upon project completion.
14. Any disturbed critical area adjacent to the construction site must be restored to original contours and conditions upon completion.
15. Once project construction is initiated, it is carried to completion in an expeditious manner to minimize the period of disturbance to the environment.

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16. An as-built survey of the structure(s) must be submitted to the Department within 90 days from completion of construction. The survey must be performed by a registered land surveyor, must show all components of the structure(s), and must list the starting and ending coordinates of the structure(s) in the SC State Plane Coordinate System, which can be obtained by survey-grade Global Positioning System equipment.
17. In the event that any historic or cultural resources and/or archaeological materials are found during the course of work, the applicant must notify the State Historic Preservation Office and the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology. Historic or cultural resources consist of those sites listed in the National Register of Historic Places and those sites that are eligible for the National Register. Archaeological materials consist of any items, fifty years old or older, which were made or used by man. These items include, but are not limited to, stone projectile points (arrowheads), ceramic sherds, bricks, worked wood, bone and stone, metal and glass objects, and human skeletal materials.

PERMITTEE'S ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO GENERAL CONDITIONS NUMBERS FOUR (4) AND FIVE (5). BY ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PERMIT, PERMITTEE IS PLACED ON NOTICE THAT THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BY ISSUING THIS PERMIT, DOES NOT WAIVE ITS RIGHTS TO REQUIRE PAYMENT OF A REASONABLE FEE FOR USE OF STATE LANDS AT A FUTURE DATE IF SO DIRECTED BY STATUTE.

THE PERMITTEE, BY ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PERMIT AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTAINED HEREIN AND TO PERFORM THE WORK IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF. ANY DEVIATION FROM THESE CONDITIONS, TERMS, PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION, SUSPENSION OR MODIFICATION OF THIS PERMIT AND THE INSTITUTION OF SUCH LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AS THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONSIDER APPROPRIATE.

Permit Number: **BCM06089**

Your signature below, as permittee, indicates that you accept and agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.



PERMITTEE(S)
City of North Myrtle Beach

12/23/2025
DATE

This permit becomes effective when the State official, designated to act for the Bureau of Coastal Management, has signed below.



CRITICAL AREA PERMITTING PROJECT MANAGER
Sarah E. Reed
Or Other Authorized State Official

12/16/2025
DATE

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GENERAL CONDITIONS:

This construction and use permit is expressly contingent upon the following conditions which are binding on the permittee:

1. The permittee, in accepting this permit, covenants and agrees to comply with and abide by the provisions and conditions herein and assumes all responsibility and liability and agrees to save the Department and the State of South Carolina, its employees or representatives, harmless from all claims of damage arising out of operations conducted pursuant to this permit.
2. If the activity authorized herein is not constructed or completed within five years of the date of issuance, this permit shall automatically expire. A request, in writing, for an extension of time shall be made not less than thirty days prior to the expiration date.
3. All authorized work shall be conducted in a manner that minimizes any adverse impact on fish, wildlife and water quality.
4. This permit does not relieve the permittee from the requirements of obtaining a permit from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers or any other applicable federal agency, nor from the necessity of complying with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and zoning regulations. This permit is granted subject to the rights of the State of South Carolina in the navigable waters and shall be subject, further, to all rights held by the State of South Carolina under the public trust doctrine as well as any other right the State may have in the waters and submerged lands of the coast.
5. This permit does not convey, expressly or impliedly, any property rights in real estate or material nor any exclusive privileges; nor does it authorize the permittee to alienate, diminish, infringe upon or otherwise restrict the property rights of any other person or the public; nor shall this permit be interpreted as appropriating public properties for private use.
6. The permittee shall permit the Department or its authorized agents or representatives to make periodic inspections at any time deemed necessary to ensure that the activity being performed is in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
7. Any abandonment of the permitted activity will require restoration of the area to a satisfactory condition as determined by the Department.
8. This permit may not be transferred to a third party without prior written notice to the Department, either by the transferee's written agreement to comply with all terms and conditions of this permit or by the transferee subscribing to this permit and thereby agreeing to comply.
9. If the display of lights and signals on any structure or work authorized herein is not otherwise provided for by law, such lights and special signals as may be prescribed by the United States Coast Guard shall be installed and maintained by and at the expense of the permittee.
10. The permit construction placard or a copy of the placard shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the project site during the entire period of work.
11. The structure or work authorized herein shall be in accordance with the permit, as issued, and shall be maintained in good condition. Failure to build in accordance with the permit, as issued, or failure to maintain the structure in good condition, shall result in the revocation of this permit.

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12. The authorization for activities or structures herein constitutes a revocable license. The Department may require the permittee to modify activities or remove structures authorized herein if it is determined by the Department that such activity or structures violates the public's health, safety, or welfare, or if any activity is inconsistent with the public trust doctrine. Modification or removal under this condition shall be ordered only after reasonable notice stating the reasons therefore and provision to the permittee of the opportunity to respond in writing. When the Permittee is notified that the Department intends to revoke the permit, Permittee agrees to immediately stop work pending resolution of the revocation.
13. The Department shall have the right to revoke, suspend, or modify this permit in the event it is determined the permitted structure (1) significantly impacts the public health, safety and welfare, and/or is violation of Section 48-39-150, (2) adversely impacts public rights, (3) that the information and data which the permittee or any other agencies have provided in connection with the permit application is either false, incomplete or inaccurate, or (4) that the activity is in violation of the terms and/or conditions, including any special conditions of the permit. That the permittee, upon receipt of the Department's written intent to revoke, suspend, or modify the permit has the right to a hearing. Prior to revocation, suspension, or modification of this permit, the Department shall provide written notification of intent to revoke to the permittee, and permittee can respond with a written explanation to the Department. (South Carolina Code Section 1-23-370 shall govern the procedure for revocation, suspension or modification herein described).
14. Any modification, suspension or revocation of this permit shall not be the basis of any claim for damages against the Department or the State of South Carolina or any employee, agent, or representative of the Department or the State of South Carolina.
15. All activities authorized herein shall be, if they involve a discharge or deposit into navigable waters or ocean waters, at all times consistent with all applicable water quality standards, effluent limitations, and standards of performance, prohibitions, and pretreatment standards established pursuant to applicable federal, state and local laws.
16. Extreme care shall be exercised to prevent any adverse or undesirable effects from this work on the property of others. This permit authorizes no invasion of adjacent private property, and the Department assumes no responsibility or liability from any claims of damage arising out of any operations conducted by the permittee pursuant to this permit.

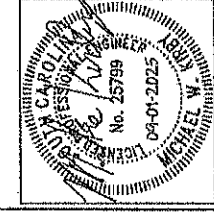
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WAMPEE QUADRANGLE MAP & LITTLE RIVER QUADRANGLE MAP
USGS QUAD MAP / LOCATION MAP

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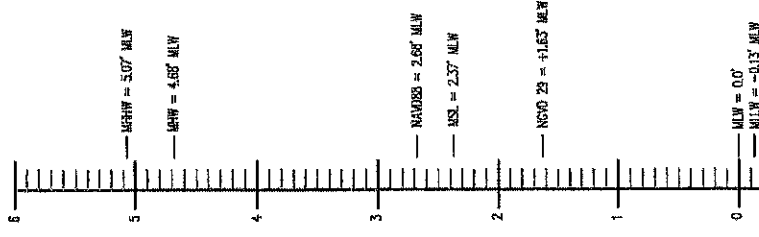


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SURVEY NOTES:

1. UPLAND TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY DATA THAT IS PRESENTED ON THESE PLANS FOR REFERENCE WAS COLLECTED BY GEL ENGINEERING, LLC, LOCATED IN CHARLESTON, SC. PHONE: (843) 789-7378. SURVEY FIELD DATA COLLECTED IN DECEMBER 2024.
2. UPLAND TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY DATA ORIGINALLY PROVIDED BY GEL ENGINEERING, LLC REFERENCED TO NAVD83 VERTICAL DATUM. ALL UPLAND TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY ELEVATIONS WERE CONVERTED FROM NAVD83 TO MEAN LOW WATER (MLW) VIA A DATUM SHIFT PERFORMED BY MIKE KIRBY, P.E. BY ADDING 2.68' TO ALL UPLAND TOPO POINTS.
3. SOUNDINGS SHOWN IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK ARE A COMBINATION OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY DATA COLLECTED BY GEL ENGINEERING, LLC ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: 12-08-2024; AND 05-28-2025 -&- 05-29-2025. HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY DATA WAS COMBINED FOR USE ON THIS PROJECT BY MIKE KIRBY, P.E. ON JULY 29, 2025.
4. SOUNDINGS WERE TAKEN BY COTM ECHOLOGICAL AND ARE EXPRESSED IN FEET AND TENTHS BELOW MEAN LOW WATER (MLW).
5. MEAN TIDAL RANGE = 4.7'.
6. THE AREAS SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY ARE SUBJECT TO SILTING. THE ACTUAL DEPTHS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF THE SURVEY MAY BE LESS THAN THE DEPTHS SHOWN.
7. HORIZONTAL COORDINATES SYSTEM: REFERENCE TO SOUTH CAROLINA STATE GRID (NAD 83).
8. ALL INFORMATION SHOWN OUTSIDE OF SURVEY AREA IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND WAS PROVIDED TO GEL BY THE CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH AND BEAM & ASSOCIATES.
9. SOME HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY SHOTS HAVE BEEN OMITTED FOR CLARITY PURPOSES BASED UPON THE SCALE OF THE DRAWING.
10. VERTICAL DATUM: MEAN LOW WATER (MLW) WAS ESTABLISHED BY A TRIMBLE R-6 RTK SURVEY GRADE GPS ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA VRS NETWORK BASED ON NAVD 88 AND WAS CONVERTED USING NOAA DATUM PROGRAM.
11. GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES ARE BASED NAD 83 AND WERE ESTABLISHED BY TRIMBLE RTK R-6 SURVEY GRADE GPS ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA VRS NETWORK.
12. ALL INFORMATION SHOWN OUTSIDE OF THE SURVEY AREA IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.
13. NOTES REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF THE FIELD DATA CAN BE FOUND IN: GEL FIELD BOOK.



TIDE SCALE

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SURVEY NOTES -&- TIDE SCALE

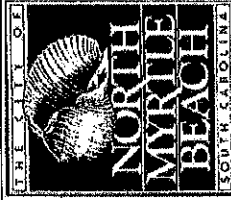
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PROJECT NAME: Lake Drive - Cherry Grove Boardwalk
PROJECT LOCATION: North Myrtle Beach (Cherry Grove)
ADJACENT WATERBODIES: House Creek COUNTY: Horry

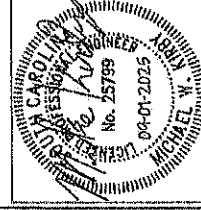
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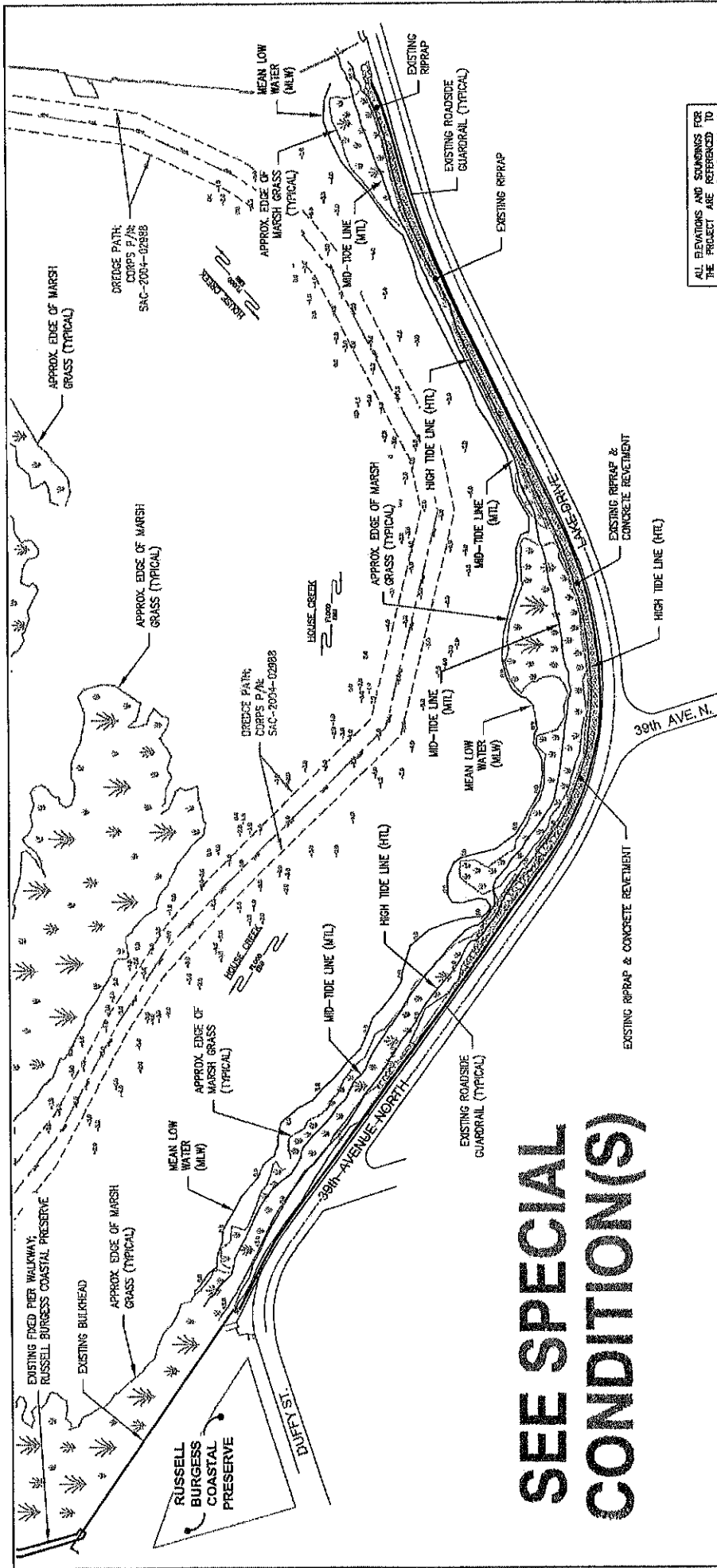


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GRAPHIC SCALE 1" = 100'
0 100'

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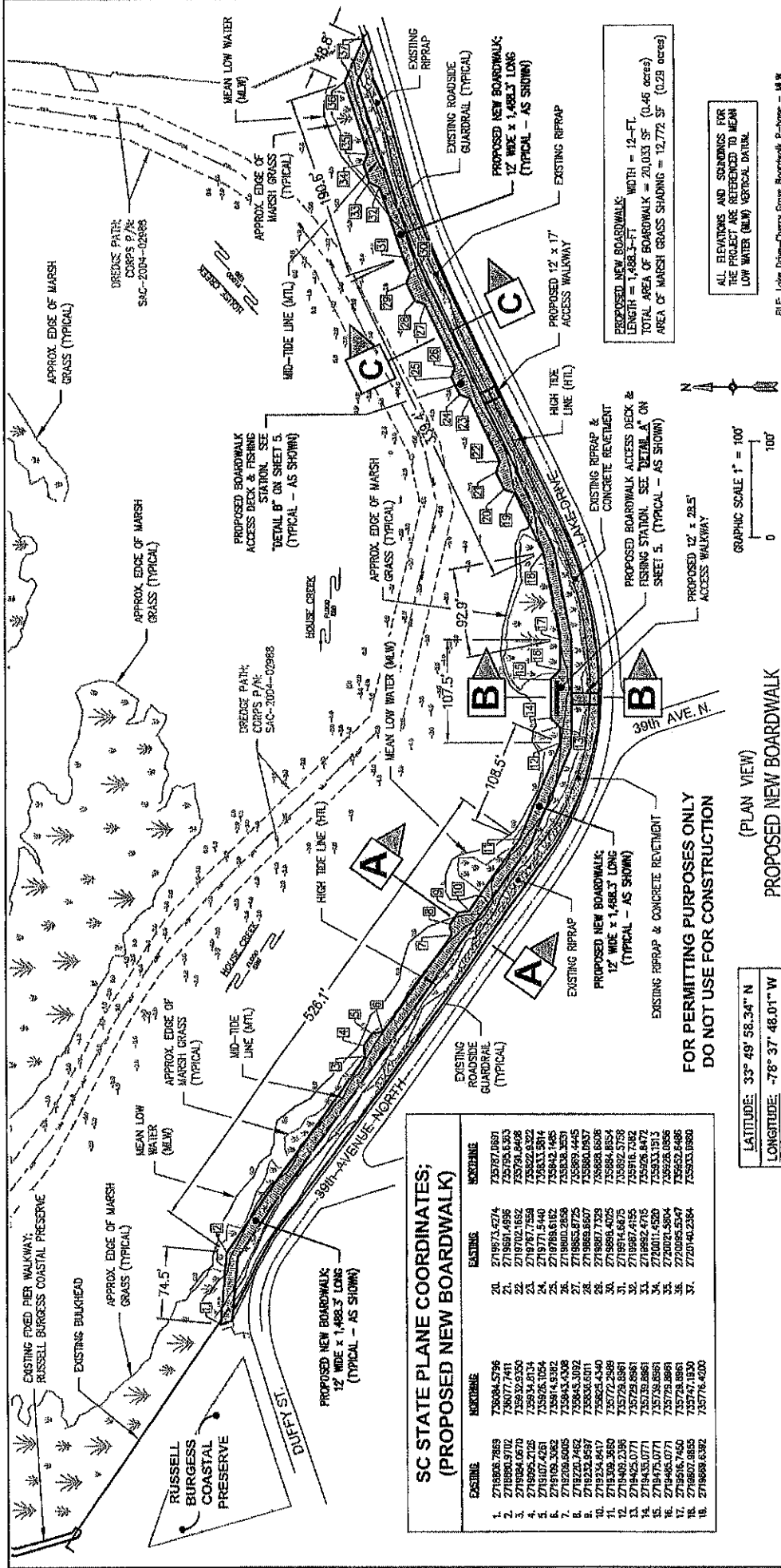


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SC STATE PLANE COORDINATES; (PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK)

EXISTING	NORTHING	EASTING	NORTHING
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PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK

GRAPHIC SCALE 1" = 100'

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PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK: WIDTH = 12'-FT.
LENGTH = 1,468.3-FT.
TOTAL AREA OF BOARDWALK = 20,033 SF (0.46 acres)
AREA OF MARSH GRASS SHADE = 12,772 SF (0.29 acres)

PROJECT NAME: Lake Drive - Cherry Grove Boardwalk
PROJECT LOCATION: North Myrtle Beach (Cherry Grove)
ADJACENT WATERBODY: House Creek

STATE: South Carolina

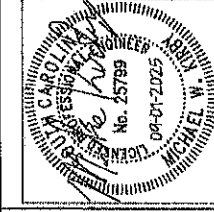
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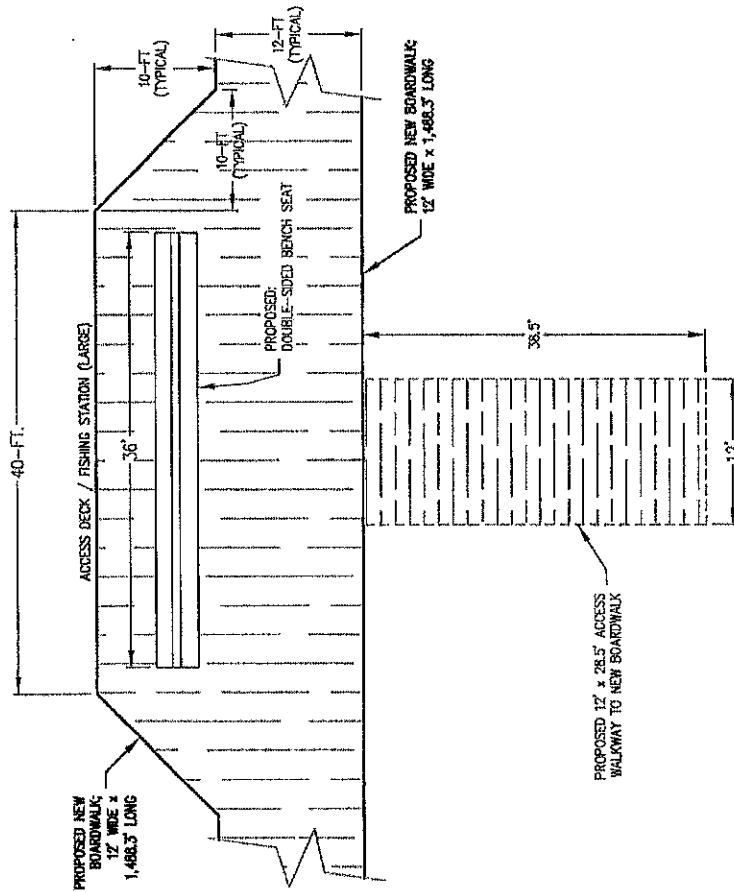
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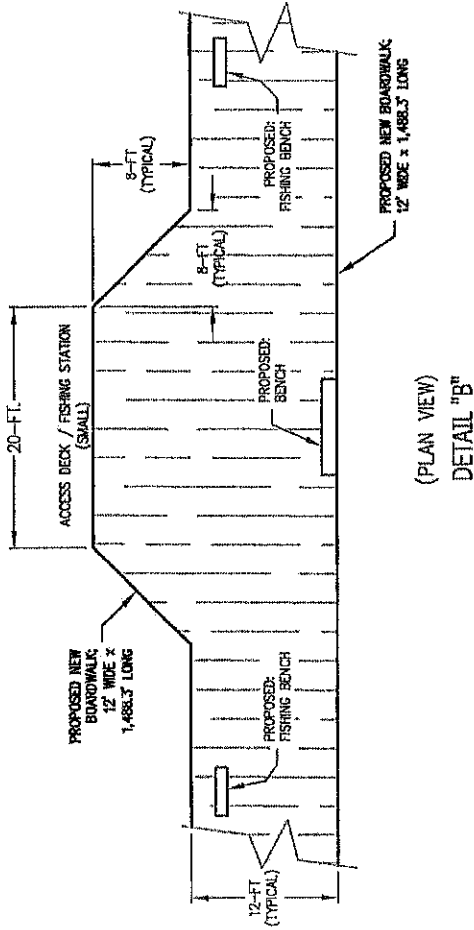
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DETAIL "A"

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DETAIL "B"

GRAPHIC SCALE 1" = 10'
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PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK; ACCESS DECK / FISHING STATION DETAILS

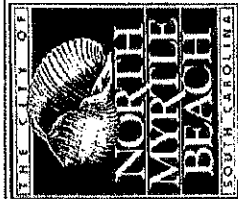
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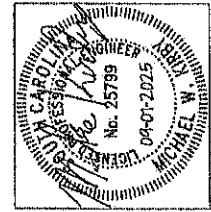
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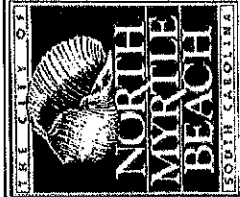
PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK; ACCESS DECK / FISHING STATION

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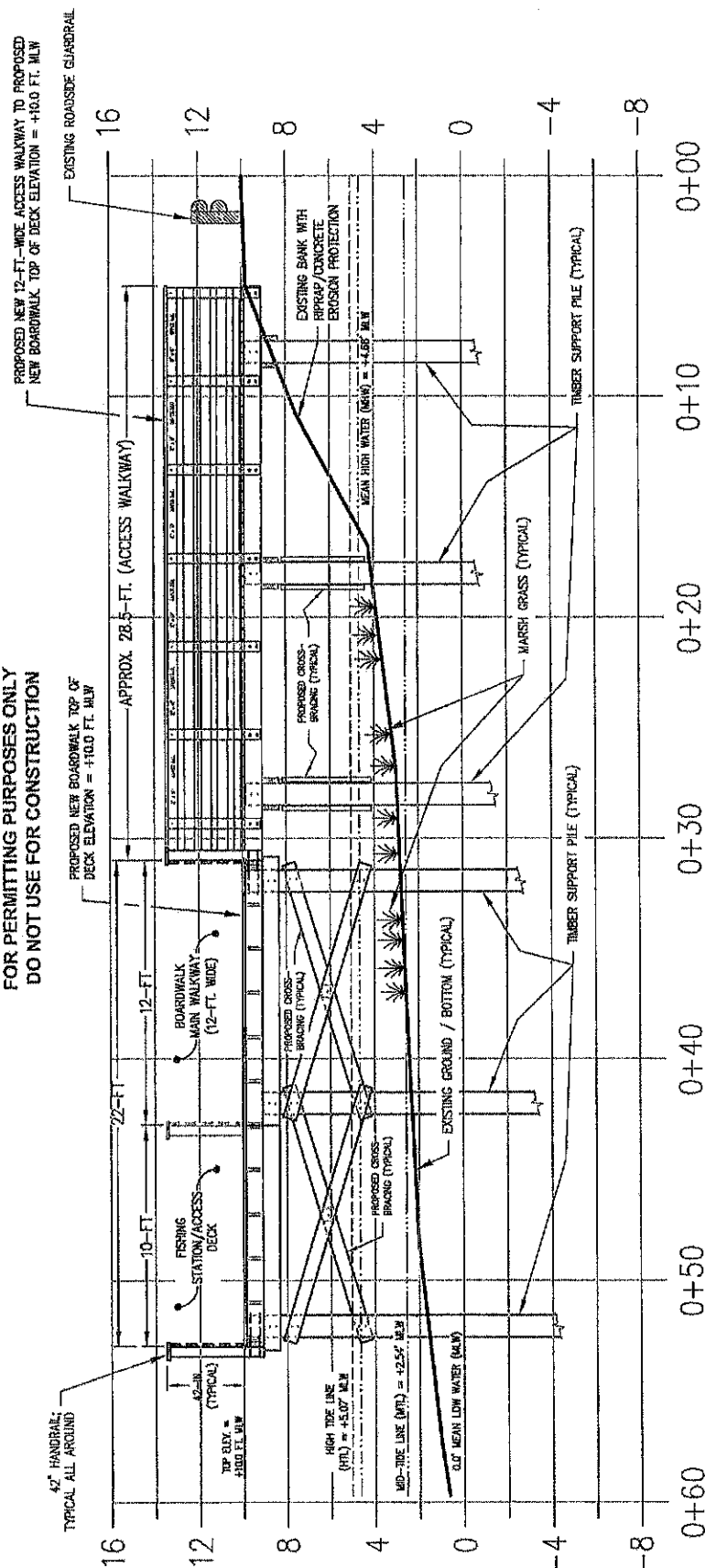
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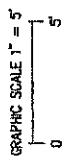
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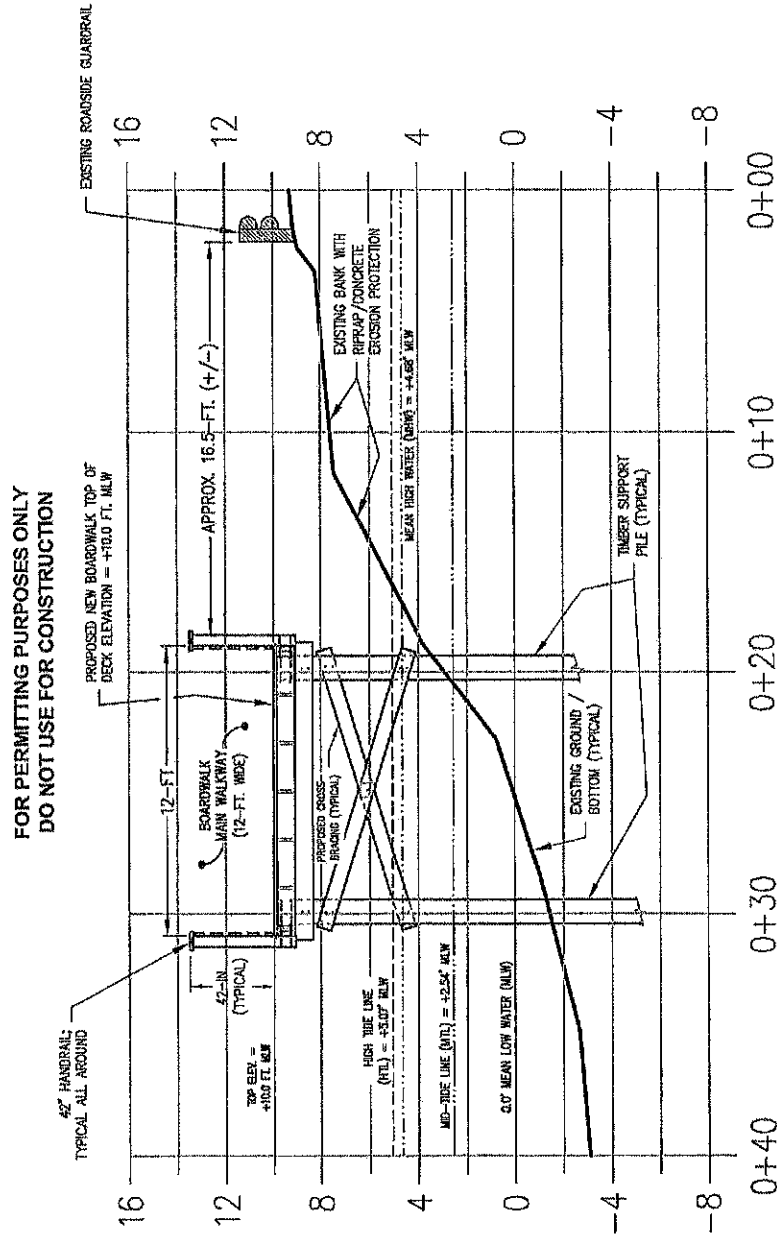
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PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK, ACCESS DECK / FISHING STATION

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PROJECT LOCATION: North Myrtle Beach (Cherry Grove)		STATE: South Carolina	
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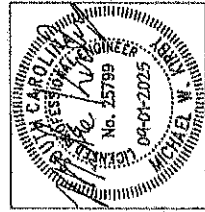
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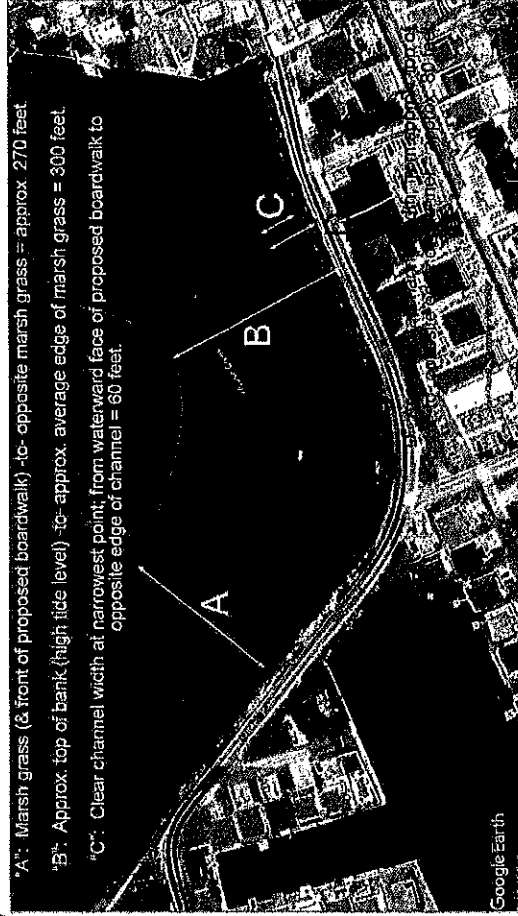
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PERMIT EXHIBIT 1; PROJECT AREA WIDTHS

LATITUDE: 33° 49' 58.34" N
LONGITUDE: -78° 37' 48.01" W

PROPOSED NEW BOARDWALK; ACCESS DECK / FISHING STATION

FILE: Lake Drive-Cherry Grove Boardwalk P-bow - MLW

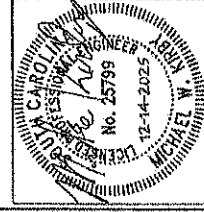
PROJECT NAME: Lake Drive - Cherry Grove Boardwalk
PROJECT LOCATION: North Myrtle Beach (Cherry Grove)
ADJACENT WATERBODIES: House Creek COUNTY: Horry

PROPOSED ACTIVITY: The project involves construction of a public boardwalk along Lake Drive and 30th Avenue North, located in North Myrtle Beach in the vicinity of Cherry Grove Beach. The new boardwalk is much needed to provide local residents and tourists with safe access to the waters of House Creek for wildlife and nature viewing and fishing.

STATE: South Carolina
APPLICANT:
City of North Myrtle Beach
1018 Second Avenue South
North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582
c/o: Mr. Ryan Fabbri; City Manager
rfabbri@nmbusa (email)
(843) 280-5555 (phone)



ENGINEER:
Mike Kirby, P.E.
1139-1 Village Creek Ln.
Mount Pleasant, SC 29464
mkirby@sigjell.com (email)
(843) 590-0256 (cell)



AGGREGATE:
R. Wayne Beam, PhD.
Beam & Associates, Inc.
123 Sikes Avenue
Clemson, SC 29631
wbeam@att.net (email)
(843) 614-7145 (cell)

SHEET: EXHIBIT 1 of 1

DATE: December 14, 2025
REVISION DATE (1):
REVISION DATE (2):

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Project/Event Name: Advanced Railroad Crossing Detection and Monitoring

Requested Amount: \$ 2.5 Million

Recipient Entity: Department of Transportation

The entity is a: ☒ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Ted Creech Title/Position: Director of Governmental Affairs

Phone Number: _____ Email: CreechJT@scdot.org

Entity Website: www.scdot.org County Location: _____

Intended Use of the Funds: To implement a pilot program for evaluation, installation, and operation of advanced
detection and monitoring systems at public at-grade railroad crossings within the State.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This pilot program will enhance public safety by
identifying hazards at railroad crossing before they lead to accidents, reducing collisions and
injuries. real-time alerts will improve coordination between train crews and operators, helping
minimize disruptions and improve traffic flow. The system will also help detect suspicious activity,
in the crossings, strengthening protection of critical infrastructure.

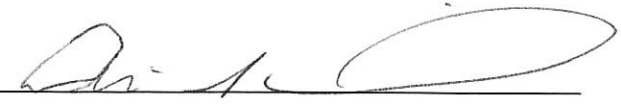
Nathan Ballentine



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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Annie McDaniel Signature: 

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

RE: Advanced Railroad Crossing Detection and Monitoring

South Carolina operates over 2,500 miles of freight rail infrastructure with a large inventory of public and private at-grade crossings served by multiple carriers. Despite years of investment in conventional warning systems, the state continues to record a meaningful number of crossing incidents each year. Within a recent three-year period, South Carolina logged 163 highway-rail collisions, resulting in 20 fatalities and 50 injuries. In 2024, the state ranked 11th nationally with 58 collisions. Collision patterns are not evenly distributed: Greenville, Spartanburg, Charleston, and Richland counties have consistently accounted for a disproportionate share of incidents, suggesting that targeted deployment of safety resources at known high-risk locations could produce measurable results. Gates, flashers, and signage warn approaching motorists, but they cannot detect a hazard already present inside the crossing envelope or alert the railroad in time to intervene.

Advanced detection technology represents a meaningful departure from this paradigm. Systems that monitor crossings in real time using sensor-based detection and AI-driven analysis can identify hazardous conditions as they develop and deliver immediate alerts to train operators and dispatchers, creating a window for protective action before a collision occurs. This legislation authorizes a state-sponsored pilot program to deploy and evaluate this class of technology at a defined set of high-risk crossings in South Carolina. A pilot can be structured to produce objective performance data that can inform future investment decisions, guide potential regulatory standards, and support the state's broader effort to reduce preventable deaths at grade crossings.

For additional information, contact:
Will Markel
Director of Strategic investments

Overview of the Herzog RailSentry™ System

Herzog's RailSentry™ platform is an advanced railroad object detection and alert system designed to improve safety at railroad crossings, stations, bridges, tunnels, rail yards, and other high-risk rail environments. RailSentry uses a combination of artificial intelligence, LiDAR, sensors, and high-resolution camera technology to create a real-time digital view of railroad crossing environments.

Unlike traditional monitoring systems, RailSentry continuously analyzes activity around railroad crossings and can detect vehicles stopped on tracks, unusual traffic behavior, or other potential hazards before an incident occurs. The system can then generate immediate alerts to railroad personnel and emergency responders.

Why South Carolina

South Carolina's rapid population growth, increased freight movement, and expanding transportation infrastructure have created greater demand on the State's rail network and public crossings. Investing in advanced crossing safety technology will position South Carolina as a national leader in rail safety innovation while helping protect motorists, rail employees, first responders, and surrounding communities.

Public Benefit

This pilot program can enhance public safety by identifying hazards at railroad crossings before they lead to accidents, reducing collisions and injuries. Real-time alerts will improve coordination between train crews and operators, helping minimize disruptions and improve traffic flow. The system will also help detect suspicious activity, strengthening protection of critical infrastructure.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ro1wFcanTQ>

https://www.herzog.com/innovation/railroad-object-detection-and-alert_system/

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Project/Event Name: Irmo Fire District regional training facility_____

Requested Amount: \$ \$800,000. _____

Recipient Entity: Irmo Fire District_____

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: Special Purpose District_____

Entity Contact: Mike Sonefeld_____ Title/Position: Fire Chief_____

Phone Number: _____ Email: msonefeld@irmofire.org_____

Entity Website: Irmofire.org_____ County Location: Lexington/Richland__

Intended Use of the Funds: Fire Rescue, Training Facility_____

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: There are currently no certified fire training buildings within 20 miles of the northwest portion of Lexington/Richland Counties. We are currently using condemned buildings in our area to do our training and that involves many hazards and risks with very little consistency. The growth in this area of the midlands combined with an increased demand for emergency services makes it almost impossible to travel out of this area to train. This facility would allow area fire departments to train together while still maintaining coverage for their citizens. Joint training at a certified training facility between neighboring fire departments is recognized by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and directly effects our constituents favorable fire insurance rates. The Irmo Fire District has the property and zoning to accommodate this project and can start immediately. _____

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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

IRMO FIRE DISTRICT

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February 2nd, 2026

To: Representative Nathan Ballentine
Blatt Bldg. PO Box 11867
Columbia, SC. 29201

From: Michael Sonefeld
Irmo Fire District
6017 St. Andrews Rd.
Columbia, SC. 29212

Re: Regional Training Facility

Thank you for your continued support for public safety and specifically the fire service community. This regional training building would serve areas of Richland and Lexington Counties that are currently lacking a training facility, allowing us to train together while staying available to respond to emergencies.

There is currently only one training center in the 750 sq miles of Lexington Co. and it is more than 14 miles from the Irmo/Chapin area. The location of the project will be behind the Irmo Fire HQ. Construction can begin immediately and be completed within 6 months from the start date.

The training facility will cost \$1.3 million and can be used regionally by Irmo Fire, Lexington fire, Richland/Columbia fire, West Columbia fire and Cayce fire for joint training scenarios.

I look forward to working with you and again thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Michael Sonefeld
Irmo Fire Chief

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Irmo Fire District (IFD) provides fire prevention, fire suppression, rescue, and first responder level EMS services to residents and visitors in the Irmo area of Lexington and Richland Counties. The IFD service area includes six of the ten busiest roadways in Lexington County by traffic volume, including the three busiest, as well as the highest population density in Lexington County. The IFD also protects several critical infrastructure assets and two major recreational waterways.

Twelve firefighters and a battalion chief staff three fire stations daily, protecting 15.1% of the assessed property value in Lexington County and over 13% of the county population. The IFD responded to over 6000 calls for service in both 2024 and 2025. The Irmo Fire District has been rated by the Insurance Services Office as a Class 1 fire department. Maintaining our high ISO rating is a high priority for the Irmo Fire District, as it supports regional growth initiatives.

Providing new and recurrent training to fire personnel has become a challenge. The skills required to provide the level of services that the IFD provides require a large investment in time to develop and maintain. The closest training facility to Irmo is the Lexington County Fire Training Center, located 14 miles away. Sending a fire unit to this facility makes it unavailable for calls in the IFD's primary response area for an extended period of time, and when an apparatus leaves the Irmo area to train, the area either has reduced fire service protection or another resource has to compromise their own primary service area in order to provide coverage. It is not feasible to send more than one unit from the Irmo area at a time to the current training facility, as the Irmo region would be severely under served in their absence. The Irmo Fire District is bordered by Lexington County Fire Services, Columbia-Richland Fire, and the West Columbia Fire Department. All four agencies have seen similar increases in call volume and are experiencing the same struggles in meeting the training needs of their personnel because access to a suitable training facility is arduous and inefficient.

A comprehensive fire and rescue training facility is needed in the Irmo area that will support a higher level of training at a greater frequency for first responders. A regional training asset would allow fire crews from adjacent jurisdictions to train together, which has proven to support better outcomes for constituents and lower property loss levels during emergencies.

The ideal training facility would consist of three separate training areas that focus on firefighting, technical rescue and vehicle rescue. A firefighting facility is currently under construction. A technical rescue facility is needed to support initial training and maintaining skills in low frequency, high impact events such as industrial accidents, train incidents, complex entrapments and rescues involving hazardous materials and confined spaces. A vehicle rescue facility is needed in order to develop and maintain proficiency in rescuing victims of all types of vehicle accidents, including those involving large vehicles like buses, big rigs and heavy commercial vehicles. There currently is no comprehensive technical rescue training facility like this in the Midlands.

The Irmo Fire District is requesting \$1,300,000 in State Funds to construct a comprehensive regional technical rescue training facility.

FIRE FRAME – TRAINING STRUCTURE QUOTE

Prepared For:

Fire Chief Sonefeld

Irmo Fire Department

Prepared By:

Fire Frame

fireframetraining@gmail.com

www.fireframetraining.com

Date: December 18th, 2026

Project Overview

The "Icon" custom burn building is designed to provide comprehensive, realistic training capabilities using 14 new (1-trip) 40' shipping containers. The structure supports live-fire exercises, technical rescue, fire-ground survival and fire operations training.

Structural Features

☐☐Containers: 14 × 40' (new 1-trip)

☐☐Burn Rooms: 3 total

☐☐9 Exterior Steel Doors & nine 36"x36" steel Windows.

☐☐Elevator Shaft: 1

☐☐Rappel Boxes: 2

☐☐Interior Staircases: 2 total (Level 1-2 and Level 2-3)

☐☐Exterior Staircase: 2-level

☐☐Ladder Access Point: 1 (level 3 to level 4)

☐☐Flat Roof Prop: 1

☐☐Pitched Roof Prop: 1

☐☐wood decking on balconies

☐☐Safety Railings Installed where required

☐☐Exterior Finish: Painted & primed in department's color choice

- ☐ ☐ Denver Drill Window Prop
- ☐ ☐ Pittsburgh Drill RIT Prop
- ☐ ☐ Forcible Entry Rebar Cutting Window
- ☐ ☐ StrikeForce window VEIS Entry Sash and Plexiglass Clearing
- ☐ ☐ Window Bail Out Anchors on level 3.
- 1500 gallon in ground drafting pit
- Confined Space training prop
- Reinforced concrete pad for Heavy Rescue training
- Vehicle Rescue/Extrication props
- Trench Rescue props
- Cut away roof props for ventilation training

Estimated Construction Timeline

5-6 months

Site Preparation

Site preparation and foundation work, retention pond upgrade,

Price

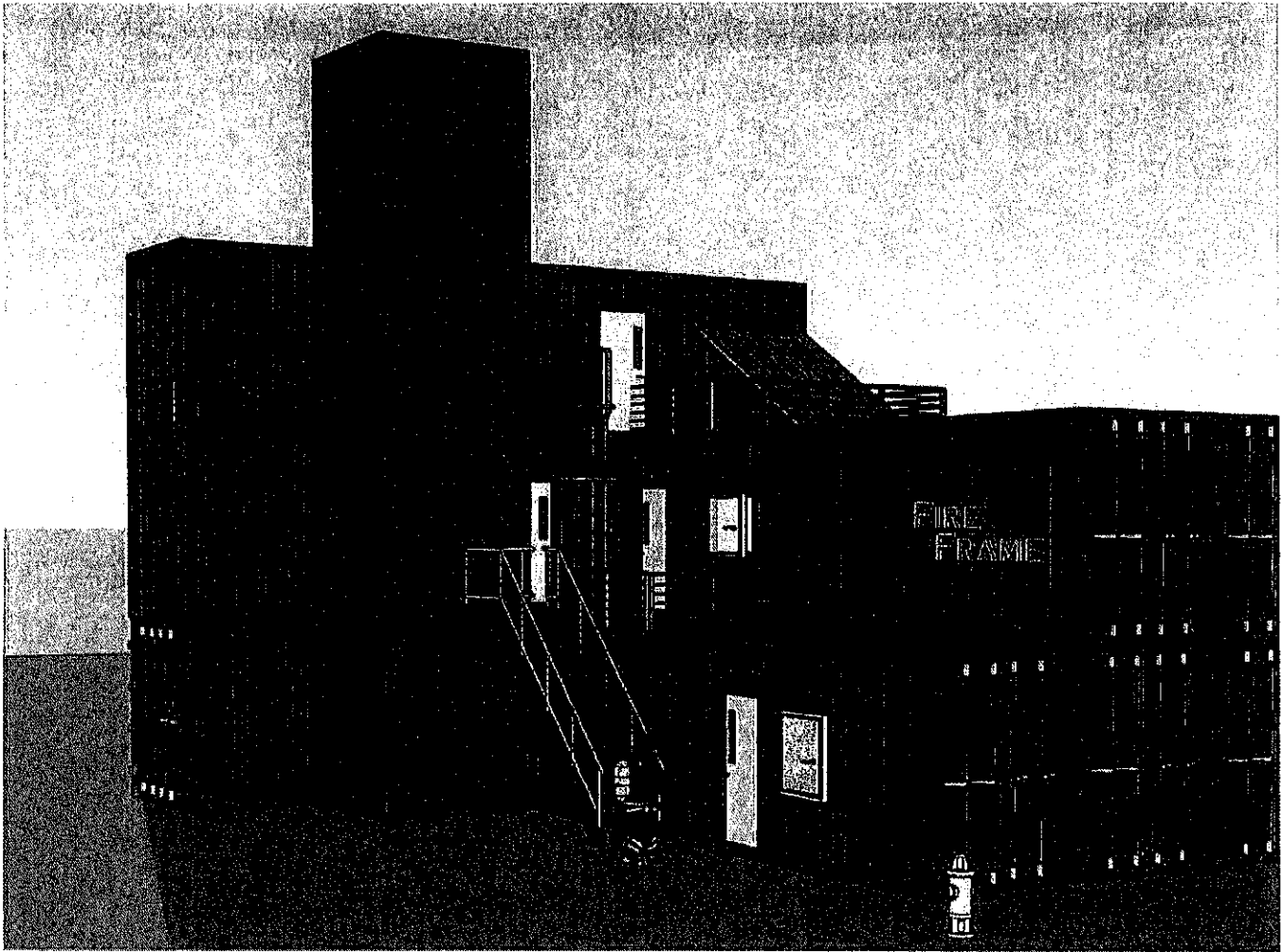
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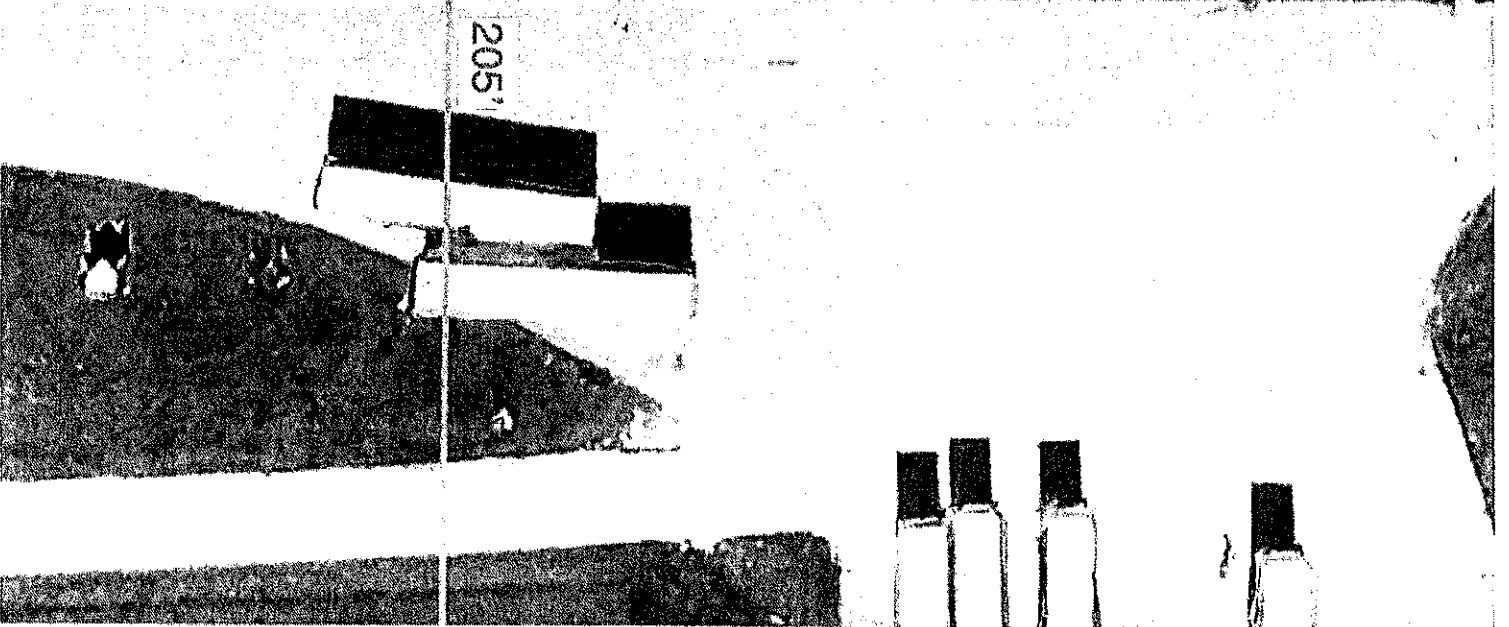
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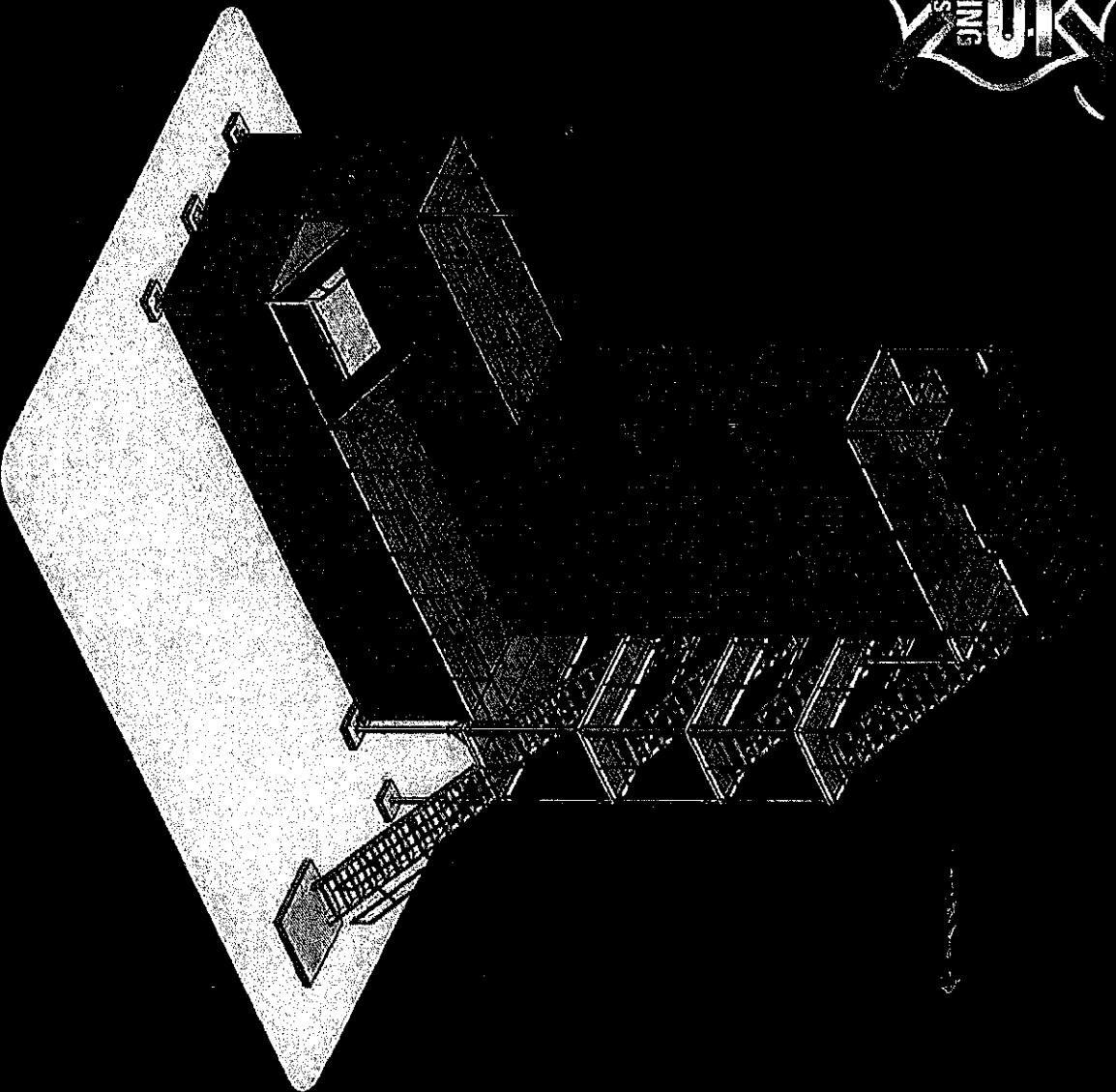
Payment Terms

50% due at contract ratification, prior to construction start

50% due upon completion



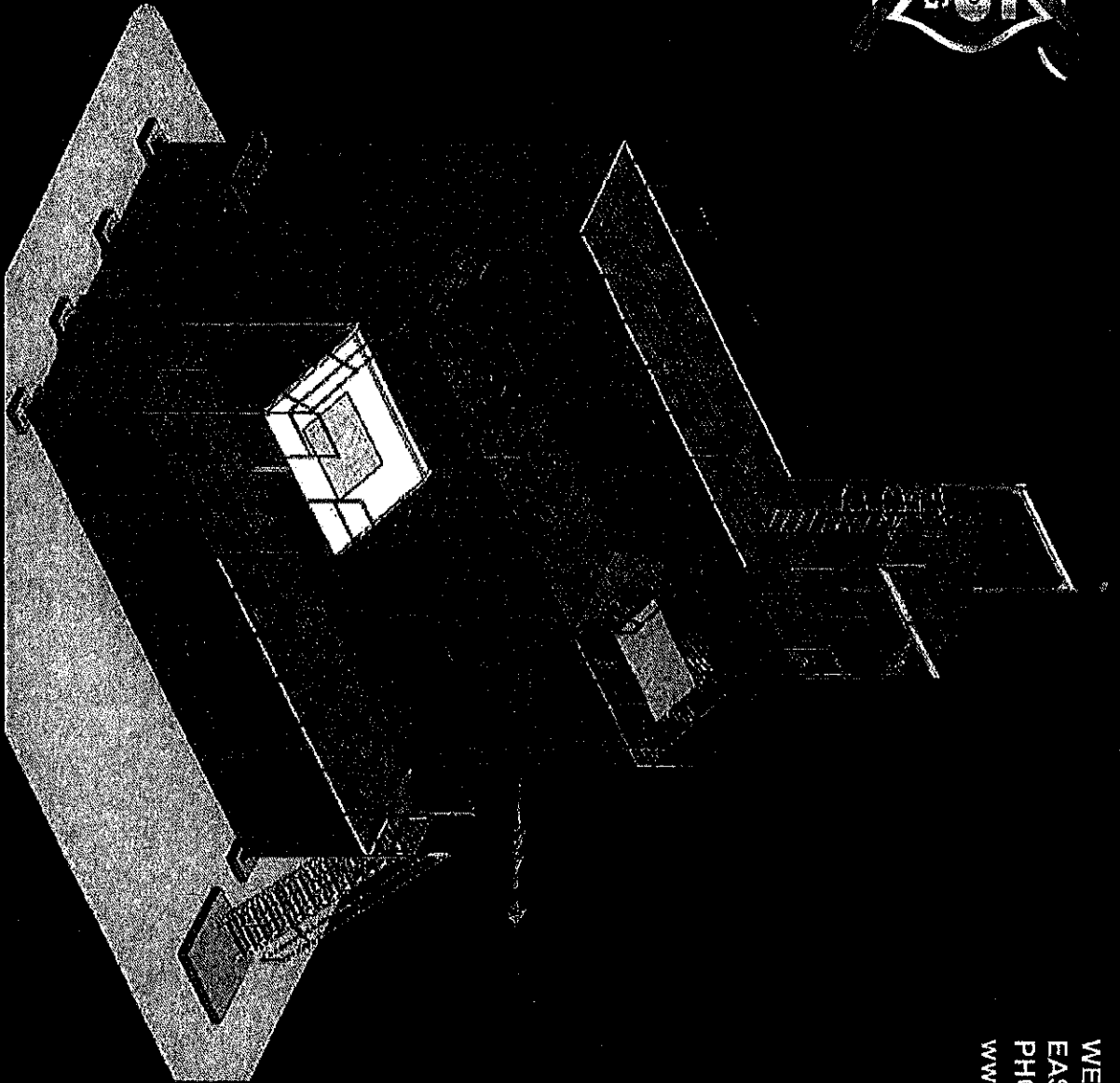




WEST: Phoenix, AZ
 EAST: Long Island, NY
 PHONE: 1-877-268-8303
www.FireTrainingStructures.com

- 3 – 40ft Containers
- 3 – 20ft Container
- 2 – 20ft Burn Rooms With Burn Crips, Material Suspension Chains, & Clean-out-hatches
- Reconfigurable SCBA Maze System
- Ventilation Hatch
- Bluetooth Temperature Monitoring System
- Shoring Prop
- Wall Breach Prop
- Interior Stairs
- Exterior Stairs
- Active Roof With OSHA Compliant Guardrail System
- Pitched Roof Prop
- Rappelling Tower
- Forced Entry Door
- Fire Doors
- Fire Windows
- Denver Drill Window
- Rebar Cutting Prop
- Garage Door Cutting Prop
- Canopy
- Standpipe & Sprinkler System
- Foundation Attachment Hardware

OPTIONS
 SHOWN



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Project/Event Name: The Banks by SASS Go

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Recipient Entity: SASS Go

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Shannon Henry Title/Position: President

Phone Number: _____ Email: shannonhenry@sassgo.org

Entity Website: thebanksus.org County Location: Lexington

Intended Use of the Funds: To help build The Banks, a first of it's kind, state-of-the-art facility for survivors of assault and abuse, their families, and the professionals who serve them.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The Banks is a dedicated healing campus for women impacted by assault and abuse, offering recovery services for survivors and their families. It also provides statewide prevention education and trains professionals, including law enforcement, legal advocates, and healthcare providers, who serve survivors.

NATHAN BALDWIN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Nathan Baldwin

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



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OFFERING SAFETY, HOPE, AND HEALING TO WOMEN AND GIRLS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND THOSE WHO SERVE THEM.

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as our formal request for funding support for The Banks, a first-of-its-kind healing and training campus in South Carolina dedicated to serving women and girls who have experienced violence and abuse, while also equipping professionals and communities in prevention and response.

Project Timeline

The Banks project is structured in a strategic, phased timeline, with an anticipated total completion window of approximately 18 months.

1. Site Identification - contract 4th quarter - October 2026
2. Due Diligence - engineering design, architectural, local, state, and federal regulatory approvals - 9-months from execution of the contract.
3. Closing on the Land - Q2 - June 2027
4. Contracts for Construction (infrastructure and buildings) - July 2027
5. Commence Construction - September 2027
6. Projected Completion of Construction - 12 months - September 2028
7. Grand Opening for The Banks Campus - January 2029

This projected timeline reflects a carefully considered and executable development plan, supported by experienced partners and aligned with state and local requirements.

We are honored to present this request and sincerely value your time and consideration. Your partnership in this transformative initiative will help deliver safety, restore lives, and drive generational change for individuals and families across South Carolina.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if any additional information is needed.

With gratitude,

Shannon Henry
SASS Go President & Founder
shannonhenry@sassgo.org
(803) 915-7277
TheBanksUS.Org



South Carolina

STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

Henry D. McMaster, Governor

Mark A. Keel, Chief

P.O. Box 21398
Columbia, South Carolina
29221-1398

WWW.SLED.SC.GOV

(803) 737-9000

April 23, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to confirm that the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) has worked in collaboration with SASS Go over the past two years in support of advanced human trafficking law enforcement training initiatives across the state of South Carolina.

Through this partnership, SASS Go has played an important role in helping equip and train law enforcement agencies with critical tools, resources, and education to better identify, respond to, and prevent human trafficking. Together, these efforts have supported over 90 police jurisdictions statewide.

We are grateful for the opportunity to work alongside SASS Go in this important effort and recognize their commitment to strengthening awareness, prevention, and response to human trafficking in our communities.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Jade M. Roy, MSCJ

Lieutenant

SC Law Enforcement Division

Vice – Human Trafficking Unit



An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency





HENRY DARGAN McMASTER
GOVERNOR

April 16, 2026

Dear Friends and Supporters:

The first duty of government is to protect the safety and well-being of its people.

Across South Carolina, we continue to strengthen our efforts to prevent violence, support survivors, and ensure that those in need receive compassionate, effective care. This work requires strong partnerships, sustained commitment, and a coordinated approach among health care providers, law enforcement, and community organizations.

Efforts like those advanced by SASS GO, including The Banks Project, reflect the type of collaboration and leadership that help move this important mission forward. Through partnerships with state and local agencies, medical providers, and community organizations, these efforts contribute to improved prevention, enhanced training for frontline professionals, and more coordinated support for survivors.

Continued investment in prevention, workforce development, and system coordination is essential to reducing fragmentation and strengthening the services available to individuals and families across our State. By supporting initiatives that promote collaboration and shared responsibility, we can better ensure that our communities are safer, stronger, and more resilient.

The mission and efforts of SASS GO, including The Banks Project, have my full confidence and support, and I encourage continued partnership and community support to advance this important work.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Henry Dargan McMaster".

Henry Dargan McMaster



ROBERT HALFACRE
MAYOR

CITY OF Clemson SOUTH CAROLINA



JORGE CAMPOS
CHIEF OF POLICE

April 23, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to confirm that the City of Clemson Police Department has worked in collaboration with SASS Go in support of implementing the Green Screen initiative within the City of Clemson and Clemson University.

The Green Screen initiative, developed by SASS Go, provides tools designed to help detect and support the potential victims of drug-facilitated crimes. Through this collaboration, efforts have been made to increase awareness, strengthen prevention, and equip both law enforcement and the community with a resource to better recognize and respond to these incidents.

We are grateful for the opportunity to work alongside SASS Go in this important effort and recognize their commitment to advancing safety, support, and justice within our communities.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jorge Campos".

Chief Jorge Campos
City of Clemson Police Department



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South Carolina Agency & Institutional Partners

Local Government Agencies

Aiken County Sheriff's Office
Aiken Public Safety
Anderson Police Department
Barnwell County Sheriff's Office
Beaufort County
Bluffton PD
Camden PD
Cayce PD
Charleston PD
Charleston County
Chester County
Chester PD
Chesterfield County
Clarendon County
Clemson PD
Clemson University PD
Clover Police Department
Columbia PD
Columbia Metro Airport
Conway PD
Darlington County
Denmark PD
Dillon PD
Dorchester County
Edgefield County Sheriff's Office
Florence County
Fort Mill PD
Georgetown County Sheriffs Office
Goosecreek PD
Greenville County
Greenwood County Sheriffs Office
Hartsville Police Department
Horry County Police
Horry County Sheriff's Office
Jasper County
Kershaw County
Lancaster County
Latta PD
Laurens Police
Lee County
Lexington County
Lexington PD
Loris PD

Manning PD
Marion County
Marlboro County
Mauldin Police
McCormick County Sheriff's Office
Moncks Corner PD
Mount Pleasant PD
Myrtle Beach PD
Newberry County Sheriffs Office
Newberry Police Department
North Augusta Police
North Charleston PD
Oconee County Sheriff's Office
Orangeburg County Sheriffs Office
Orangeburg Department of Public Safety
SC Probation, Parole and Pardon Services
Richland County
Rock Hill PD
Saint George PD
Salem PD
Santee PD
SC Attorney General's Office
SC Department of Social Services
SC Highway Patrol
SC State Transport Police
SC Port Authority
SLED
Society Hill Police
Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office
Summerville PD
Sullivans Island PD
Surfside Beach
Tega Cay PD
Timmons ville PD
Union County
University of South Carolina PD
USC Beaufort PD
West Columbia PD
Woodruff PD
York County



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South Carolina Colleges & Universities

Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
Columbia College
Columbia International University
Lander University
Lenoir-Rhyne
Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC)
Presbyterian College
University of South Carolina
University of South Carolina Aiken
Wofford College

Other State Agencies

South Carolina Air and Army National Guard
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
South Carolina Attorney General's Office

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Project/Event Name: South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum

Requested Amount: \$ 4,800,000

Recipient Entity: South Carolina State Firefighters' Association

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, **X** Non-Profit, or _____ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Jamie Helms

Title/Position: Executive Director

Contact Phone Number: (803)741-6588 Email Address: Jamie.helms@scfirefighters.org

Entity Website: scfirefighters.org County Location: Richland

Intended Use of the Funds: The development of the South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum. To be located in Richland County.

Renovation Budget

25,000 sq ft x \$193 = \$4,800,000 (estimated total)

Justification of Request / Public Benefit:

Our vision is to serve as a central point of research, collection, preservation, collaboration, communication, exhibition, and education of South Carolina's fire service history and artifacts. Capturing the cultural history of our fire service and chronicling its artifacts are an essential duty of those who believe "*A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots.*" (Marcus Garvey)

The model of the South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum is unique to all other institutions dedicated to preserving our state's history. The very foundation of the Fire Heritage Center and Museum is focused solely on the research, collection, preservation, collaboration, communication, exhibition, and the education of the citizens of South Carolina.

Bearing in mind the influence our fire service has on every facet of life, the mission and vision of the South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum will focus its responsibility to inspire, educate and enlighten future generations through our history. As generations come and go, there is an urgent need to ensure important and historically significant items and materials are saved in an accessible manner.

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The presence of a State Fire Heritage Center and Museum is vital in many ways. Just the educational component alone enhances the profile of our fire service and ultimately opens doors as a recruitment tool to the diverse population of the South Carolina community. Its presence and offerings, not only to firefighters but the public of all ages, will serve as an advocacy for the firefighting profession and a better "fire safe" South Carolina. A center dedicated to the history of South Carolina's fire service creates collaboration with local, state and national organizations; provides networking opportunities through research discoveries; supports leadership growth; feeds instructional innovation and offers considerations for the humanities, arts, and technologies; illuminates traditions; and provides for the simple enjoyment of discovery of a part of history about which little is known.



SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FIRE

a Division of South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

Office of State Fire Marshal

141 Monticello Trail • Columbia, SC 29203

(803) 896-9800

www.statefire.llr.sc.gov

May 4, 2026

Terikah Staggers
Budget/Research Analyst
South Carolina House of Representatives

Ms. Staggers,

The South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (the Department) can confirm the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association (the Association) provides certain services to the Department, although no written contract for services exists between the entities.

The Association is the approved vendor for Fire Protection Publications and Jones and Bartlett Learning, which are both publishers of student textbooks and instructional technologies for fire, rescue, and emergency medical services education. The Department purchases student textbooks through the Association, as the only approved vendor in South Carolina for these publishers. These textbooks are utilized by the South Carolina Fire Academy to deliver training to the State's fire and emergency services departments.

In addition, the Association is named in several state statutes related to the responsibilities of the Department's Division of State Fire. Of particular note, the Association has an advisory role on the South Carolina Fire Academy Advisory Committee (§ 23-10-10), an oversight role on the South Carolina Firefighter Mobilization Oversight Committee (§ 23-49-20), and chairs the Volunteer Strategic Assistance and Fire Equipment (V-SAFE) Program (§ 23-9-25). Section 40-80-10(B)(4)(e) establishes a defined role for the Association in maintaining firefighter records and, § 41-21-110(A) authorizes the Director of the Department to establish a junior firefighter program in cooperation with the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association.

The Association also administers and manages the South Carolina Firefighter Assistance and Support Team (SCFAST). The Department is appropriated funds for first responder PTSD treatment, and Proviso 81.13 of the Appropriations Act directs the Department to distribute those funds to the Association to run the SCFAST program. These funds are used to reimburse firefighters and emergency medical technicians who incur mental injury as a result of a critical incident during the scope of employment for actual out-of-pocket expenses not covered through workers compensation claims and/or other insurance. The Department is authorized to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out the provisions of the proviso.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jonathan C. Jones
State Fire Marshal/Deputy Director



Our mission is to be the focal point for service and support to save lives and property.



SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

The Honorable Nathan Ballentine
SC House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

On behalf of the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association (SCSFA), we are respectfully requesting funding consideration for the development of the South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum. Currently, there is no statewide facility designated to educate future generations on South Carolina's fire service history. The SCSFA is finalizing the purchase of a facility in the vicinity of Columbia, located in Richland County, which will house the South Carolina State Fire Heritage Center and Museum. The SCSFA is seeking funding (\$4,800,000) necessary to renovate approximately 25,000 sq ft of the property to include an interactive fire museum, auditorium and educational center.

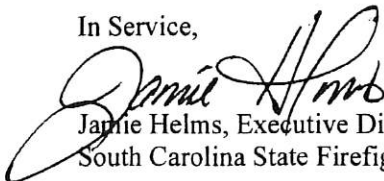
The property purchase was completed in August of 2025 with renovations projected to begin August of 2026 with an anticipated completion date Summer of 2027. Initial cost projections are 4.8 million dollars with the cost breakdown being an estimate as architectural plans are still in design stages. The renovations of the 25,000 sq ft space is anticipated to house an interactive museum and education center for the citizens of South Carolina. The model of the South Carolina Fire Heritage Center is unique to all other institutions dedicated to preserving our state's fire history. The very foundation of the Fire Heritage Center is focused solely on our mission and vision of being the central point of research, collection, preservation, collaboration, communication, education and exhibition of South Carolina's fire service history.

The South Carolina Fire Heritage Center will focus its responsibility to inspire, educate and enlighten future generations through our history. As generations come and go, there is an urgent need to ensure important and historically significant artifacts are saved, cataloged, and preserved in an accessible manner.

The SCSFA was organized in 1905 and has served as the advocate of the South Carolina fire service for 120 years. The use of these funds will allow the association to provide a designated location to properly display the history of South Carolina's fire service. As always, we are grateful for the support of the South Carolina Legislature and thankful for the consideration for funding of this project.

Additionally, the Heritage Center will have the capability to also serve as a Firefighter Mobilization back-up staging location, in the center of the state, for natural disaster response.

In Service,


Jamie Helms, Executive Director
South Carolina State Firefighters' Association

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Camera System

Requested Amount: \$ 500,000

Recipient Entity: Bamberg County Sheriff Office

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Sheriff Kenneth Bamberg Title/Position: Sheriff

Phone Number: _____ Email: sheriff@bambergcounty.gov

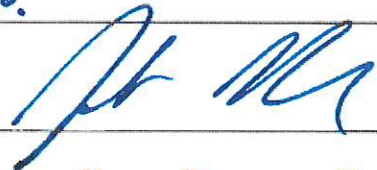
Entity Website: bambergcounty.sc.gov County Location: Bamberg

Intended Use of the Funds: Countywide Camera System

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Rural, large geographical area w/ understaffed police agencies. Will serve as crime deterrent & assist with the timely investigation of crimes. Positive for both public & officer safety also.

Rep. Justin Bamberg

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BAMBERG COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
KENNETH J. BAMBERG
509 North Street - P.O. Box 210
Bamberg, S.C. 29003
Telephone: 803-245-3018
Fax: 803-245-1369



May, 4, 2026

Representative Bamberg,

As Sheriff of Bamberg County, we are working towards obtaining a camera system to assist in both crime prevention and crime prosecution across Bamberg and adjacent counties. As you know, we are a very rural county where every municipal law enforcement agency is understaffed and my agency has a vast area to cover with limited resources. The camera system would be a force multiplier which would greatly enhance law enforcement's ability to prevent and investigate crimes, which increases our ability to ensure accountability to those who commit crime.

The camera system would be used within the incorporated and unincorporated towns and area of Bamberg County. When crimes are committed within our towns, often those suspects are able to use primary and secondary rural highways in an attempt to avoid the consequences. Camera systems are proven to help facilitate identifying and locating those persons by providing law enforcement timely information on the direction of travel, make and/or model of vehicle, and other important information.

Bamberg County does not have the funds necessary to acquire a camera system. On behalf of Bamberg City Police Chief Regina Gatling, Denmark City Police Chief Bernard Holman, Ehrhardt City Police Chief Chad Dilling, Denmark Technical College Department of Public Safety Chief Rodney Bond and myself, I am seeking this funding to help us better serve and protect our community. This will also increase officer safety in our geographical area, which has seen officers shot or otherwise injured in the line of duty in recent years.

Respectfully,

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Kenneth J. Bamberg
Sheriff, Bamberg County

BAMBERG COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MANAGED VIDEO

At the request of the Bamberg County Sheriff's Office, Motorola is providing this budgetary quote for a managed video service for Bamberg County SO. Each site will include an Avigilon Multisensor Camera, Weather-proof Enclosure, Ruggedized Network Video Recorder, and either Cellular or Microwave backhaul. The camera's will be installed, integrated, and maintained by our local Palmetto 800 video team.

Please note that the information in this quote is provided for informational (or budgetary) purposes only and does not constitute an offer to sell or license any Motorola product. This quote is not binding on Motorola and Motorola is making no representations, warranties, or commitments with respect to pricing, products, or terms and conditions, which would require more information and further detailed analysis of the requirements. In order to move forward with this project, Motorola will need to prepare and deliver to the Bamberg County Sheriff's Office a complete proposal that includes a comprehensive system description, statement of work, terms and conditions, responsibility matrix, and project timeline.

PRICING

Each Camera Enclosure with Backhaul

Year 1	\$ 7,650.00
Year 2	\$ 7,650.00
Year 3	\$ 7,650.00
Year 4	\$ 7,650.00
Year 5	\$ 7,650.00
Number of Sites	13

\$497,250

Grand Total

DESIGN ASSUMPTIONS

- This is Budgetary Pricing and Not an Offer for Sale.
- Site locations need to be identified before formal offer can be made
- Assuming Microwave backhaul for each site. Cellular could affect price
- All work to be performed during normal work hours, Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm.
- Provide Motorola Solutions and their subcontractors access to facilities and systems as required to enable personnel to perform their tasks in accordance with the project schedule.
- Provide traffic management for any installations requiring such.
- Ensure sites meet space, grounding, power, and connectivity requirements for the installation of all equipment.
- Obtain and be responsible for power and pole attachment permitting required. Any additional permitting required by the Bamberg County will be the responsibility of Bamberg County.
- Coordinate the activities of all personnel, vendors or other contractors.
- Provide 120VAC constant power at each headend location.

- Provide backup power as necessary
- Provide cellular data sim or IMEI virtual sim data activation plans for cellular sites

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Meyer Center School Relocation

Requested Amount: \$ 3,000,000

Recipient Entity: The Meyer Center for Special Children

The entity is a: ____ State Agency, ____ Local Government, ____ Non-Profit, or X Other

If **Other**, please explain: The Meyer Center is a public charter school

Entity Contact: Meta Hendricks Title/Position: Executive Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: mhendricks@meyercenter.org

Entity Website: meyercenter.org County Location: Greenville

Intended Use of the Funds: To support the relocation and building expansion of the school.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: See attached.

Bruce Bannister

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Request: \$3,000,000 in state funds to support the purchase of property for the relocation of the Meyer Center

Need:

The Meyer Center has experienced a 44% growth in enrollment since 2019, now serving 110 students. Despite renovations to the current location the Meyer Center continues to average 50+ students on the waiting list annually with the most recent admissions lottery resulted in 24 of 61 student applicant being selected based on available seats.

We are eager to serve more families, but our current facility is at capacity - we have filled every classroom and therapy space.

For young children, delays in services and lack of treatment have a lifelong impact on skills that can never be regained. As the upstate grows in population (and popularity), so will the need for our services. Current South Carolina HHS Baby Net (IDEA Part C) data shows that 1,183 children (3 and under) are eligible for early intervention services in Greenville County, which is just over 3% of the population of children ages 0-4 in Greenville County. ¹ According to Dr. Curtis Rogers, Senior Clinical Geneticist at Greenwood Genetics, 3% of children born will have an intellectual disability requiring multiple therapies. The Meyer Center provides needed care in for a group of students for whom quality childcare options are lacking.

Solutions:

The board formed a Long-Range Planning Committee to develop long-range goals to ensure the Meyer Center is meeting the needs in our community. The Committee recognized that to address our waiting list and be well situated to meet future needs; this will require a larger initiative in expanding our space. This expansion of space would also dramatically enhance the school's other critical areas of focus in our plans, such as:

- Creation of an afterschool program
- Growing summer programs
- Developing inclusionary practices within all aspects of our program – school-year, afterschool and summer camp.
- Adding outpatient therapy services
- Flexibility to respond to the needs of families and students by incorporating future services
- "Swing spaces" that may be used for community activities and other wraparound services

¹ <https://www.greenvillesc.gov/DocumentCenter/View/16515/2020-Demographics---Market-Profile---Greenville-County-SC>

Property & Location:

- Market research yields land costs in Greenville County at approximately \$275,000/acre
- Planning by McMillan Pazdan Smith (MPS) indicates a need of 8-10 acres to adequately accommodate a facility, outdoor play and learning space as well as safe parking and bus traffic flow.
- Targeted land tracts are centrally located and positioned for ease of access for families in Greenville and surrounding counties.

Campus Design: Children learn through play.

- The new facility design will feature multiple pods encircling a central outdoor play space and courtyard area.
- Each pod will contain six classrooms centered around an indoor play area – this space will be capable of serving 60 students.
- The pods are wrapped with the spaces needed to support students: music therapy, library, therapy gyms, offices and meeting rooms and each classroom is supported by a dedicated sensory room and office.

The overall layout of the campus is more efficient and the pods will yield two key benefits:

- 1) Reduces frequency and distance that students/classes must travel to access therapy and play spaces.
- 2) Reduces the obstacles such as doors, corners, halls, ramps which can often present as obstacles for our students and will ensure students and parents do not have to traverse busy parking lots.

March 25, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201



Dear Chairman Bannister,

Thank you for your continued support of the Meyer Center. We are so fortunate to have leaders like you! As you know, no one plans to have a child with a disability. When they do, all face barriers to accessing critical intervention services; childcare options are scarce or non-existent; maintaining employment is challenging, if not impossible, and the idea of economic mobility is fleeting. For marginalized and low-income families these additional barriers compound existing challenges and can be insurmountable. For a young child these barriers mean delays, or lack of treatment, which will have a lifelong impact on skills that can never be regained.

The Meyer Center has been a foremost leader in serving children with disabilities for seven decades. As our community grows, so does the need for our specialized services. The Meyer Center continues to average 50+ students on the waiting list. To date, we have filled all classrooms and maximized our facility's finished spaces.

The Long-Range Planning Committee assessed community needs resulting in a proposed new campus that will accelerate our long-term plans and include everything from the improved safety and security measures to correcting the proximity, size and number of classrooms, therapy gyms and play spaces required for our long-term vision. Ultimately, it would allow us to grow to serve more students and provide well-rounded programs that could include typical peers, afterschool, summer camp, and expansion of outpatient therapy services.

To support this endeavor, we are requesting \$3,000,000 in one time funding that will be matched with private dollars raised through our building campaign.

There is so much potential for children with disabilities. The opportunity for community inclusion, gainful employment, and sustained independence is not just a possibility, it is a vision towards which we are vigorously working. As you reimagine the plan for a growing and vibrant Greenville, I ask that you consider including the Meyer Center students and families in your vision to provide equitable opportunities for all to advance and thrive.

We look forward to further discussing our plans and are most appreciative of your consideration of our request,

With gratitude,

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Meta Hendricks, Executive Director

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Myrtle Beach Subsea Cable Landing Station

Requested Amount: \$ \$7,500,000

Recipient Entity: Department of Commerce

The entity is a ☒ State Agency, _____ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Harry M. Lightsey Title/Position: Secretary of Commerce

Phone Number: _____ Email: hlightsey@sccommerce.com

Entity Website: www.sccommerce.com County Location: Horry County

Intended Use of the Funds: The proposed funding of 7.5 million will offset a portion of the \$19 million required to establish a second intercontinental cable landing station and bore pipe conduit system to double the size of the current DC BLOX Cable Landing Station in Myrtle Beach. DC BLOX anticipates investing an additional \$100 million to support the infrastructure necessary to support five (5) additional subsea cable systems and what will be the largest cable landing station in the United States.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This expansion would double the cable station's capacity from five to ten subsea cable systems, ensuring South Carolina remains competitive for the next generation of A-I driven global connectivity infrastructure. Without this investment, future cable landings and associated economic activity risk shifting to competing coastal markets along the east coast.

Expanded subsea connectivity and terrestrial fiber infrastructure will strengthen the state's role as a strategic gateway for hyperscale cloud, AI, data -intensive industries while increasing broadband access and network resiliency for businesses, schools, healthcare systems, and households across the region.

Chairman Bruce Bannister
Primary House Sponsor


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Henry McMaster
Governor

SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Harry M. Lightsey III
Secretary

May 20, 2026

The Hon. Bruce Bannister
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister:

Please accept this letter on behalf of the South Carolina Department of Commerce supporting the allocation of an additional \$7.5 million in state funding to support the proposed expansion of the DC BLOX Cable Landing Station (CLS) in Myrtle Beach.

In 2023, after approval by the Joint Bond Review Committee, DC BLOX was awarded \$7.5 million in Strategic Economic Development Infrastructure (SEDI) funding to support critical infrastructure for the Myrtle Beach CLS. My understanding is that that project was delivered on time and on budget, enabling the successful opening of the Myrtle Beach CLS, directly facilitating multiple hyperscale subsea cable landings in South Carolina, and unlocking significant digital infrastructure investment in our state in connection with a new fiber route from Myrtle Beach to Atlanta. In particular, the rural communities along this fiber route now have access to a significant broadband infrastructure.

The proposed additional funding of \$7.5 million will offset a portion of the approximately \$19 million required to establish a new additional landing site and bore pipe conduit system to double the size of the CLS capacity. DC BLOX anticipates investing an additional \$100 million to support the infrastructure necessary to support five (5) additional subsea cable systems and what will be the largest cable landing station in the United States.

Given its strategic location between other major cable landing stations in Florida and Virginia Beach, Myrtle Beach is now the global intellectual property communications hub in the Southeast. Since the original SEDI investment, this strategic positioning has resulted in multiple hyperscale subsea cable commitments, validating both the site selection and South Carolina's prior infrastructure investment.

For these reasons, I enthusiastically support an additional infrastructure investment in the DC BLOX CLS in Myrtle Beach.

Sincerely,

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Harry M. Lightsey III

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Virtual Reality STEM Instruction

Requested Amount: \$ 1,600,000

Recipient Entity: Greenville, Orangeburg, and Pickens County Schools

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☒ Other

If **Other**, please explain: School Districts

Entity Contact: Julie Horton Title/Position: Greenville County Schools Director, Governmental Relations

Phone Number: 864-355-8863 Email: jhorton@greenville.k12.sc.us

Entity Website: https://www.greenville.k12.sc.us County Location: Greenville, Pickens, Orangeburg

Intended Use of the Funds: \$600K to continue virtual reality STEM instruction in Greenville, Pickens, and Orangeburg County Schools in grades 6-12

and \$1M in funding for expansion of the program in Greenville County Schools.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Virtual Reality STEM instruction will focus on grades 6-12 STEM education and teach secondary

math and science concepts spatially and kinesthetically, through hands-on real-world problems before building up to symbolic notation and higher levels of abstraction for success

on high stakes exams and the ability to apply their learning to the most important problems in our world today. This initiative directly addresses

declining Math and Science achievement outcomes, particularly in foundational middle school and early high school STEM courses.

Representative Bruce Bannister

Bruce Bannister

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To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to advocate for funding for Virtual Reality STEM Instruction. I know how powerful this can be within my district (Greenville County) and even the entire state. I have experienced and I've seen what it can do—how it not just improves test scores, but student mindsets. It turns math class into something that feels relevant, challenging, and unforgettable.

The Virtual Reality experience with logarithms is still memorable with my students at the core concept moving beyond memorization of arbitrary rules or even memorization of a sequence of steps. Students in my class are making sense of real world patterns and deriving meaning from them - exactly what we need to be teaching them to do (not mimicry) in the midst of the new wave of Artificial Intelligence and removal of entry-level positions. I've tried to replicate the experience without VR and it can't do it justice. I can't even come close.

When I introduced Virtual Reality STEM instruction into my previous classroom at Mauldin High School, everything shifted. Math became something students *experienced*, not just endured. And for the first time, even my most reluctant learners started to believe they could think like mathematicians.

Brody, a 9th grader in my lowest-level math class, once told me, "I'm a pro at the Pythagorean Theorem." I asked him why, and he immediately recalled a VR lesson that he had done in 8th grade at Riverside Middle School. It stuck. He's mechanically gifted, great at fixing gaming systems, but had never seen himself as someone who could succeed in math. That changed with Virtual Reality instruction.

Doug, an 11th grade honors student, didn't "need" extra support. He liked math, but it felt like something you "just do" and didn't know why. But with Virtual Reality, even he began to see math differently—not as a checklist of steps to memorize, but as a way to make sense of the world. It pushed him past performance into real purpose. And now, he's excited for Pre-calculus and wants to pursue a career in STEM.



Darah Huffman, Principal

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As teachers, we're being asked to prepare students for a future that requires critical thinking, collaboration, and adaptability. But we're still being handed tools—and expectations—rooted in 1900s pedagogy. We need to be pushed out of those outdated models and supported with Virtual Reality tools that teach students to reason, not just regurgitate algorithms. This is the kind of shift our classrooms need. And with proper leadership and training, I know that the SC teachers I work with can do it. It's the answer to many of the other problems we face, such as absenteeism and apathy that have been dealt with through "band-aid" solutions of grade floors and credit recovery.

Thank you for your consideration to provide funding for Virtual Reality STEM Instruction. It makes a huge difference in the classroom.

Sincerely,

Brian Lovejoy

Brian Lovejoy
Math Teacher
Riverside High School



Reaching Higher Standards

Darah Huffman, Principal

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May 11, 2026

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
Post Office Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: \$7 Million Appropriation for SCTAC – Joint Agency of City and County of Greenville

To The Honorable Bruce Bannister,

I am writing to request your approval of the \$7 million appropriation in support of a defense aircraft paint hangar that was funded in the House's amended version of the budget on May 7, 2026.

SCTAC continues to stand out as one of the most powerful economic engines in South Carolina. As you know, SCTAC is home to Donaldson Field, the largest industrial aviation airport in South Carolina and holds the prestigious FAA Part 139 certificate, and home to over 100 diverse companies such as 3M, Michelin, Lockheed Martin, Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems, PAI Pharma and many others. SCTAC is also home of the International Transportation Innovation Center ("ITIC"), South Carolina's 600-acre world-class automotive proving ground. In 2025, an economic impact study co-commissioned by SCTAC and the SC Council on Competitiveness (SC Competes) confirms that SCTAC generates \$6.1 billion annually for the state's economy, much of that anchored in Greenville and throughout the Upstate region – an impact that has tripled since the last analysis in 2017.

As the global home of Lockheed Martin's F-16 Fighting Falcon, this program remains a cornerstone of SCTAC. Greenville is the sole site worldwide producing the F-16 Block 70 – the most advanced 4th Generation fighter jet ever build, cementing our region as a leader in advanced aerospace manufacturing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I am more than willing to discuss this request further and provide any additional information you might require. I look forward to your positive response and our collective efforts to enhance the capabilities of this country's defense aircraft.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jody Bryson
President and CEO

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: SME - Manufacturing Partnerships

Requested Amount: \$ \$4,000,000

Recipient Entity: SME Education Foundation

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Robert Luce Title/Position: Vice President

Phone Number: _____ Email: rluce@sme.org

Entity Website: https://www.smeef.org/ County Location: Statewide

Intended Use of the Funds: See attached letter

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: See attached letter

Bruce Bannister

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January 23, 2026

Honorable Bruce Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
5th Floor, Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 20201

Dear Chairman Bannister,

First, thank you once again for taking time to meet with us in Greenville. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss South Carolina's manufacturing workforce needs, and we are grateful for all you do to support the state's manufacturing businesses.

I write today to reaffirm our strong commitment to South Carolina as a key partner in better preparing high school students for manufacturing careers and in helping its manufacturers build a robust, qualified workforce pipeline.

As we discussed, an initial investment from South Carolina for \$2M to \$4M, supporting five to ten high schools, will provide the one-time startup funding needed to establish high quality partnerships with local high schools. Following this initial investment, the SME Education Foundation will sustain the program in subsequent years through its endowment, ensuring long-term impact without ongoing state funding.

While demand for manufacturing careers continues to grow, access to an industry-ready talent pipeline remains one of the most pressing challenges facing South Carolina manufacturers. The long-term competitiveness of the state's manufacturing sector depends on intentional, strategic investment in workforce development—particularly at the high school level.

The SME PRIME program represents a proven and highly effective solution to address this challenge.

SME PRIME creates deep, strategic partnerships between manufacturers, local school districts, and educators to deliver customized, industry-aligned manufacturing education. Through hands-on learning in areas such as robotics, mechatronics, additive manufacturing, CNC machining, and precision measurement, students develop both the technical competencies and professional skills required in modern manufacturing environments. Just as importantly, students earn industry-recognized credentials that enable a seamless transition into the workforce or pursuit of a postsecondary education.

From an employer's perspective, SME PRIME produces graduates who are familiar with real-world manufacturing technologies, safety standards, problem-solving expectations, and workplace culture. These students are better prepared, more confident, and able to contribute meaningfully on day one, reducing onboarding time, improving retention, and strengthening the overall productivity for South Carolina manufacturers.



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Beyond individual companies, SME PRIME supports the broader economic health of the state. By aligning education directly with industry needs, the program helps ensure that South Carolina remains an attractive destination for manufacturing investment and expansion. It also opens pathways to high-wage, high-demand careers for students who may not otherwise see a clear connection between education and economic opportunity.

The partnership between SME PRIME and the State would accelerate the expansion of this proven model, allowing more schools, students, and employers to participate. This investment represents not only a commitment to education, but to workforce readiness, economic competitiveness, and the long-term strength of South Carolina's manufacturing industry.

It also will ensure that manufacturers can continue to grow, innovate, and provide high-quality jobs—while preparing the next generation of South Carolinians for successful careers in advanced manufacturing.

Thank you for your leadership and continued commitment to South Carolina's economic future.

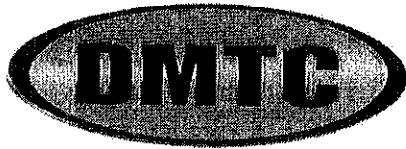
Sincerely,

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Robert M. Luce

Vice President

SME Education Foundation



DANIEL MORGAN TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Serving Spartanburg County School Districts Three and Seven

May 12, 2026

Stephanie Meetze
South Carolina General Assembly

Dear Ms. Meetze,

Per your request, I am providing information regarding Daniel Morgan Technology Center's participation in the SME Education Foundation SME PRIME Grant Program.

DMTC officially signed the SME PRIME agreement on February 4, 2026, after extensive collaboration with industry partners and participating school districts to secure the required initial investment. To launch this initiative, a total of \$500,000 in seed funding was required. While industry partners contributed significantly toward this effort, the full amount could not be met through industry support alone. As a result, each participating school district contributed \$125,000 to ensure implementation of the program.

The need for DMTC to pursue SME PRIME stemmed from the reality that much of our manufacturing equipment dated back to 1976 and could no longer adequately support modern advanced manufacturing instruction. Although DMTC serves students from the top two districts in generational poverty within Spartanburg County, our annual Perkins allocation is only approximately \$42,000. At that funding level, it would have been impossible to accumulate the resources necessary to purchase the cutting-edge technology required to sustain and modernize these programs.

The SME PRIME initiative will provide students access to industry-standard manufacturing equipment, advanced technologies, and enhanced workforce preparation opportunities that align directly with regional labor market needs. This investment represents a critical step toward ensuring students are prepared for high-demand careers in manufacturing and engineering-related fields.

As conversations continue regarding potential statewide support for SME PRIME implementation, we respectfully ask that early adopters such as DMTC not be penalized for moving forward proactively and establishing these programs prior to the availability of broader state funding. Our districts and community partners made substantial local investments to pave the way for implementation, and we believe those efforts should be recognized and protected should statewide funding mechanisms become available in the future.

Thank you for your continued support of career and technical education and workforce development initiatives across South Carolina. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nikki Honeycutt
Director
Daniel Morgan Technology Center



February 2, 2026

Members of the South Carolina General Assembly
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Members of the General Assembly,

On behalf of Clemson University, I write to express our strong support for state funding to expand the SME Education Foundation's SME PRIME® program in South Carolina.

As South Carolina's land-grant research university, Clemson has a long-standing mission to serve the state by strengthening education, advancing innovation, and supporting economic growth. Manufacturing is a critical driver of South Carolina's economy, encompassing industries such as automotive, aerospace, advanced materials, and precision manufacturing. These sectors increasingly rely on a highly skilled, technologically proficient workforce. Yet, like employers across the state, we recognize that the demand for qualified manufacturing talent continues to outpace supply. Addressing this challenge requires sustained, coordinated investment in workforce development – beginning well before students reach postsecondary education.

SME PRIME represents one of the most effective and scalable models for strengthening the manufacturing talent pipeline at the high school level. The program creates deep partnerships among industry, school districts, and educators to deliver customized, industry-aligned manufacturing education. Through hands-on instruction in areas such as robotics, mechatronics, additive manufacturing, CNC machining, and precision measurement, students develop both technical skills and professional competencies that align directly with the needs of modern manufacturing.

From Clemson University's perspective, SME PRIME plays a vital role in preparing students for successful postsecondary pathways. SME PRIME graduates enter college, technical programs, apprenticeships, or the workforce with a strong foundation in applied learning, exposure to advanced technologies, and a clear understanding of career opportunities in manufacturing. This alignment strengthens student success, reduces remediation, and accelerates the time to credential or degree completion—benefiting students, institutions, and employers alike.

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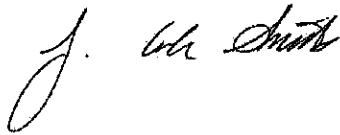
Importantly, SME PRIME also advances broader state priorities. By connecting education to industry demand, the program enhances South Carolina's competitiveness in attracting and retaining manufacturing investment. It expands access to high-wage, high-demand careers for students across diverse communities and provides meaningful pathways to economic mobility. These outcomes align squarely with Clemson University's commitment to workforce development, industry collaboration, and statewide impact.

State investment in SME PRIME would enable the expansion of this proven model to more schools across South Carolina. Such support represents a strategic investment not only in education, but in workforce readiness, economic resilience, and the long-term prosperity of the state.

We respectfully urge the General Assembly to support funding for SME PRIME in South Carolina. Clemson University stands ready to support initiatives that strengthen the manufacturing talent pipeline and ensure that our state remains a national leader in advanced manufacturing and innovation.

Thank you for your leadership and continued commitment to South Carolina's future.

Sincerely,

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Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs and Provost

NATIONAL INITIATIVE | LOCAL IMPACT

SME PRIME (Partnership Response in Manufacturing Education) partners private industry with academia to build custom manufacturing programs in high schools across the country, providing equipment, curriculum, teacher training, student scholarships, and funding for extracurricular activities and program sustainability.

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SCHOOLS

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STATES

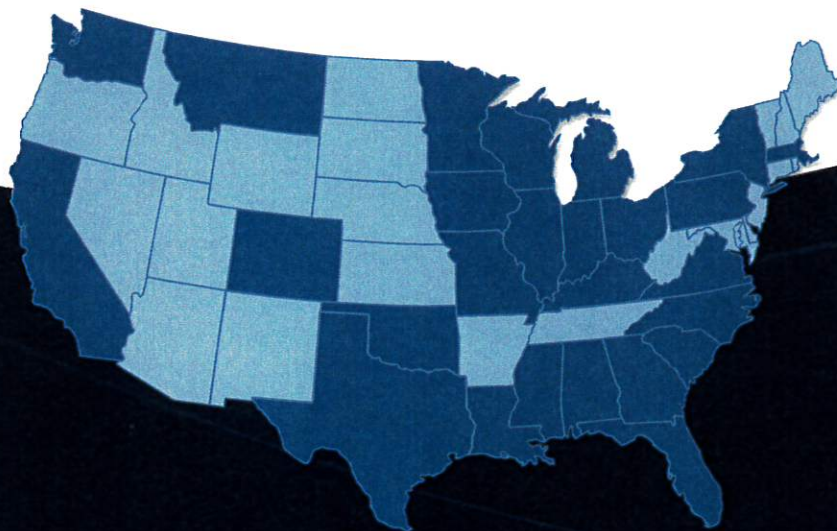
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STUDENTS Served Annually

45
INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED
CREDENTIALS (IRC)
aligned with SME PRIME

15,000+
INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED
CREDENTIALS (IRC)
Earned (Since 2022)

375+
MANUFACTURERS/
MANUFACTURING ORGANIZATIONS
Engaged (Since 2022)

States with
SME PRIME
schools



CORE PATHWAYS

- Additive Manufacturing
- CAD/CAM
- Metrology and Quality

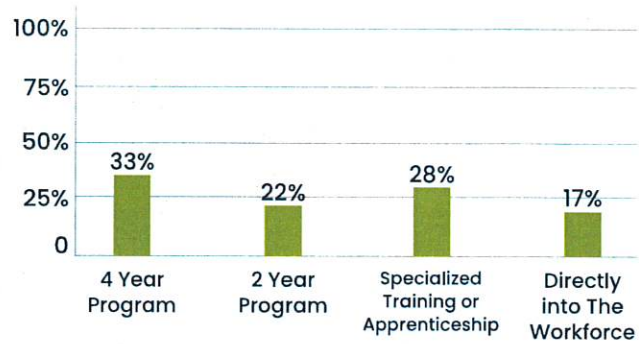


ELECTIVE PATHWAYS

- Industrial Maintenance
- Machining and Fabrication
- Mechatronics and Robotics
- Welding

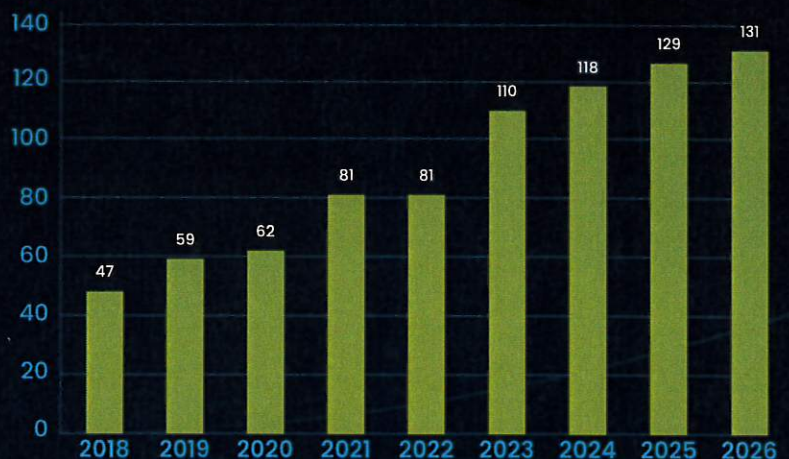
SME PRIME Impact

91% of SME Prime seniors pursue **MANUFACTURING** post-graduation



Select SME PRIME Equipment

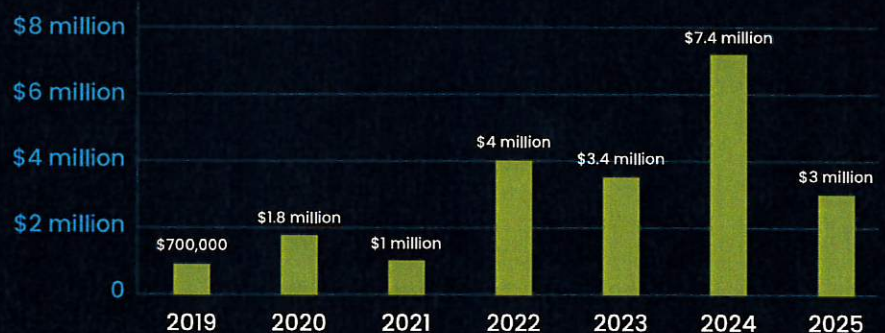
1. Additive manufacturing (3D printers)
2. Precision measurement instruments
3. CNC and subtractive manufacturing equipment
4. Welding systems
5. Industrial robotic arms
6. Mechatronics training equipment
7. And more cutting-edge tools



178% Growth Since 2018

SME PRIME Distributions

\$21.3 million distributed **SINCE 2019**



House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: US Bowling Congress Open Championships

Requested Amount: \$ \$600,000

Recipient Entity: VisitGreenvilleSC

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Heath Dillard Title/Position: President/CEO

Phone Number: _____ Email: hdillard@visitgreenvillesc.com

Entity Website: visitgreenvillesc.com County Location: Greenville

Intended Use of the Funds: Requested state funds will be used to support eligible, event-specific cost
required to host the 2028 USBC Open Championship at the Greenville Convention Center.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The 2028 USBC provides significant public benefit through sustained economic activity, tax generation, workforce support, and community reinvestment. The event is projected to generate \$43 million in direct visitor spending and \$70 million in total economic impact, producing an estimated \$3.4 million in local sales, accommodations, and hospitality tax revenue from direct spending alone.

Bruce Bannister

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Community and Workforce Benefits

USBC will hire 80-100 temporary employees over a six-month period to construct, operate, and deconstruct the event. All materials are locally sourced, the event is fully self-contained within the Convention Center, and strain on municipal resources is minimal. The materials donation at the conclusion of the event historically supplies three, three-bedroom house for Habitat for Humanity.

Funding Plan and Local Commitment

To secure the 2028 championship, the host community must meet a \$2.9 million financial commitment, covering venue rent, construction of the temporary competition facility, and the tournament bid fee. Demonstrating strong local and regional support, the following funding commitments are already secured:

- VGSC Private Funding: \$1,200,000
- City of Greenville: \$500,000
- Greenville County: \$500,000
- STAR (Tourism-related funding): \$100,000

Additional State funding is critical to complete the remaining funding package and ensure South Carolina remains competitive in securing this high-impact, long-duration national event.

Conclusion

The 2028 USBC Open Championship represents a prudent investment in tourism-driven economic development, delivering substantial tax revenue, workforce engagement, and statewide visibility with limited public-service burden. We respectfully request the Committee's consideration and welcome the opportunity to provide any additional information needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Heath Dillard
President & CEO
VisitGreenvilleSC



January 23, 2026

Chairman Bruce W. Bannister &
House Ways and Means Committee
South Carolina Legislative Service Agency
525 Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

**Re: Funding Request - 2028 U.S. Bowling Congress Open Championship
(Greenville, SC)**

Dear Chairman Bannister and Committee,

On behalf of VisitGreenvilleSC, we respectfully submit this formal request of **\$600,000** for state funding support associated with hosting the 2028 U.S. Bowling Congress (USBC) Open Championship in Greenville, South Carolina. This nationally significant event is one of the largest annual participatory sporting event in the country and will deliver sustained economic, fiscal, and community benefits to the State of South Carolina.

Event Scope and Economic Impact

The USBC Open Championship will attract 60,000+ individual bowlers competing across team, doubles, and singles events, with competition operating seven days per week from March through July 2028, for 21 hours per day. For every two participants, one additional family member or spectator is expected to travel, resulting in more than 90% overnight visitation, an average 3.5-night length of stay, and 60,000+ hotel room nights generated.

The event is projected to generate \$43 million in direct visitor spending and \$67.7 million in total economic impact, producing an estimated \$3.4 million in local sales, accommodations, and hospitality taxes from direct spending alone. Unlike short-duration events, the USBC championship delivers multi-month, mid-week and early-year demand, stabilizing hotels, restaurants, and local businesses during historically soft periods.

Project Timeline (Start and Completion)

- January – February 2028: Eight-week move-in and construction period at the Greenville Convention Center
- March – July 2028: Live competition period
- July 2028: Event conclusion and deconstruction; salvageable materials donated locally, including to Habitat for Humanity



US BOWLING CONGRESS

- National Governing Body for bowling
- Serves 1 million members
- Hosts a variety of tournaments annually

U.S. Bowling Congress Open Championships

Jan - July 2028 | Greenville



- **Scope:** The world's largest annual participatory sporting event
- **Attendees:** 60K+ Bowlers attend from all 50 states, plus some international. Attendees are considered affluent, with demographics on par with other sport fans like baseball and golf
- **Location:** Greenville Convention Center
- **Timing:** Tournament play is approx. 150 consecutive days from 7am – 1am
 - Jan – Feb 2028: Buildout of 60+ lanes, check-in areas, merch store, pro store, photo opp area, etc.
 - March – July 2028: Daily Competition
- **Local Impact:**
 - Building materials purchased locally and donated to Habitat for Humanity post-event
 - Sufficient lumber to construct approximately three standard three-bedroom homes.
 - Local hiring of 80-100 people for tournament build and game play
 - The remainder of the GCC is available for other event bookings during the tournament
 - Visitors spread out 7 days a week for 150 days

U.S. Bowling Congress Open Championships

Jan - July 2028 | Greenville Convention Center

60K+ **60K+**

BOWLERS

ROOM NIGHTS

\$70M+
ECONOMIC IMPACT

TOURNAMENT LOCATIONS

2018: Syracuse
2019: Las Vegas
2021: Las Vegas
2022: Las Vegas
2023: Reno
2024: Las Vegas
2025: Baton Rouge
2026: Reno
2027: Las Vegas
2028: Greenville
2029: Reno
2030: Las Vegas

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February 25, 2026

The Honorable Heather Bauer
South Carolina State House
330A Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Hampton Park Walking Path Restoration

Dear Representative Bauer,

The City of Columbia is requesting funding support for the Hampton Park Walking Path Restoration Project. This initiative is essential to providing a safe and accessible route within the park that allows residents to increase their quality of life.

The project involves the restoration of a 3,700-linear-foot asphalt walking path that has deteriorated due to heavy usage, erosion, root damage, and weather-related impacts. The scope of work will include removal of the existing walking path and resurfacing with either asphalt or concrete, along with the installation of boardwalks where appropriate. The final surface selection will be dependent upon feedback received through community engagement. Path entryways will be 6 feet in width, and interior sections will be 8 feet wide, in accordance with trail standards.

Currently, the project is in its preliminary stages and requires the expertise of the City of Columbia's Design Studio to develop official design and construction documents. Next steps include conducting a community meeting to gather public input and coordinating with the City's Engineering Department to complete an engineering survey of the park.

Hampton Park is located within the Brandon Acres and Cedar Terrace communities, off Garners Ferry Road and west of Interstate I-77. The park includes a pond, walking path, two tennis courts, a youth baseball field, a full-size basketball court, a playground, and a splash pad. The facility also features a neighborhood center with a covered porch that provides a relaxing outdoor experience. Hampton Park is heavily used for reservations, summer camps, and after-school programs.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss this project further.

Sincerely,

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Teresa Wilson
City Manager



Parks & Recreation Investments

Hampton Park Project

Project Description:

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The 3,700-linear-foot walking path within the park has long been a cherished community asset and is now in need of repair due to heavy usage, root damage, erosion, and weather-related deterioration. Several areas have uneven surfaces that may pose safety risks. Restoring the path will not only improve safety but also help ensure the park remains an inviting and accessible space for everyone to enjoy.

Objectives:

The primary purpose of this project is to provide:

- A safe and accessible route for residents to engage in physical activities such as walking or jogging;
- Improved overall park accessibility, promoting engagement with nature; and
- Opportunities for community interaction by drawing families, individuals, and various groups to the park and encouraging socialization.

Project Type:

Walking Path Restoration

Council District:

4

Project Funding:

Total: \$500,000.00

Current Project Status:

Current request would be implemented as funding becomes available.

Figure 1: Hampton Park

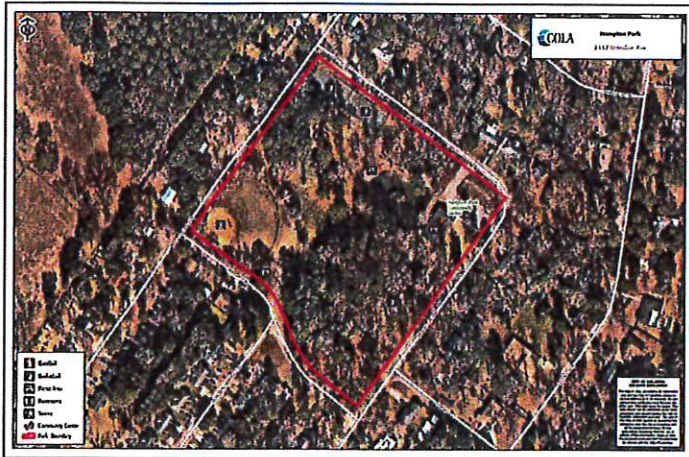
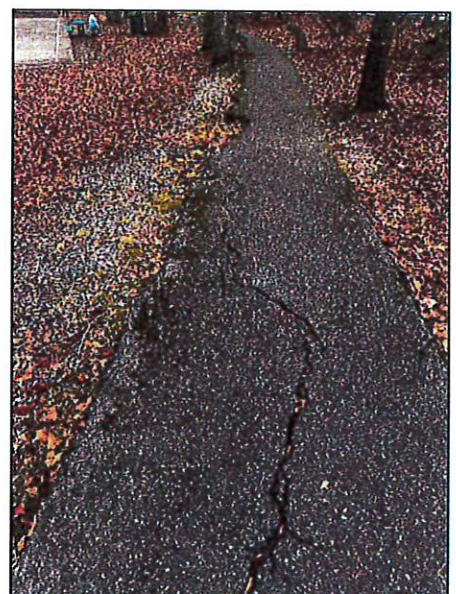
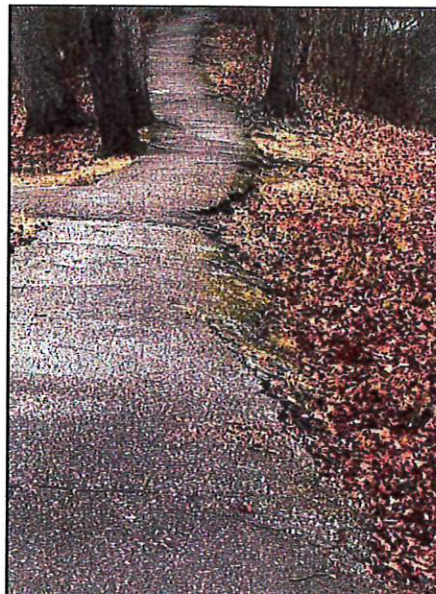


Figure 2: 3700 If Walking Path within Hampton Park



Figures: Hampton Park Walking Path



House Member Appropriation Request Form

Project/Event Name: Sims Park Revitalization Project

Requested Amount: \$250,000.00

\$ Recipient Entity: City of Columbia

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, X Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Teresa Wilson Title/Position: City Manager

Phone Number: _____ Email: Teresa.Wilson@columbiasc.gov

Entity Website: www.columbiasc.gov County Location: Richland

Intended Use of the Funds: Revitalize Sims Park, improving several amenities within the park.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The City seeks to provide a safe and accessible
park in which residents can play, be active, and socialize.

Heather Dane

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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Heather Bauer
South Carolina State House
330A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Sims Park Revitalization Project

Dear Representative Bauer,

The City of Columbia is requesting funding support for the Sims Park Revitalization Project. This initiative is essential to providing a safe, accessible park that enhances the quality of life for residents.

Sims Park is fully included in the City of Columbia Parks and Recreation's comprehensive Parks Master Plan, approved by City Council in April 2025, which guides improvements across the park system. As part of this process, the City conducted community input meetings where residents and park users shared feedback and priorities specific to the park. These conversations helped shape the recommendations and reflect the community's vision for its future.

The master plan identified several potential improvements for Sims Park, including:

- Upgrade splash pad
- Upgrades to the playground system, including the addition of shade sails
- Enhanced landscaping
- Improved park lighting
- Renovation of the neighborhood center interior

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss this project further.

Sincerely,

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Teresa Wilson
City Manager



Parks & Recreation Investments

Sims Park Revitalization Project

Project Description:

Sims Park features a variety of amenities including a spray pool, neighborhood center, play area, picnic shelter, basketball court and green space.

Potential improvements for the park include:

- Upgrade splash pad
- Upgrade playground system to include adding shade sails
- Improve landscaping to include sod and irrigation
- Improve park lighting
- Renovate interior of neighborhood center

Objectives:

The primary purpose of this project is to provide:

- A safe and accessible space
- Promote play and physical activity
- A place for relaxation, outdoor enthusiasts and social gatherings

Project Type:

Park Revitalization

Council District:

3

Project Funding:

Total: \$250,000.00

Current Project Status:

Current request would be implemented as funding becomes available.



House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Spaying and Neutering Programs

Requested Amount: \$ 2,000,000

Recipient Entity: Pawmetto Lifeline

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, X Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain:

Entity Contact: Earl Hunter Title/Position: _____

Phone Number: (803) 260-5258 Email: hunter@thesoutherngroup.com

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Statewide (Richland)

Intended Use of the Funds: Spaying and neutering programs in the 11 regional clinics throughout

South Carolina focused on large breed mix dogs.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Since Jan. 2021, 7 citizens of SC have been killed by

large breed mix dogs mostly strays and 10 citizens have been critically injured resulting in

enormous medical bills. Since the pandemic, large breed dog mixes have exploded in population

increasing the unwanted numbers ending up in shelters across the state.

Beth Bernstein

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

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Rep. Beth Bernstein
House District 78
532C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Bernstein,

We are requesting help for a very challenging issue for animal control and animal shelters across South Carolina, in particular, the Tier III and IV regions of our state. Pawmetto Lifeline, one of the largest not-for-profit animal care organizations in South Carolina, who is also an American Animal Hospital Association accredited facility, one of only two non-profits in our state, is leading the effort to help these high risk counties. They have been the leader in identifying short term and long term solutions for the vet shortage/access to care. However, while Pawmetto Lifeline has advocated for and supported the creation of South Carolina's first Veterinary School at Clemson and believe this to be the long term solution to the veterinarian shortage, this does not solve the short term issue of access to vaccinations or spay/neuter surgeries both having a profound impact on public safety and population control for unwanted dogs and cats throughout our state.

We are requesting funds to be allocated as a line item through the Department of Natural Resources to ensure that all regions of our state, especially the poorer Tiers III and IV have access to spaying/neutering services in order to create a balance between the supply and demand of large breed mix dogs.

We are respectfully requesting \$2,000,000 in funding to assist our most challenged counties with spaying and neutering large breed mix dogs. Most spay/neuter clinics closed across the state during the pandemic and the large breed mix outside dog population exploded. This resulted in an overpopulation of unwanted large breed mix dogs ending up in municipal shelters and on our streets as strays. The majority of all dogs being euthanized in municipal shelters across our state are large breed mix dogs. These larger dogs have 8 – 12 puppies and those puppies have 8 – 12 puppies at the age of 6 months- 9 months.

Since January 2021, 7 citizens of SC have been killed by large breed mix dogs mostly strays and 10 citizens have been critically injured resulting in enormous medical bills and often times long term medical issues.

As you may have seen on the news last week, Chief Mark Keel and the State Law Enforcement Division, announced a large dog-fighting ring bust in Dillon and Marion that resulted in one-hundred-sixty large breed dogs, mainly pitbulls, being rescued and turned over to the county animal shelters. SLED was assisted by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), and the Dillon County Sheriff's Office, among others. This was after another arrest for dog fighting and mistreatment of animals in Sumter County on March 27.

On July 15, 2025, Federal Prosecutor, Winston Holliday, was brutally attacked by pitbull type dogs while running through the Harbison State Forest.

On Oct. 11, 2025, a US postal worker was seriously injured by a pit bull while delivering mail and had to be airlifted to a hospital. This attack was actually published by the People magazine, making national news.

On April 15, 2026, an Amazon delivery person was attacked by three pit bull mixed breed dogs in Rembert, SC and had to be airlifted to Prisma Health in Columbia. The woman sustained serious injuries.

Local county agencies are spending millions of dollars every year housing and euthanizing these dogs. The better investment for our state is funding for the sterilization of these dogs. Many of the rural communities do not have a private veterinary clinic in their community nor could many of their citizens afford to pay for the sterilization of a large breed mix dogs. Many private clinics are now charging \$400 - \$750 to sterilize a large mix-breed dog. Organizations like Pawmetto Lifeline who operate a high volume, high quality spay neuter clinic charge on average \$180.00 for a larger breed mix dog.

The state funding will help the most vulnerable communities of our state with access to spaying and neutering these large breed mix dogs, the number one issue in municipals shelters statewide. The grant funds will be used for surgery and transport costs to regional clinics. These funds would allow not for profit and for profit clinics across the state to provide surgeries to large breed and large mix breed dogs. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Denise Wilkinson, CEO

One can see from the chart below that over the past ten years our euthanasia rates have greatly decreased.

You will also notice that our intake numbers for canines reached an all-time low in 2020 and during the pandemic, the canine intake numbers spiked to an all-time high. This is due to private clinics and not for profit spay neuter clinics closing during covid and large breed dogs ie pitbulls bred rampantly throughout the state. (Pawmetto Lifeline is one of the ONLY clinics that stayed open and fully operated its spay neuter clinic in SC during the entire pandemic.)

Shelters across the state are able to place **all healthy adoptable homeless dogs** with the exception of large breed mix dogs ie bully breed mixes **BECAUSE** there is an overpopulation issue of this breed. The state funding will address this crisis.

The purpose of the \$5 million funding request is the following:

- To create a balance between the supply and demand for the large breed mix canines (dogs over 45 pounds)
- To decrease the euthanasia rates of the large breed mix canines in our municipal shelters
- To decrease the stray population
- To address the public safety issue associated with dog attacks by unaltered large breed mix dogs

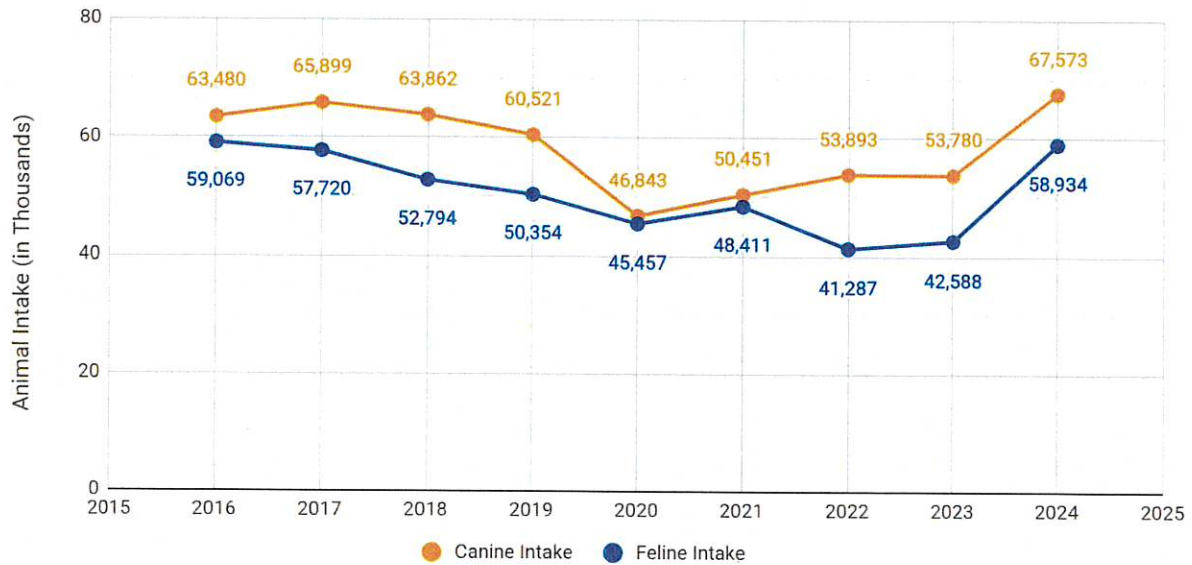
The following is the funding structure:

- Not for profit rate: DHPP, Rabies, micro-chip and spay \$340
- Not for profit rate: DHPP, Rabies, micro-chip and neuter \$320
- Private clinic spay for a large breed mix dog: \$450

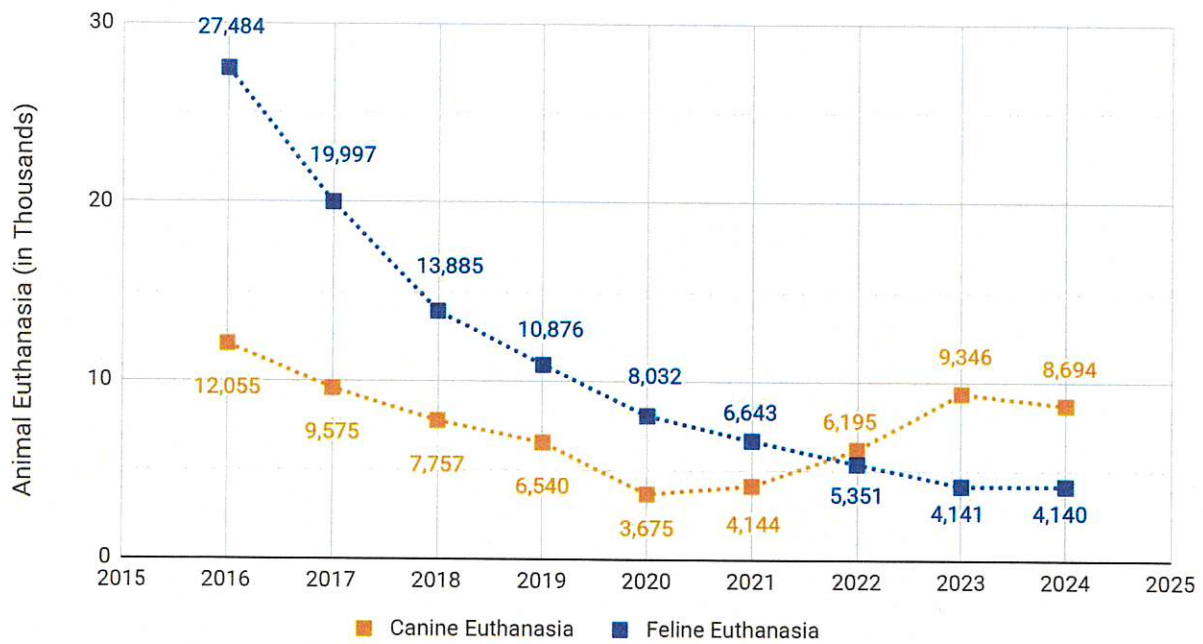
Please find attached the data by county.

A couple of things to note: Saluda and Edgefield counties share a shelter and do not report separately, so data for both counties is reported under Edgefield. Also, Hampton and Dillon counties never reported any data, despite best efforts by No Kill SC (and FOIA requests).

Animal Intake in South Carolina Shelters



Euthanasia in South Carolina Shelters



2024 South Carolina Animal Intake and Euthanasia by County

County	Canine Intake	Feline Intake	Canine Euthanasia	Feline Euthanasia	Total Intake	Total Euthanasia	Canine Lifesaving Rate	Feline Lifesaving Rate	Total Lifesaving Rate
Abbeville	232	6	62	0	68	0	73%	100%	74%
Aiken	3,251	3,314	201	69	3,515	69	94%	98%	96%
Allendale	125	5	26	0	31	0	79%	100%	80%
Anderson	2,327	1,463	208	90	1,671	90	91%	94%	92%
Bamberg	363	5	8	0	13	0	98%	100%	98%
Barnwell	458	654	151	21	805	21	67%	97%	85%
Beaufort	1,312	2,348	104	127	2,452	127	92%	95%	94%
Berkeley	2,455	2,716	421	818	3,137	818	83%	70%	76%
Calhoun	187	0	64	0	64	0	66%		66%
Charleston	4,915	8,511	461	414	8,972	414	91%	95%	93%
Cherokee	1,209	995	484	516	1,479	516	60%	48%	55%
Chester	379	105	46	7	151	7	88%	93%	89%
Chesterfield	1,053	338	116	3	454	3	89%	99%	91%
Clarendon	324	42	1	1	43	1	100%	98%	99%
Colleton	958	2,223	66	81	2,289	81	93%	96%	95%
Darlington	1,653	977	127	105	1,104	105	92%	89%	91%
Dillon									
Dorchester	1,755	2,528	258	112	2,786	112	85%	96%	91%
Edgefield	364	11	54	2	65	2	85%	82%	85%
Fairfield	457	593	32	31	625	31	93%	95%	94%
Florence	3,121	2,903	402	95	3,305	95	87%	97%	92%
Georgetown	2,396	1,903	46	25	1,949	25	98%	99%	98%
Greenville	8,041	5,293	932	318	6,225	318	88%	94%	91%
Greenwood	1,477	1,483	345	24	1,828	24	77%	98%	88%
Hampton									
Horry	4,621	5,545	161	245	5,706	245	97%	96%	96%
Jasper	1,373	1,546	53	60	1,599	60	96%	96%	96%
Kershaw	1,574	932	439	133	1,371	133	72%	86%	77%
Lancaster	1,499	1,130	170	47	1,300	47	89%	96%	92%
Laurens	867	143	428	3	571	3	51%	98%	57%
Lee	286	263	93	181	356	181	67%	31%	50%

2024 South Carolina Animal Intake and Euthanasia by County

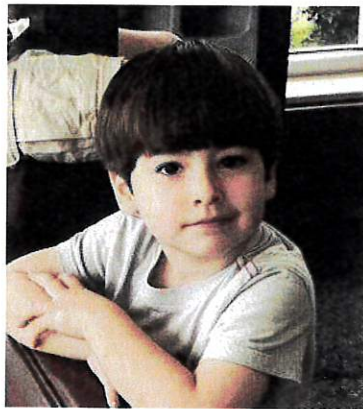
Lexington	5,996	2,917	1,238	248	4,155	248	79%	91%	83%
Marion	705	737	105	48	842	48	85%	93%	89%
Marlboro	247	0	3	0	3	0	99%		99%
McCormick	149	138	0	1	138	1	100%	99%	100%
Newberry	429	142	123	24	265	24	71%	83%	74%
Oconee	1,116	1,534	24	6	1,558	6	98%	100%	99%
Orangeburg	1,051	469	24	9	493	9	98%	98%	98%
Pickens	916	491	148	8	639	8	84%	98%	89%
Richland	4,245	1,079	550	110	1,629	110	87%	90%	88%
Spartanburg	1,471	1,646	8	7	1,654	7	99%	100%	100%
Sumter	364	7	146	2	153	2	60%	71%	60%
Union	107	69	6	3	75	3	94%	96%	95%
Williamsburg	287	75	82	28	157	28	71%	63%	70%
York	1,458	2,148	278	118	2,426	118	81%	95%	89%
Total	67,573	59,427	8,694	4,140	68,121	4,140	87%	93%	90%

Dog Attacks in South Carolina since January 2021

The reality is large breed dogs do more damage than little dogs when they attack. They cause the highest cost in health care for extensive injuries. Dogs are more territorial when they are not spayed and neutered. When large breed dogs are not trained, socialized or properly managed, they can do extensive harm if they attack. The municipal shelters are overwhelmed with large breed mix dogs, and they are being euthanized at the highest rate of any breed.

Fatalities

Cameron "Jayce" Hatfield (Hampton County)



Jayce was killed on January 20th, 2021, after being attacked by a Pitbull. He was just six years old. His mother was a supporter for Pitbulls and took in the abandoned dog, while trying to find a good home for it. His mother stated that the animal did not seem aggressive and seemed to be good with children. Jayce was found deceased at the scene.

Following Jayce's death, a proposed South Carolina House of Representatives Bill (Jayce's Law), was introduced and would require owners of unsterilized pit bull dogs to register with a governmental animal control.

Shamar Sherif Jackson (Marion County)



Shamar was killed on June 13th, 2021, by what appeared to be several dogs while walking in his neighborhood with his brother. He was 7 years old. The family stated the two boys were out searching for their missing chihuahua when the dogs attacked the boy. The father stated that Shamar could not get away because the dogs were coming in all different directions. Authorities were able to obtain a search warrant for a home near the location that Shamar was attacked and seized five adult dogs and one puppy. It is reported that they were mixed bully breed dogs.

Karen Nelson Killed July 10, 2024

71 year old Karen Nelson was bicycling in her neighborhood in Florence SC and was attacked and killed by a pit-bull. Karen was knocked off her bike by the dog and the dog proceeded to bite her in the neck. The owner who was walking the dog was unable to get the dog off of Ms. Nelson. Karen Nelson was pronounced dead at the hospital.

65-Year-old Man Killed October 31st, 2023—Berkley County

BERKELEY COUNTY, S.C. (WCSC/Gray News) - A man walking through a South Carolina neighborhood was fatally mauled by dogs Tuesday afternoon, officials say. According to the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office, a witness called 911 to report a man being mauled by two pit bulls in a neighborhood in Moncks Corner. The attack is believed to be unprovoked.

Erin Beach (Newberry County)

Erin Beach was killed by her Pitbull on April 21st, 2022. She was killed in her home in Newberry. It is unclear of what provoked the animal to attack Erin. The dog was killed at the scene after showing very aggressive behavior.

Lori Martin (Sumter County)

Lori Martin was 60 years old when she was attacked and killed by a family members dog who were reportedly fighting one another. The dogs were described as three Boxers and a Pitbull. The attack happened on December 9th, 2021. Lori lived in Anchorage, Alaska and was visiting her family members at the time. Animal control seized the dogs at the scene.

Scottie Brigman (Chesterfield County)

Scottie Brigman was 45 years old when he was found deceased in the middle of the road surrounded by four Pitbulls. The incident happened May 14th, 2022. He was found by someone passing by and was covered in bite marks with his clothing ripped off. A Chesterfield County man named Shantell Ross was charged with involuntary manslaughter and three counts of vicious unleashed animals.

Attacks

Not including deaths, there have been 10 recorded attacks by Pitbulls/large breed mix dogs in South Carolina ranging from January 2021 to February of 2024. Five of these attacks were on children.

69-year-old woman chased down by two pit bulls in Richland County on Sept 21st. She and her small dog had to jump a fence. The two dogs also had to jump the fence. Both the woman and her dog has to seek medical care and she says she is traumatized and afraid to go outside.



Traci Fant is at The Children's Hospital
at Greenville Memorial. · [Follow](#)

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Dog attack... Clinton, South Carolina 💔
I met with Amy, the mother of A'Rhyan Anderson, an
11 year old little boy who was mauled by a pack of
dogs on the morning of Feb. 14th.. bitten over 60
times while walking to his school bus stop. Both his
legs, thighs and calves were severely bitten as well
as his arms, shoulders, back and head. He faces a
long, painful road to recovery 💔. If you would like to
donate you may do so via cashapp \$Queenamy55 or
GoFundMe [https://www.gofundme.com/f/11year-old-boy-attacked-by-a-pack-of-dogs?](https://www.gofundme.com/f/11year-old-boy-attacked-by-a-pack-of-dogs?fbclid=IwAR3TwpotTgoY8yPvlvSK_Plk-ODE4hN4eWgAVXNsTvt2KLDZnfYU3jK71B0)
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11 year old boy mauled by four large breed mix dogs: February 15th, 2024 Clinton, SC

14-Month-old girl mauled by 8 pit bulls in Florence County.

Child was playing in her yard at a home when she was attacked by eight pit bull on January 5, 2024.

Brother and sister (Marlboro County)

Two children were attacked by a Pitbull not far from their back porch on October 28th, 2021. The dog went after the young girl initially, and her brother moved her out of the way resulting in the dog biting him. The mother, who does not want to be named, explained that her older son got the dog to release by shooting a gun in the air. Both children were sent to the hospital and had surgeries for their injuries. The animal was released back to his owner the next day.

Cheyenne Morgan (Richland County)

A five-year-old girl was attacked by a Pitbull in her front yard on December 18th, 2021. Cheyenne's aunt took her to William Marsh's home when the attack happened. The animal was nursing a new litter of puppies. Authorities stated that they found 27 Pitbull's on the property. Cheyenne received 175 stitches to her face following the attack. The Pitbull was placed on a 10 day at home quarantine.

6-year-old Boy (Chesterfield County)

On June 16th, 2021, a 6-year-old boy was attacked by a Pitbull and required surgery. The attack happened in the street while the young boy rode his bike. It is reported that it took several people to pry the dog off the boy.

Kyleen Waltman (Abbeville County)

Kyleen Waltman 38 years old when she was attacked by three dogs outside a home in Honea Path, several were unaltered pit bulls. The incident occurred on March 21, 2022. She was walking home from a friend's house and was seriously injured. She was airlifted to the hospital and had both arms amputated and part of her colon removed/ She spent 7 weeks in the hospital. A witness was able to scare away the dogs. The owner of the dog, Justin Minor, was arrested and the dogs were seized by Abbeville County.

Bethany Hastings (Berkely County)

Bethany Hastings and her two children were attacked by a Pitbull in their golf cart. They were helping their neighbor, who has dementia, get back to her home by driving her in their golf cart. When they arrived at the neighbor's home, her Pitbull was loose in the yard and attacked the mother and her two young children by jumping in the cart. Bethany was able to hold down the dog until a passerby pulled the two children into his truck. Her young daughter Lainey Bayles obtained the most serious injury and was hospitalized. She had several procedures on her face.

78-year-old Woman (Berkely County/Moncks Corner)

The 78-year-old woman was in her garden when a passerby was walking her Pitbull. The incident happened on June 21, 2022. She stopped to talk to the woman gardening when her dog attacked. The dog was leashed and had a harness, however was able to slip loose when the attack occurred. Another passerby came to help, and the owner of the animal let him know to shoot the dog. The woman suffered severe injuries to her neck, chin, arms, and legs. The owner of the animal was cited and stated that she did everything she could to try to get her dog away from the woman.

10-year-old Boy (Charleston County)

A 10-year-old boy was attacked on the street by a dog who wandered from its yard. The incident occurred on December 18th, 2022. The boy was hospitalized with lacerations to his face. The owner of the dog was issued a citation for "animal at large" and no proof of rabies vaccination. The animal was seized/.



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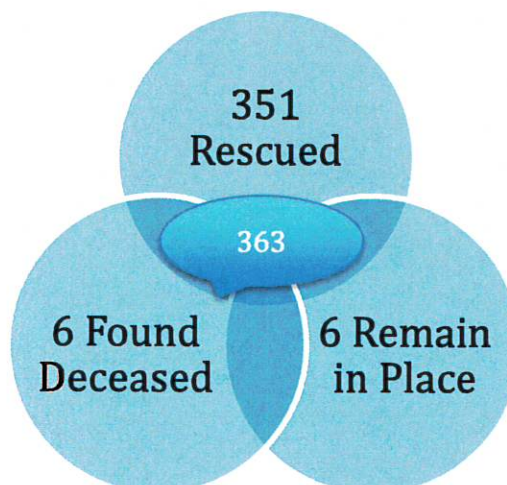
September 30, 2025

Below represents the Dogfighting Unit Activity from January 1 – September 30, 2025

DOGS:

Month	Total Dogs	Dogs Rescued	Dogs Found Deceased
January	6	3	0
February	0	0	0
March	71	71	0
April	167	167	0
May	2	1	1
June	24	24	0
July	27	26	1
August	47	44	0
September	19	15	4
Totals	363	351	6

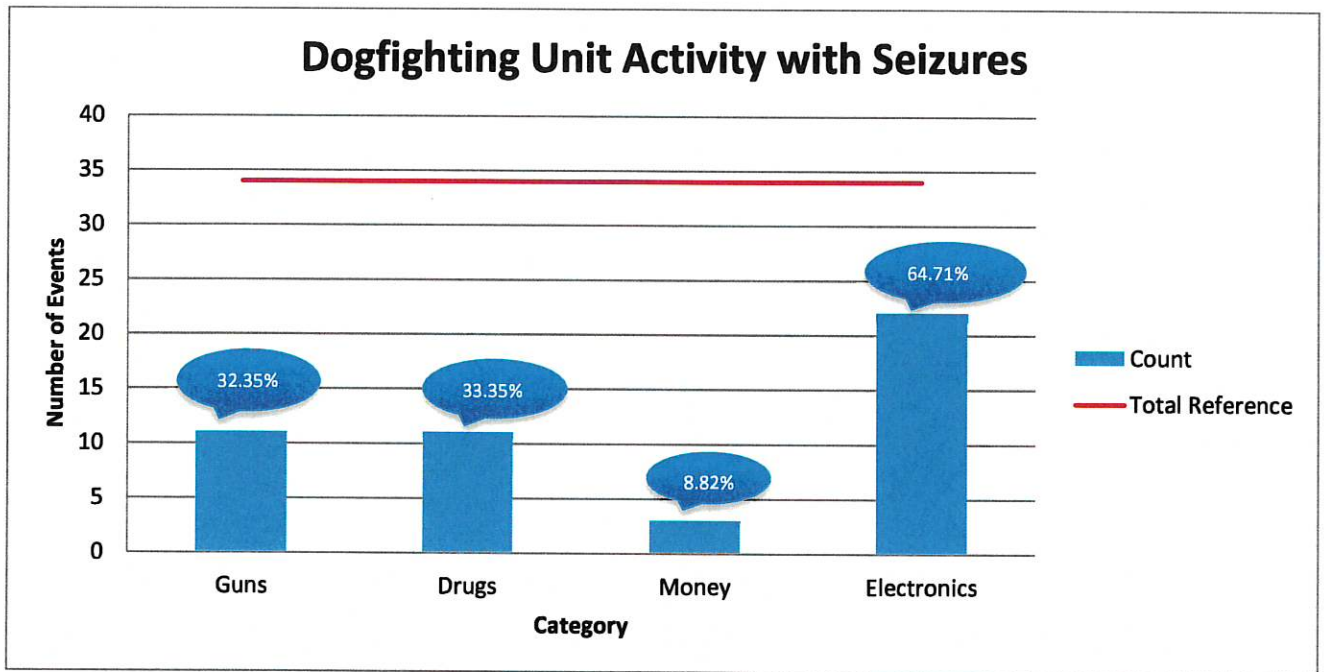
Please note "Total Dogs" is defined by the number of dogs that have been involved in an investigation. This number is higher than "Dogs Rescued" as not all dogs involved in an investigation are seized; for example, a tip may be investigated and unsubstantiated.



SEIZURES:

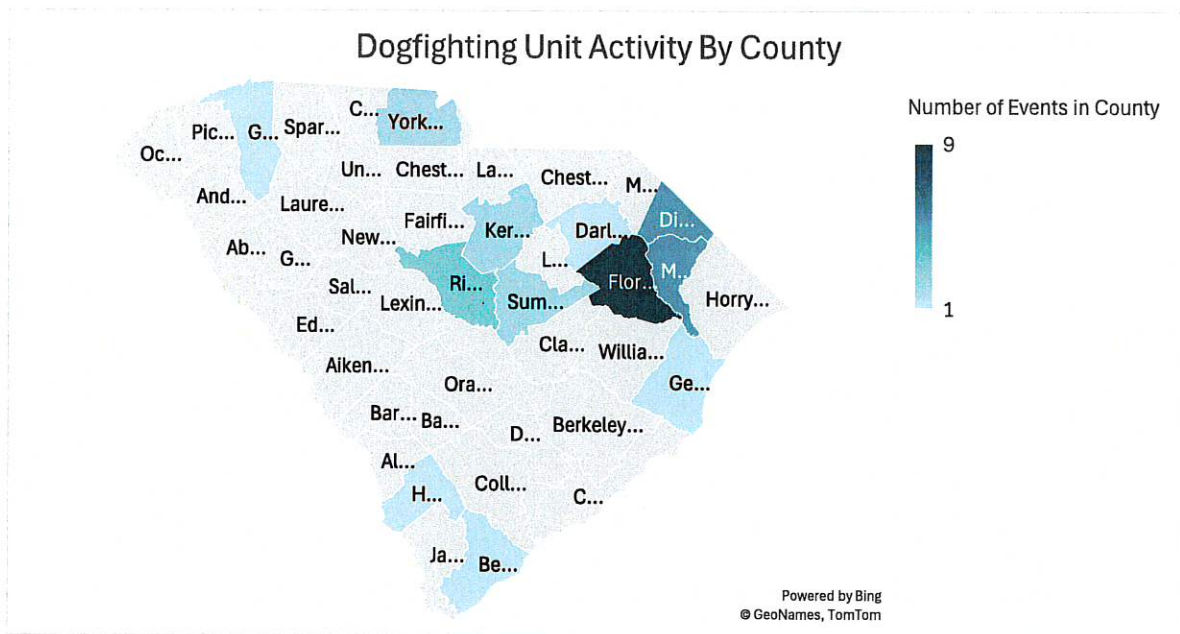
The SLED Dogfighting Unit has been involved in **34 events** related to dog fighting criminal activity across South Carolina from January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025.

	Firearms Seized	Drugs Seized	Currenty Seized	Electronic Seized
Events with Seizures	11 Events	11 Events	3 Events	22 Events
Percentage of Events with Seizure	32.35%	32.35%	8.82%	64.71%
Items Seized	60 Firearms	Marijuana Crak Cocaine Ketamine Oxycodone	\$69,400	Cellphones iPads Tablets Securithy Camera Hardrive



Dogfighting Unit has been active in **12 counties** across the entire state of South Carolina and one event in Georgia from January 1, - September 30, 2025.

County	Number of Times Unit Active in County
Beaufort	1
Darlington	1
Dillon	5
Florence	9
Georgetown	1
Greenville	1
Hampton	1
Kershaw	2
Marion	5
Richland	3
Sumter	2
York	2
Out of State	1
Grand Total	34

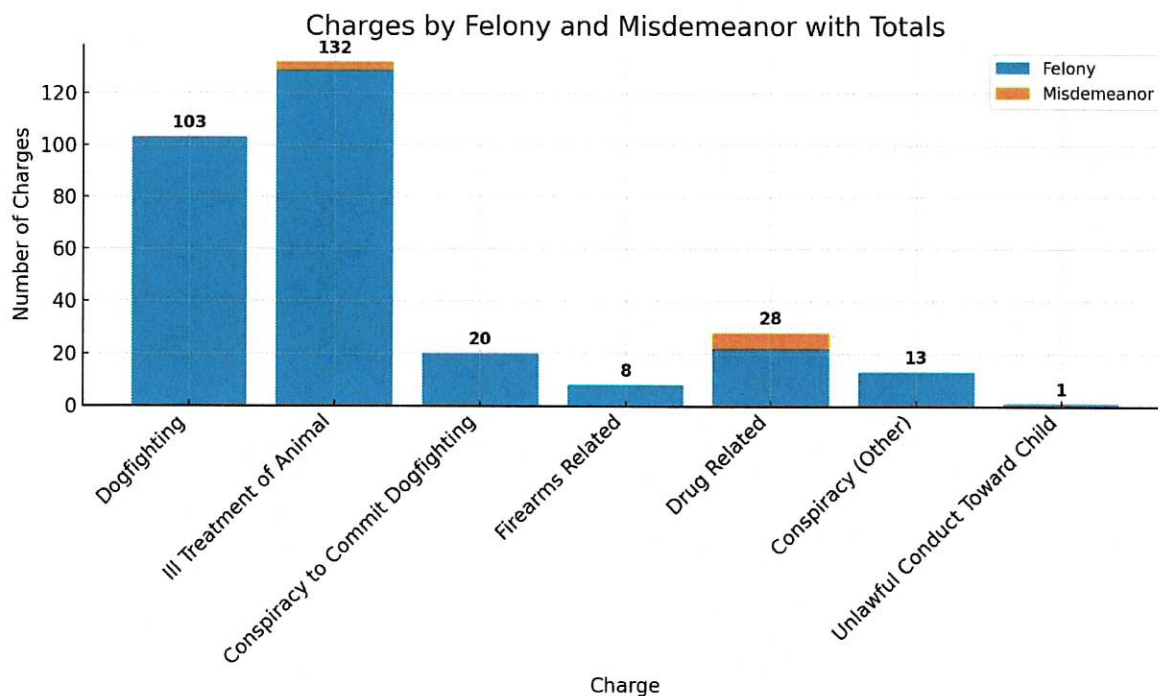


**The darker the blue – the more activity in county.*

Charges:

The SLED Dogfighting Unit has arrested **42 Suspects** from January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025, with summary of charges as follows.

Charge	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
Dogfighting	103	0	103
Ill Treatment of Animal	129	3	132
Conspiracy to Commit Dogfighting	20	0	20
Firearms Related	8	0	8
Drug Related	22	6	28
Conspiracy (<i>other than Dogfighting</i>)	13	0	13
Unlawful Conduct Toward Child/ Child Endangerment	1	0	1
Total	296	9	305





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April 29, 2026

Denise Wilkinson
Chief Executive Officer
Pawmetto Lifeline
1275 Bower Parkway
Columbia, SC 29212

Dear Ms. Wilkinson:

On behalf of the County of Lexington, I am writing to formally verify the contractual relationship between our organization and Pawmetto Lifeline. We are pleased to confirm that this partnership has been active and continuous since 2008, representing nearly two decades of consistent collaboration and shared commitment to our community.

Respectfully,

Lynn Sturkie
County Administrator

THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE PUBLIC

Requested Amount: \$ 1,000,000Recipient Entity: Serve and Connect

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, X Non-Profit, or _____ Other?

If **Other**, please explain:

Entity Contact: Kassy Alia Ray

Title/Position: Founder/CEO

Contact Phone Number: 301-908-2635

Email Address: kassy@serveandconnect.org

Entity Website: www.serveandconnect.org

County Location: statewide presence
(office is in Richland)

Intended Use of the Funds: Expand statewide programming which will focus on supporting our police officers
and enhancing the capacity for police and community members to work together on significant challenges that influence public safety.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit:

Serves statewide purpose and will ensure police agencies across South Carolina have access to critical resources for supporting our most vulnerable communities, and provide hands on support for the implementation of community engagement initiatives.

Beth Bernstein

Beth E. Bernstein

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature:

Print Name:

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Amir C. McDair

Signature: 

Print Name:

Signature:

Print Name: _____

Signature:

South Carolina Legislature
Ways and Means Committee
Columbia SC, 29201

Dear Ways and Means Committee,

Thank you for your consideration of Representative Beth Bernstein's request for funding for Serve & Connect. Serve & Connect is a nonprofit organization with the mission of fostering positive change through sustainable police-community partnerships. I founded the organization after my husband, Greg Alia, was killed in the line of duty while serving as a police officer in the City of Forest Acres. Our vision is a future where police and citizens are working together to address the root causes of crime in order to promote public safety.

We would be honored to receive funding for our statewide efforts focused on supporting our police officers and enhancing the capacity for police and community members to work together on significant challenges that influence public safety. Since founding the organization in 2016, we have experienced significant growth, working with over 75 police departments statewide and hundreds of community organizations all with the goal of building stronger, safer communities for us all. Data from our police partners highlights the impact of our work. In surveys conducted with police statewide, officers indicated that because of their work with Serve & Connect, citizens are more willing to talk with and partner with officers to make communities safer. They also expressed that they feel more connected to the communities they serve and that our support has enhanced their feelings of meaning and purpose in their work as a police officer.

We are so thankful for the amazing men and women who serve in law enforcement and are proud of the incredible work they do to make South Carolina safe for everyone. With support of the state legislature, we want to continue to uplift their impact in communities statewide, helping them do what they do best: helping others.

With Representative Beth Bernstein's support, we are seeking \$1,000,000 to expand our statewide programming. Over the last year alone, we have seen tremendous growth. Notably, we welcomed 11 new police agencies as partners. In total, we work with numerous statewide law enforcement agencies, including close partnerships with SLED, South Carolina Department of Public Safety, South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice, and South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon, as well as police departments in every region of the state. As our work has grown, so have the needs and opportunities to support police

agencies. In particular, we need to ensure that our police partners have access to vital community policing resources, such as Greg's Groceries, our program that provides police officers with boxes of nonperishable food so that they can assist people in need. We also assist with other emergency needs to assist victims of crime and families in crisis that police officers encounter while on duty, and provide support for outreach events and initiatives year-round.

Funding from the state legislature will ensure police agencies across South Carolina have access to critical resources for supporting our most vulnerable communities, connecting them with the rich array of resources our state has to offer, and building powerful partnerships that reduce crime and keep our communities safe. Funding will also make it possible for us to provide hands-on support for the implementation of community engagement initiatives, recognizing the tremendous responsibilities police agencies carry. Our support will serve as an extension of their community policing efforts, bolstering their capacity to serve our residents with dignity, compassion, and care.

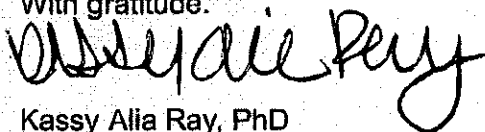
Funding will also make it possible for us to continue our ongoing in-depth partnership-building efforts in Florence, Lancaster, Chester, Orangeburg, and Richland counties through our Compass program. In each of these areas, we are working closely with police and community partners in developing powerful public safety partnerships that increase community safety. This work is based on the model we developed with Columbia Police Department which has been recognized as contributing to a 40% reduction in violent crime in the city. While similar efforts are in progress in other areas of the state, change takes time. Funding from the state legislature will support lasting improvements in community safety, ensuring that the impact of this critical work lives on.

Finally, funding will help us continue to offer our tragedy response program which facilitates fundraising efforts any time an officer is killed or critically-injured in the line of duty in South Carolina. Since 2016, we have raised over \$1.1million dollars, 100% of which has been given back to the families of officers impacted by tragedy.

Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email is kassy@serveandconnect.org and my phone is 803-597-3154.

Thank you for your service and your consideration.

With gratitude.



Kassy Alia Ray, PhD
CEO and Founder
Serve & Connect



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April 24, 2026

The Honorable G. Murrell Smith, Jr.
Speaker, House of Representatives
506 Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: Serve & Connect

Dear Speaker Smith and Chairman Bannister,

As the Chief of SLED and a member of the Serve & Connect Board of Directors, I write today in full support of their mission and request for state funding. Also of note, my Executive Affairs Director, Ryan Alphin, was a founding board member and the inaugural Chairman.

Over the past decade, Ryan and I have witnessed firsthand the amazing work of Kassy Alia Ray, CEO of Serve & Connect. As you may know, Kassy's husband Forest Acres Police Officer Greg Alia, was shot and killed in the line of duty in 2015. Since that day, Kassy has made it her life's work to support law enforcement in South Carolina as well as the communities they serve.

Her organization has raised over \$1,100,000 through private individual donations to support the families of law enforcement officers severely injured or killed in the line of duty, of which 100% goes directly to the families. She started a program named after her late husband called Greg's Groceries which provides officers with sustainable food boxes to give to citizens they encounter who are experiencing hunger, opening the dialogue between officers and citizens. That program to date has distributed over 2 million meals in South Carolina. I could go on and on about the great work of Serve & Connect, Kassy and her team, but will simply say this organization is beyond worthy of any consideration.

I want to sincerely thank you both for any consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly should you have any questions. With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark A. Keel".

Mark A. Keel
Chief of SLED



An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



**Partnership Agreement
Memorandum of Understanding
Serve & Connect
AND
SLED**

This Memorandum of Understanding is hereby entered into for the purpose of participating in Serve & Connect's Greg's Groceries Program. Greg's Groceries was developed alongside police and community partners to strengthen community policing implementation and build trust between police and communities. This MOU establishes the shared responsibilities and expectations of participating partners and the duration of this agreement.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

For this project Serve & Connect serves as the "lead" organization. As the lead organization, Serve & Connect is responsible for the following:

- Coordinating all planning activities for Greg's Groceries project, including but not limited to organizing focus groups, interviewing key stakeholders, etc.
- Facilitating communications and information sharing with Greg's Groceries partners
- Measuring key outcomes and indicators for Greg's Groceries implementation
- Maintain all financial records of support for Greg's Groceries resources
- Serve as primary agent for fund development for all Greg's Groceries resources
- Develop communication/marketing promotional materials for Greg's Groceries resources

Under this agreement, SLED agrees to:

- Follow the intent of Greg's Groceries to promote greater trust between law enforcement officers and community residents
- Actively participate in Greg's Groceries planning outreach activities
- Promote Greg's Groceries activities within the department
- Follow established data and evaluation protocols and report to Serve & Connect
- Designate primary point of contact for activities related to Greg's Groceries
- Work collaboratively with Serve & Connect staff to refine process and impact of Greg's Groceries
- Participate in quarterly planning sessions with all participating departments for collaborative feedback and quality improvement
- Provide primary point of contact two weeks' notice for need of additional Greg's Groceries resources
- Follow established communication/marketing protocols established by lead organization

TIME PERIOD

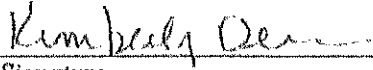
This Memorandum of Understanding shall follow the period of one (1) year through October 1, 2026.

TERMINATION

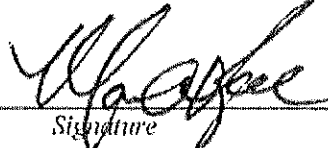
This Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part by either party without cause. Written notice of termination shall be given in writing to both Serve & Connect and SLED and shall be sent via certified or registered mail with return receipt requested. Failure to honor any of the obligations stated above may also result in termination of this Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, parties have executed this Memorandum of Understanding as of the date first written above.

Serve & Connect

Kimberly Dennis	Chief Operating Officer	9/3/2025	
<i>Name (print)</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Signature</i>

Agency Chief / Sheriff

Mark A. Keel	Chief of SLED	9/10/2025	
<i>Name (print)</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Signature</i>

Business Entities Online

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Serve and Connect

Corporate Information

Entity Id: 00480248

Entity Type: Nonprofit

Status: Good Standing

Domestic/Foreign: Domestic

Incorporated State: South Carolina

Important Dates

Effective Date: 03/18/2016

Expiration Date: N/A

Term End Date: N/A

Dissolved Date: N/A

Registered Agent

Agent: KASSANDRA ALIA

Address: 4618 OAKWOOD DRIVE
COLUMBIA, South Carolina 29206

Official Documents On File

Filing Type	Filing Date
Articles of Amendment	01/16/2018
Amendment	11/21/2016
Incorporation	03/18/2016

Former Names

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Serve & Connect

Public Id: P34972
Kassy A Alia Ray , CEO
8131 BROOKFIELD RD
COLUMBIA, SC 29223-3816

Status: Registered. Information from this organization's annual financial report is listed below.

The following financial information has been provided to the Secretary of State's Office by the above named organization. The Secretary of State's Office has not independently verified this financial information. If a charity has recently registered with the Secretary of State's Office for the first time, there may not be any financial data available. Below are figures for the organization's fiscal year **7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025**.

Financial Report

TOTAL REVENUE:	\$2,116,194.00
PROGRAM EXPENSES:	\$1,508,174.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$1,752,505.00
NET ASSETS:	\$930,506.00
FUNDRAISER COSTS:	\$197,451.00

Financial Report File



FY 2025 990 - SC SOS.pdf (/DisplayFinancialReport.aspx?ReportType=Charity&CopyID=219690)

Next Report: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026 Due Date: 11/15/2026

According to the financial information filed with this office, this organization devoted **86.1%** of its total expenses to program services during the year reported.

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A Practical Approach to Crime Reduction:
Supporting Officers and Communities

SERVE  CONNECT

Mission & Vision

Mission: Fostering positive change through sustainable police-community partnerships

Vision: A future where police and citizens are working together as one community to address root causes of crime and promote safety so everyone can thrive

{ **TOGETHER** }
WE ARE BETTER



History

- Founded in 2015 in South Carolina following the line-of-duty death of Forest Acres Police Officer Greg Alia EOW 9/30/2015
- Expanded from a local initiative to a statewide organization, working with dozens of law enforcement agencies and communities across South Carolina.
- Recognized at the state and national level for effective police-community collaboration and public safety innovation.
- Built a proven model over nearly a decade, focused on reducing repeat problems, supporting officers, and strengthening community responsibility for public safety.



SERVE  CONNECT

Why Partnership Is Essential to Public Safety

- Police cannot prevent crime alone
- Community partnership expands public safety capacity
- Trust and cooperation improve crime reporting and compliance
- Collaboration reduces repeat problems, not just individual incidents
- Prevention strengthens enforcement and saves resources



SERVE  CONNECT

Core Programs

- ▶ Tragedy Response
- ▶ Greg's Groceries
- ▶ Compassionate Acts
- ▶ Compass



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Tragedy Response Program

- Partners with statewide law enforcement associations to support families after line-of-duty death or serious injury
- Works in collaboration with organizations including the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association, Sheriffs' Association, Fraternal Order of Police, Police Chiefs Association, and Troopers Association
- Coordinates community-led fundraising and assistance efforts



Greg's Groceries

- Equips officers with a practical tool - nonperishable food boxes - to assist individuals and families in need during everyday interactions
- Enhances law enforcement capacity by addressing immediate needs that often contribute to repeat calls for service
- Allows officers to focus on what they do best: helping, problem-solving, and maintaining public safety
- **29,340 boxes distributed, providing 2,464,560 meals statewide**



Compassionate Acts Program

- Provides 24/7 support officers can access to address urgent needs during calls for service
- Covers immediate emergency assistance such as temporary housing, hygiene supplies, baby items, and other essentials
- Used by officers to assist victims of crime, especially domestic violence victims and students and families in crisis
- Fills a critical gap in officer resources, responding to 2017 data showing only 29% of officers reported access to resources to help people in need



Compass: A Collaborative Crime Prevention Framework

- Framework used to build and strengthen public safety partnerships between law enforcement and the community
- Builds local capacity to address crime, especially recurring challenges
- Leverages existing local resources for a sustainable, locally tailored approach
- Supports traditional policing by complementing enforcement with prevention and community engagement



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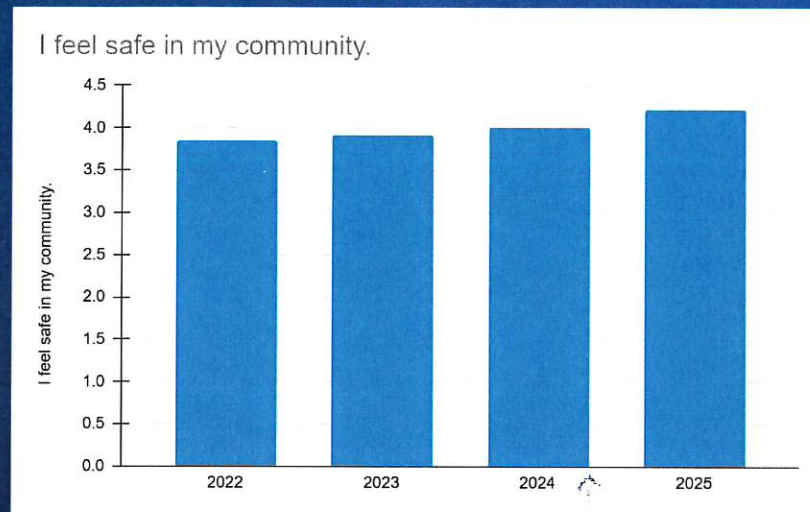
Reducing Violent Crime and Improving Safety

- Sustained, intentional partnership-building in Columbia since 2017 using the Compass framework to strengthen community capacity for public safety
- Focused engagement of trusted community leaders and service organizations addressing youth violence and deterring crime in high-crime hot spots
- **Results:**
 - **40% reduction in fatal and non-fatal shootings**
 - **Improved community safety confidence, with over 30% of residents reporting they felt safer in 2024, compared to under 15% at baseline**



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Improvements in Safety along Decker Blvd Corridor



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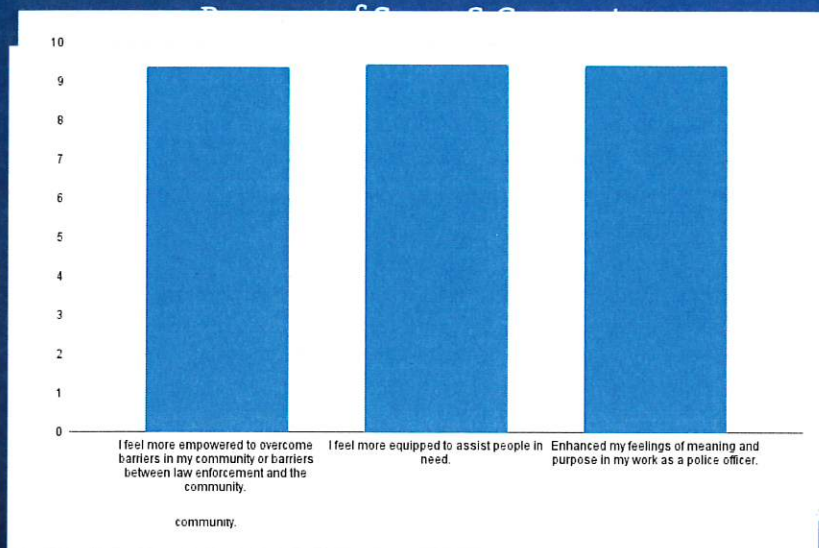
Reducing Emergency Service Use & Improving Cost-Savings

- Coordinated response in Lexington since 2021 among first responders, healthcare, and service organizations to address frequent mental health-related calls
- Community Paramedic Program served 332 mental health clients, with 75% transitioning to inactive status due to positive outcomes or case resolution
- **Network partner referrals increased by 300%**, reflecting improved coordination and appropriate use of services
- Mobile crisis teams achieved an **82% diversion rate** from emergency departments, jails, and psychiatric hospitals
- **Over \$473,000 in cost savings** from just five clients, demonstrating strong potential for long-term sustainability and scalability



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Strengthening Officer Capacity, Purpose, and Engagement



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Expanding Access to Community Resources

- Year-round collaboration with law enforcement and community partners to connect residents to support
- Community events serve as access points for local services that promote stability and self-sufficiency
- In 2025, **hosted 32 community events**, providing access to:
 - Mental health and behavioral health services
 - Health screenings and wellness resources
 - Financial literacy and employment supports
 - Tangible assistance, including Greg's Groceries food boxes
- Builds trust and awareness, helping individuals access existing resources before challenges escalate

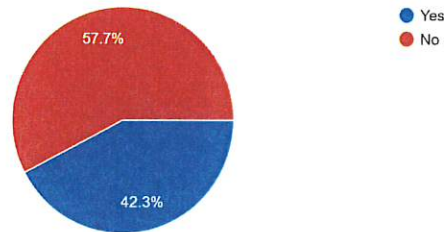


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Greg's Groceries Also Increases Access to Vital Resources

- **Over 40%** of Greg's Groceries boxes delivered resulted in the officer connecting an individual or family in need with additional resources
- Example resources included:
 - Employment support
 - Housing
 - Food banks
 - Clothing
 - Mental health services
 - ..and more!

Did you provide the individual(s) with any additional resources or information?
1,770 responses



SERVE  CONNECT

Strong Fiscal Stewardship & Accountability

- **86% of FY25 funding directed to direct programming, maximizing impact of public and private dollars**
- Strong internal financial controls, with day-to-day oversight by internal staff, including the Chief Operating Officer and Administrative Assistant
- Direct coordination with Board Treasurer to ensure transparency and accountability
- Independent financial oversight by two external CPAs:
 - Monthly bookkeeping and financial review
 - Annual IRS Form 990 preparation and audit

SERVE  CONNECT

State Investment: \$1,000,000 in 2024

- Significant state investment to expand police–community public safety support statewide
- Funding focused on reach, capacity, and infrastructure, not one-time events
- Enabled expansion beyond the Midlands into rural and underserved communities

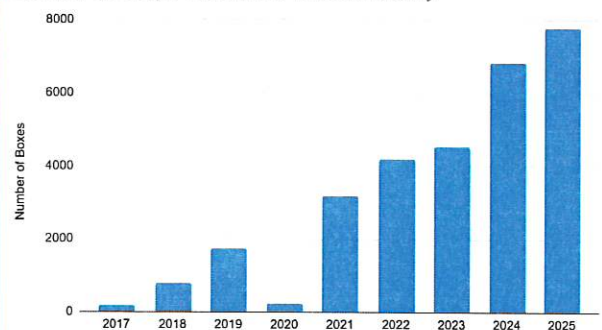


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Expanded Public Safety Support Across South Carolina

- Expanded support to more law enforcement agencies statewide, including rural communities
- Increased number of community events outside the Midlands
- Strengthened partnerships with state agencies, including:
 - South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED)
 - South Carolina Department of Public Safety
 - South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice
 - South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services

Number of Greg's Groceries Packed Annually



SERVE & CONNECT

Expanded Compass to Address Violent Crime

- State funding enabled expansion of Compass support to new communities
- New Compass sites launched in Lancaster and Chester counties
- Focused on violent crime reduction, partnership-building, and local capacity
- Tailored strategies based on community-specific needs and crime trends



SERVE & CONNECT

Greg's Place: A Community Hub for Safety and Access

- Launched Greg's Place on Decker Boulevard as a permanent community resource hub
- Responded directly to community feedback identifying: limited access to resources & lack of safe spaces for youth
- Will host community resource fairs, neighborhood meetings, trainings, workshops, and health screenings, and more.



Building Data Capacity for Community Policing

- Developed the first-in-the-nation web-based platform to support police agencies in tracking community engagement
- Designed to help agencies:
 - Allocate resources more effectively
 - Improve public transparency and trust
 - Use data-informed decision-making
- Pilot launch planned for Spring, with goals for statewide expansion in 2025



What Additional State Support Will Enable

- **Expand Greg's Groceries statewide**, distributing **10,000 food boxes** and equipping more law enforcement agencies with a practical tool for compassionate, trust-building engagement
- **Strengthen data-driven community engagement**, maintaining and enhancing a web-based platform and expanding hands-on training and technical assistance for police agencies
- **Grow evidence-based engagement strategies** that reduce crime, improve community trust, and support officer effectiveness
- **Develop Greg's Place off of Decker Boulevard** as a permanent community hub, hosting resource fairs, trainings, workshops, health screenings, and neighborhood meetings
- **Create sustainable public safety infrastructure**, strengthening police–community partnerships and expanding access to resources across urban and rural communities

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Community-Police Partnerships That Save Lives

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Violent crime remains one of the most pressing challenges for police chiefs across the globe. In every community, police leaders are tasked not only with suppressing violence but also with building trust in policing at a time when legitimacy and resources are often strained. Chiefs know well that enforcement alone cannot solve the problem. While patrol, deterrence, and investigation remain central pillars of policing, lasting reductions in violence require more. They require partnerships—authentic, sustained collaborations between police agencies and the communities they serve.

In Columbia, South Carolina, this philosophy has been realized through a unique partnership between Serve & Connect, a nonprofit dedicated to strengthening community-police relationships, and the Columbia Police Department (CPD).¹ This collaboration illustrates how innovative police leadership combined with authentic community engagement can produce measurable reductions in violent crime. Guided by the Compass framework—an evidence-based model for structuring effective public safety partnerships—Columbia has achieved notable improvements in its highest-crime neighborhoods. These outcomes underscore the importance of

integrating traditional policing with strategies that build trust, mobilize community assets, and embed prevention and intervention into the broader fabric of public safety.

Why Partnerships Matter

Community-police collaboration is not a new concept, but sustaining authentic partnerships in practice can be challenging. Limited resources, competing priorities, and long-standing mistrust often stand in the way.² Despite these challenges, research and experience point to a consistent truth: where partnerships are strong, crime prevention and reduction are more effective.

"Projects such as school backpack drives and neighborhood cleanups have not only met immediate needs but also symbolized a shift toward shared ownership of safety."

The Los Angeles, California, Police Department's Community Safety Partnership, for example, achieved measurable decreases in violent crime while improving public trust by embedding officers in housing communities and partnering with local leaders.³ Findings from the initial deployment of the Community Safety Partnership program indicated fewer homicides, aggravated assaults, and shots fired across public housing developments. Analysis suggested 221 fewer violent incidents across six years with an approximate savings of \$14.5 million in tangible costs. Focused deterrence efforts, such as Group Violence Intervention (GVI), also

showcase the impact strong partnerships can have on crime outcomes. GVI is an evidence-based intervention where a small number of high-risk individuals in violent peer groups are targeted using a three-pronged strategy including the moral appeal of community voices, social services offerings, and law enforcement consequences.⁴ GVI gained widespread attention following the successful implementation of

Operation Ceasefire in Boston, Massachusetts, which contributed to a 63 percent reduction in youth homicide.⁵

These models highlight a key lesson: enforcement without partnership is unsustainable, and partnerships without action are ineffective. Both are required to create meaningful change.

The Compass Framework

Serve & Connect developed Compass to provide agencies with a step-by-step framework for weaving evidence-based crime reduction strategies into a foundation of community trust and collaboration.⁶ Built on the Getting to Outcomes model of accountability, Compass guides police and community partners through four phases:⁷

1. **Cultivating Trust and Vision.** Agencies and residents build a foundation of trust by listening to community concerns and developing a shared vision for safety.
2. **Mobilizing Stakeholders and Planning.** Partners map needs and assets, set goals, and design action plans rooted in both evidence and local realities.
3. **Implementation and Evaluation.** Best practices are tailored to the community, put into action, and monitored for effectiveness.
4. **Sustainability.** Efforts focus on building long-term capacity, leadership, and structures that will endure beyond any single program or funding cycle.

The framework integrates principles of community psychology, such as collective efficacy (the ability of neighbors to trust one another and act together) and sense of community.⁸ These social factors have been linked to lower rates of violence.

Critically, Compass is designed to complement, not replace, police operations. Enforcement and deterrence efforts—such as focused patrols, investigations, and targeted interventions—remain essential. Compass ensures those efforts are reinforced by trust, legitimacy, and community mobilization, creating the conditions for deeper, longer-lasting change.

A Community in Crisis

The power of Compass is best illustrated in the success seen in Columbia in partnership with CPD. CPD has long prioritized both enforcement innovation and

community collaboration. Under Chief Skip Holbrook's leadership, the department has established specialized investigative units; adopted advanced technologies such as gunshot detection systems and a real-time crime center; and built a culture of transparency through public dashboards. These efforts, combined with a strong commitment to authentic community engagement, position CPD as a leader in aligning traditional policing with collaborative prevention strategies.

"For chiefs wrestling with rising violence, strained legitimacy, and resource constraints, Columbia's story offers hope and direction."

The effectiveness of this approach is especially visible in north Columbia which has long faced high rates of violent crime. In Columbia, like many American cities, gun violence is disproportionately concentrated in small number of places. Just 3 percent of Columbia's land area accounted for over 40 percent of shootings every year between 2020 and 2024.⁹ Between 2019 and 2022, 78 percent of all citywide gunshot detections occurred in just one zip code. The overwhelming majority of gunshot victims were young Black males—a tragic echo of U.S.-wide

trends. Rates of crime and violence overlap with other disparities, with many effected areas seeing poverty rates twice the county average, and residents reporting high levels of adverse childhood experiences, poor health outcomes and limited access to resources.¹⁰

When Serve & Connect and the CPD launched the North Columbia Youth Empowerment Initiative (NCYEI) in 2018, the needs assessment identified two key drivers of violence:

- A lack of mentorship and positive activities for youth
- The limited accessibility of existing services and supports¹¹

Community members expressed their concerns with urgency. Parents spoke of the constant fear that their children could be shot. Young people ranked gun violence as

their greatest worry. Police officers and community leaders highlighted the pressing need to prevent children as young as 10 from being recruited into gangs. Across all voices, one message was clear: enforcement alone could not solve this crisis.

Building the Movement

Through Compass, NCYEI was structured as a local movement where residents, police, city leaders, and service providers could act together. By 2024, the initiative had grown to include 47 active community partners—ranging from job training programs to health providers to legal aid services—working in concert with CPD.¹¹

Peace Teams

At the heart of this collaboration are the North Columbia Peace Teams, neighborhood-based groups of residents who meet monthly with officers and partners to develop grassroots initiatives. These meetings give residents real influence in shaping safety strategies. Participants report feeling heard, respected, and empowered. Projects such as school backpack drives and neighborhood cleanups have not only met immediate needs but also symbolized a shift toward shared ownership of safety.

Youth Programs

Recognizing that preventing youth involvement in violence was paramount, the NCYEI developed a suite of programs specifically for young community members.

- **Police Activities League (PAL):** Officers mentor youth through sports, gardening, and after-school activities, building positive relationships beyond enforcement encounters.
- **Students Ignite:** An after-school leadership program embeds police as mentors while equipping youth to design community change projects.
- **Credible Messengers:** Trusted community figures engage high-risk youth and connect them to resources.
- **Operation B.R.I.D.G.E. (Building Resilience through Intervention, Development, Guidance and Empowerment):** This is a focused deterrence initiative adapted for young people, balancing accountability with support services.

Community Events



Large-scale gatherings like the annual Empowerment for Peace Walk and the Be Safe Block Parties have brought hundreds of residents and officers together for food, games, and fellowship. These events are not mere outreach activities—they are opportunities to normalize peace, shift social norms, and make police approachable partners.

Community Violence Intervention Summits

Another critical piece of the NCYEI strategy has been the Community Violence Intervention (CVI) Summits, held annually since 2021. These summits convene residents, service providers, city leaders, and police to learn about evidence-based approaches to violence reduction and to co-develop community-driven solutions. The summits serve as both training grounds and rallying points, equipping participants with practical tools for intervention while reinforcing a shared vision of

peace. Each summit has drawn more than 150 attendees, with sessions led by national CVI experts as well as local practitioners.

Community Policing Initiatives

Additional community policing initiatives complement these engagement strategies. One of the most visible is Greg's Groceries, a Serve & Connect program equipping officers with boxes of nonperishable food to distribute to people in need. CPD officers handed out Greg's Groceries boxes during calls for service, through referrals, and at strategic outreach events. For example, over the holidays, officers and residents packed Thanksgiving-themed Greg's Groceries boxes together, which were then distributed at a community event that included a resource fair, family activities, and opportunities for fellowship. These small but tangible acts of service reinforced officers' roles as trusted neighbors while meeting immediate needs that often fuel community instability.

Impact: Trust, Safety, and Crime Reduction

The evaluation of North Columbia's Compass work between 2018 and 2024 reveals profound progress:¹¹

- **Violent Crime Reduction.** CPD reported a 42 percent reduction in fatal and nonfatal shootings in 2024 relative to 2023. In Booker Washington Heights, a high-crime hotspot for North Columbia, Part I crimes, including homicides, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, and other violent crimes, dropped by 15.9 percent, and Part II crimes, including simple assaults, vandalism, drug abuse violations, and other nonviolent crimes, dropped by 29.1 percent between mid-2024 reporting periods.
- **Trust in Police.** Community surveys show trust in CPD rose from 63.6 percent to 80.5 percent. Trust in neighbors climbed from 54.8 percent to 70.1 percent, and 78.1 percent of residents reported feeling part of the community, up from 63.6 percent.
- **Sense of Safety.** The percentage of residents who said they felt safe doubled, from under 15 percent at baseline to more than 30 percent in 2024.
- **Resource Access.** Perceptions of available community resources grew from 50.4 percent to 70.1 percent.
- **Police Readiness.** CPD officers reported higher motivation for community policing, increased confidence in their ability to improve quality of life, and greater belief in mutual trust between police and residents.

These outcomes did not occur in isolation. They were the product of combining enforcement operations with community-driven strategies. CPD continued robust patrol, investigation, and deterrence efforts throughout, but Compass ensured these were embedded in a broader ecosystem of trust, prevention, and support.

Lessons for Chiefs

The experience in Columbia offers critical insights for police leaders elsewhere.

1. **Partnerships Are Force Multipliers.** When 47 community organizations coordinate alongside police, the reach of the police extends far beyond what they can achieve alone.
2. **Youth Engagement Is Crime Prevention.** Investing in mentorship, after-school programs, and leadership opportunities addresses root causes and diverts young people from cycles of violence.
3. **Community Trust Is Measurable—and Changeable.** Increases in trust and perceptions of safety are not abstract concepts; they can be quantified and linked to reductions in crime.
4. **Sustainability Must Be Built In.** Partnerships, once formed, need structure to endure. Peace Teams and leadership councils provide that backbone.
5. **Enforcement and Engagement Work Best Together.** Police leaders need not fear that community partnerships dilute deterrence. On the contrary, enforcement gains legitimacy when paired with prevention and collaboration.

A Roadmap for the Future

The Compass framework is not a program to be copied wholesale. It is a roadmap that helps police leaders tailor evidence-based practices to the unique needs and assets of their communities. Whether an agency serves a rural county or a major metropolitan city, Compass provides a step-by-step guide for building partnerships, mobilizing stakeholders, implementing strategies, and sustaining success.

For chiefs wrestling with rising violence, strained legitimacy, and resource constraints, Columbia's story offers hope and direction. It demonstrates that partnerships are not a luxury or a public relations strategy—they are central to saving lives.

That lesson is now available to police leaders everywhere: crime reduction is rooted in enforcement, strengthened by partnership, and sustained by community trust. ♥



Dr. Kassy Alia Ray is the CEO and Founder of Serve & Connect, a nonprofit with the mission of fostering positive change through sustainable police and community partnerships. She founded the organization following the death of her husband, Greg Alia, who was killed in the line of duty while serving with the Forest Acres Police Department in 2015.



William H. "Skip" Holbrook was appointed Chief of the Columbia Police Department on April 11, 2014. He has more than 30 years of law enforcement experience and over 16 years as a police chief.

Under Chief Holbrook's leadership, the Columbia Police Department has implemented organizational and operational reforms, which have been recognized by the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ) for 21st-Century policing efforts.



Cannon Fulmer is a crime analyst at the City of Columbia Police Department. He has over 15 years of policing experience, including time as a patrol officer and a detective. Cannon's work supports the planning, implementation, and evaluation of a spectrum of gun-violence mitigation efforts in Columbia, SC.

Notes:



Dr. Brittany Cook is vice president of education and human development with the Wandersman Center. She received her PhD Clinical-Community Psychology and has expertise designing and implementing evaluations through an empowerment evaluation lens, as well as expertise in organizational readiness, the research and implementation of technical assistance, and implementation science.

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Date: February 10, 2026

To: Representative Phillip Bowers
District 3

From: James A. Atkinson
Mayor
Town of Six Mile, S.C.

Re: Consideration for funding for Bryson Children's Nature Walk Project in Six Mile

We have significant funding needs for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk Project in Six Mile. This project is in process due to some funding needs having been met through such venues as PARD and ARPA and donations to date. The project urgently needs funding for continuation especially for the drive area to get the site open for the garden area for children by Spring 2026 and to get the site open for trail use and use of other site features.

BACKGROUND

Bryson Children's Nature Walk is a 63-acre site donated to and owned by the Town of Six Mile with greenspace and water quality protections maintained via a Conservation Easement with the Land Trust Non-Profit, Upstate Forever. A Forest Management Site Plan maps out site usage and greenspace/water quality preservation practices in compliance with the Conservation Easement. Plans for the site include 1 ½ miles of walking trails, a boardwalk and overlook at the pond area, a garden area for children's onsite experience with garden vegetables, and a Children's Outdoor Learning Center.

The Last Will and Testament of the late Town resident, Conrad Ardell Bryson, who died in 2003, left his assets (containing primarily acreage by 2020) for the benefit of area economically disadvantaged children. The Estate had remained unsettled for many years due to many factors including the lack of specifics in the will making it subject uncertain as to interpretation. A portion of this property (63 acres directly adjoining Six Mile Elementary School) contained significant irreplaceable greenspace bordering SC Highway 137 in addition to a scenic pond and wetlands area.

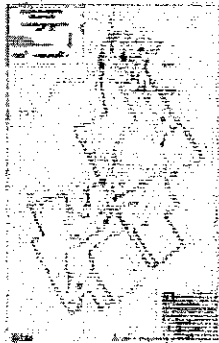
See our Town website at www.sixmiles.org for pictures, news, stories, and information. The project won a statewide award for the Municipal Association of South Carolina.

The Bryson site ties directly to the Town's Comprehensive plan goals of promoting greenspace in a time of unprecedented development and elimination of greenspace. Greenspace once lost can never be regained. Without projects such as this, future generations will never have the opportunity to experience and learn in an outdoor setting. This project will preserve the wetlands pond area and greenspace road frontage for decades to come. Most important, the project will fulfill the terms of the Bryson legacy by achieving an outdoor learning area. It will provide children at adjoining Six Mile Elementary School opportunity to see and experience nature and learn how their food grows. The scenic view from the road toward Six Mile Mountain will forever remain a scenic area for all to drive by and enjoy the green pasture and forest view. This project will benefit our area youth and promote tourism to the Six Mile area.

Site plans will include an Open Space Conservation rezoning for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk site and set a precedent for similar rezoning for other sites meeting certain Conservation Easement or

Forestry Management Plan terms. This, too, will promote greenspace in the line with the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

Specific site plans include a Boardwalk, Pond Viewing Area, a Children's Garden area, and a Children's Nature Learning Center structure.



A detailed Forest Management and site plan paid for with grant funds exists for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk project.

STATUS

To date, the 1.5 miles of walking trail are Complete and Phase I of the trail signs are installed. The trial will, however, require ongoing monthly maintenance and the site will require continued invasive species eradication.

The parking lot and garden area have been cleared and graded. Underlayment and crusher run are in the parking lot. The in-ground bed portion of the garden area is complete and ready for use this spring. Installed split rail fencing separates the parking lot and garden area. A 2500-foot water line with three spigots has been installed all the way to the garden area.

A Donated Tennessee Fieldstone sign is sign entrance and two split rail corners installed up front. Areas to be completed SCDOT permitted entrance bordering Hwy entrance drive, the parking lot gravel garden area raised bed area, boardwalk, and Children's Learning Center. funds will obviously be needed for project ongoing maintenance. A double row of planted by Trees Upstate lines the left front Estimated costs to complete the project following (at present). The entrance drive is necessary for any project functionality as able to enter and park on the site especially to access the garden area for spring planting by local youth.



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Entrance Side of Site

1. SCDOT Permitted Entrance

PARD grant of 10/22/25 requires local contribution of \$ 9500.00

2. Underlayment and gravel from SCDOT Entrance to parking lot per average of four estimates as attached of \$ 88,000, \$32,500, \$ 34,560, and \$ 43,045. Average of Estimates - \$ 49,526.25

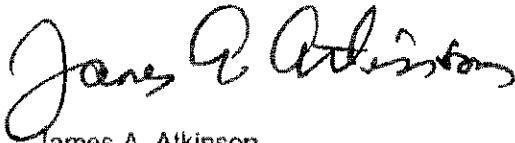
3. Children's Garden Area tilling and raised beds and topsoil and mulch.
\$6000.00

4. Additional trail work and signage completion : \$ 2500

5. Estimated total for entrance side of site \$ \$ 67,526.25

If you need any other information, do not hesitate to contact me. This project is all about greenspace for future generations and the benefit of the youth of our area and getting this site opened for Spring 2026.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Atkinson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" being the most prominent part.

James A. Atkinson
Six Mile Mayor

Budget Estimate

Ponderosa Park – Six Mile, SC February 2026

Budget Estimate – Materials Delivered to Job Site and Installation

Musco's Light-Structure System™ as described below, and delivered to the job site:

180' Softball Field-(New Poles)\$155,000 - \$170,000

*Sales tax is included
bonding is not included.*

*Estimate provided for budgetary purposes only. Please contact Musco when a quote is needed.
Estimate is effective for 30 days unless otherwise noted and is confidential.*

Light-Structure System™ with Total Light Control – TLC for LED™ technology

System Description – Light-Structure System™ complete from foundation to poletop in 5 Easy Pieces™

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- Factory-aimed and assembled luminaires, including BallTracker® technology
- UL listed as a complete system
- Corrosion protection

On Field Performance – control to benefit players and fans

- Guaranteed light levels of 50 footcandles infield, 30 footcandles outfield
- BallTracker® technology – targeted aerial light optimizing visibility of the ball in play with no glare for players
- Control-Link® control and monitoring system to provide remote on/off and dimming (high/medium/low) control and performance monitoring with 24/7 customer support

Environmental Light Control – control for neighbors and the environment

- Reduction of spill light and glare by 50% or more.

Always Ready to Play – control assuring the results you expect

- Product assurance and warranty program that includes materials and onsite labor, eliminating 100% of your maintenance costs for 25 years.

Notes

Estimate is based on:

- Shipment of entire project together to one location.
- Voltage and phase system requirements to be confirmed.
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- Owner is responsible for getting electrical power to the site, coordination with the utility, and any power company fees
- Standard soil conditions – rock, bottomless, wet, or unsuitable soil may require additional engineering, special installation methods and additional cost.
- Confirmation of pole or luminaire locations prior to production.

Thank you for considering our Team for your sports lighting needs. Please contact me with any questions.

Brian Hartman
Sales Representative
Musco Sports Lighting, LLC
Phone: 803.904.0302
E-mail: brian.hartman@musco.com



Budget Estimate

Ponderosa Park – Six Mile, SC February 2026

Budget Estimate – Materials Delivered to Job Site and Installation

Musco's Light-Structure System™ as described below, and delivered to the job site:

Soccer Field-(New Poles)\$115,000 - \$130,000

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The Honorable Phillip Bowers
District 3 Representative
State of South Carolina
404D Blatt Bldg.
Columbia 29201

RE: Fire Station

Dear Representative Bowers:

I am writing in support of the \$1 million grant request for the new Central Fire Station. The current station, built in 1967, no longer adequately meets the needs of our growing community and surrounding rural service areas. An upgraded facility is essential to ensure reliable, modern fire protection and emergency response services for the Town of Central and the residents we proudly serve.

The total projected cost of the new fire station is \$5,413,157. To date, we have successfully secured \$2 million in grant funding, and we are confident we have identified an additional \$2.5 million needed to move the project forward. This final \$1 million grant will close the remaining funding gap and allow us to begin the construction process.

With this support in place, we anticipate construction beginning in February 2027. This project represents a critical investment in public safety and the long-term future of our community.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued efforts in helping make the new Central Fire Station a reality. Please feel free to contact me if you need any additional information or supporting documentation.

Respectfully,

Phillip D. Mishoe
Town Administrator
Town of Central
864-639-6381
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4-Jan-24

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Public Space	2,750
Administration	980
Truck/Apparatus Bay Areas	9,350
Truck/Apparatus Bay Support Areas	525
Decontamination Room	260
Mezzanine Storage Area	525
Living/Sleeping Quarters	2,240
Circulation/Mechanical/Misc Areas	987
Total Building SF	17,617 **NIC exterior overhangs/covered patios
Mixed Use Occupancy (A3, B, S2, R2) - Type VB Construction, Sprinkled	

Construction Estimate

Sitework Costs

Site Clearing and Demolitions	\$24,259	>>>	clear and grub rear property; demo existing asphalt; haul off site
Sitework - Grading	\$295,484	>>>	strip vegetation; rough grade cut/fill detention pond; import soils for fill (9800cy); fine grade for foundations/slabs; backfill curbs, pads; staking/layout
Erosion & Sedimentation Control	\$75,866	>>>	silt fence installations, inlet protection, pond skimmer/baffles, concrete washout, slope/temp grassing, maintenance; construction entry
CEPSCI Inspections	\$6,000	>>>	storm water control measures weekly inspections (DHEC requirement)
Storm Drainage	\$81,222	>>>	18" RCP, headwall, catch basins/boxes; pond outlet structure and piping; rip rap spillways; pond as built survey
Exterior Roof Drainage	\$12,000	>>>	downspouts piped away from bldg (daylight); PVC piping/connectors
Site Utilities - Domestic Water	\$1,870	>>>	1-1/2" PVC water line from existing provider; 2" meter
Site Utilities - Sewer Service	\$6,150	>>>	4" PVC sewer line to nearest manhole
Site Utilities - 6" Fire Water Line	\$54,440	>>>	6" DIP extension from main; concrete vault at backflow preventer w/ FDC connection; one (1) new fire hydrant; testing
New Asphalt Paving - Heavy Duty	\$117,150	>>>	heavy duty (6" base + 2" binder + 2" asphalt); striping; truck route
New Asphalt Paving - Medium Duty	\$24,380	>>>	medium duty (6" base + 2" asphalt); striping; vehicle parking areas
ADA Signage/Concrete Wheel Stops	\$2,220	>>>	post and signage (2); 4" precast concrete stops w/ steel pins (9)
Exterior Concrete Paving	\$123,885	>>>	truck/apparatus drive/park pads; 8" - reinforced concrete (4000psi)
Concrete Curb and Gutter	\$45,375	>>>	18" concrete curbing; layout; full perimeter of site
Concrete Sidewalks and Pads	\$14,377	>>>	new sidewalks; mechanical pads; transformer pad; dumpster pad
ADA Dome Mats	\$1,500	>>>	located at ADA parking ramp
Dumpster Enclosure	\$0	>>>	pad only; no enclosure included
Site Fencing and Gates	\$0	>>>	permanent fencing not included in scope of work
Site Lighting	\$0	>>>	not included in scope of work
Landscaping & Irrigation Allowance	\$40,097	>>>	irrigation, sleeves; plantings/trees, Bermuda sod at building perimeter; hydroseed disturbed areas; mulch, amendments
SUBTOTAL SITEWORK	\$926,274	\$52.58 /sf	

Building Costs

Concrete Footings, Slab on Grade	\$245,992	>>>	excavate/form and place turn down edge, column footings; 4" (office area) and 8" (truck bays) concrete slab on grade; 4" stone base, column anchor bolts; vapor barrier, curing compound, sawcut control joints, termite treatment
Masonry - Split Face Block Veneer	\$47,064	>>>	4" split face veneer, paintable gray; flashings, reinforcing, mortar, sand
Masonry - Interior CMU Walls	\$35,045	>>>	6" CMU at Bay/Storage separation; Decontamination Room; reinforcing; grout; mortar, sand
Masonry Caulking	\$3,750	>>>	backer-rod and NP1 joint caulking at control joints
Miscellaneous Steel Fabrications	\$36,730	>>>	6" steel pipe bollards; mezzanine ladder; lintels; 12" trench grate
Metal Stud Framing	\$94,600	>>>	6" exterior metal studs w/ 5/8" OSB sheathing/tyvek, 3-5/8" interior metal studs; 12" structural C channels at mezzanine; plywood sheathing at mezzanine; hold downs, fasteners, seismic
General Carpentry - Wood Blocking	\$6,335	>>>	misc carpentry; rough hardware, blocking, fasteners, adhesives
Cabinets and Countertops	\$51,200	>>>	plastic laminate fronts and countertops, standard hardware
Sliding Glass Window - Reception	\$1,850	>>>	prefinished aluminum frame; 1/4" clear glazing, tempered
Building Insulations	\$59,924	>>>	R19 vinyl faced exterior wall insulations, R30 vinyl faced roof insulations, R11 interior wall sound batts
Doors, Frames & Hardware	\$59,648	>>>	hollow metal frames, solid core interior wood doors, exterior metal doors standard operating hardware; Knox box
Overhead Doors - Apparatus Bay	\$263,539	>>>	14x14 powder coated aluminum sectional doors; visions lites, insulated panels, max lift with remote operators; chain hoist; photo cell entrapment protection

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Aluminum Storefront Doors and Windows	\$43,070	>>>>	aluminum frame entry and windows, standard colors, 1" insulated, low e glazing; standard hardware and accessories; non operable windows
Interior Glazing	\$1,560	>>>>	1/4" tempered glazing at interior/exterior doors
Window Treatments/Shades	\$8,075	>>>>	manual roller shades; 1% openness, fabric, standard colors; front fascia, metal bead chain; exterior windows
Hang, Tape and Finish Sheetrock	\$63,800	>>>>	5/8" sheetrock walls; moisture resistant wet walls; mezzanine walls; Sleeping Room ceilings, bathroom ceilings
Acoustical Ceilings	\$30,800	>>>>	2x2 prefinished aluminum grid w/ tegular tiles
Pre-Engineered Metal Building System	\$497,005	>>>>	steel beams, columns, purlins, framed openings; bracing; prefinished standing seam roof panels, prefinished metal wall panels; trims/flashings, fasteners and adhesives; caulking and sealants
Aluminum Post and Metal Roof Canopy	\$23,935	>>>>	front entry structure; posts, beams, metal roofing
Aluminum Door Canopies	\$9,176	>>>>	prefinished, cantilever door canopies (4ea)
Equipment Rentals, Small Tools and Consumables	\$21,500	>>>>	heavy equipment (crane), forklift, skid steer, consumables, small tools
Floor Coverings - Rubber Athletic Flooring	\$2,500	>>>>	3/8" rubber, rolled sports flooring
Floor Coverings - Vinyl Plank	\$8,540	>>>>	standard vinyl plank flooring; commercial grade; Lobby, Dispatch, Kitchen/Dining Room, Bathrooms
Floor Coverings - Carpet Tiles	\$10,762	>>>>	\$35/sy installed allowance; Offices, Sleeping Rooms, Day Room, Conference Room; temporary protections
Rubber Base	\$3,702	>>>>	4" rubber base; all areas
Polished Concrete Flooring	\$65,380	>>>>	patching/repair; clean and fill joints; surface prep, diamond grind and polish; epoxy border (Apparatus Bay, Bay Storage, Workshop, Compressor Rm, Bay Toilet, Decon Room, Sprinkler Room, Training Room, Corridors, Extractor Room)
Painting - Interior	\$51,075	>>>>	walls, doors/frames; ceilings; exposed steel structure at Apparatus Bay
Painting - Exterior	\$11,515	>>>>	exterior split face veneer; misc metals, pipe bollards
Flagpole	\$8,378	>>>>	flagpole (1), 40' with accessories
Specialties	\$14,580	>>>>	mirrors, paper towel and toilet paper holders, towel bars, grab bars, extinguishers and cabinets; glass shower doors, robe hooks; metal lockers; corner guards
Exterior Building Signage	\$38,700	>>>>	aluminum building mounted letters, numbers; monument sign base/foundation; box, lighted monument sign
Interior Room/Directional Signage	\$5,075	>>>>	custom plastic signage plates
Furniture and Furnishings	\$0	>>>>	not included in scope of work; see Alternate
Commercial Equipment & Appliances	\$0	>>>>	not included in scope of work; see Alternate
Fire Sprinkler Systems	\$72,000	>>>>	NFPA 13 wet sprinkler system; recessed heads at drop ceiling areas
Plumbing	\$171,400	>>>>	complete building plumbing, drain, waste and vent piping, 65gal water heater, service sink, ADA bi-level water cooler; fixtures & trims; hose bibb connections; trench drains w/ oil/water separator; engineering
Compressed Air Piping & Compressor	\$23,508	>>>>	install air compressor (60gal) with 1" air piping, incl twelve (12) drops with quick connects
HV/AC	\$352,811	>>>>	VRF heat recovery system (35tons); zones - Training Room, Day/Dining/Kitchen, Dispatch, Workout Room, Office Areas, Sleeping Areas; toilet exhaust fans; piping; tstat control system and wiring; (2) 200k gas unit heaters at Apparatus Bay; louvers/dampers, prefinished diffusers and grills; start up, test and balance; 36" kitchen hood w/ fire suppression, grease duct, exhaust fan; gas piping/connections, engineering
Truck/Vehicle Exhaust Connection System	\$91,847	>>>>	MagneGrip Sliding Flex Hose Track; 6ea 36' flex hose track w/ 1 drop at each bay; 5" hose assemblies, 7.5hp exhaust fan; wireless control, spiral duct, brackets
Electrical	\$270,000	>>>>	(1) 600amp main panel, 120/208 3p service; includes (1) 225amp panel at Apparatus Bay, (1) 125amp lighting/receptacles panels; LED fixtures, exterior wall packs, exit lights/devices, emergency lighting, receptacles, power wiring and disconnects for equipment, data box rough ins
Emergency Generator	\$144,000	>>>>	150kw; 6 cylinder, 14.2L diesel emergency generator with transfer switch; loaded for full building backup; concrete pad/bollards
Automated Fire Alarm System	\$35,203	>>>>	automated main panel, A/V devices, trims and cabling; NIC monitoring
Security Alarm System	\$41,270	>>>>	minimum building security incl panel, motion and break detectors; access control system (web based) with card/fobs (12 openings)
Communication and Video/Sound Cabling	\$44,460	>>>>	low voltage cabling and terminations; does not include servers or equipment
Final Cleaning	\$7,715	>>>>	clean all interior/exterior windows/glass and frames; sweep and mop all flooring, wipe clean rubber base; clean all walls, fixtures, grilles and devices; wipe clean all doors and hardware; wipe clean all cabinets, counters and shelving; clean exposed piping, water heater, HVAC units; clean and sanitize all plumbing fixtures
SUBTOTAL - BUILDING \$3,079,017			\$174.76 /sf
Architectural Design and Documents	\$270,658	>>>>	permit and construction documents; administration
Structural Design and Civil Design Documents	\$67,664	>>>>	foundation and framing design for permitting and construction; civil engineering design and permitting
On Site Trehel Superintendent	\$178,818	>>>>	salary, vehicle & gas, phone; 11 months

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Project Specific General Conditions	\$239,069	>>>>	mobilization, temporary facilities, contract management, dumpster & daily clean up, blueprint copies, safety & first aid materials, layout, temporary barricades
Contingency	\$111,894	2.1%	
Building Permit and Plan Review Fees & License	\$41,078	>>>>	permit & plan review fees, license fees
Impact Fees	\$0	>>>>	water/sewer usage, tap and impact fees, NIC
Special Inspections - ALLOWANCE	\$11,500	>>>>	soil classification tests; footing compaction test, framing & connection inspections (3rd party requirement)
Builder's Risk Insurance	\$0	>>>>	not included; must be provided prior to construction start; see Alternate
Trehel Corporation Overhead & Fee	\$487,184	9.0%	

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION BUDGET \$5,413,157 \$307.27 /sf

Alternate Value Options

1 Provide Builder's Risk Insurance	\$29,990	>>>>	full cost coverage; duration of project
2 Install Carpet in Training Room	(\$1,705)	>>>>	in lieu of polished concrete
3 Install Facebrick Veneer in lieu of Split Face CMU	(\$7,995)	>>>>	brick veneer in lieu of painted split face
4 Delete Rubber Athletic Flooring	(\$1,656)	>>>>	provide polished concrete in lieu of rubber flooring
5 Install Ceramic Tile Flooring at Bathrooms	\$7,719	>>>>	in lieu of LVT and polished concrete
6 Delete Painting of Exposed Steel Structure	(\$23,065)	>>>>	delete painting of steel structure at Apparatus Bay
7 Delete Monument Sign and Base	(\$28,184)	>>>>	delete foundation/masonry base and box sign
8 Delete Interior Signage	(\$3,919)	>>>>	provide only code required ADA and Emergency signage
9 Delete Two (2) Aluminum Door Canopies	(\$5,391)	>>>>	delete two (2) aluminum door canopies at exterior doors
10 Furnish Commercial Equipment and Appliances	\$31,739	>>>>	reference list of appliances/equipment
11 Provide Commercial Grade Furniture	\$132,132	>>>>	reference list of furniture sets
12 Delete Window Treatments	(\$9,486)	>>>>	delete manual roller shades at exterior windows
13 Delete Compressed Air Piping and Equipment	(\$26,911)	>>>>	piping and equipment
14 Delete Building Security System	(\$18,648)	>>>>	delete basic system and panel only; card access to remain
15 Delete Security Access Control System	(\$29,207)	>>>>	delete access control only; basic security system to remain
16 Delete Low Voltage/Data Cabling	(\$51,552)	>>>>	provide rough in boxes and pull string only

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Date: February 10, 2026

To: Representative Phillip Bowers
District 3

From: James A. Atkinson
Mayor
Town of Six Mile, S.C.

Re: Consideration for funding for Bryson Children's Nature Walk Project in Six Mile

We have significant funding needs for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk Project in Six Mile. This project is in process due to some funding needs having been met through such venues as PARD and ARPA and donations to date. The project urgently needs funding for continuation especially for the drive area to get the site open for the garden area for children by Spring 2026 and to get the site open for trail use and use of other site features.

BACKGROUND

Bryson Children's Nature Walk is a 63-acre site donated to and owned by the Town of Six Mile with greenspace and water quality protections maintained via a Conservation Easement with the Land Trust Non-Profit, Upstate Forever. A Forest Management Site Plan maps out site usage and greenspace/water quality preservation practices in compliance with the Conservation Easement. Plans for the site include 1 ½ miles of walking trails, a boardwalk and overlook at the pond area, a garden area for children's onsite experience with garden vegetables, and a Children's Outdoor Learning Center.

The Last Will and Testament of the late Town resident, Conrad Ardell Bryson, who died in 2003, left his assets (containing primarily acreage by 2020) for the benefit of area economically disadvantaged children. The Estate had remained unsettled for many years due to many factors including the lack of specifics in the will making it subject uncertain as to interpretation. A portion of this property (63 acres directly adjoining Six Mile Elementary School) contained significant irreplaceable greenspace bordering SC Highway 137 in addition to a scenic pond and wetlands area.

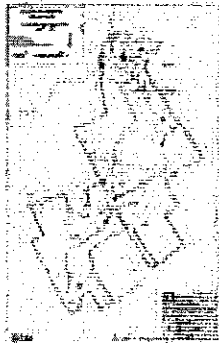
See our Town website at www.sixmiles.org for pictures, news, stories, and information. The project won a statewide award for the Municipal Association of South Carolina.

The Bryson site ties directly to the Town's Comprehensive plan goals of promoting greenspace in a time of unprecedented development and elimination of greenspace. Greenspace once lost can never be regained. Without projects such as this, future generations will never have the opportunity to experience and learn in an outdoor setting. This project will preserve the wetlands pond area and greenspace road frontage for decades to come. Most important, the project will fulfill the terms of the Bryson legacy by achieving an outdoor learning area. It will provide children at adjoining Six Mile Elementary School opportunity to see and experience nature and learn how their food grows. The scenic view from the road toward Six Mile Mountain will forever remain a scenic area for all to drive by and enjoy the green pasture and forest view. This project will benefit our area youth and promote tourism to the Six Mile area.

Site plans will include an Open Space Conservation rezoning for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk site and set a precedent for similar rezoning for other sites meeting certain Conservation Easement or

Forestry Management Plan terms. This, too, will promote greenspace in the line with the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

Specific site plans include a Boardwalk, Pond Viewing Area, a Children's Garden area, and a Children's Nature Learning Center structure.



A detailed Forest Management and site plan paid for with grant funds exists for the Bryson Children's Nature Walk project.

STATUS

To date, the 1.5 miles of walking trail are Complete and Phase I of the trail signs are installed. The trial will, however, require ongoing monthly maintenance and the site will require continued invasive species eradication.

The parking lot and garden area have been cleared and graded. Underlayment and crusher run are in the parking lot. The in-ground bed portion of the garden area is complete and ready for use this spring. Installed split rail fencing separates the parking lot and garden area. A 2500-foot water line with three spigots has been installed all the way to the garden area.

A Donated Tennessee Fieldstone sign is sign entrance and two split rail corners installed up front. Areas to be completed SCDOT permitted entrance bordering Hwy entrance drive, the parking lot gravel garden area raised bed area, boardwalk, and Children's Learning Center. funds will obviously be needed for project ongoing maintenance. A double row of planted by Trees Upstate lines the left front Estimated costs to complete the project following (at present). The entrance drive is necessary for any project functionality as able to enter and park on the site especially to access the garden area for spring planting by local youth.



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Entrance Side of Site

1. SCDOT Permitted Entrance

PARD grant of 10/22/25 requires local contribution of \$ 9500.00

2. Underlayment and gravel from SCDOT Entrance to parking lot per average of four estimates as attached of \$ 88,000, \$32,500, \$ 34,560, and \$ 43,045. Average of Estimates - \$ 49,526.25

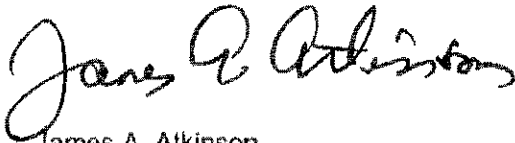
3. Children's Garden Area tilling and raised beds and topsoil and mulch.
\$6000.00

4. Additional trail work and signage completion : \$ 2500

5. Estimated total for entrance side of site \$ \$ 67,526.25

If you need any other information, do not hesitate to contact me. This project is all about greenspace for future generations and the benefit of the youth of our area and getting this site opened for Spring 2026.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Atkinson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" being the most prominent part.

James A. Atkinson
Six Mile Mayor

Budget Estimate

Ponderosa Park – Six Mile, SC February 2026

Budget Estimate – Materials Delivered to Job Site and Installation

Musco's Light-Structure System™ as described below, and delivered to the job site:

180' Softball Field-(New Poles)\$155,000 - \$170,000

*Sales tax is included
bonding is not included.*

*Estimate provided for budgetary purposes only. Please contact Musco when a quote is needed.
Estimate is effective for 30 days unless otherwise noted and is confidential.*

Light-Structure System™ with Total Light Control – TLC for LED™ technology

System Description – Light-Structure System™ complete from foundation to poletop in 5 Easy Pieces™

Factory-built, wired, aimed, and tested lighting system includes:

- Pre-cast concrete bases
- Galvanized steel poles
- Factory-wired and tested remote electrical component enclosures
- Pole length factory-assembled wire harnesses
- Factory-aimed and assembled luminaires, including BallTracker® technology
- UL listed as a complete system
- Corrosion protection

On Field Performance – control to benefit players and fans

- Guaranteed light levels of 50 footcandles infield, 30 footcandles outfield
- BallTracker® technology – targeted aerial light optimizing visibility of the ball in play with no glare for players
- Control-Link® control and monitoring system to provide remote on/off and dimming (high/medium/low) control and performance monitoring with 24/7 customer support

Environmental Light Control – control for neighbors and the environment

- Reduction of spill light and glare by 50% or more.

Always Ready to Play – control assuring the results you expect

- Product assurance and warranty program that includes materials and onsite labor, eliminating 100% of your maintenance costs for 25 years.

Notes

Estimate is based on:

- Shipment of entire project together to one location.
- Voltage and phase system requirements to be confirmed.
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- Owner is responsible for getting electrical power to the site, coordination with the utility, and any power company fees
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- Confirmation of pole or luminaire locations prior to production.

Thank you for considering our Team for your sports lighting needs. Please contact me with any questions.

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Budget Estimate

Ponderosa Park – Six Mile, SC February 2026

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Musco's Light-Structure System™ as described below, and delivered to the job site:

Soccer Field-(New Poles)\$115,000 - \$130,000

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April 22, 2026

Al M. Panu, Ph.D.
Chancellor

Representative Jeff Bradley
Chairman, House Regulations,
Admin. Procedures, Artificial
Intelligence, and
Cybersecurity Committee
202 Blatt Bldg
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bradley,

On behalf of the University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB), I write to respectfully request \$7 million in non-recurring operating funds for FY27 to establish a USCB Applied Artificial Intelligence Institute. This request is an addition to our initial FY27 submission and builds upon a similar request made during the FY25–26 budget cycle.

The proposed Institute will serve our students, faculty, staff, and the broader community by advancing USCB's mission of innovation, education, and public engagement. It will position the university—and South Carolina—as a leader in one of the fastest-growing fields, while delivering practical AI solutions to local industries, government agencies, and underserved populations. Through workforce development programs, business support, and interdisciplinary research, the Institute will strengthen regional economic growth and expand access to emerging technologies.

A core priority is student success. The Institute will provide hands-on learning opportunities, equipping students with real-world problem-solving experience for high-demand careers in AI, computational science, healthcare, engineering, and related fields. It will also enhance career readiness and create new pathways for applied learning.

USCB is committed to fiscal responsibility and long-term sustainability. The Institute will be implemented in three phases over five years and supported by a comprehensive revenue strategy—including course offerings, partnerships, grants, and events—designed to

achieve self-sufficiency by Year 5. Importantly, this non-recurring appropriation will not create a long-term recurring funding obligation for core operations.

This investment will directly benefit our more than 2,200 students, the faculty and staff who support a growing campus, and position South Carolina for continued growth in applied AI innovation and workforce development.

We appreciate your consideration and continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information would be helpful.

Sincerely,



Al M. Panu

Chancellor

University of South Carolina Beaufort

AGENCY NAME:	University of South Carolina Beaufort		
AGENCY CODE:	H360	SECTION:	20D

FORM B2 – NON-RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	3
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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE	USCB AI Institute
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Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT	General: \$7,000,000 Federal: Other: Total: \$7,000,000
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What is the net change in requested appropriations? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:	
	☐	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	☐	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	☒	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	☒	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	☐	Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	☐	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	☐	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	☒	IT Technology/Security related
	☒	Consulted DTO during development
☒	Request for Non-Recurring Appropriations	
☐	Request for Federal/Other Authorization to spend existing funding	
☒	Related to a Recurring request – If so, Priority # 4	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
	☒	Education, Training, and Human Development
	☐	Healthy and Safe Families
	☐	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	☒	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
☐	Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	G 2. Expand and enhance the rigorous, experiential academic environment. S.2.2.1 Increase experiential learning so every graduate will complete at least one internship, research, service learning, or applied learning experience to enhance career preparation. Increase the number of students who participate in at least one experiential learning opportunity. G 2. Expand and enhance the rigorous, experiential academic environment. S.2.2.2 Increase experiential learning so every graduate will complete at least one internship, research, service learning, or applied learning experience to enhance career preparation. Increase the number of hours students participate in experiential learning
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AGENCY NAME:	University of South Carolina Beaufort		
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	activities. G 3. Continuously improve efficiency and effectiveness of services & processes to support the growth of the University. S 3.1. Nurture an environment where institutional functions and processes are constantly improved. S 3.2 Explore and implement creative technology to enhance teaching, research and university operations. G 5. Equip students for success within the university and beyond graduation. S 5.1 Foster a campus culture of collective responsibility for improving student achievement, retention, persistence to graduation, and success beyond the university. USCB establishing an Applied AI Institute that serves the community, USCB faculty, staff, and student would be highly beneficial to the university by advancing its mission of innovation, education, and public engagement. The institute would position the university as a leader in one of the most rapidly growing fields, while also providing practical solutions to real-world challenges faced by local industries, government agencies, and underserved populations. By offering workforce development programs, supporting local businesses with AI tools and expertise, and fostering interdisciplinary research, the institute would strengthen regional economic growth and expand access to emerging technologies. Additionally, it would attract external funding, enhance the university's visibility, and create new pathways for student learning and career readiness, making the university a hub for applied innovation and social impact. USCB wants to maximize the ability to enhance learning opportunities by students gaining hands-on experience with AI tools and technology. This will allow students to experience real-world problem solving for high demand careers in AI, computational science, healthcare, engineering, etc. If USCB were to receive the funds, the university would ensure the AI Institute is evaluated with a strong focus on fiscal responsibility and long-term sustainability. This would include requiring a detailed budget plan, clearly defined funding timelines, and the development and maintenance of a comprehensive revenue strategy to support ongoing operations beyond the initial investment.
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	These funds will benefit the University of South Carolina Beaufort student body of approximately 2,000 as well as the dedicated faculty and administrative staff who support them. The University only conducts a small percentage of its work through payment for services rendered by outside contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc. In those instances, the University adheres to all applicable State Procurement requirements.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

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JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

We are requesting **\$7.19 million in non-recurring state appropriations** to establish an **Applied Artificial Intelligence (AI) Institute** at the University, with a plan to request **\$500,000 in recurring funds** in subsequent fiscal years. This institute will serve as a multidisciplinary hub focused on real-world AI applications in areas such as healthcare, cybersecurity, workforce development, advanced manufacturing, and public policy.

The total five-year cost projection is \$7 million requested for startup funding. The plan divides the \$7 million request into three implementation phases which includes revenue to reduce the overall cost:

1. Phase 1 (Years 1–2): \$3.5M
2. Phase 2 (Years 3–4): \$2.0M
3. Phase 3 (Year 5+): \$1.5M

Total Requested: \$7 Million

Costs include:

Personnel Costs (Annual)

- Director: \$255,000
- Deputy Director: \$125,000
- Operations Manager: \$100,000
- Education Specialist: \$90,000
- Executive Assistant: \$70,000

Total Personnel Cost (Annual): \$640,000

Technology and Infrastructure Costs

Year 1:

- High-performance computing equipment and lease payments: \$4,160,000
- Installation and setup: \$200,000
- Software licenses and tools: \$100,000

Year 2-5 (Annual): Maintenance, updates, and additional equipment: \$200,000

Operating Costs

- Utilities, space maintenance, and supplies: \$150,000 annually
- Marketing, outreach, and program development: \$250,000 annually

Cost Category	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Personnel	\$640,000	\$680,000	\$730,000	\$790,000	\$850,000
Technology & Infrastructure	\$4,960,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
Operating Costs	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Annual Total	\$6.0M	\$1.28M	\$1.33M	\$1.39	\$1.45M

Revenue Generation Plan

The AI Institute will generate revenue to reduce dependence on state funding and achieve self-sufficiency by Year 5. Key revenue streams include:

- 1.Course Fees:** Offer certificate programs and workshops for businesses, state agencies, and educators. Estimated Year 1 revenue: \$300,000; Year 5 revenue: \$1.5 million.
- 2.Vendor Partnerships:** Collaborate with companies such as IBM, Google, Microsoft, and Oracle to sponsor classes and events. Estimated Year 1 revenue: \$200,000; Year 5

revenue: \$1 million.

3. Annual AI Tradeshow: Launch a vendor marketplace in Year 3, bringing in sponsorships, booth rentals, and attendee fees. Estimated revenue by Year 5: \$750,000 annually.

4. Research and Development Grants: Secure funding for ethical AI research and applied projects. Estimated revenue: \$500,000 annually starting in Year 4.

Projected Revenue Over Five Years

Year	Projected Revenue
Year 1	\$500,000
Year 2	\$750,000
Year 3	\$1.25 million
Year 4	\$2 million
Year 5	\$3.25 million

Three-Phase Implementation Plan

Phase 1: Initial Operations (Year 1-2)

- Establish leadership and core staff.
- Equip the facility with necessary technology and infrastructure.
- Launch initial programs targeting state agencies and businesses.

Initial Funding Required: \$3.5 million.

Phase 2: Expansion (Year 3-4)

- Expand course offerings to include educators and additional business sectors.
- Develop partnerships with SCETV, Palmetto College, and the SC Technical School System.
- Host the first AI tradeshow to generate revenue and foster collaboration.

Additional Funding Required: \$2 million.

Phase 3: Full-Scale Operations (Year 5+)

- Offer 14 classes per semester and integrate hospitality students into operations.
- Launch distance learning programs and ethical AI research initiatives.
- Achieve self-sufficiency through revenue streams.

Additional Funding Required: \$1.5 million.

Impact if Funds Are Not Received:

Without non-recurring state funding, the university will face significant delays in launching the Institute. Key risks include: the loss of competitive advantage. Peer institutions in other states are rapidly investing in applied AI, potentially drawing away students, faculty, and research funding. Additionally. There would be missed economic development opportunities in South Carolina industries and risk falling behind without access to local AI expertise, tools, and workforce development pipelines.

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Recurring Fund Need:

This non-recurring appropriation will not create a need for recurring funds to sustain the institute's core operations. After the Year 5, the AI Institute will be self-sustaining.

The proposed AI Institute at Hilton Head Island will be a transformative initiative for South Carolina, addressing urgent workforce needs while positioning the state as a leader in applied AI. With an initial funding request of \$7 million, we can establish the foundation for a self-sufficient institute that will deliver long-term economic and educational benefits to our citizens.

Total Non-Recurring Request: \$7,000,000

Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. Does this non-recurring appropriation request create an annualization or need for recurring funds?

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Hwy. 61 Corridor Improvements

Requested Amount: \$ 4,900,000

Recipient Entity: Charleston County

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Bill Tuten

Title/Position: Charleston County Administrator

Phone Number: _____

Email: btuten@charlestoncounty.org

Entity Website: www.charlestoncounty.gov

County Location: Charleston

Intended Use of the Funds: Engineering and design of roadway improvements to Hwy. 61 between Bees Ferry Road

and Old Parsonage Road.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Based on 2022 SCDOT traffic data, approximately 51,200 vehicles travel

along this 2-lane roadway daily. This far exceeds the capacity of the roadway, leading to congestion, delays, and numerous

accidents. This project is intended to construct capacity enhancements to reduce congestion and improve safety, including new

bridges over Church Creek and the CSX rail line, bicycle and ped. accommodations, and improved access to transit.

Gary S. Brewer, Jr.



Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



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February 20, 2026

The Honorable Gary S. Brewer, Jr.
310A Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

Representative Brewer,

Charleston County is requesting \$4,900,000 in State funding for preliminary engineering efforts toward transportation improvements on SC-61 (Ashley River Road), from the intersection with 5-57 (Bees Ferry Road) to the intersection with S-729 (Old Parsonage Road). This project is intended to construct capacity enhancements along this 1.10-mile section of roadway to reduce congestion and improve safety, including new bridges over Church Creek and the CSX rail line, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, and improved access to transit. Based on 2022 SCDOT traffic data, approximately 51,200 vehicles travel along this 2-lane roadway daily. This far exceeds the capacity of the roadway, leading to congestion, delays, and numerous accidents.

Charleston County previously received \$2M in State funding in FY25 to begin preliminary engineering efforts. Work underway and upcoming with current funding includes field work and traffic analysis to facilitate conceptual design, alternative analysis, and public involvement. Additional funding in the amount of \$4.9M would allow Charleston County to progress preliminary engineering through final plans & permitting. Additional funding would again be necessary to advance the project through right-of-way acquisition, utility relocation, and to construction. Estimated scheduling and costs of the project are detailed in the table below:

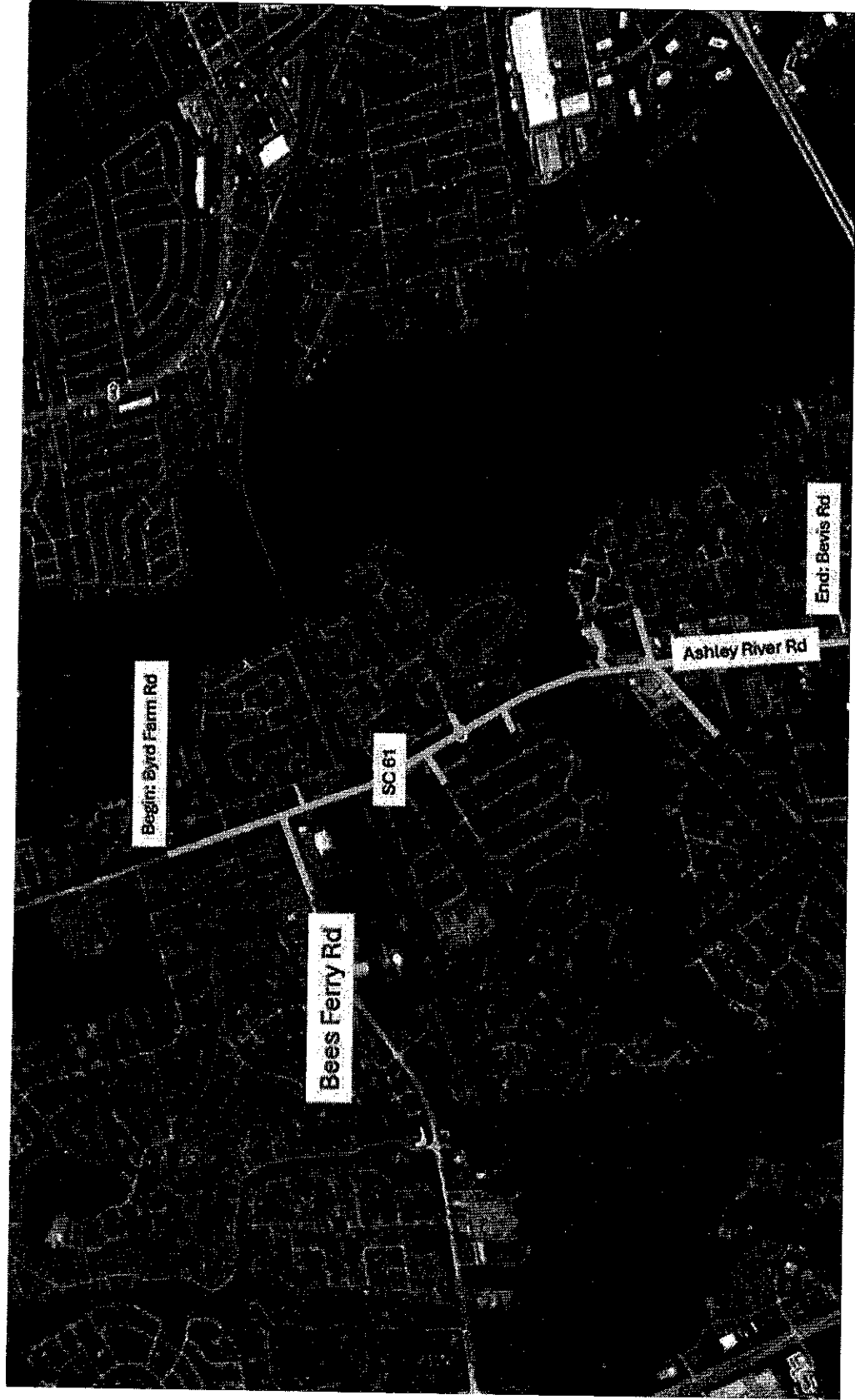
Phase	Estimated Schedule	Estimated Cost
Preliminary Engineering	FY2025 - FY2029	\$6,900,000
Right-of-Way Acquisition	FY2029 - FY2030	\$51,830,000
Utility Relocation	FY2030 - FY2031	\$1,700,000
Construction & Inspection	FY2031 - FY2033	\$42,610,000
TOTAL	9 Years	\$102,000,000

As this improvement project is located along the Ashley River Road National Scenic Byway, great care will be taken to ensure impacts to historical and scenic sites will be avoided and that the impacts to grand live oak trees will be limited to preserve the nature of this scenic route adjacent to the Ashley River.

Sincerely,

William L. Tuten
Charleston County Administrator

SC 61 (Ashley River Rd.) preliminary engineering and analysis corridor:



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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Community Recreation Center and Pool for Travelers Rest

Requested Amount: \$ 3,000,000

Recipient Entity: City of Travelers Rest

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, X Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Shannon Herman Title/Position: City Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: shannon@travelersrestsc.com

Entity Website: www.travelersrestsc.com County Location: Greenville

Intended Use of the Funds: The City of Travelers Rest, in partnership with the YMCA of Greenville, is advancing a \$22 million project to develop a community recreation center and pool to expand the George I. Theisen Family YMCA. As one of the fastest-growing areas in South Carolina, northern Greenville County lacks sufficient public recreation and aquatics infrastructure to meet rising demand. This project will expand access to youth programming, senior wellness, water safety, and year-round community wellness. Through this public-private partnership, every \$1 of state investment will leverage more than \$6 in private and philanthropic funding, maximizing impact for residents and the region.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: A recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the Greenville Health Authority identified mental health, obesity, and diabetes as top health priorities across Greenville County. These conditions are closely tied to social drivers of health, including access to safe environments for physical activity, youth programming, and community infrastructure. The proposed project represents a strategic investment in non-clinical health infrastructure that strengthens preventative health systems and improves access to services locally.

Mike Burns

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

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Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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GEORGE I. THEISEN FAMILY YMCA TRAVELERS REST, SOUTH CAROLINA

YMCA of Greenville
EIN: 57-0314424



BUILDING HEALTH, OPPORTUNITY, AND COMMUNITY

\$3M State Partnership ➡ \$22M Community Investment ➡ 9,000+ Residents Served Annually

Northern Greenville County is one of the fastest-growing regions in South Carolina, and the current George I. Theisen Family YMCA facility, just 12,000 square feet, can no longer meet the increasing demand for youth programs, aquatics access, and preventative health services. The YMCA of Greenville is leading a \$22 million expansion project to transform the facility into a regional hub for youth development, aquatics access, and community health infrastructure.

INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP

Philanthropic and Operational Investment	\$19,000,000
State Partnership Request	\$ 3,000,000
Total Project Investment	\$22,000,000

Every \$1 of state investment leverages more than \$6 in philanthropic and private funding.

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

For more than 150 years, the YMCA of Greenville has strengthened families and communities through youth development, healthy living, and social connection. Rapid residential growth in Travelers Rest and surrounding communities is increasing demand for youth programs, aquatics access, and preventative health services. The current George I. Theisen Family YMCA, just 12,000 square feet, can no longer meet this demand. As the community grows, the demand continues to increase for:

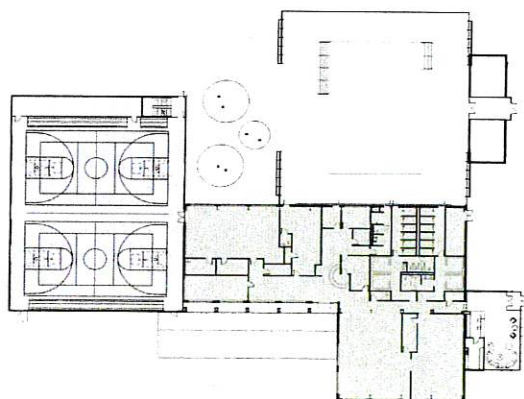
- Aquatics access and swimming lessons
- Childcare for working families.
- Preventative health programming
- After school and summer day camps
- Senior wellness opportunities

To address this need, the YMCA of Greenville is undertaking a \$22 million facility renovation and expansion that will add approximately 40,000 square feet, transforming the facility into a regional hub for youth development, preventative health, and family wellness.

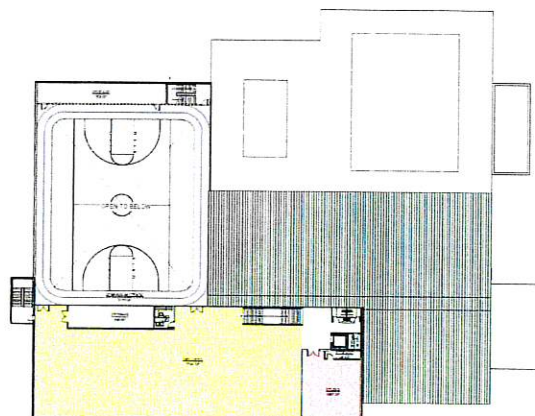
Additions include:

- Eight-lane pool with retractable roof
- Full-size gymnasium
- Elevated walking track
- 7,500 sq ft wellness center
- Three new group exercise studios
- Dedicated afterschool and youth program space
- Expanded summer camp capacity.
- 200+ additional parking spaces

Without expanded community infrastructure, many families must travel into central Greenville to access these services, creating barriers related to transportation time, cost, and accessibility.



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RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

A recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the Greenville Health Authority identified mental health, obesity, and diabetes as top health priorities across Greenville County. These conditions are closely tied to social drivers of health, including access to safe environments for physical activity, youth programming, and community infrastructure. Expanding the YMCA in Travelers Rest represents a strategic investment in non-clinical health infrastructure that strengthens preventative health systems and improves access to services locally.

The 2025 CHNA confirms that improving health outcomes requires more than clinical care, improvement requires strengthening the environments where residents live, learning, work, and gather. Investing in community health infrastructure delivers measurable economic and healthcare benefits. Research shows:

- For every \$1 invested in physical activity infrastructure it results in a \$3-\$5 healthcare savings.
- A reduction in chronic disease prevalence will translate into millions of long-term avoided medical costs.
- Approximately 1 in 4 Greenville County residents rely on public insurance, making preventative health access critical for long-term fiscal stewardship.

EXPECTED PROJECT IMPACT

The expanded YMCA will serve more than 9,000 residents, through youth after school and summer programs, family wellness programs, and senior preventative health initiatives. The YMCA of Greenville ensures participation and access regardless of income.

The expansion includes an eight-lane pool with a retractable roof that will support water safety education proven to reduce drowning risk by up to 88%. The facility will expand access to swimming lessons, drowning prevention programs, senior aquatic exercise, and low-impact rehabilitation and mobility programming. Expanded capacity for youth development programming, including afterschool, summer camps, sports, and leadership development provide for a safe environment that supports academic success, social development, and family stability. Spaces for structured physical activity are proven to reduce isolation, improve mental health, and prevent chronic illness.

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PROJECT TIMELINE

Planning and Design	2025 – 2026
Construction Begins	2027
Phase 1 Completion Target	2028
Phase 2 Completion Target	2029

PROJECT BUDGET

Phase	Project Description	Total Est.
Phase 1	Lobby / Parking	\$ 1,750,000
	Gymnasium	\$ 5,000,000
	Pool / Splash Pad / DynaDome	\$ 5,000,000
Phase 2	Wellness / Childcare	\$ 7,000,000
	Renovation - Existing Building	\$ 3,000,000
	Additional Parking	\$ 250,000
Total		\$ 22,000,000

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The George I. Theisen Family YMCA expansion is supported by extensive community engagement and analysis. The YMCA of Greenville conducted a detailed market and feasibility study with Triangle2 Economic Consulting, which confirmed significant demand for expanded youth development programming, aquatics access, and preventative health services in northern Greenville County.

To launch the project, the YMCA has secured a lead philanthropic commitment, demonstrating strong early investment from the local community. This momentum reflects broad regional support for the expansion as a critical investment in youth development, preventative health infrastructure, and workforce-supporting childcare capacity.

Letters of support included in this request represent a coalition of community partners and leaders, including Shannon Herman, City Administrator and Brandy Amidon, Mayor of Travelers Rest, Zach Theisen with T&S Brass and Bronze Works, Derek Lewis with Greenville First Steps, the Travelers Rest Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Jennifer Trilk with MUSC, and the President/Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer/Chief Financial Officer of the YMCA of Greenville.

These endorsements highlight the strong public and private partnership behind the project and the shared commitment to expanding community infrastructure in northern Greenville County.

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George I. Theisen Family YMCA Expansion

Travelers Rest, South Carolina

STATE FUNDING REQUEST

\$3,000,000

\$1.5M FY26 | \$1.5M FY27

TOTAL PROJECT INVESTMENT

\$22,000,000

Philanthropic and Operational Investment: \$19,000,000

State Partnership Request: \$3,000,000

Every \$1 of state investment leverages \$6+ in local funding.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The YMCA of Greenville is expanding the George I. Theisen Family YMCA to meet growing demand for youth development, aquatics access, and preventative health programs in Northern Greenville County, which is one of the fastest growing regions in South Carolina.

The project will add 40,000 square feet to the current 12,000 square foot facility.

PROJECT FEATURES

- Eight-lane pool with retractable roof
- Full-size gymnasium with elevated track
- 7,500 sq ft wellness center
- Three new group exercise studios
- Dedicated afterschool and summer camp program space
- 220 additional parking spaces

COMMUNITY IMPACT

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT: Afterschool Programs, Summer Day Camps, Youth Sports

WATER SAFETY: Swimming Lessons, Drowning Prevention, Year-Round Aquatics

HEALTH & WELLNESS: Chronic Disease Prevention, Senior Wellness, Family Fitness

EXPECTED IMPACT

- 9,000+ residents served.
- Expanded afterschool and summer day camp capacity.
- Year-round swimming lessons/Safety Around Water Programs/Water Exercise for All Ages
- Increased preventative health programming (Livestrong, Parkinsons, Diabetes Prevention)

Financial assistance for membership and programming ensures access for families regardless of income.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Planning & Design: 2025–2026

Construction Start: 2027

Completion of Phase 1: 2028

Completion of Phase 2: 2029

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Our Mission: "The YMCA of Greenville, following the example of Christ, builds health spirit, mind and body for all." Financial Assistance available.

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The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

March 11th, 2026

Dear Representative Bannister:

On behalf of the City of Travelers Rest, I respectfully request your support in securing a \$3,000,000 state appropriation over two fiscal years to partner with the YMCA of Greenville to renovate and expand the George I. Theisen Family YMCA in Travelers Rest, South Carolina.

For more than 150 years, the YMCA of Greenville has served the Upstate community, strengthening families through youth development, healthy living, and community engagement. Today, northern Greenville County is experiencing significant population growth, and the current George I. Theisen Family YMCA facility is just 12,000 square feet and can no longer meet the increasing demand for youth/family programs and health/wellness services.

To address these needs, the YMCA of Greenville is undertaking a \$22 million dollar project that will add approximately 40,000 square feet to the existing facility. The project will include an eight-lane pool with a retractable roof, a full-size gymnasium with an elevated walking track, a 7,500 square foot wellness center, additional group exercise studios, dedicated space for afterschool/youth development programs and expanded parking.

Once completed, the expanded YMCA will serve thousands of children, families, and seniors annually through swimming lessons and drowning prevention programs, afterschool care, youth sports, and preventative health initiatives that strengthen the wellbeing of our community.

The YMCA of Greenville is leading a comprehensive capital campaign to fund this \$22 million project through philanthropic, operational and community investments. State support would help accelerate the delivery of this important community resource.

Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027, with completion expected in late 2028.

Thank you for your leadership and continued support of initiatives that strengthen families and communities across South Carolina. We greatly appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Shannon Herman, City Administrator
864.325.6086 shannon@travelersrestsc.com



The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

March 11th, 2026

Dear Representative Bannister:

On behalf of the City of Travelers Rest, I am pleased to express our strong support for state funding to assist with the expansion of the George I. Theisen Family YMCA, which serves residents who not only live in the city of Travelers Rest, but residents of northern Greenville County unincorporated areas such as Slater, Marietta and Tigerville.

As you know, Travelers Rest has experienced significant population growth over the past decade. As our community continues to grow, so does the need for accessible spaces that support youth development, healthy lifestyles, and opportunities for families to gather and stay active. The George I. Theisen Family YMCA has long played an important role in meeting those needs since 1997. The proposed expansion will significantly increase access to youth programs, aquatics and swim safety instruction, health and wellness opportunities, and family-centered recreation.

These programs are essential not only for improving quality of life for our residents, but also for supporting working families and strengthening the overall health of our community. State investment in this project that serves a very rural part of South Carolina would help ensure that the YMCA can continue expanding these important services and serving families throughout Travelers Rest and the surrounding communities.

Thank you for your continued leadership and commitment to supporting communities across South Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brandy Amidon".

Brandy Amidon, City of Travelers Rest Mayor
864.380.4979 brandy@travelersrestsc.com

City of Travelers Rest

125 Trailblazer Drive

Travelers Rest, SC 29690



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March 9, 2026

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Bannister,

On behalf of T&S Brass and Bronze Works, Inc., I am pleased to express our strong support for state funding to the YMCA of Greenville's services and facilities serving the Travelers Rest and northern Greenville County community.

As a long-standing Greenville-area manufacturer and employer, T&S Brass understands firsthand how important strong community infrastructure is to the success of both families and businesses. Organizations like the YMCA provide essential programs that support youth development, improve health outcomes, and strengthen families across our region. As population growth continues in Travelers Rest and surrounding areas, the demand for accessible recreation, youth programming, preventive health initiatives, and family-centered services continues to grow.

In recognition of the YMCA's significant impact in our community, T&S Brass has committed \$1,000,000 toward this project, reflecting our confidence in the YMCA's ability to expand access to youth development programs, family wellness opportunities, senior engagement, and affordable childcare that working families depend on.

This project represents more than a facility improvement, it is an investment in community wellbeing. By expanding access to preventive health programs, youth leadership opportunities, and spaces that bring families together, the YMCA helps build a stronger, healthier community while also supporting the workforce that local employers rely on.

State support for this project would help ensure that the YMCA can continue delivering these critical programs to meet the needs of a rapidly growing region. We believe this investment will provide lasting benefits for families, employers, and the overall vitality of the Travelers Rest community and greater Greenville area.

Thank you for your continued leadership and commitment to strengthening communities across South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Zachary Theisen
VP of Sales-Lab & Plumbing
T&S Brass and Bronze Works, Inc.



Derek Lewis
Greenville First Steps
700 N Pleasantburg Drive
Greenville SC 29607

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Bannister,

On behalf of Greenville First Steps, I am pleased to offer my strong support for the proposed expansion of the George I. Theisen Family YMCA in Travelers Rest. This project represents an important investment in early childhood development, family stability, and community health for northern Greenville County.

As you know, Greenville First Steps works to ensure that all children in our community arrive at school healthy and ready to succeed. Access to high-quality early learning environments, safe places for physical activity, and supportive programming for families are all critical components of that goal. The expansion of the George I. Theisen Family YMCA would significantly strengthen these resources in the Travelers Rest area, where rapid population growth is increasing demand for childcare, youth programming, and family-focused community infrastructure. Expanding YMCA capacity will create additional opportunities for structured youth programming and family engagement, both of which are closely tied to positive early childhood outcomes.

In addition, reliable childcare and youth programming support working families by allowing parents to remain engaged in the workforce while knowing their children are in safe and enriching environments. Investments in these kinds of community resources help strengthen local economies while promoting healthier, more stable households. The YMCA has long been a trusted partner in serving families throughout Greenville County. The proposed expansion in Travelers Rest would further extend that impact, helping ensure that children and families in northern Greenville County have access to the programs and support systems they need to thrive. Thank you for your continued support of initiatives that strengthen families and communities across South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Derek Lewis
Greenville First Steps



March 9, 2026
The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Bannister,

On behalf of the Travelers Rest Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express our strong support for the expansion of the George I. Theisen Family YMCA and the request for state funding to help advance this important community investment.

Travelers Rest and northern Greenville County continue to experience strong population and economic growth. As new families and businesses choose to locate in our community, it is important that our local infrastructure keeps pace with that growth. Investments that strengthen quality of life also strengthen the economic vitality of the region.

The YMCA has been serving the Travelers Rest community since 1997 and plays an important role in supporting working families and a healthy workforce. The planned expansion will help meet the needs of a growing population by expanding access to aquatics, youth programs, and wellness opportunities for families across northern Greenville County.

As both a Chamber leader and a long-time YMCA member, I have seen firsthand the role the YMCA plays in our community. My family has been involved with the YMCA for many years, and my children have participated in its youth sports programs. Like many families in Travelers Rest, we believe the YMCA has outgrown its current space and that this expansion is an important step in meeting the needs of a rapidly growing community.

From the perspective of the business community, amenities like the YMCA help communities attract and retain talent while supporting the families that local employers depend on. As Travelers Rest continues to grow, investments like this help ensure that our community remains a strong and competitive place to live, work, and do business.

The Travelers Rest Chamber of Commerce is proud to support this project and appreciates your leadership in considering this request.

Sincerely,



Jonathon Jones

President

Travelers Rest Chamber of Commerce



School of Medicine Greenville

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

March 10, 2026

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Bannister,

I am writing to express my strong support for state funding that would help expand the YMCA of Greenville's services and facilities serving Travelers Rest and the surrounding northern Greenville County community.

As a leading voice in Lifestyle Medicine and founder of Exercise is Medicine Greenville®, I have seen firsthand the critical role that community-based wellness infrastructure plays in improving health outcomes. The YMCA of Greenville is a trusted partner in advancing preventive health by providing accessible spaces, programs, and support that help individuals and families adopt healthier lifestyles.

Our collaboration with the YMCA through Exercise is Medicine Greenville® highlights how healthcare systems and community organizations can work together to address chronic disease and improve population health. Programs that connect patients to safe, supportive environments for physical activity are essential in preventing and managing conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, obesity, and other chronic illnesses that continue to impact communities across South Carolina.

The YMCA of Greenville has been our invaluable partner, serving as an extension of health care and creating a pathway for our patients to better health. To date, the YMCA of Greenville has **graduated over 600 Prisma Health patients** from Exercise is Medicine Greenville®, with **documented results in improved patient body weights and blood pressures.**¹ The patients also **rate the YMCA staff as excellent to outstanding in patient care.**¹ Thanks to the support of the YMCA of Greenville, no patient entering the program is turned away for an inability to pay, with over 50% of patients receiving financial assistance, reducing barriers to access. In 2025, our partnership has received a National Institutes of Health 5-year grant² to help Prisma physicians identify and refer even more eligible patients to the partnered YMCA of Greenville physical activity sites, expanding needed reach particularly in the rural communities such as Travelers Rest.

Expanding the YMCA's presence in Northern Greenville County would strengthen this important health infrastructure. By increasing access to fitness facilities, evidence-based wellness programs, and community support networks, the YMCA helps create an environment where

preventive health becomes part of everyday life. These types of community partnerships are vital to reducing long-term healthcare costs while improving quality of life for residents of all ages.

In addition to supporting individual health outcomes, the YMCA provides critical opportunities for youth development, senior engagement, and family wellness. These factors contribute to stronger, healthier communities. Investment in this expansion would allow the YMCA to continue serving as a key partner in addressing chronic disease and promoting preventive health across a rapidly growing region of Greenville County.

Thank you for your leadership and for your consideration of this important investment in the health and wellbeing of our community.

Sincerely,



Jennifer L. Trilk, Ph.D. FACSM, DipACLM
Founder, Exercise is Medicine Greenville®
Director of Lifestyle Medicine Programs
University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville
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References:

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March 11, 2026

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Bannister,

I am writing on behalf of the YMCA of Greenville to express support for a \$3 million state partnership request to help fund the expansion of the George I. Theisen Family YMCA in Travelers Rest. This project represents an important investment in youth development, family wellness, childcare capacity, and preventative health infrastructure for the rapidly growing northern Greenville County region.

Northern Greenville County is one of the fastest-growing areas in South Carolina, and the current George I. Theisen Family YMCA facility—approximately 12,000 square feet—can no longer meet the growing demand for youth programming, aquatics access, childcare services, and preventative health opportunities for families in the region.

To address this need, the YMCA of Greenville is undertaking a \$22 million expansion project that will add approximately 40,000 square feet, transforming the facility into a regional hub for youth development, aquatics programming, and community wellness. Planned additions include an eight-lane pool with retractable roof, a full-size gymnasium with an elevated walking track, expanded youth and childcare space, wellness facilities, and additional parking.

The project will be completed in two phases to allow the facility to remain open during construction. Phase One includes the pool, gymnasium, lobby renovation, and expanded parking, while Phase Two includes renovation of the existing building and expanded wellness and childcare space.

Once completed, the expanded facility is expected to serve more than 9,000 residents annually, including youth participating in afterschool and summer programs, families engaging in wellness initiatives, and seniors participating in preventative health programming.

Project Timeline

- Planning and Design: 2025–2026
- Construction Begins: 2027
- Phase 1 Target: 2028
- Phase 2 Target: 2029

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Thank you for your leadership and for your consideration of this important community investment.

Sincerely,

Sam Franklin
President & Chief Executive Officer
YMCA of Greenville

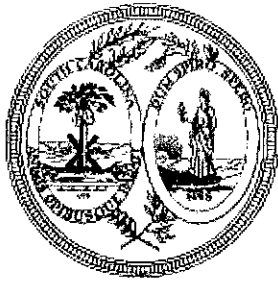
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State of South Carolina
Office of the Secretary of State
The Honorable Mark Hammond

7/16/2025

YMCA of Greenville, Inc.
Mrs. Amy Ecklund
723 Cleveland Street
Greenville, SC29601

RE: Registration Confirmation

Charity Public ID: P1351

Dear Mrs. Amy Ecklund :

This letter confirms that the Secretary of State's Office has received and accepted your Registration, therefore, your charitable organization is in compliance with the registration requirement of the "South Carolina Solicitation of Charitable Funds Act." The registration of your charitable organization will expire on 5/15/2026.

If any of the information on your Registration form changes throughout the course of the year, please contact our office to make updates. It is important that this information remain updated so that our office can keep you informed of any changes that may affect your charitable organization.

If you have not yet filed your annual financial report or an extension for the annual financial report, the annual financial report is still due 4½ months after the close of your fiscal year.

- Annual financial reports must either be submitted on the Internal Revenue Service Form 990 or 990-EZ or the Secretary of State's Annual Financial Report Form.
- If you wish to extend the filing of that form with us, please submit a written request by email or fax to our office using the contact information below. Failure to submit the annual financial report may result in an administrative fine of up to \$2,000.00.

If you have any questions or concerns, please visit our website at www.sos.sc.gov or contact our office using the contact information below.

Sincerely,

Kimberly S. Wickersham
Director, Division of Public Charities

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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The Honorable Bruce Bannister
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives

Dear Chairman Bannister,

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you. I am here today to respectfully ask for your support in two areas:

1. Retaining the South Carolina Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (BHDD) budget in its entirety, and
2. Supporting a one-time, \$2 million appropriation for FAVOR Upstate.

FAVOR has deployed nearly \$2 million in opioid settlement funds across the Upstate, expanding peer-based recovery services that meet people in emergency departments, detention centers, and communities. These investments have strengthened access, reduced barriers, and helped individuals and families move from crisis toward stability. As the state begins to shift from crisis response to long-term sustainability, this one-time investment would allow us to build the infrastructure needed to lower long-term system costs.

What this investment will do:

- Strengthen peer recovery and family support services that keep people engaged beyond initial crisis
- Improve access to recovery housing, transportation, and workforce pathways through peer navigation and community partnerships
- Build sustainable, community-based systems that reduce reliance on emergency departments, law enforcement, and inpatient care

Return on Investment:

Every individual diverted from repeated social system utilization represents thousands of dollars in avoided public cost while increasing the likelihood of long-term recovery, employment, and family stability.

This request is not about expanding crisis response. It is about solidifying what works and building a system that reduces the need for crisis intervention over time.

FAVOR Upstate has demonstrated the ability to responsibly steward public funds and deliver measurable outcomes. With your support, we can continue building a recovery system that is both effective and sustainable for South Carolina.

Thank you for your leadership and your consideration.


FAVOR Upstate, CEO



FAVOR Upstate

Building Sustainable Recovery Systems in South Carolina

Lesley Pregonzer, CEO

Purpose of Meeting

- Retain BHDD budget in full
- One-time \$2M appropriation to build sustainable recovery infrastructure

Proven Impact

Nearly \$2M in SCORF funds deployed across 9 counties, expanding peer support in EDs, detention centers, and communities; helping individuals move from crisis to stability.

Crisis Response → Sustainability

Without sustained support, individuals cycle through high-cost systems. Sustainability ensures long-term recovery and protects prior investments.

What This Investment Will Do

- Expand peer and family recovery support
- Improve access to housing, transportation, and employment (via navigation)
- Strengthen coordination across healthcare, community, and public safety systems
- Keep people engaged beyond initial crisis

Return on Investment

- Fewer ED visits, hospitalizations, and justice involvement
- Lowest-cost intervention preventing highest-cost outcomes

Why Now

We've built crisis response. Now we must stabilize it. This protects gains and reduces long-term system costs.

The Ask

- Retain BHDD budget
- Support \$2M one-time appropriation

Contact

Lesley Pregonzer
CEO, FAVOR Upstate



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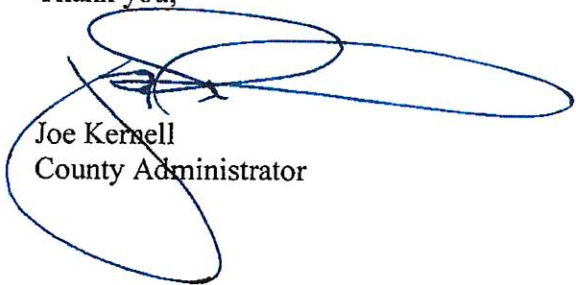
May 5, 2026

Mr. Ryan Tooley
SC House of Representatives
Ways & Means Committee

Dear Ryan,

This letter is to confirm that Greenville County has contracted with FAVOR Upstate since 2024 through a partnership to utilize South Carolina Opioid Relief Funds. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Joe Kernell
County Administrator

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Calks Ferry Interchange at Interstate 20

Requested Amount: \$ 10,000,000.00

Recipient Entity: Lexington County

The entity is a: ____ State Agency, X Local Government, ____ Non-Profit, or ____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Lynn Sturkie Title/Position: County Administrator

Phone Number: (803) 785-8100 Email: countyadministrator@lexingtoncounty.sc.gov

Entity Website: www.lex-co.sc.gov/ County Location: Lexington, SC

Intended Use of the Funds: The project is currently underway, with conceptual design completed and the County anticipating approval of the Interchange Justification Report by the end of calendar year 2026. The requested funds will support advancement into subsequent phases of the Calks Ferry Interchange Project, including completion of final design and right-of-way acquisition.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The County of Lexington (County), through coordination with SC Department of Transportation (SCDOT) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes a new full access interchange at the existing Interstate 20 (I-20) overpass at Calks Ferry Road (S-278). The project also includes additional roadway improvements along Calks Ferry Road such as potential widening, turn lanes, and intersection improvements. The Project Study Area (PSA) encompasses I-20 approximately 2000-feet northeast and southwest of the overpass. The northern terminus of the PSA is the intersection of Two Notch Road, and the southern terminus incorporates the intersections of Sherwood Drive and Cheryse Drive. The purpose of this project is to improve the system linkage of I-20 to the western portion of the Town and County to alleviate existing and forecasted congestion resulting from development and intensive zoning in the project vicinity. The proposed project is needed to address the lack of network connectivity between I-20 and the western portion of the Town of Lexington (Town) and Lexington County (County) to accommodate traffic from current and planned growth.

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Representative Paula Calhoon



Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

**LEXINGTON COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**



Tim Shumpert
Interim Director of Public Works
Phone: (803) 785-8205
Fax: (803) 785-8593

February 9, 2026

Electronic correspondence: To conserve resources and expedite delivery, this letter is being transmitted electronically. Please consider the environment before printing.

RE: Calks Ferry Road Interchange Improvements, Lexington County, South Carolina

To Whom It May Concern:

The County of Lexington, through coordination with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes the construction of a new full-access interchange at the existing Interstate 20 (I-20) overpass at Calks Ferry Road (S-278). The proposed project is needed to address the lack of network connectivity between I-20 and the western portion of the Town of Lexington (Town) and Lexington County (County) to accommodate traffic from current and planned growth. The purpose of this project is to improve the system linkage of I-20 to the western portion of the Town and County to alleviate existing and forecasted congestion resulting from development and intensive zoning in the project vicinity.

The project study area (PSA) encompasses I-20 approximately 2,000 feet northeast and 2,000 feet southwest of the I-20 overpass at Calks Ferry Road, as shown in the attached Project Vicinity Map. The northern terminus of the PSA is the Calks Ferry Road intersection with Two Notch Road, and the southern terminus incorporates the intersections of Sherwood Drive and Cheryse Drive. The typical corridor for field studies and surveys is approximately 200 feet wide (100 feet on either side of centerline) and expands from approximately 250 feet to 1,000 feet along intersecting roadways, as necessary to evaluate potential impacts.

This letter seeks to inform you of this project and initiate early interagency coordination to assist in project scoping and identification of potential social, economic, and environmental impacts. The proposed project will require FHWA approval of an Interchange Access Request (IAR), which requires the preparation of Environmental Assessment (EA) under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA will document the evaluation of potential impacts and will support related environmental permitting decisions, including those required under Sections 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act.

In accordance with Sections 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act, the project will be designed, to the maximum extent practicable, to minimize impacts to wetlands and waters of the U.S. Wetland and stream delineations within the PSA have been completed, and a Section 404/401 Individual Permit is anticipated. Coordination will therefore occur with the Charleston District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services Bureau of Water (SCDES-BOW).

In accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, initial consultation and field surveys for federally protected species have been completed. Coordination with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) will continue as the project advances.

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, cultural resources surveys have been completed. A cultural resources report will be coordinated with the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Additionally, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment has been completed pursuant to ASTM E 1527-21 and will be included in environmental documentation.

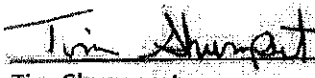
In accordance with the SCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy, a noise analysis will be conducted for the proposed project to measure and model existing and predicted noise levels using individual noise receptors and potential sensitive receptors throughout the PSA.

To ensure that the impacts of the proposed project are fully evaluated, we request your written response concerning any beneficial or adverse impacts of the project relating to the interest of your agency. We look forward to receiving your comments within 30 days of the receipt of this letter. Questions or comments can be emailed to tshumpert@lexingtoncounty.sc.gov or mailed to:

*Lexington County Public Works Department
Attention: Tim Shumpert
440 Ball Park Road
Lexington, SC 29072*

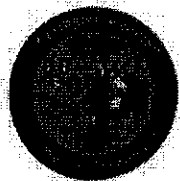
Your expeditious handling of this notice is appreciated.

Sincerely,


Tim Shumpert
Interim Director of Public Works

2/11/26
Date

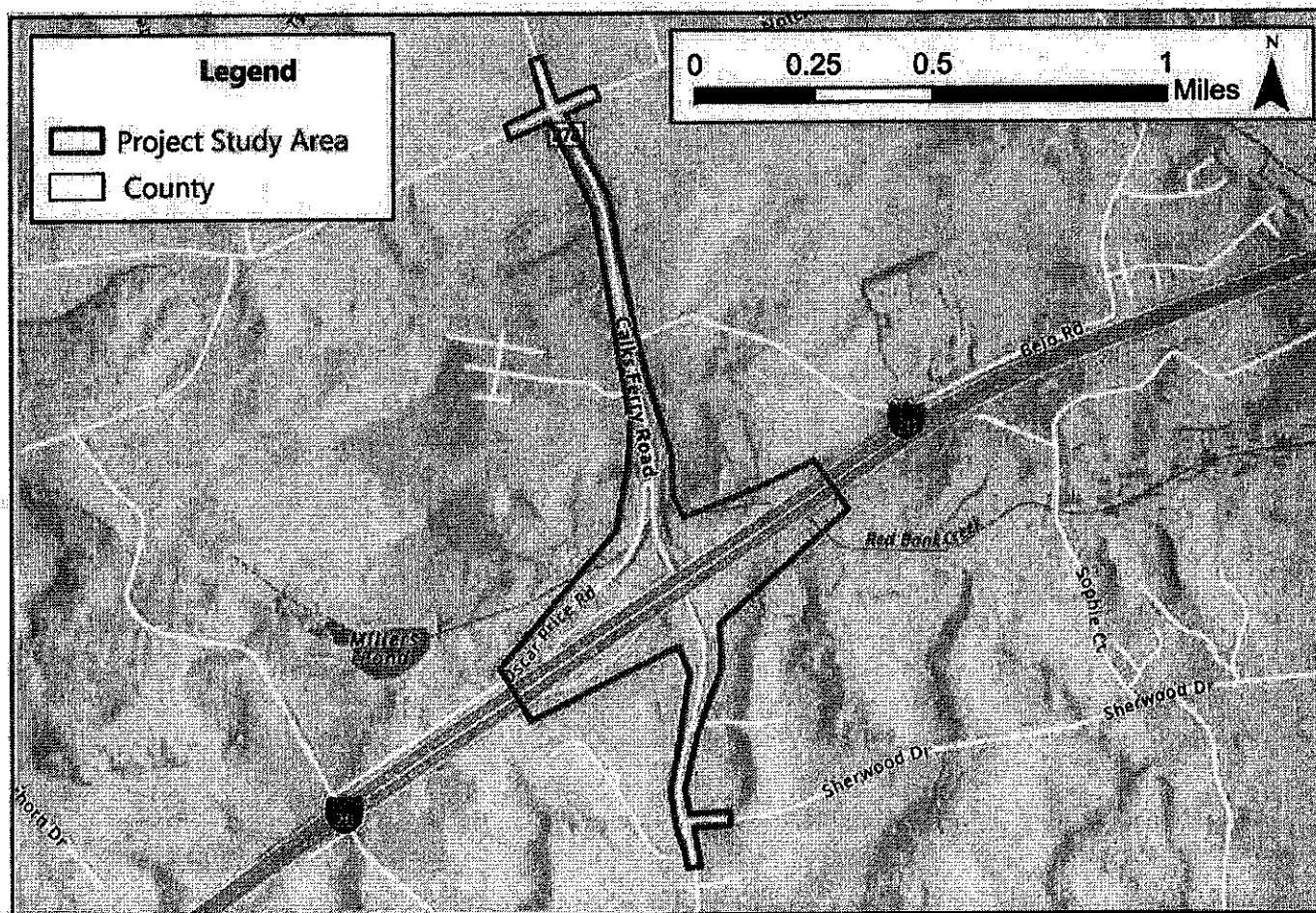
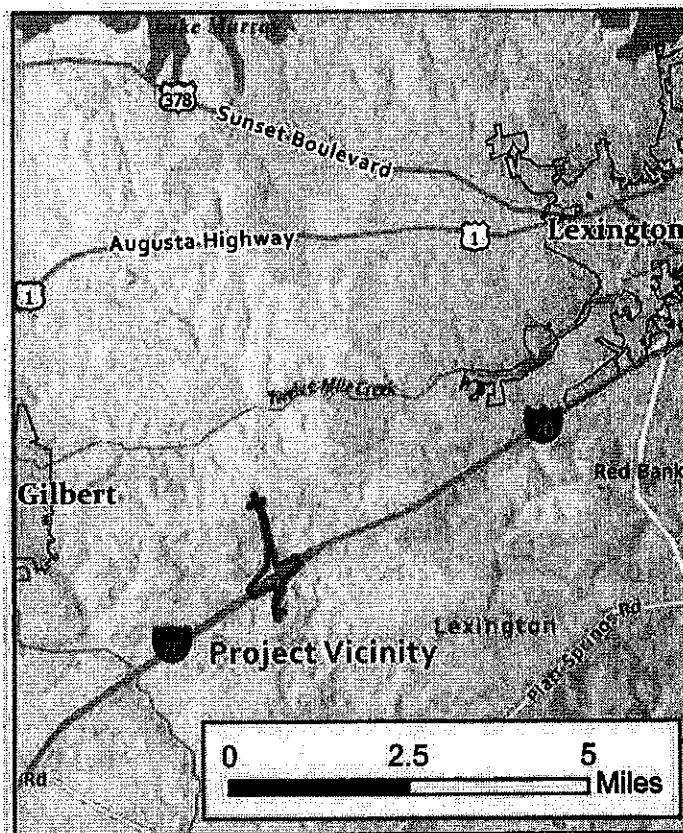
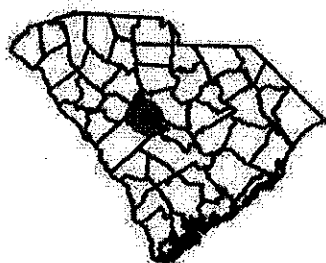
EC: Josh Meetze, SCDOT
Seth Wilcher, FHWA
Berry Still, Mead & Hunt



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Project Vicinity Map

I-20 at Calks Ferry Road
Lexington County
Lexington, South Carolina



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Requested Amount: \$ 1,342,563

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

Intended Use of the Funds: State Funds will will provide for materials and labor for infield turf for 8 fields at the Lexington County Ballpark Road Baseball Complex.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The Lexington County Ballpark Road Baseball Complex hosts daily
and weekend baseball tournament play which brings revenue from accommodation and hospitality tax. We
need help from the state to upfit these fields with turf.

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Signature:

Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission

563 South Lake Drive, Lexington, South Carolina 29072

803-359-4048

Randy H. Gibson
Executive Director

April 23, 2026

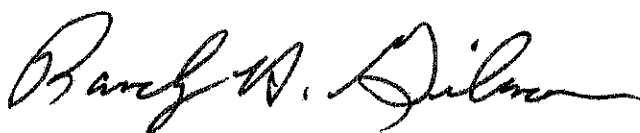
The Honorable Paula Rawl Calhoon
Lexington County Legislative Delegation
605 West Main Street
Lexington, SC 29072

Representative Calhoon,

The Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission supports the Lexington Diamond Youth Baseball Organization's request for funding to turf the infields at our facility located at 501 Ball Park Road. If approved, the Commission will be responsible for project management, including oversight of construction, procurement, and financial administration.

If there are any questions or a need for further information, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone at (803) 622-1742.

Respectfully,



Ransom "Randy" H. Gibson, CPA
Executive Director
Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission



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COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

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April 23, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman
House Ways & Means Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
52 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister:

On behalf of the County of Lexington, it is our understanding that Capital City Lake Murray Country, a non-profit organization, is requesting a non-recurring appropriation in the state's budget for FY 2026-2027.

By copy of this letter, I also affirm that Capital City Lake Murray Country has an existing relationship and has had a previous relationship with the County of Lexington.

Respectfully,

Lynn Sturkie
County Administrator

cc: House Ways & Means Committee

February 12, 2026

Dear Representative Calhoon,

The purpose of this letter is to request your assistance in obtaining \$1,342,563 state dollars to assist with turfing the infields at the Ballpark Complex in your district.

These funds would be a one-time request and would be one of the best investments made for youth sports and tourism by bringing even more youth events to our state and Lexington County.

We are losing thousands of dollars in tax revenue (Accommodation tax from Hotel/Motel Restaurants, Gas, etc.) by having to cancel events due to rain. With improvements to these facilities, it could be used 45 minutes after the rain ends as the water will drain off and the fields are safe to use once more.

Thank you for your time and hopefully you can help with getting this project accomplished. If any further information is needed, please contact me at 803.331.8084 or by email at TLFrazier911@gmail.com.

Regards,



Thomas (Tommy) Frazier, Jr.
President
Lexington Youth Baseball



Date: February 18, 2026
RE: Synthetic Turf Fields – Ball Park Road Park
Quote: 2307-004-R4

The following is a proposal by GeoSurfaces Southeast to supply and install synthetic turf at Lexington Ball Park located at 501 Ball Park Rd., Lexington, SC. Upon acceptance of this proposal, GeoSurfaces Southeast will provide all materials, equipment and labor as outlined below. The scope of this proposal includes the following:

(6) INFIELDS ONLY – Base Bid PIVOT (turf (12-YR WARRANTY))

- Excavate field to desired elevation; subgrade stability to be verified by proof roll. Spoils to be left onsite.
- Supply & install HDPE perforated drains along perimeter of field as required. Drainage to tie into existing site drains.
- Supply & install non-woven fabric under perimeter trench drains at fields. Back-fill trenches with stone.
- Supply & install non-woven fabric over entire sub base.
- Supply & install perimeter concrete curb.
- Supply & install perimeter nailer board to attach to concrete curb.
- Supply & install laser graded 6" dynamic stone base.
- Supply & install approx. 107,405sf of Tencate PIVOT (non-infill), 90oz, 1-1/8" turf system PivotCool (cooling ballast additive). Turf color to be chosen from standard color line.
- Supply & install bases, home plates, and pitching rubbers across six infields.
- Supply & install permanent game lines for six baseball infields.

Turf Fields Scope of Work Total \$ 1,342,563.00

Notes:

- Due to rising inflation, pricing is only good for 30 days from the latest quoted date.
- Pricing does not include permitting; permits to be by others.
- Pricing does not include bonding, although Geosurfaces is bondable at an additional cost.
- Pricing does not include handling or hauling of any hazardous or regulated materials.
- Utility disconnects are not included in scope or pricing.
- Rock or repair of unsuitable soil will be an extra charge. The cut subgrade must pass a proof roll, or remediation must occur at owner's expense via chg. order.
- Excludes prevailing wages, union wages, or certified payroll
- Pricing does not include irrigation.
- Price assumes access to the job site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Freight pricing is FOB jobsite.

Payment Terms:

- 25% Payment down.
- Remainder to be paid on progress payments submitted by Contractor on the 20th of each month. Progress payments to be due no more than 30 days after Contractor submission.
- Retainage should not be withheld from payment applications.

Acceptance:

Name (Print)

Signature

Date

Thank you for allowing GeoSurfaces Southeast the opportunity to provide you with this proposal for your project. GeoSurfaces Southeast specializes in solutions for athletic facilities and surfacing while delivering extensive expertise, comprehensive project management and excellence in service to our customers. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd Penley
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t.penley@geosurfaces.com

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Sales Rep
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Executive Summary

State Appropriation Request – \$1,000,000

Warfighter Musculoskeletal Strength & Injury Prevention Center of Excellence,
Ft. Jackson, Columbia, SC

University of South Carolina in Partnership with Statewide Collaborators

State of South Carolina Joint Forces Readiness Initiative

POC: J. Benjamin Jackson, III, MD, MBA; 704-287-3882; Benjamin.Jackson@PrismaHealth.org

The Challenge

Musculoskeletal injuries remain the greatest medical and operational threat to military readiness. They are the leading cause of lost training time, the largest source of medical encounters, and a major driver of attrition during Initial Military Training and throughout the Warfighter's service life cycle. These injuries generate substantial healthcare costs and contribute to long-term disability across the Force. Despite decades of research investment, injury rates remain unacceptably high. The primary challenge is no longer discovery, but translating existing knowledge into scalable, operational solutions embedded within training environments.

A Unique South Carolina Opportunity

South Carolina is uniquely positioned to lead the nation in addressing this challenge. The state hosts a diverse Joint Force military presence, including Fort Jackson in Columbia, the United States Army's largest Initial Military Training installation and one of the most important military training platforms in the nation.

The proposed **Warfighter Musculoskeletal Strength & Injury Prevention (MSKIP) Center of Excellence** will be located at Fort Jackson, using its training environment to test and implement injury-prevention solutions in real-world settings. While based at Fort Jackson, the Center will support Joint Force readiness across all services, leveraging South Carolina's strong network of military, medical, and research partners to advance Warfighter musculoskeletal health and performance.

Strategic Objective

The MSKIP Center of Excellence will pursue a bold, scientifically grounded objective:

****Reduce musculoskeletal injuries by 50–80 percent while enhancing Soldier readiness, durability, and lethality all while reducing long-term health outcomes.** This initiative represents a shift from fragmented research toward an integrated, state-anchored capability operating at the intersection of science, training, and readiness.

SC Warfighter MSKIP Center of Excellence



• Victory Starts Here! •

Appropriations Request

The University of South Carolina, in partnership with cross-state military, medical, and research collaborators, seeks a \$1,000,000 nonrecurring State Seed Appropriation to establish foundational capabilities for the Warfighter Musculoskeletal Strength & Injury Prevention Center of Excellence located at Fort Jackson in Columbia, South Carolina.

Goal 1: Establish physical and operational MSKIP capability at Fort Jackson, including research and integration space, essential infrastructure, data systems, and personnel. This investment creates the platform for immediate Warfighter-facing injury prevention initiatives.

Goal 2: Develop foundational scientific and operational consensus documents unifying evidence-based injury prevention strategies and providing actionable implementation frameworks. These durable knowledge products accelerate translation into doctrine and practice.

Why State Seed Funding Matters

The requested nonrecurring appropriation functions as catalytic seed funding rather than sustainment funding. State investment will establish critical infrastructure, accelerate implementation, and position South Carolina to lead a larger federally funded effort focused on Warfighter musculoskeletal readiness. Fort Jackson, where “Victory Starts Here,” provides the ideal proving ground to develop and validate solutions that can attract significant future Department of Defense investment and scale across the Army and the broader Joint Force.

Multiplying Returns for South Carolina

A modest state investment yields disproportionate strategic and economic returns. A state-anchored MSKIP Center of Excellence **positions South Carolina as a national leader** in military health innovation while driving expansion of high-value defense research funding, talent recruitment, and workforce development. Advances in musculoskeletal resilience and human performance provide substantial dual-use benefits for elite athletes, civilians, and public health.

Strategic Significance

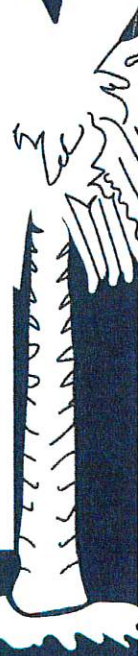
Musculoskeletal injuries degrade readiness more than any other medical condition. Reducing injuries at scale preserves federal training investment, enhances Warfighter lethality, and strengthens national security.

Conclusion

South Carolina has a rare opportunity to anchor a nationally transformative capability at the convergence of military readiness, Defense research, economic development, and workforce innovation. The requested nonrecurring appropriation will catalyze establishment of a durable Center of Excellence delivering measurable benefits to Soldiers, the U.S. Army, and the State of South Carolina.

Victory OVER INJURY Starts Here — and South Carolina Leads the Way.

SC Warfighter MSKIP Center of Excellence



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Project/Event Name: Avenues Drainage Project Improvements

Requested Amount: \$ 5,500,000

Recipient Entity: City of Cayce

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, X _____ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Mike Conley Title/Position: City Manager

Title/Position: City Manager

Phone Number: _____ Email: mconley@cityofcayce-sc.gov

Email: mconley@cityofcayce-sc.gov

Entity Website: cityofcayce-sc.com County Location: Lexington

County Location: Lexington

Intended Use of the Funds: The funds will be used to improve storm drainage in the

Avenues of the City of Cayce.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Please see the attached documents that provide project details and justification of public benefit.

M. P. CASHLEY

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


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Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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March 5, 2026

The Honorable Micah Caskey
South Carolina House of Representatives
519C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Request for Legislative Earmark for Critical City of Cayce Avenues Drainage
Improvements Project

Dear Representative Caskey,

The City of Cayce respectfully requests your support in securing State funding for a critical drainage improvement project that will address persistent flooding issues impacting residents, businesses, and public infrastructure in Cayce, South Carolina.

For many years, inadequate drainage infrastructure has contributed to repeated flooding throughout portions of the City, resulting in property damage, roadway closures, and potential environmental impacts following significant rainfall events. These recurring conditions have created ongoing financial and emotional hardship for residents and business owners while also posing risks to public safety and transportation access. Without meaningful intervention, these challenges are expected to worsen as extreme weather events become more frequent and severe.

The City has already taken substantial steps toward addressing this issue. Cayce has successfully secured both a Rural Infrastructure Grant and South Carolina Infrastructure Investment Program (SCIIP/SC ARPA) funding to complete two phases of this comprehensive project. In addition, the City recently submitted an application to the South Carolina Emergency Management Division seeking FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant funding associated with Hurricane Helene.

The final phase of the project is estimated at \$22,200,000.00; however, as part of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program requirements, a 25 percent local match of \$5,550,000.00 is required. To meet this requirement and ensure the successful completion of the project, the City respectfully requests \$5.5 million in the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 State Budget. This investment will allow the City to leverage existing grant funding, protect prior investments already made, and complete the final phase of infrastructure improvements necessary to reduce flooding risks in our community.

Your support and advocacy for this funding would help safeguard homes, businesses, and critical infrastructure while improving long-term resilience for the residents of Cayce. We greatly

appreciate your continued leadership and consideration of this request.

All supporting documentation can be accessed via an iCloud file found at: <https://aeccloud.aec-sc.com/index.php/s/oN5NqWyF7EkLnfc>. We anticipate that the final division can be completed between twenty-four (24) and thirty-six (36) months. Please let us know if you have any questions.

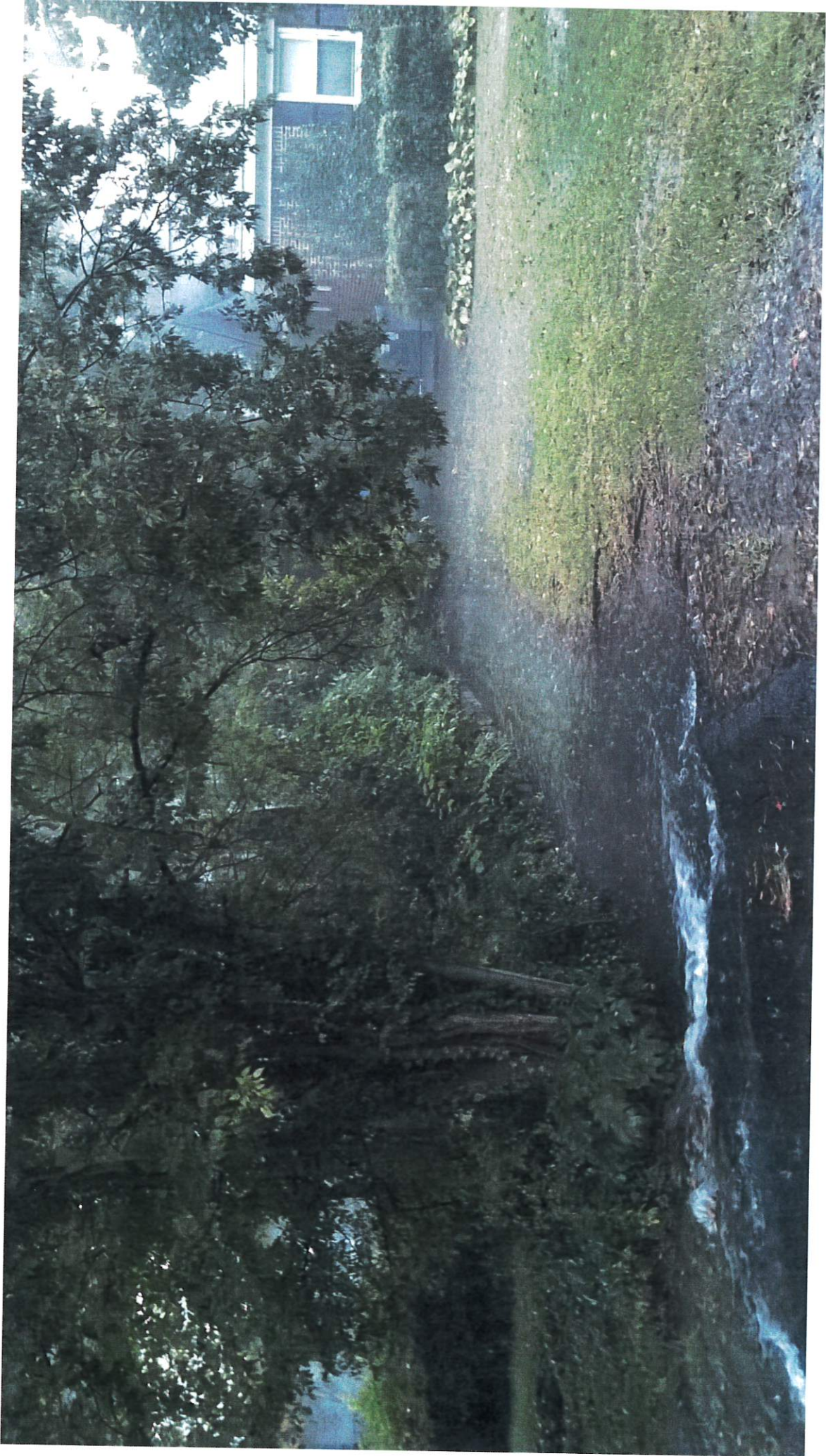
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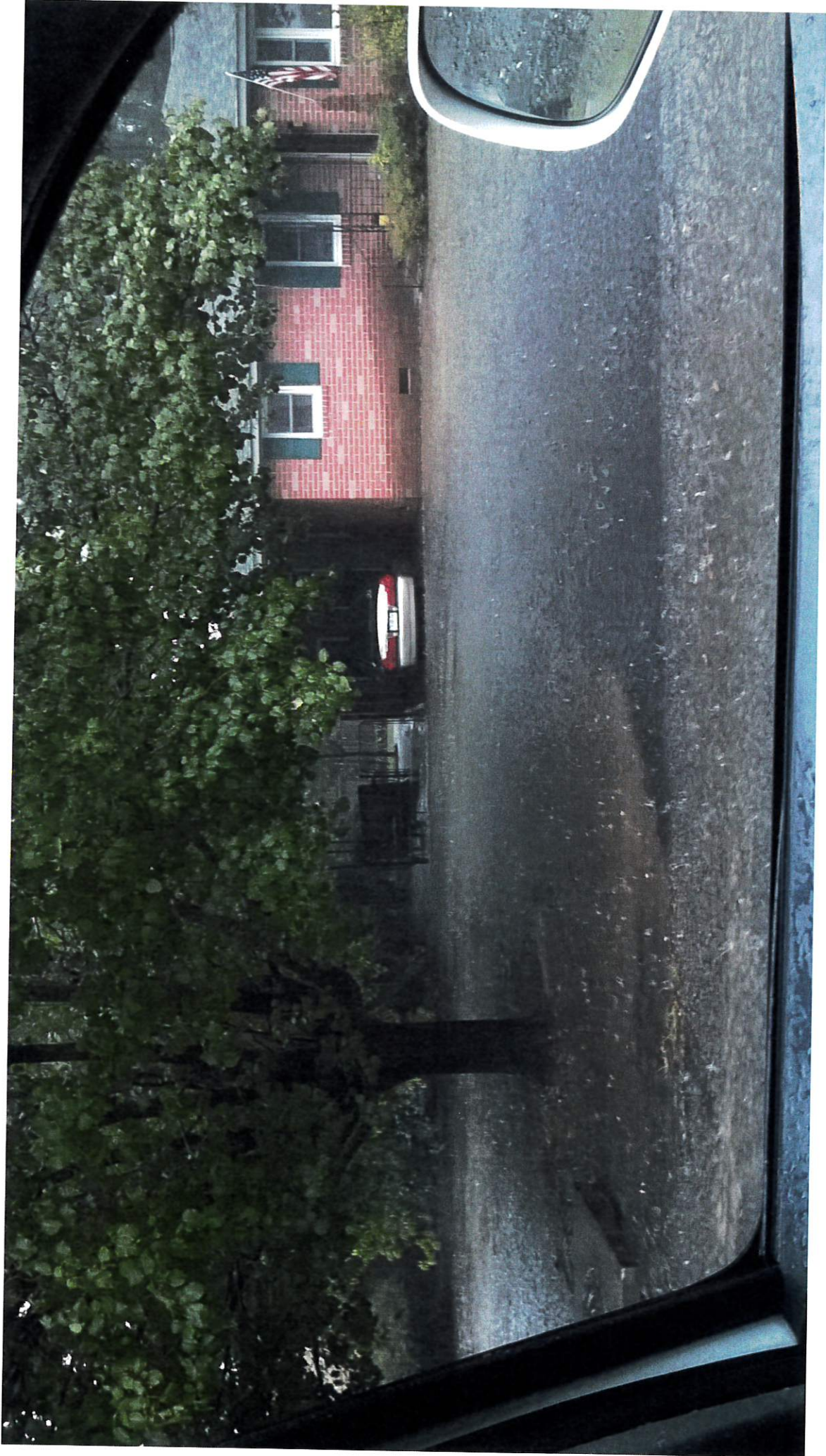
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City Manager

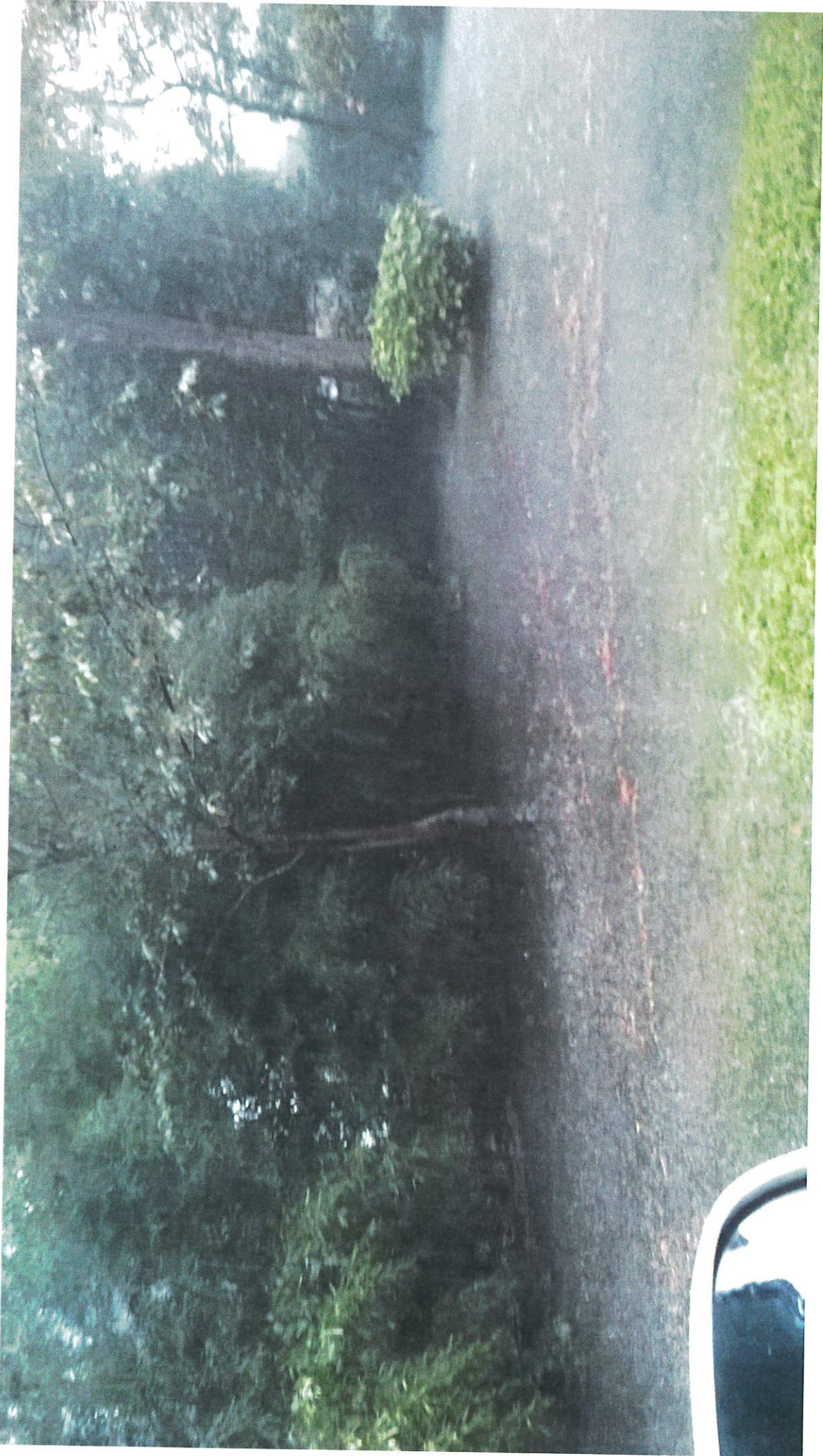
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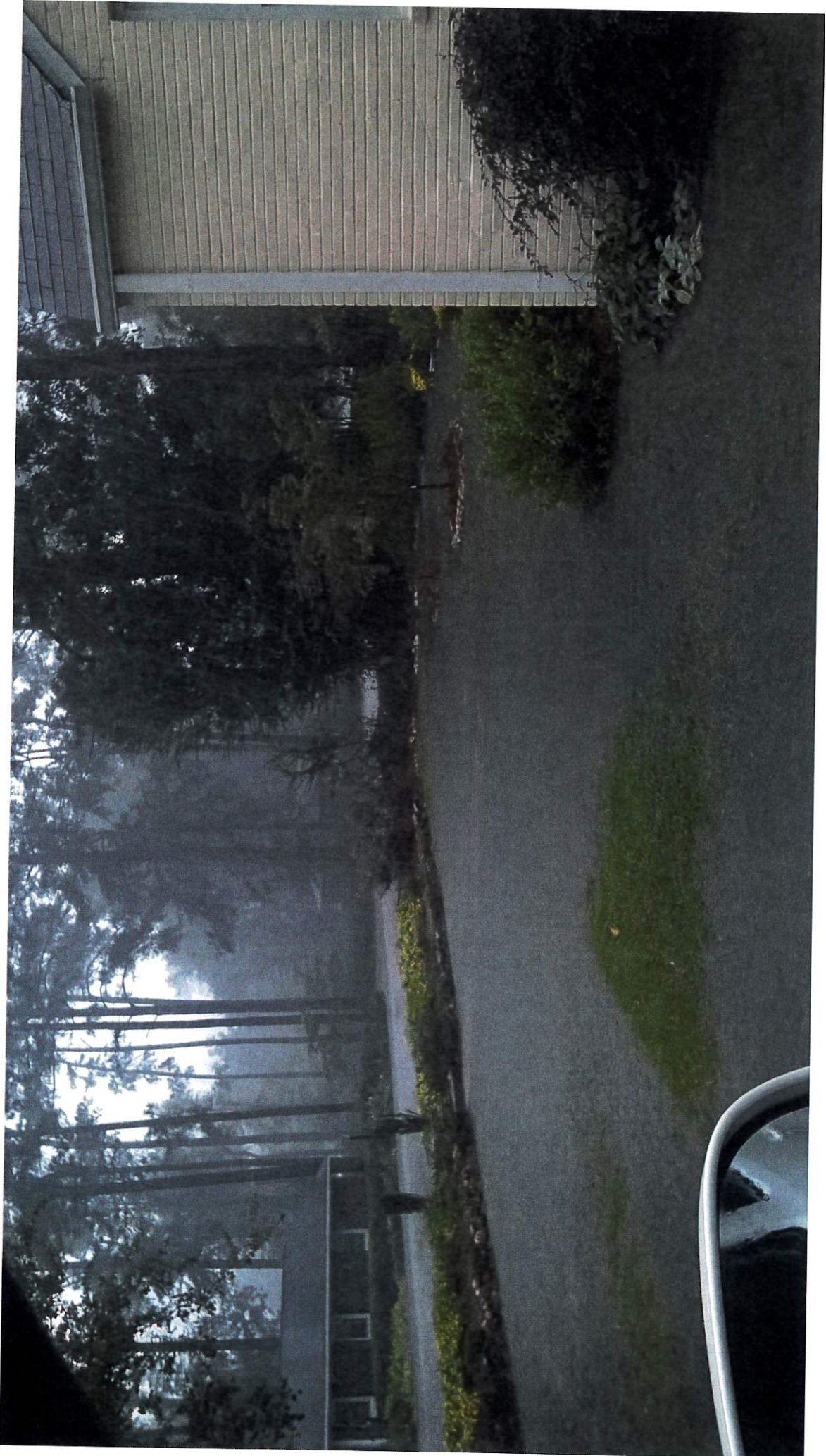
City of Cayce - Avenues Drainage Improvements, Ph. II					
Opinion of Probable Construction Cost - Div. "C" - Karlaney Outfall					
3/4/2026					
Item	Description				Amount
1.	Mobilization	4,200	LF	\$ 213.84	\$ 898,128.00
2.	Landscape Restoration & Erosion Control	4,200	LF	\$ 85.68	\$ 359,856.00
3.	Traffic Control	4,200	LF	\$ 194.76	\$ 817,992.00
4.	Demolition	4,200	LF	\$ 220.54	\$ 926,268.00
5.	Paving	6,300	SY	\$ 171.36	\$ 1,079,568.00
6.	Pipe Culvert (RCP)	4,200	LF	\$ 2,501.29	\$ 10,505,418.00
7.	Pre-Cast Drainage Structures	22	EA	\$ 106,200.00	\$ 2,336,400.00
8.	Water Main Reinstatement	43	EA	\$ 8,280.00	\$ 356,040.00
9.	Gravity Sewer Reinstatement	15	EA	\$ 48,022.00	\$ 720,330.00
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST					\$ 18,000,000.00
CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY (5%)					\$ 900,000.00
ENGINEERING					\$ 3,300,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 22,200,000.00







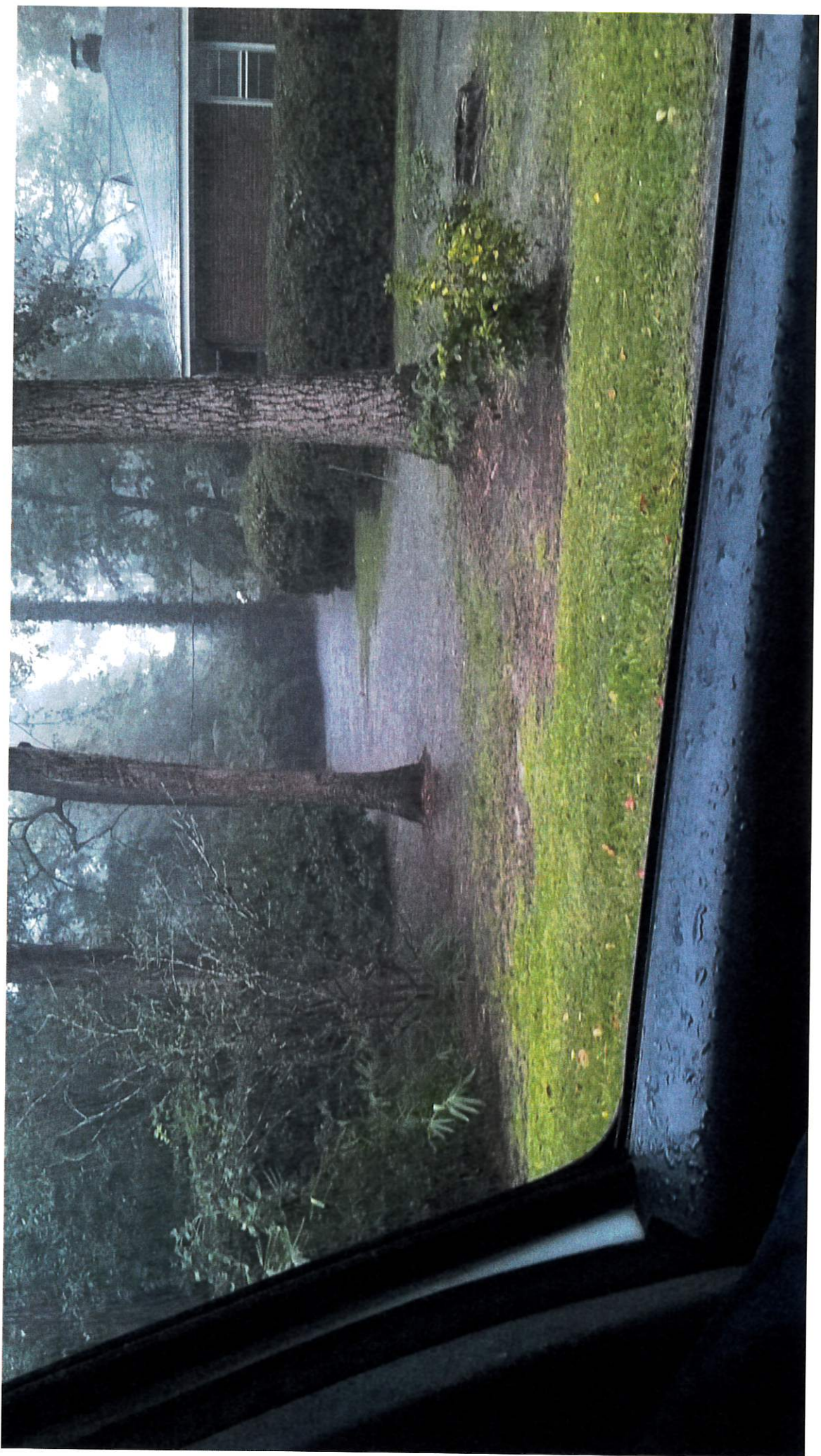












House Member Appropriation Request Form
THIS DOCUMENT & SUPPORTING MATERIAL WILL BE PUBLIC

Project/Event Name: Our Place of Hope 5013c

Requested Amount: \$ 175,000

Recipient Entity: Our Place of Hope

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Ellen Hucks Title/Position: Executive Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: ellen@ourplaceofhope.org

Entity Website: www.ourplaceofhope.org County Location: Lexington

Intended Use of the Funds: providing people living with severe mental illness a stable environment where they can engage in meaningful work & meaningful relationships and regain purpose, meaning, and hope

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: 216,000 adults in SC live with serious mental illness.

87% of those adults are unemployed. 90% of suicides are connected with mental illness. Mental illness is the #1 cause of disability. SC is 49th in nation for access to resources for mental health. The proven and unique Clubhouse International model like Our Place of Hope offers the greatest hope for long-term success because it provides members with a sense of hope, confidence, and belonging. OPOH fills the gap in mental health.

M. P. CASKEY

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Ben Harker Signature: _____

Print Name: Lee Hunter Signature: _____

Print Name: BILDA COBB HUNTER Signature: Bilda Cobb Hunter

The difference YOU have made in the lives of those living with mental illness through Our Place of Hope



- Our Place of Hope went from being open 1 day a week to now being open 4 days a week and preparing to open a 5th day during 2026 (Monday- Friday).
- 85 different people have come through the doors of Our Place of Hope (OPOH) over the last two years. Several hundreds more have been to OPOH events.
- You have given new meaning, purpose, and hope to those who have simply been labeled as a disability. You have restored their dignity to be able to contribute to other people's lives and to society as a whole, which has led to these responses:
 - **"My son has been a different person since being involved in the Our Place of Hope Clubhouse. He opens up now and smiles and is happy. He has a sense that he belongs."**
 - **"I don't feel depressed anymore."**
 - **"The last couple of years, our son has been lost... but now he is happy."**
 - **"For a long time I was feeling hopeless about my son's situation... but Our Place of Hope has given my son and I hope."**
- We have seen members go from being homeless to being stable to enrolling in college to being on the Dean's List in college!
- We have had only three members have to go to the hospital for a mental health issue.
- Members are taking full responsibility for the work of the Clubhouse. The meaningful work is the recovery.
- A common statement is, "You can't tell who is staff and who are members." Everyone contributes. This is one of the missing pieces in mental health and recovery.

The difference a second year of support would make:

- **Mental illness is a public healthcare crisis.**
- **Sheriff Leon Lott** has stated, **"Our Place of Hope is already a success.** There is always more we can do. And you are sitting in the place that is doing it. Think about that person you know who needs some help. **This is where they will get it."**
- Another year of support would build on this success and keep the momentum going.
- **Year two support would increase our hours and days of operation to a full week which would double our impact.**
- Truett Cathy, founder of Chick fil A, once told his board, "We need to get better. If we get better, people will demand for us to get bigger." It is an important principle. A second year of support would further establish OPOH as an effective rehabilitative resource that can be replicated around the state.
- This is not just about Our Place of Hope – **this model needs to be reproduced in every community in our state.** But in order to do that, we need to firmly establish the roots of existing Clubhouse International models like OPOH.
- If we are to grow this model around the state, we need to invest in the early years of Clubhouses like Our Place of Hope.
- Contact information: Ellen Hucks, Executive Director, ellen@ourplaceofhope.org, (803) 846-5575; Kerry Allen, Outreach Director, kerry@ourplaceofhope.org, (803) 727-8898. 600 Holland Ave., Cayce, SC 29033, www.OurPlaceofHope.org.

Emily's Story



Meet Emily. Emily came to Our Place of Hope in September 2024 in an unsafe living situation and desperately needing hope.

Emily is sharing her story today so that you can see the impact of your partnership with Our Place of Hope:

“Our Place of Hope has had a profoundly positive impact on my life. **With OPOH's assistance, I have established a solid foundation to overcome the stigma surrounding mental health in my personal life.** I believe the stigma created by society surrounding mental health promotes complacency rather than healing and accomplishment among diagnosed individuals. **OPOH has given me the opportunity, encouragement, and platform to think beyond my diagnosis.** OPOH provided me with activities and learning opportunities to step out of my comfort zone. OPOH provided encouragement and pushed me toward confidence, which taught me that, despite my diagnosis and past of being discriminated against, **I too have a gift and purpose to offer this world!**”



Today, through her hard work and dedication, and with the support of Our Place of Hope, Emily is in her first year of college, where she is on the Dean's List! Emily has discovered her purpose, saying:

“My aspiration upon graduation is to help others who have been through similar experiences as myself. OPOH helped set the tone for what it looks like to see myself beyond who society says I am. **I no longer set my limits based on what others think or say about me.** With all the years I've undergone therapy and medication management, **OPOH has been the most therapeutic, because all I needed was a group of people to believe in me!**”

Working together as a community, we can provide a new season of hope for those living with mental illness and like Emily, provide them with the encouragement to think beyond their diagnosis.

Providing a new season of hope,

Dr. Debra Bjork, Founder

Ellen Hucks, Executive Director

Outreach Director

“Our Place of Hope has saved my life.”

- Scott

My Our Place of Hope Story

**The following was written, typed, and presented in front of a room full of community leaders by a member of Our Place of Hope. He was inspired by another member living with mental illness who told their story months earlier. One member inspiring another.*

My name is Scott. I was born on March 1st, 1992. I was born to Laura, my mom and my now deceased father. I grew up partially in Columbia, but lived most of my life in Lexington County, South Carolina.

At the age of 19, I was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia, though I believe my mental health issues were a minor problem before the age of 19.

My father was highly addicted to drugs and alcohol and refused to seek out rehab to help him with these issues. On September 5th, 2017, at the age of 53, he died from alcohol related dementia. He had many stints in county jail, related to these issues and domestic violence related situations. I remember one morning, mom was being physically abused by my dad and I called 911 and an officer showed up and we were told that we should go stay at a motel. My father lost his dad to a farming accident when he was only six months old, so that probably contributed to his drug and alcohol addiction.

Fast forward to 2012, I lived in a mental health apartment, Leaphart Place until after my dad died in 2017, when I moved back with mom to help her since she was working two jobs at the time. In 2018, we adopted a beautiful dog from Pets Inc, were I worked back in 2022 for four months, named Felecia. We immediately changed her name to Carly. She is a Catahoula Doberman mix. In 2021, we sold mom's old house and moved into a beautiful two-story home near White Knoll Middle School in a fairly new neighborhood. The new house was built in 2018. We have lived there for almost 5 years.

I found out about Our Place of Hope through a pastor at my original home church. Coming to Our Place of Hope has given me a fresh perspective on my mental health and gave me opportunities to meet new people and occasional lunch outings with Jeff, one of the staff members. Our Place of Hope has really helped mend the relationship with my mom.

Also, at clubhouse I have developed a love for maybe working in the food service industry and Kerry nicknamed me the food Cona sour. In the early days at clubhouse, Jeff and I were on the computer and mistyped my name and came up with the nickname “Scoot”.

I believed Our Place of Hope has deepened my knowledge of mental health and a renewed interest and belief in God. I believe Our Place of Hope has helped greatly and saved me from future psychiatric hospital stays. My last two hospitalizations were within months of each other. Our Place of Hope has saved my life.



Scott participating in the meaningful work at Our Place of



Richland County Sheriff's Department

LEON LOTT
Sheriff

May 4, 2026

Dear State Leaders,

As Sheriff of Richland County for the past 31 years, I have seen the effects mental illness has on families, our community, and our penal system. So, I am glad that Our Place of Hope and all it has to offer is here in the Midlands of South Carolina.

We have contracted with Our Place of Hope over the last three years to get this model established in the central part of our state. Our Place of Hope is already a success in helping the citizens of South Carolina who are living with mental illness.

My father suffered from mental illness and depression his whole life. Unfortunately, my dad didn't have a place of hope to go to. Our Place of Hope and the Clubhouse International model is just what we need.

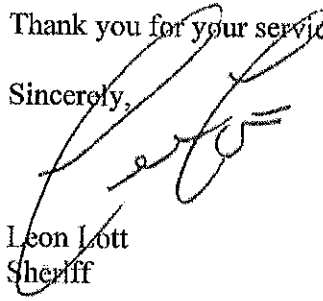
Mental illness is not a crime, yet I believe about 75% of the people in our jails and prisons, particularly here in Richland County suffer from some sort of mental illness. This is why I enthusiastically support Our Place of Hope as part of our community. Our prisons are not a place for these individuals to find help. This model needs to grow around our state.

Our Place of Hope helps meet the needs that go beyond what doctors and therapists can do. They understand the member is a person, not just a diagnosis.

I sincerely appreciate your dedication and devotion to supporting Our Place of Hope and the Clubhouse model for the people of South Carolina. It is a much-needed resource for our community, and is life changing for the members and their families.

Thank you for your service to our state.

Sincerely,


Leon Lott
Sheriff

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May 4, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

As a Council Member of Cayce City Council, I am writing to express my strong support for funding Our Place of Hope and its vital mission to serve individuals in our community who are living with mental illness. In my position on City Council, I have had the opportunity to contract with Our Place of Hope and can attest that Our Place of Hope is transforming lives every day by fostering dignity, purpose, and hope for individuals living with mental illness and providing support for individuals who would otherwise face limited opportunities. I have also attended events sponsored by Our Place of Hope and heard firsthand testimonies of the impact that Our Place of Hope has in the lives of our community members.

Our Place of Hope's warm and empowering Clubhouse model, rooted in belonging and shared responsibility, has become a beacon of stability and encouragement for its members. Currently open four days per week, the Clubhouse is well-positioned to expand to five days per week in 2026 with adequate funding significantly broadening its capacity to make a lasting and meaningful impact.

Our Place of Hope is a member of Clubhouse International, the globally recognized organization that upholds rigorous standards for Clubhouse programs worldwide. South Carolina currently has three operating Clubhouses: Our Place of Hope, Gateway in Greenville, and Clubhouse Community of Hope in Aiken. Recognizing the proven success of the Clubhouse model, Clubhouse International is actively working to expand its presence across South Carolina so that more individuals living with mental illness have access to a stable, welcoming, and supportive environment.

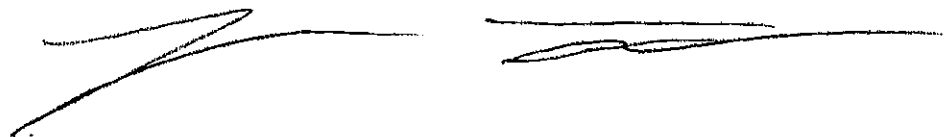
By supporting Our Place of Hope, you are investing not only in one organization, but in a growing movement dedicated to restoring hope, strengthening communities, and

improving mental health outcomes across our state. Additional funding will ensure that the Clubhouse can continue its positive momentum and serve more individuals in need. As a result, more members of our community will benefit from meaningful relationships, reduced hospital stays, reduced incarcerations, improved well-being, and increased employment.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for recognizing the importance of accessible, community-based mental health support. Your partnership and support will help ensure that individuals living with mental illness have the opportunity to thrive and remain connected within our communities.

Respectfully,

Byron Thomas
City of Cayce Council Member

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, connected strokes that form a stylized representation of the name Byron Thomas.



COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

Darrell C. Hudson, Chairman

Todd Cockrell, Vice Chairman

Lexington County Council

212 South Lake Drive, Suite 601

Lexington, South Carolina 29072

countycouncil@lexingtoncounty.sc.gov

Telephone: (803) 785-8103 / Fax: (803) 785-8101

April 21, 2026

House Ways & Means Committee
SC House of Representatives

Re: Our Place of Hope

Dear Committee Members,

As members of Lexington County Council, we are writing to express our strong support for funding Our Place of Hope and its vital mission to serve individuals in our community who are living with mental illness. Lexington County has had the opportunity to work with Our Place of Hope and can attest that Our Place of Hope is transforming lives every day by fostering dignity, purpose, and hope for individuals living with mental illness and providing support for individuals who would otherwise face limited opportunities. Our Place of Hope has been the recipient of Community Development Block Grant funds from Lexington County. Members of County Council have also attended events sponsored by Our Place of Hope and heard firsthand testimonies of the impact that Our Place of Hope has in the lives of our community members.

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DARRELL C. HUDSON, CHAIRMAN

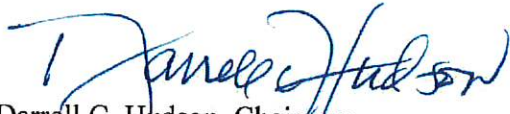
TODD COCKRELL, VICE CHAIRMAN

LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL

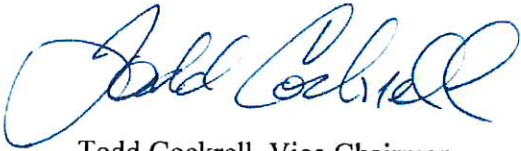
212 SOUTH LAKE DRIVE, SUITE 601, LEXINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA 29070

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for recognizing the importance of accessible, community-based mental health support. Your partnership and support will help ensure that individuals living with mental illness have the opportunity to thrive and remain connected within our communities.

Kind Regards,



Darrell C. Hudson, Chairman
Lexington County Council, District 3



Todd Cockrell, Vice Chairman
Lexington County Council, District 4

April 14, 2026

Representative Bruce Bannister, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee
1105 Pendleton Street, 525 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201



*Creating a culture of purpose,
meaning and hope for those
living with mental illness*

Dear Chairman Bannister,

Thank you for your service to our state and thank you for our state's support two years ago for the much-needed resource, Our Place of Hope! Because of your involvement, Our Place of Hope went from a great vision to being open one day a week to now being open four days a week to being open 5 days a week by the end of June... and making a difference in people's lives and our state on a daily basis. **Sheriff Leon Lott has stated, "Our Place of Hope is already a success," and that is because of your involvement.**

For the continued well-being of those living with mental illness and for the health of our state and to continue the momentum so that more people can find rehabilitation, we request consideration of a line item appropriation in the FY 2026-27 State Budget for \$175,000 to provide vital funding for this life saving program. (Overall budget is \$425,000.) Funds would be used from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

Our Place of Hope is based on the proven, evidence-based, cost-effective Clubhouse International model which has been successful in 370 communities around the world. Unfortunately, we have only one accredited Clubhouse model in our state – Gateway in Greenville. OPOH is seeking to be the next one and to be a springboard for this model to be established in other communities in our state. The area of Aiken has already opened a Clubhouse model because of the influence of OPOH.

For the 216,000 South Carolina citizens struggling with severe mental illness, many do not respond to contemporary treatment and become isolated and separated from the people who could help them regain a productive life. Our Place of Hope is strategically located in Cayce to serve the entire Midlands and has already been shown to reduce hospitalizations and incarcerations. **Sheriff Leon Lott has publicly stated that "Our Place of Hope and the Clubhouse model is just what we need."** Please see attached for additional information about Our Place of Hope.

Funds would be used for:

Meaningful work & relationships – Work Ordered Day Activities: (Work activities, Supplies, Projects, Equipment. Area Support, Training, Workforce Development)

Dignified Space (Clubhouse facility and workspace): Dignity is critical to this model and even in the facility, we create a dignified working area and a space where someone is proud to come and work. (Clubhouse facility, rent, utilities, equipment, workstations, etc.)

Development & growth of program (organization, program, community coalition) & Operations

Dr. Debra Bjork, a practicing psychiatrist in private practice and formerly with the SC Department of Corrections, after seeing hundreds of patients, realized people needed something beyond medication and clinical treatment for true rehabilitation. **Our Place of Hope is that missing piece.** This proven resource provides meaningful work and meaningful relationships and restores to people living with mental illness the sacred dignity of being able to contribute to our society. We would greatly appreciate your continued support for this important endeavor. If you have any questions, you can contact me at 803-846-5575, ellen@ourplaceofhope.org.

Filling the gap in mental health,



Ellen Hucks
Executive Director



Dr. Debra Bjork
Founder & Board Chair



Kerry Allen, Outreach Director
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Talking Points for Our Place of Hope - Midlands, SC *and why our state needs this resource*



- **Nine out of ten adults believe there's a mental health crisis in the US.**
 - 216,000 adults in SC live with serious mental illness.
 - 87% of adults in SC who live with mental illness are unemployed.
 - 395,000 people with mental illness (nationally) are housed in under-equipped US jails and hospitals.
 - 90% of suicides are connected to mental illness.
 - South Carolina is 49th in the nation with access to mental health care.
 - Mental illness is the #1 cause of disability costing America over \$192 billion.
- **Mental illness has the devastating effect of isolating people from society, a fact that increases unemployment, hospitalizations, incarceration, homelessness, depression, and suicide. This resource prevents shifting the burden of cost on to jails and hospitals (which are much more expensive and not a solution to the problem).**
- **Sheriff Leon Lott** has publicly stated: "Our Place of Hope and the Clubhouse model is just what we need. 75% of those we arrest have some type of mental illness."
- **For the sake of those living with mental illness and for the health of our state, we request consideration of a line-item appropriation in the State Budget for \$175,000 to provide vital funding for this life saving program. (Overall budget is \$425,000.)**
- Our Place of Hope is a **proven, evidence-based, cost-effective solution** that has had amazing results in 370 communities worldwide and is a good investment of funds.
- **Mental illness is a public healthcare crisis** and as a community we can respond with the Clubhouse International model where people with mental illness gain purpose, meaning, and hope. Our Place of Hope is a member of Clubhouse International.
- **People need something beyond medication and clinical treatment for true rehabilitation.** They need community. They need to be valued. They need to be needed. **They need to be able to have the dignity to contribute to society.**
- The proven and unique Clubhouse International Model offers the **greatest hope for long-term success** because it provides members with a sense of hope, confidence and belonging. Members benefit from **meaningful relationships, reduced hospital stays, reduced incarcerations, improved well-being, and increased employment.**
- A Clubhouse **operates as a community where each day models a traditional workday.**
- By participating in the Work-Ordered Day, **a sense of structure and purpose is restored** in members' lives. This sense of purpose is crucial and it's what makes the Work-Ordered Day the operational foundation of the Clubhouse Model.
- The Our Place of Hope Clubhouse **serves people living with a severe mental illness** (18 years and older) primarily in Richland and Lexington Counties. **We are strategically located in a 4,500 sq ft facility at 600 Holland Ave., Cayce, SC, to serve all the Midlands.** We are currently open four days a week, Monday – Thursday, with work being done in the community and in members' lives other days of the week.
- Contact information: Ellen Hucks, Ex. Director, ellen@ourplaceofhope.org, (803) 846-5575; Kerry Allen, Outreach Director, kerry@ourplaceofhope.org, (803) 727-8898; 600 Holland Ave., Cayce, SC 29033, www.OurPlaceofHope.org.



Our Place of Hope – Bringing Hope to Mental Health Project Description

** For a quick snapshot of why our state needs Our Place of Hope, please see our Talking Points which are attached. Also, it is significant if you can read the stories of the members themselves (Emily & Scott - attached) that will explain in detail the impact of this resource.*

Need: Nine out of ten adults believe there is a mental health crisis in the US.

- 216,000 adults in SC live with serious mental illness.
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Mental illness is a public healthcare crisis.

People living with mental illness need something beyond medication and clinical treatment for true rehabilitation. The proven and unique Clubhouse International Model offers the **greatest hope for long-term success** because it provides members with a sense of hope, confidence and belonging.

Sheriff Leon Lott has publicly stated, “Our Place of Hope is already a success.” But we can do more and now is the time to build on that momentum and continue to impact more and more lives.

This is more than just about Our Place of Hope. We need this resource and model around our state. By growing the success of Our Place of Hope, that sets up the potential to grow this resource into other SC communities. New Clubhouse International models will need funding in the early years to be firmly established.

Our Place of Hope mission: The Our Place of Hope Clubhouse provides people living with severe mental illness a stable, warm, and inviting environment where they can participate in meaningful work and meaningful relationships each day and can regain purpose, meaning, and hope for their lives.

Program Description: People living with mental illness need something beyond medication and clinical treatment for true rehabilitation. They need community. They need to be valued. They need to be needed. They need to be treated as a person. **They need to have the sacred dignity to be able to contribute to society.**

This is the missing piece in mental health. And Our Place of Hope (OPOH) fills that gap. Sheriff Leon Lott has publicly stated: “**Our Place of Hope and the Clubhouse model is just what we need.** 75% of those we arrest have some type of mental illness.”

OPOH is a Clubhouse International model and is NOT a place where people simply come and hang out. It is a place where people are needed and expected to contribute and do meaningful work (not busy work) each day and engage in meaningful relationships. In an atmosphere of shared responsibility, people with mental illness can regain their confidence and can lead a normal productive life and re-engage with the community at large. Our Place of Hope is a proven, evidence-based, cost-effective solution that has had tremendous success in 370 communities around the world.

A Clubhouse **operates as a community where each day models a traditional workday.**

Who will benefit from the program and what outcome or impact is expected: The Our Place of Hope Clubhouse **serves people living with a severe mental illness** (18 years and older) primarily in Lexington and Richland Counties. **We are strategically located in a 4,500 sq ft facility at 600 Holland Ave., Cayce, SC, to serve all the Midlands.**

There are 3 major outcomes we work towards:

Outcome #1: Giving people living with mental illness the sacred dignity to be able to contribute. This is the missing piece in mental health. But Our Place of Hope fills that gap.

Outcome #2: Meaningful relationships – a sense of community and self-confidence.

Outcome #3: Meaningful work and workforce development. (87% of people living with mental illness are unemployed.)

How will program activities be implemented: Isolation is the number one problem with mental illness. It takes people and relationships to help pull people back into relationships and community. In Our Place of Hope, people are treated as people – not as a patient, client, or diagnosis. They are members... and everyone are colleagues.

In this model, staff work alongside members, not treat members, to accomplish the meaningful work of the Clubhouse. Members are included in ALL meetings and work. There is no dichotomy between administrative work and program – members are engaged in each aspect of the work.

Most have been told they can't work or feel unworthy to work. Our Place of Hope restores their dignity and invites them into the work of the Clubhouse. Each day at the OPOH Clubhouse models a workday. By participating in the **Work Ordered Day, a sense of structure and purpose is restored in members' lives.**

Evaluation of Outcomes: For all 3 outcomes, the measurements are the same:

- **Key activities:** Members are part of every single activity. If staff can do it without members, then the process is not functioning properly. A member is not forced to do anything (they have been told what to do all their lives... and sadly, what they can't do) but allowed to choose what meaningful work they would like to be a part of. Each person is wanted, needed, valued, and expected to have something to contribute. Members have a voice. In an Our Place of Hope Clubhouse, members,

staff, and volunteers are all colleagues. All meetings involve staff and members. They are colleagues and they all have a voice.

- **Indicators:** There are 4 main indicators and they are the same for all 3 outcomes:
 - Attendance – Are members attending on a regular basis.
 - What the members say themselves. What do they say about their experience in the Clubhouse and particularly, do they feel wanted, needed, and valued.
 - What staff observes. What growth do other people see in the life of a member. (And by the way, one of the 37 written standards is that a member can see any notes that have been written about them by anyone else.)
 - What jobs members are fulfilling in the Clubhouse.
- **Timeline:** Activities happen every day the Clubhouse is open... and the process is ongoing for every minute a member is there. Growth is expected throughout the process.
- **Partnerships:** NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Clubhouse International, Eau Claire Health Cooperative, LMH, CMH, MUSC, Welvista, MIRCI, Uplift Lexington, community psychiatrists and counselors, community volunteers, law enforcement, and many others. It is a collaborative effort.

Other Funding: Mental illness and its negative impact is a community issue and it needs a community response. Joining in this vision as community partners are – Along with other sources, the following have invested in this much needed resource over the past two and half years:

SC State House \$175,000 for 2024-25 year; Michael J. Mungo Foundation \$100,000 (third year in a row); Jim Hudson Foundation \$25,000; Central Carolina Community Foundation \$60,000 (third year in a row); CMLS \$30,000 (second year in a row), Lexington County, \$20,000, Richland County, \$25,000; Taylor Watford Foundation \$7,500 (second year in a row); Dominion Energy \$5,000 (second year in a row); Baker & Baker Foundation \$4,500 (third year in a row); Individuals \$80,746, and others.

Impact of proposed funding: Funding from the State House would double our program impact (which has already shown extremely positive results), open the doors for a fifth day of the week (Our Place of Hope has gone from 1 day per week to now 4 days per week), increase our hours of operation by 50%, and double the number of the lives of the people in our community who need this resource. **All funds are spent in South Carolina.** Our state would be expanding a resource for mental illness that is desperately needed.

We already have several members who have gotten jobs out in the community and through your support in 2026, we will be starting a Transitional Employment program to help members to get adjusted to the workforce in the community on a part-time basis. One of our members was considered hopeless by his doctors and family now has a full-time job as an engineer.

Stewart Mungo has publicly stated, **“Our Place of Hope is a great return on investment.”**



Update – December 2025



“Our Place of Hope saved my life.”

- Scott, Our Place of Hope Member

Scott openly shared about his life at an Our Place of Hope event in October. This is a big step for anyone but it is a great step of courage and of freedom for our members to openly share about their lives and the challenges of living with mental illness. (Scott's mom has also courageously shared about their lives.)

“My father was highly addicted to drugs and alcohol and refused to seek out rehab to help him with these issues. In 2012, I lived in a mental health apartment until after my dad died in 2017, when I moved back with mom to help her since she was working two jobs at the time. In 2021, we sold mom's old house and moved into a beautiful two-story home.

“I believe Our Place of Hope has helped greatly and saved me from future psychiatric hospital stays. My last two hospitalizations were within months of each other. Our Place of Hope has saved my life.”



They may not have eyesight... but they have vision

Two of our members at OPOH are not only living with mental illness but are also blind. They both have great attitudes and a great sense of humor. Adam is on the Building & Maintenance work unit and DW is one of the leaders of the Reach Out work unit. Adam is the one who planted the flowers in the front of OPOH (pictured)... even though he cannot see. **He was recently accepted into the Helen Keller School in New York.** This was the first time he had ever been on an airplane. Imagine taking that step on your own (pictured to the left).

DW knows how to read braille. Every morning we go over one of the 37 standards we live by at OPOH. No where in the world did these exist in braille. Through the vision of one of our staff and another member named Tim, Tim was able to hunt down a braille printer, the necessary cords and software and we became the first Clubhouse in the world to have the standards in braille. DW now can read these in our morning meeting (pictured on left). One member just commented to him today, “Man, you can read better than me... and I can see.” Our Place of Hope—restoring vision to people's lives.



Our Place of Hope Budget - Midlands, SC 2026-27 Expenses

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10	<u>Expenses</u>	
11	Program (Clubhouse experience-meaningful work & meaningful relationships)	
12	Work Ordered Day - Meaningful work & relationships	
13	Program Staff (people make the difference)	\$ 252,000
14	(Exec. Director, Asst. Director, Program Director,	
15	Outreach Coordinator, Generalist)	
16	Program Staff payroll taxes	\$ 24,200
17	Mileage	\$ 6,000
18	Work Ordered Day Activities	\$ 40,000
19	(Activities, Supplies, Projects, Equipment, Area Staffing,	
20	Workforce Development)	
21	Clubhouse Int'l Training & Other Training	\$ 8,000
22	Transportation	\$ 12,300
23	Dignified Space (Clubhouse facility and workspace)	\$ 32,000
24	Clubhouse Facility (rent, utilites, captial equipment, repairs, etc.)	
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26	Development (organization, program, community coalition)	
27	Development (funding, strategy, labor, community coalition, etc.)	\$ 3,000
28	Development Supplies	\$ 3,000
29	Community Relations	\$ 4,500
30	Social media	\$ 500
31	Website	\$ 2,000
32	Special Events	\$ 15,000
33	Graphics & design	\$ 1,000
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35	Operations	
36	Accounting	\$ 2,500
37	Phone, internet	\$ 1,700
38	Office Supplies	\$ 3,000
39	Insurance (liability, D&O, WC, etc.)	\$ 4,000
40	Dues, Subscriptions, & Fees	\$ 1,600
41	Printing	\$ 6,500
42	Postage	\$ 2,200
43	Total	\$ 425,000

**Totals for
Major Areas**

\$ 374,500

\$ 29,000

\$ 21,500

What Members of Our Place of Hope are saying

The impact your investment is having



“At Our Place of Hope, I've found a sanctuary **where hope is more than just a word – it is a lived experience.** From the moment I walked through the doors, I was welcomed with open arms and a sense of belonging that I had been missing. The community here is supportive, compassionate, and always ready to lend a helping hand. One particular moment that stands out to me is the first day I met a staff member while walking my dog. He introduced himself and asked me to come back the next day to see if it's something I would be interested in. It was during this time that I truly felt the power of hope and the impact it can have on someone's life. **Our Place of Hope is not just a place; it's a home where dreams are nurtured and lives are transformed.** I'm incredibly grateful to be part of this wonderful community.” - Adam

“The Clubhouse has given me a place to belong and a place to go other than sitting at home all day. Carly is my dog, and she makes home a good place, but I love coming here and I love having people who are loving and caring in a world where people are cruel towards people with mental health issues and disabled people. I love going to a place where I can be around other like-minded people. **I am also thankful for a judgement free place. Where you are not bullied or discriminated against.**” - Scott

“This Clubhouse is, for me, the primary and most constant step into personal interaction with the world outside of my family and home. When I think about a place in a community and impact on society; meaning interaction, growth, and common purpose, **OPOH is the face of hope.** Those here are friends I don't have to hide anything from. Maybe OPOH is for me a place where I can accept what is real, and do not feel an unnecessary need to obscure my mental health.” - Roger

“**Our Place of Hope Clubhouse is a place that welcomes me and accepts me the way I am. It allows me to participate in the overall mission.** I have been coming here for a few good weeks. I am able to see the growth of the organization as it happens. Moreover, I have been able to discuss challenges without fear of being judged or criticized in any way. I am grateful that I am part of the group.” - Matt

“The Clubhouse means a sense of belonging.

A purpose to my life.

A place to be myself.

A place to be with friends.” - Michael

“The Clubhouse is a place that I can go that's judgement free.
It's a place that helps me feel included, and a place of peace.” - Meagan

“The Clubhouse means new friends and **sharing life together.** For the sake of loving, blessing, and being one group that cares for each of us and all of us together.”

- Mack

**This was also typed up by a member. Some names have been changed.*

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: South Carolina 7 (SC7)

Requested Amount: \$ 300,000

Recipient Entity: South Carolina National Heritage Corridor

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Michelle McCollum Title/Position: President

Phone Number: _____ Email: Michelle@scnhc.com

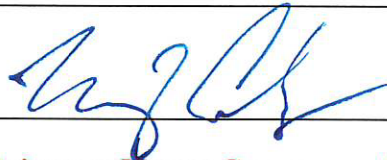
Entity Website: southcarolina7.com County Location: Statewide/Anderson Office

Intended Use of the Funds: Plan and execute the annual 30-day expedition along with
community projects, educational forums, and the SC Resilience Conference.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This initiative boosts economic
development improves public health, builds environmental
stewardship, and improves community resilience.

M. P. Caskey

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



March 31, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the board of directors of the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor and our partner organization, Global Eco Adventures, I respectfully request an allocation of \$300,000 from the state budget for the fiscal year 2026/2027. This request will be complemented by non-state funds to ensure the realization of our comprehensive project budget.

The SC7 program is an annual endeavor commencing on July 1, 2026, and extending throughout the year with various initiatives. A central component of this program is a month-long expedition traversing the state, spanning from the mountains to the sea. The project also includes the expansion of a smart reef system off the coast of South Carolina, litter sweeps and river clean-ups across the state, educational forums at the university and K-12 levels, and the SC Resilience Conference, a pivotal event promoting South Carolina as a global model for conservation, sustainability, and resiliency.

For further details regarding our mission, partners, projects, and budget, please refer to the accompanying documentation. I am readily available to address any inquiries pertaining to our program or financial considerations. Your thoughtful consideration of our request is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Michelle McCollum
Michelle McCollum (Mar 31, 2026 11:03:41 EDT)

Michelle McCollum

President & CEO

South Carolina National Heritage Corridor

michelle@scnhc.com

864-617-7441



April 20, 2026

The Honorable Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey IV
SC House of Representatives
House Ways & Means Committee
519C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Caskey,

On behalf of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), I am pleased to provide this letter in support of the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor (SCNHC) and its request for state appropriations for the SC7 Project and the South Carolina Resilience Conference.

The South Carolina National Heritage Corridor is a respected 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with extensive experience managing state and federal funding. Over more than two decades of partnership with SCDNR, SCNHC has consistently demonstrated strong organizational capacity, sound fiscal management, and a commitment to delivering impactful programs that benefit the people and natural resources of South Carolina.

Our agencies have worked closely together on environmental education initiatives that promote conservation, stewardship, and public engagement with South Carolina's natural assets. Through this longstanding collaboration, SCNHC has proven to be a dependable and effective partner, maintaining good standing and upholding all expectations associated with the management of public funds.

The SC7 Project and the South Carolina Resilience Conference align closely with SCDNR's mission to conserve and enhance the state's natural resources while fostering education and sustainable use. We are confident in SCNHC's ability to successfully implement these initiatives and to maximize the value of state investment.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this letter of support and recognize the important role SCNHC plays in advancing conservation, education, and resilience across South Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas S. Mullikin".

Thomas S. Mullikin, PhD, JD
Director



April 20, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

The South Carolina Department of Archives and History is providing this letter of support at the request of the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor (SCNHC). SCNHC has requested an appropriation for FY26-27 from the General Assembly to be used for the SC7 Project and the South Carolina Resilience Conference.

The South Carolina National Heritage Corridor (SCNHC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has successfully managed projects funded through both state and federal sources. Most recently, SCNHC received an application through this agency, which they are currently in the process of closing out. During the current project, SCNHC has met all the requirements established by this agency for the administration of legislative earmarks.

Our recent experience with SCNHC demonstrates that the organization has the capability to successfully execute the SC7 Project and the South Carolina Resilience Conference. Please let me know if we may answer any questions or be of service in the future.

Best,

W. Eric Emerson, Ph.D.
Director, SHPO, and State Archivist



South Carolina Department of
Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Henry McMaster
Governor

Duane N. Parrish
Director

May 4, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman
House Ways & Means Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
52 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister:

On behalf of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism (SCPRT), it's our understanding that the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, a non-profit organization, is requesting a non-recurring appropriation in the state's budget for FY 2026-2027.

By copy of this letter, I also affirm that SCPRT has previously contracted with the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor.

Sincerely,

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Duane Parrish

cc: House Ways & Means Committee



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Sincerely,

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Duane Parrish

cc: House Ways & Means Committee



SC Legislative Funding Appropriation Request

Requesting Organization: South Carolina National Heritage Corridor

Total Budget: \$600,000

Total Appropriation Request: - \$300,000

Purpose of Request

The South Carolina National Heritage Corridor respectfully requests an appropriation of **\$300,000** from the South Carolina General Assembly as part of the SC Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism budget to support two signature statewide initiatives:

1. **The SC7 Expedition**
2. **The SC Resilience Conference**

These programs advance critical state priorities including conservation, tourism, public health, outdoor recreation, environmental education, economic development, and community resilience. This modest investment will generate significant returns by strengthening local economies, improving quality of life for South Carolinians, promoting our state's natural resources, and helping communities prepare for future environmental and infrastructure challenges.

The appropriation will be matched at the federal level through the Department of Interior National Heritage Area program.

Program Descriptions

SC7 Expedition

The **South Carolina Seven (SC7) Expedition** is a nationally recognized, month-long outdoor initiative that celebrates and promotes South Carolina's extraordinary natural resources while encouraging healthy lifestyles, conservation, and economic opportunity. Each July, the SC7 Expedition travels more than 350 miles across South Carolina—from the Blue Ridge Mountains to the Atlantic Ocean—through seven of the state's most iconic natural landmarks:

- Sassafras Mountain
- Jocassee Gorges
- Chattooga River

- Congaree National Park
- Edisto River
- ACE Basin
- Bull Island / Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge

The expedition engages a diverse cross-section of South Carolinians including:

- Students and educators
- Military veterans
- Conservation professionals
- Healthcare and public safety leaders
- Local and state elected officials
- Outdoor recreation enthusiasts
- Community members from rural and urban areas

Through guided hikes, paddles, educational programs, and community events, SC7 promotes:

- Environmental stewardship
- Flood mitigation awareness
- Healthy outdoor activity
- Rural economic development
- Appreciation of South Carolina heritage

The SC7 Expedition functions as a **mobile economic development and education platform**, bringing positive statewide attention to small towns, local businesses, state parks, outfitters, restaurants, and cultural attractions.

SC Resilience Conference

The **SC Resilience Conference** is South Carolina's premier annual gathering dedicated to helping communities become stronger, healthier, and more prepared for environmental and economic challenges.

Hosted by the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, the conference brings together:

- Local and state government leaders
- Emergency managers
- Urban and regional planners
- Engineers and infrastructure professionals
- Healthcare providers
- Environmental scientists
- Business and nonprofit leaders

Over multiple days of workshops, keynote addresses, and collaborative sessions, participants explore real-world strategies related to:

- Flood mitigation and water management
- Infrastructure and community planning
- Disaster preparedness and recovery
- Environmental conservation
- Public health and wellness
- Sustainable economic development

The SC Resilience Conference has become an essential professional resource for South Carolina communities seeking to better prepare for storms, flooding, rapid growth, and other emerging challenges.

How State Funds Will Be Utilized

The requested \$300,000 appropriation will be used strategically and responsibly to support:

1. Program Operations and Logistics

- Participant safety and risk management
- Transportation and equipment
- Staffing and program coordination
- Venue and event support costs

2. Education and Community Outreach

- Development of educational materials
- Public workshops and community forums
- Youth engagement initiatives
- Digital resources and statewide promotion

3. Impact Measurement and Reporting

- Economic impact analysis
- Participation and health metrics
- Environmental education outcomes

4. Direct Support of Local Economies

- Contracting with South Carolina vendors and small businesses
- Highlighting rural tourism destinations
- Promotion of outdoor recreation industries

Direct Benefits to South Carolina

Economic Development

- Increased tourism and visitation across all regions of the state
- Support for small businesses, outfitters, restaurants, and hotels
- Positive national exposure for South Carolina's outdoor assets

Public Health

- Encourages active lifestyles
- Expands access to outdoor recreation
- Supports mental and physical wellness initiatives

Environmental Stewardship

- Builds awareness of conservation needs
- Promotes protection of waterways and natural habitats
- Encourages responsible land use practices

Community Resilience

- Strengthens local preparedness for floods and storms
- Improves coordination between agencies and communities
- Provides tools to protect infrastructure and citizens

Education and Workforce Development

- Engages students in environmental science and outdoor careers
- Connects academic institutions with real-world applications
- Develops the next generation of South Carolina leaders

Accountability and Stewardship

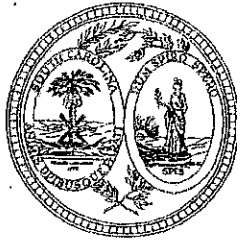
The South Carolina National Heritage Corridor has a long history of responsible fiscal management and successful statewide programming. If funded, the organization will provide all required documentation to SCPRT on a regular basis.

Contact:

Michelle McCollum, President & CEO, SCNHC

michelle@scnhc.com/864-617-7441

The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Jim Miles **Certificate of Incorporation, Nonprofit Corporation**

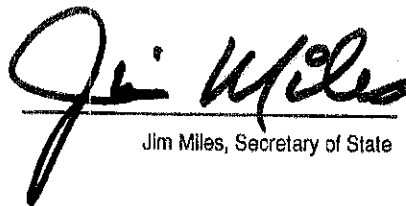
I, Jim Miles, Secretary of State of South Carolina Heraby certify that:

SOUTH CAROLINA HERITAGE CORRIDOR,

a nonprofit corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of South Carolina on **May 19th, 1997**, and having a perpetual duration unless otherwise indicated below, has as of the date hereof filed a Declaration and Petition for Incorporation of a nonprofit corporation for Religious, Educational, Social, Fraternal, Charitable or other eleemosynary purpose.

Now, therefore, I Jim Miles, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested, by Chapter 31, Title 33, Code of 1976 and Acts admendatory thereto, do hereby declare the organization to be a body politic and corporate, with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities, and subject to all the limitations and liabilities, conferred by Chapter 31, Title 33, Code of 1976 and Acts amendatory thereto.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of
the State of South Carolina this 19th day of
May, 1997.


Jim Miles, Secretary of State

Note: This certificate does not contain any representation concerning fees or taxes owed by the Corporation to the South Carolina Tax Commission or whether the Corporation has filed the annual report with the Tax Commission. It is important to know whether the Corporation has paid all taxes due to the State of South Carolina, and has filed the annual reports, a certificate of compliance must be obtained from the Tax Commission.

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Requested Amount: \$ 300,000

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The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Michelle McCallum Title/Position: President & CEO

Phone Number: 804-617-7441 Email: michelle@scnhc.com

Entity Website: southcarolina7.com County Location: Statewide with headquarters in Anderson

Intended Use of the Funds: The plan and execute the annual 30-day expedition

along with community projects, educational forums, & the SC Resilience Conference

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This initiative boosts economic development,

improves public health, builds environmental stewardship,

and improves community resilience.

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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February 25, 2026

The Honorable Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey IV
South Carolina House of Representatives
519C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Caskey,

I hope this letter finds you well. First and foremost, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your hard work and dedication to the citizens of Springdale and all South Carolinians. The efforts you and your colleagues put forth to serve our community are deeply appreciated.

I am writing to respectfully request your support and assistance in securing funding for a vital community project located in the Town of Springdale, Lexington County, South Carolina. Specifically, we seek funding to renovate and improve an existing facility adjacent to Felton C. Benton Park, with the goal of creating a local community center to serve as a hub for public gatherings, events, and community-driven programs. Additionally, this project would include necessary improvements to Felton C. Benton Park, such as stormwater remediation, and increased lighting and electrical access.

Felton C. Benton Park is Springdale's most popular recreational area, drawing thousands of visitors each week in the summer from Lexington County and the surrounding region. Our splash pad has garnered attention from local blogs and magazines, and is the only free amenity of its kind in the area.

In 2019, the Town had ambitious plans to create a Municipal Complex that included a community center. However, due to the unforeseen delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the rising costs of construction, those plans were postponed. In 2022, the Town revisited the idea of establishing a community center, but budgetary constraints and inflationary pressures necessitated a shift in priorities. With your support, funding for this project will allow us to proceed with the development of a facility that meets the needs of our residents and visitors, while enhancing the quality of life in our community.

The following improvements are planned:

- **Community Center - \$645,000**
 - Renovation of old police department into community center (includes restrooms, kitchen, storage, front concrete pad and covered entry porch)
 - Demolition of old town hall (to allow for parking and renovation)

- Re-work parking lots
 - New digital monument sign
- **Felton C. Benton Park Improvements - \$555,000**
 - Storm water drainage work
 - Pavillion with retaining wall
 - Artificial turf play area and landscaping
 - Park lighting
 - New brick and aluminum rail fence
- **Total Funding Requested - \$1.2 Million**
- **Estimated Completion – Approximately 1 year after funds are allocated**

The creation of this community center, and improvements to the park will have significant social outcomes for the Town and surrounding community. It will improve accessibility, provide a safe and inclusive space for gatherings, and contribute to the overall health and wellbeing of the public. The project will also enhance Springdale's identity and foster civic pride.

On behalf of the Springdale Town Council, we ask for your consideration in supporting this request for funding to bring this important project to fruition. Your assistance would have a lasting positive impact on the Town of Springdale and the surrounding region. Thank you again for your continued hard work on behalf of the citizens of Springdale. Should you have any questions or need further information, I would be happy to provide it.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ashley Watkins
Town Administrator



1135 Baywater Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170
Office 803.796.2933
Fax 803.796.2998

**Town of Springdale
Community Center & Felton C. Benton Park
Project Budget**

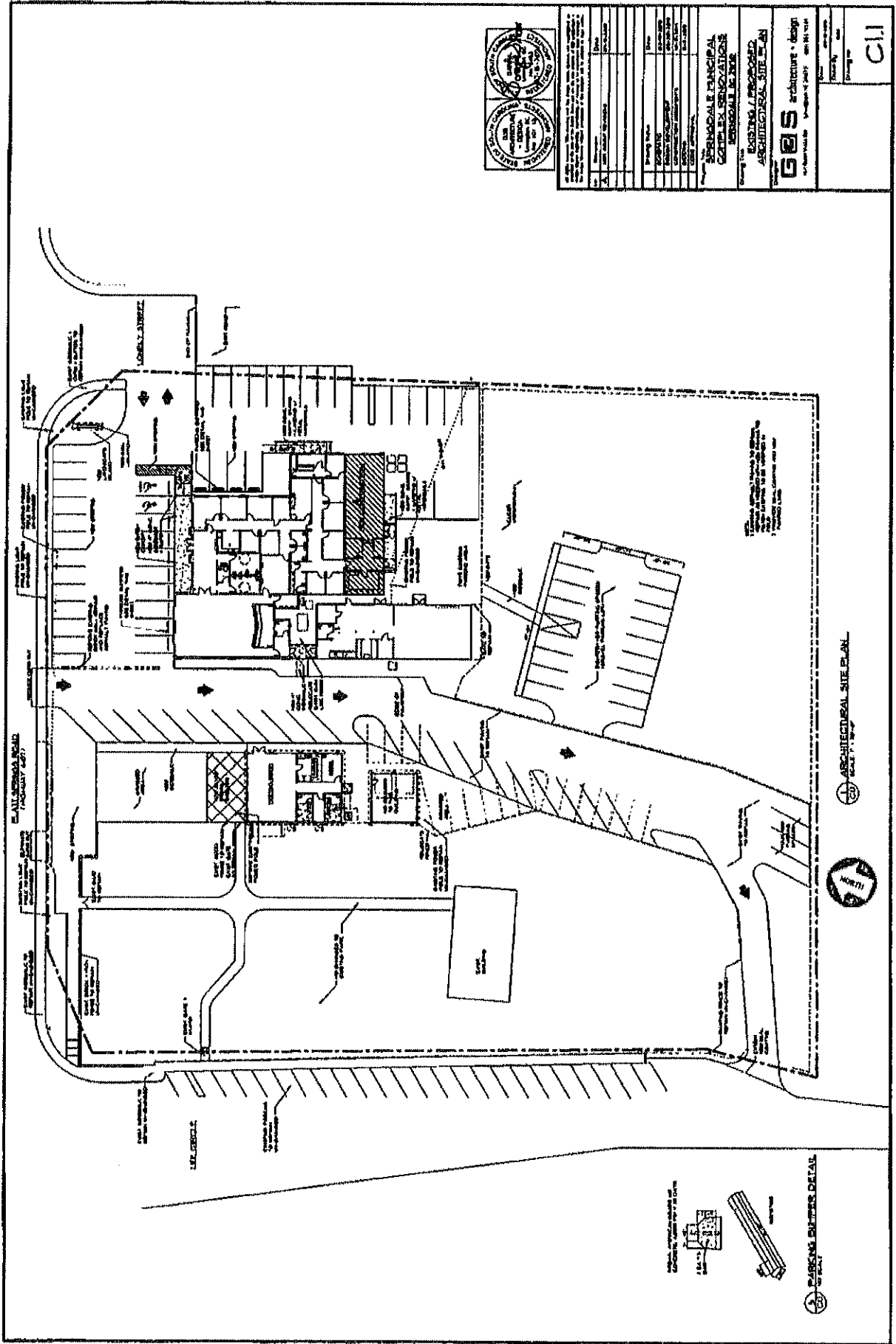
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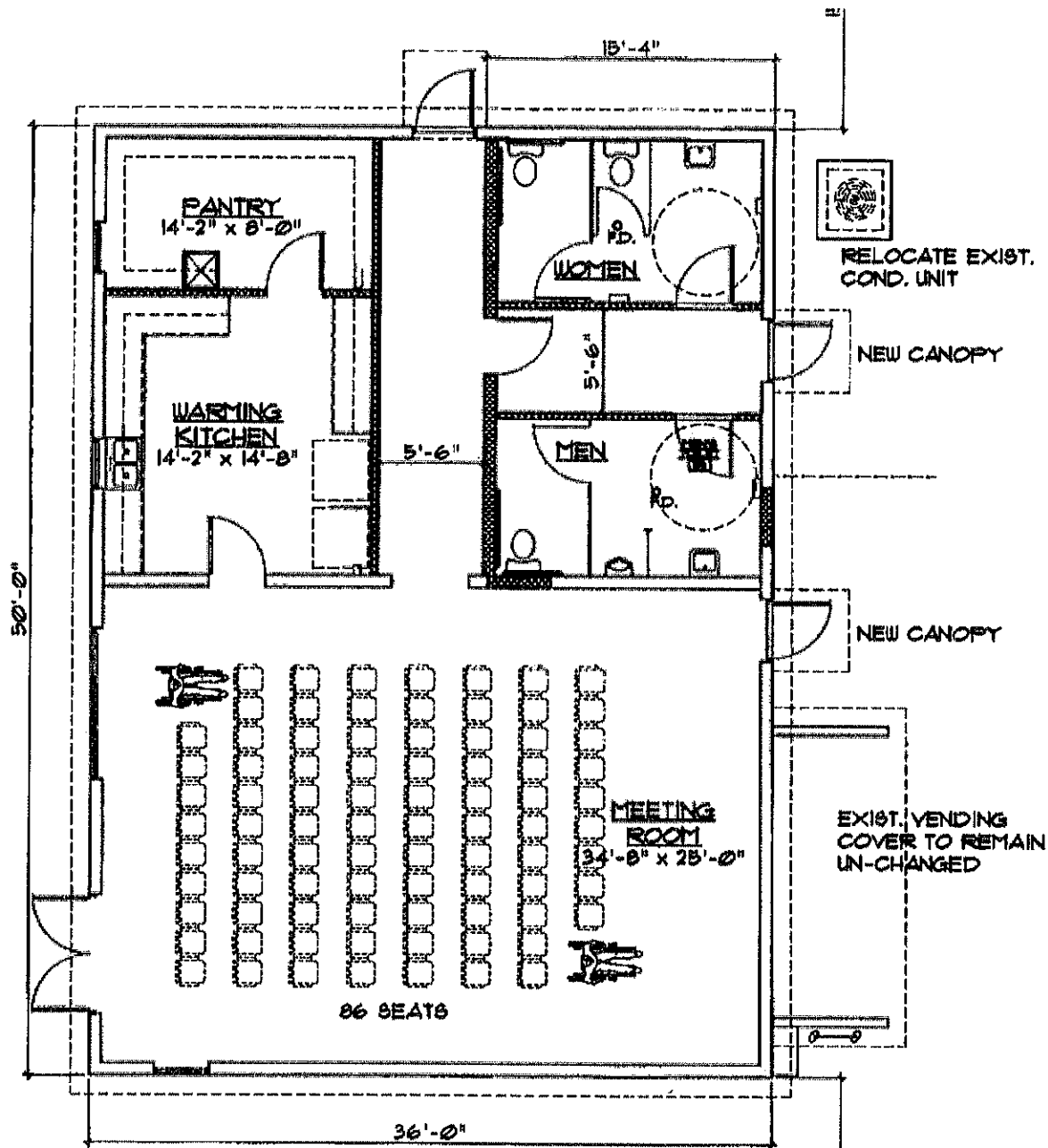
Attention: Ashley Watkins

Scope of Work

Community Center	
Renovation of Old Police Department into Community Center (Includes restrooms, kitchen, storage, front concrete pad & covered entry porch)	\$275,000
Demolition of Old Town Hall	\$60,000
Re-Work Parking Lots	\$250,000
New Digital Monument Sign	\$60,000
Park Improvements	
Storm Water Drainage Work	\$80,000
Pavillion with Retaining Wall	\$200,000
Artificial Turf Play Area & Landscaping	\$150,000
Park Lighting	\$75,000
New Brick/Aluminum Rail Fence	\$50,000
Total Budget	\$1,200,000

General Contractor
Commercial - Residential



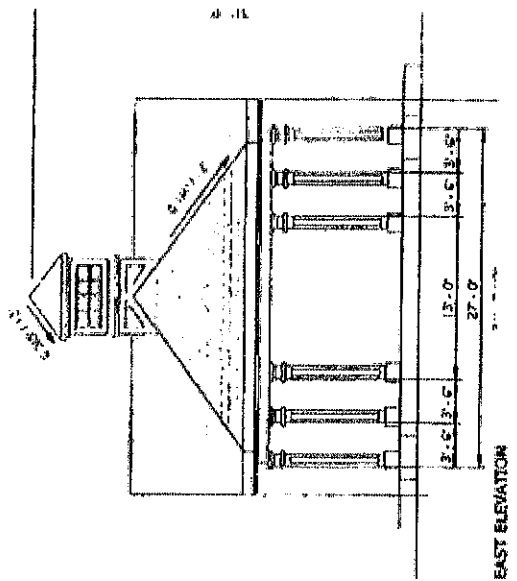


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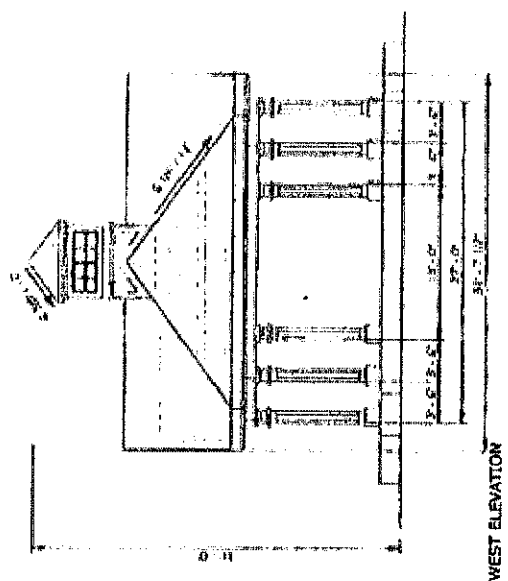
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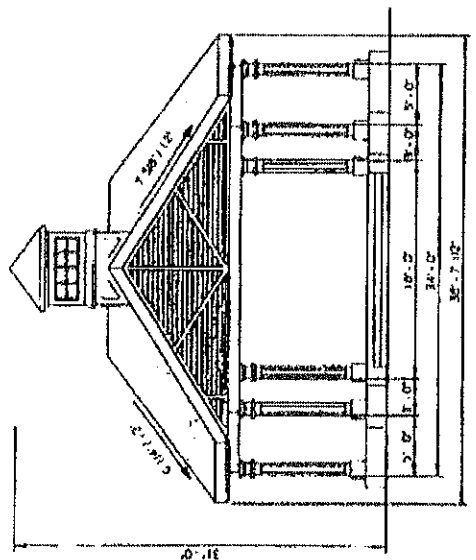




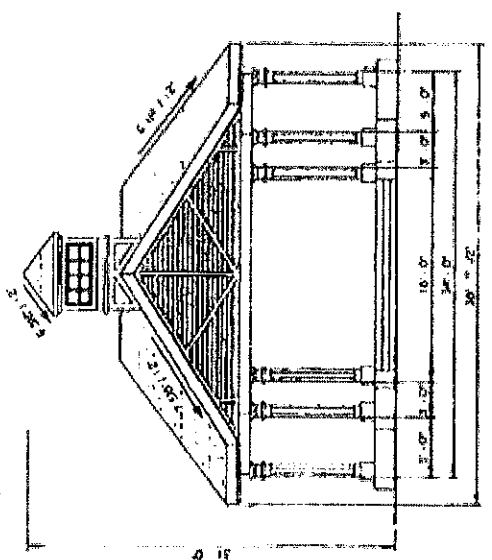
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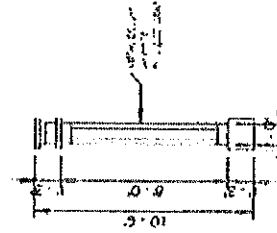
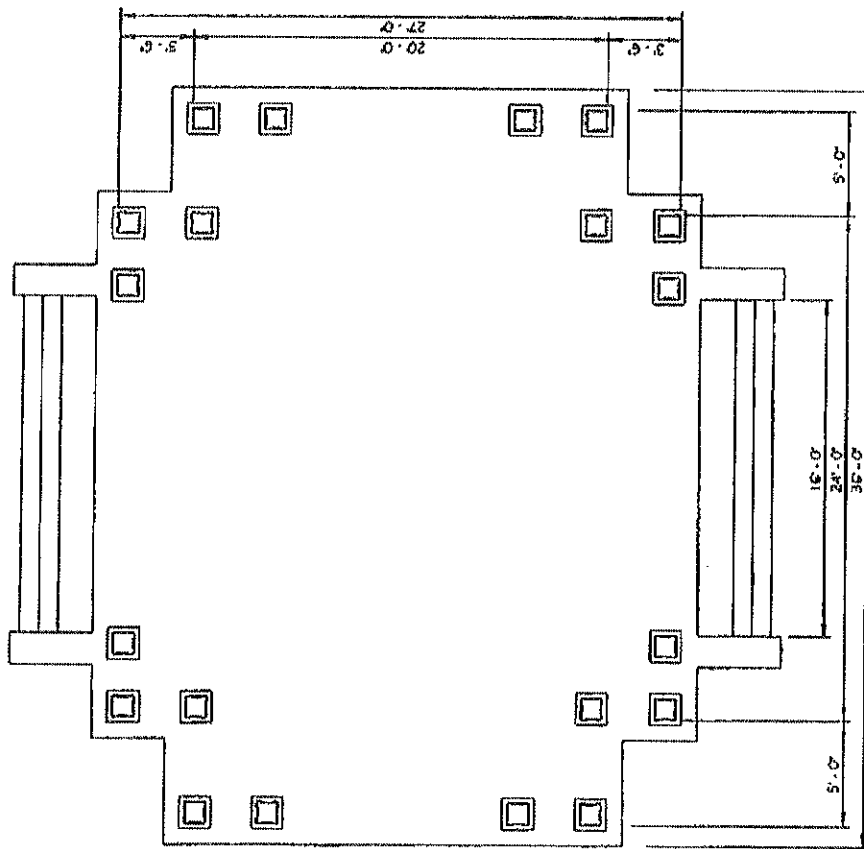


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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: SAFE STREETS FOR ALL (MATCHING GRANT)

Requested Amount: \$ 140,000

Recipient Entity: ANDERSON COUNTY - PUBLIC SAFETY

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain:

Entity Contact: RUSTY BURNS Title/Position: ANDERSON COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Phone Number: Email: R.BURNS@ANDERSONCOUNTYSC.ORG

Entity Website: WWW.ANDERSONCOUNTYSC.ORG County Location: ANDERSON

Intended Use of the Funds: FOR A MATCH GRANT FOR A PILOT PROGRAM FOR (EVP) EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION SYSTEMS

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: ALLOWS IN-ROUTE EMERGENCY CALL VEHICLES SUCH AS EMS, FIRE DEPARTMENT & LAW ENFORCEMENT TO RESPOND WITH ASSISTANCE GREEN LIGHT TRAFFIC SIGNALS. THIS WILL PROTECT BOTH LAW ENFORCEMENT & THE PUBLIC FROM POTENTIAL CRASHES.

DON CHAPMAN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

[Signature]

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Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: CRAIG GAGNON Signature: [Signature]

Print Name: Signature:

Print Name: Signature:



MAY 13, 2026

REPRESENTATIVE DON CHAPMAN

SC House District 8
436D Blatt Bldg.
Columbia 29201

RE: Anderson County EVP Systems Program

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE CHAPMAN:

Anderson County has been awarded a \$529,000 grant from USDOT's Safe Streets for All (SS4A) program. The money will fund a demonstration project which will result in installation of Emergency Vehicle Preemption (EVP) systems on first responder vehicles. EVP systems allow emergency vehicles to override traffic control systems, lessening the risk of a collision involving an emergency vehicle and a distracted or inattentive motorist at a signalized intersection. The SS4A grant will allow us to install these systems at 14 intersections and in 25 first responder vehicles.

We request legislative funding to allow us to install EVP systems on an **additional 13 emergency vehicles and at 7 additional intersections. Funding is also requested to cover the local required grant match of \$140,000.**

Please note that the County and other project partners will be assuming long-term costs and responsibilities related to system maintenance, training, etc. See attached budget and news release. We view this as an important public safety initiative which will yield positive results for the community as well as our critical first responders.

If you need to contact me, I can be reached by email to snewton@andersoncountysc.org or by phone to (864) 353-0967. We appreciate your willingness to participate with us in this important public safety initiative.

SINCERELY,

STEVE NEWTON | GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

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**COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROJECT BUDGET
ANDERSON COUNTY EVP SYSTEMS PROOGRAM**

ITEM	QTY.	UNIT	SUBTOTAL	TOTAL
EVP for First Responder Vehicles	13	ea.	\$ 8,461.54	\$ 110,000
EVP for Traffic Signals	7	ea.	\$ 21,428.57	\$ 150,000
Matching fund assistance for \$569,600 USDOT SS4A Grant	1	20% of Fed. Project total	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 140,000
GRAND TOTAL				\$ 400,000



***Anderson County Awarded \$529,600 "Safe Streets for All" Grant
from U.S. Department of Transportation***

February 23, 2026 — Anderson County has been awarded a second Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The \$529,600 grant follows a \$200,000 grant awarded in 2023 to develop a Safety Action Plan. The Safety Action Plan identified the need to support our first responders in performing their duties in a safe and timely manner.

While in route to an emergency call or transporting a patient, our EMS personnel, volunteer and career firefighters, and sheriff's deputies are protected only by their lights and sirens. Our first responders report close calls on a weekly basis. Similarly, for crash victims in transport to a hospital or trauma center, every minute counts in the "golden hour" from the time of trauma to the time of treatment.

To support the Safety Action Plan, the \$529,600 award will be used by Anderson County to pilot emergency vehicle preemption (EVP) systems and evaluate before-and-after crash and operational outcomes. EVP interrupts the normal operations at a traffic signal to provide a green signal for approaching emergency vehicles provide a clear path without conflicts, so emergency vehicles are not having to run a 'red' light. EVP systems consist of equipment that resides on emergency response vehicles that typically activate when lights and sirens are in use.

Anderson County is one of only nine announced grant recipients in South Carolina.

"This is the kind of program that will save lives—no doubt about it. Based on my years in the volunteer fire service, I can tell you that every second truly counts, and these EVP systems will allow our first responders to offer help more quickly and in a safer manner."—Tommy Dunn, Anderson County Council Chair

"As Chair of the council's Public Safety Committee and a Volunteer Fire Chief, I am thankful for the opportunity to bring EVP systems into our community. These systems will help protect first responders, their patients, and motorists. This program will be of great benefit to our whole community."—Greg Elgin, Council District Three

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Project/Event Name: ARMORED SWAT VEHICLE

Requested Amount: \$ 332,800

Recipient Entity: CITY OF ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain:

Entity Contact: JAMES STEWART Title/Position: CHIEF OF POLICE

Phone Number: Email: JSTEWART@CITYOFANDERSONSC.COM

Entity Website: WWW.ANDERSONSCPD.COM County Location: ANDERSON

Intended Use of the Funds: REPLACE A 1992 PASSENGER VAN CURRENTLY BEING USE FOR SWAT RESPONSE WITH A NEW ARMORED VEHICLE.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: THE CURRENT BEING USED BY A.P.D. FOR SWAT OPERATIONS IS MORE THAN 32 YRS. OLD. DUE TO ITS AGE, LACK OF SAFETY FOR OFFICERS AND MECHANICAL CONDITION IT HAS BECOME UNRELIABLE TO TRANSPORT OFFICERS SAFELY DURING TACTICAL AND HIGH RISK SITUATIONS.

DON CHAPMAN

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The City of Anderson Police Department
401 South Main Street
Anderson, SC 29624-2301
Phone: 864-231-2272
Fax: 864-260-4615



Jim Stewart, Chief of Police

March 2, 2026

The Honorable Don Chapman
South Carolina House of Representatives

Representative Chapman,

I hope this letter finds you well as you prepare for the upcoming holiday season. Thank you for your continued thoughtfulness and support regarding the critical needs of the City of Anderson Police Department. I sincerely appreciate your willingness to consider resources that enhance our ability to protect the citizens of Anderson.

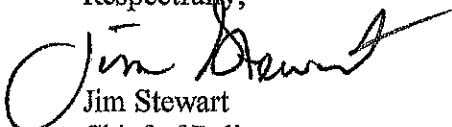
As discussed, our department has a significant need for an armored response vehicle. With the alarming rise in mass shootings and the increasing frequency of active shooter incidents nationwide, it is essential that law enforcement agencies are properly equipped to respond effectively to these high-risk events, as well as other tactical operations involving armed suspects. An armored vehicle would provide critical protection for officers and civilians during SWAT deployments, hostage situations, and other dangerous encounters.

To assist in your review, I have attached the following documents:

- SWAT Vehicle Proposal
- ADLSC Anderson PD SC Price Proposal
- Local Government Cooperative Contracts
- Lenco Sole Source Specifications
- Lenco Sole Source Letter

Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information is needed or if any clarification would be helpful. We are grateful for your attention to this important matter and for your continued commitment to public safety in our community.

Respectfully,


Jim Stewart
Chief of Police

Problem Statement

The City of Anderson Police Department is comprised of 114 full time certified officers and has a critical need for an armored response vehicle to safely respond to hostile situations, rescue civilians, conduct crisis negotiations, and provide emergency medical assistance. The vehicle will also serve as a safe and secure command post. Due to numerous mass shooting events in recent years, it is extremely important for law enforcement agencies to be equipped with the tools needed to handle active shooter incidents. Currently, the city must request assistance from the Anderson County Sheriff's Office. The SWAT team had utilized a 1992 Ford F250 eight-passenger van that is now out of commission and non-drivable. Today, violent offenders, especially mass shooters, have been utilizing assault rifles to carry out their heinous crimes. Therefore, the officers and innocent civilians in the city of Anderson would be at the mercy of an offender carrying an assault rifle. To fully understand the need for a new armored response vehicle, the crime in the city of Anderson needs to be fully examined along with the current capabilities of the City of Anderson Police Department SWAT Team.

The City of Anderson Police Department is located within a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) per the Office of National Drug Control Policy. The department has a full-time task force officer (TSO) on the Drug Enforcement Administration Force as well as a part time TSO on the Homeland Security Task Force and the United States Secret Service.

The City of Anderson Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics Team consist of 10 operators, 2 designated marksmen, and a law enforcement certified tactical medic. The SWAT Team provides critical incident response to an average of 32,000 residents. The population on any given day can swell to 75,000 with the most recent annexations and daily visitors in the city of Anderson and numerous high-profile locations within the jurisdictional boundaries which include the Anderson County Courthouse, Ross Anderson Federal Courthouse, AnMed Medical Center and the AnMed Health Campus (largest employer in Anderson County), and 10 public schools. Anderson University is also located within the city limits with a student population with over 4,000 students, and the campus does employ seven certified law enforcement personnel. Clemson University is also located within 15 miles of the City of Anderson. The City of Anderson is a strategic partner for on campus events to include sports, major events and protests. The city has provided extra manpower to include uniformed officers and the Shied Team.

In addition to these facilities, the City of Anderson Police Department is currently participating in numerous Mutual Aid Agreements with surrounding municipalities in the tenth judicial circuit, adjoining counties, universities, including a comprehensive response to an incident or accident which may occur at the Duke Energy owned Oconee Nuclear Station. The officers on the SWAT Team are highly trained and combined have over 4,000 hours of dedicated emergency response training in SWAT operations, officer rescue, critical incident response, crisis negotiation, active shooter response, fugitive manhunt/tracking, CBRNE (chemical,

biological, radiological, nuclear) awareness, CBRNE tactical operations, and commanding tactical operations. The City of Anderson Police Department is also a founding member of the annual Upstate South Carolina training exercise known as Upstate Shield. This training exercise combines the resources of 17 local, state, and federal agencies to conduct hostage scenarios involving armed suspects. The hands-on drills are designed to assist officers in learning how to properly respond to these incidents.

The SWAT team is highly trained; however, they do not have the vehicle needed to respond properly and safely to these highly critical incidents. On most critical incident activations, the responsible party has access to firearms and other weapons. It is also common for members of the community that we serve to possess high powered rifles that can penetrate the existing ballistic protection of the response vehicle. South Carolina has no laws regulating the use of assault weapons by the public. Preliminary 2025 figures from the National Fraternal Order of Police show that 314 officers were shot in the line of duty, and 43 lost their lives, highlighting the persistent and deadly risks faced by law enforcement officers. The research has shown that military-style assault weapons are also increasingly being used against law enforcement by drug dealers and gang members. An updated response vehicle with rifle ballistic armor will allow the SWAT team to rescue a substantial number of victims as well as the ability to provide a platform for special weapons personnel to neutralize the threats to first responders and citizens. Properly equipped response vehicles can be utilized to evacuate citizens that are in harm's way due to an active shooter situation as evidenced in the recent fatal shooting of first responders in a neighborhood in Florence, South Carolina. The SWAT Team responds to an average of 24 incidents a year; however, with recent critical shooting incidents in the city of Anderson — including the October 12, 2025, Truth Bar and Grill shooting in which two people were killed and three others were injured this number could increase. The police department has General Orders concerning use of city operated emergency vehicles which accompanies this documentation – General Order 1503.3 Emergency Vehicle Operations. The Special Operations Division Captain will maintain records of required annual training detailing training of General Orders, operational and technical training, and scenario-based training with specialized vehicles.





Violent crimes which include murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault have always been high in the city of Anderson. The attached uniform crime report will show increase in Homicide and Robbery for violent crime in FY26 and affecting the three year trend.

Crime Statistics for week ending 12/7/25						
	YTD			3 yr YTD trend		
	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% CHANGE	YTD 2025	3 YEAR YTD AVG	% CHANGE
Violent Crimes						
Homicide*	4	2	100%	4	3	33%
Rape	27	36	-25%	27	43	-37%
Robbery	24	19	26%	24	23	4%
Aggravated Assault	131	140	-6%	131	183	-28%
Total Violent Crime	186	197	-6%	186	252	-26%
Property Crimes						
Burglary / B&E	136	155	-12%	136	176	-23%
Larceny	1125	1497	-25%	1125	1469	-23%
Auto Theft	80	129	-38%	80	163	-51%
Total Property Crime	1341	1781	-25%	1341	1808	-26%
Total Part 1 Crime	1527	1978	-23%	1527	2060	-26%

Statistics are based on the date reported. These statistics account for multiple offenses connected to one report. This is not an official offense count as defined by NIBRS.

Every contact that a police officer has with a suspect or perpetrator while investigating a crime or suspicious behavior has the potential to develop into a violent confrontation and develop into a critical incident needing emergency response.

Conclusion

Due to the increasing violence of weapon related homicides and robberies in the city of Anderson and the abundance of assault rifles in the hands of the public, the City of Anderson Police Department has a critical need for an armored response vehicle. Due to numerous mass shooting events in recent years, it is extremely important for law enforcement agencies to be equipped with the tools needed to handle active shooter incidents. Unfortunately, the City of Anderson Police Department is unable to provide this protection to our officers and citizens without the assistance of outside funding. Currently, the SWAT team vehicle is out of commission, a 1992 Ford F250 eight-passenger van (pictured). Violent offenders, especially mass shooters, have been utilizing pistols and assault rifles to carry out their heinous crimes. Therefore, the officers and innocent civilians in the city of Anderson would be at the mercy of an offender carrying an assault rifle. The vehicles will be utilized by the police department to safely respond to hostile situations, rescue civilians, conduct crisis negotiations, and provide emergency medical assistance. The vehicle will also serve as a safe and secure command post. The vehicle will be housed in a bay provided by the Anderson Fire Department for safety and security.

The City of Anderson Police Department requests consideration for a 2025 Lenco Bearcat armored vehicle with funding from the State of South Carolina as a sole source purchase. Currently the city has only been awarded the (1) HMMWV truck utility (pictured) under the 1033 program in the State of South Carolina. This is only a transport vehicle and provides no protection. The police department has not been denied from an application to a Federal Agency for any type of equipment within the last three years. The City of Anderson has a Public Works maintenance division that regularly services vehicle equipment. The police department has an active auto operating expense account that can offset the cost of regular maintenance such as fluid, brake, tire, and other routine maintenance. The application has the support of the City Manager of the governing body. The police department has not been found to be a violation of a Federal civil rights statute or programmatic term during the past three years. Attached is the quote from Lenco and Sole Source documentation.

James S. Stewart
Chief
City of Anderson Police Department



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Quotation 111502

Customer Code: ADLSC

Quotation Date: 12/15/25

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Bill To

Anderson Police Department
401 S. Main St
Anderson, SC 29624 USA

Ship To

Anderson Police Department
401 S. Main St
Anderson, SC 29624 USA

Payment Terms	Shipping Terms	Ship Via
Net 30 Days	FOB: Destination	Common Carrier
Estimated Completion	Lenco Contact	Inspection & Acceptance
18 Months (+ or -) ARO	Jim Massery	At Lenco's Facility, Pittsfield, MA

Item:	Product #	Qty	Unit Price	Total
Vehicle configuration	4912			
Lenco BearCat	BC55003-BASE	1	\$278,880.00	\$278,880.00
Options:				
LED White & Blue	LED_WHITE_BLUE	1		
Exterior Paint Color: Lusterless Black	LUSTERLESS_BLACK	1		
G2 Core Package	G2CORE	1	\$60,691.00	\$60,691.00
Package Discount	DISC	1	-\$15,000.00	-\$15,000.00
Diesel Engine, 6.7L Turbo	BCDLEN	1		
4-Door Configuration	BC4DR	1		
(1) 7" Vertical GunPort Upgrade	BCGP7	8		
Rear A/C - Heating System: High Capacity Upgrade	BCHACUP	1		
Hydraulic Front Mounted Receiver with Ram Post and Plate	BCHYDRAM	1		
Draco Prep Package	BCDRACOPREP	1		
Roof Mounted Remote Control Spot Light - LED	BCSLLED	2		
High Intensity Driving Lights in Front Bumper	BCHIDL	1		
Battery Trickle Charger	BCTC	1		
Intercom System Inside to Outside	BCINT	1		
Armored Oil Pan Guard	BCAOPG	1	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
5 Pack Mag Kit	BCMAGKIT	1	\$975.00	\$975.00
Configuration Subtotal:				\$327,796.00
BEARCAT - G2 Core Configuration	G2CORE	1	\$327,796.00	\$327,796.00
Freight Out - SWAT	FREIGHTOUT-VEHICLE	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Net Total				\$332,796.00

Notes:

North Carolina Sheriff's Association (NCSA) - Fire/EMS/Law Enforcement Specialty Vehicles Contract Number: 25-05-0521 Current Option Period End Date: June 17, 2026

WARNING: Information Subject to Export Control Laws

The written approval of the Directorate of US Defense Trade Controls and Lenco Industries, Inc. must be obtained before reselling, transferring, transshipping or disposing of a defense article to any end user, end use or destination other than as stated on this Lenco quote or the shipper's export declaration in cases where an exemption is claimed under this subchapter ITAR 123.9(A).

Acceptance of this quotation or entering into a purchase agreement with Lenco, the purchaser agrees to Lenco's full Terms and Conditions of Sale, available upon request. This quote will be valid for 60 days.

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL

Authorized

Signature: _____

Please sign and return

Authorized

Signature: James Massery
Jim Massery

Thank you



Cooperative Purchasing Contracts

Lenco Direct Cooperative Contracts

1. GSA Federal Acquisition Service – Multiple Award Schedule

Contract Number: GS-07F-169DA

Current Option Period End Date: August 22, 2026

Important Links:

[Lenco GSA eLibrary Link](#)

[1122 Program Link](#)

2. H-GAC – Ambulances, EMS, and Other Special Service Vehicles

Contract Number: AM10-23

Current Option Period End Date: September 30, 2027

Important Links:

[HGACBuy Contract Link](#)

3. North Carolina Sheriff's Association (NCSA) – Fire/EMS/Law Enforcement Specialty Vehicles

Contract Number: 25-05-0521

Current Option Period End Date: June 17, 2026

Important Links:

[NCSA Contract Link](#)

4. Howard County, MD Office of Procurement and Contract Administration – New Vehicles, Class 1 – 7

Contract Number: 4400004548

Current Option Period End Date: June 30, 2026

Important Links:

[Howard County, MD Current Awards and Contracts Link](#)

[Current Contracts Link](#)

5. State of Iowa – Specialty Vehicles: Armored Rescue Vehicle

Contract Number: 005-RFB-0437-2023 / 23202B

Current Option Period End Date: August 31, 2026

Important Links:

[Iowa Department of Administrative Services Link](#)

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Lenco Reseller Cooperative Contracts

****Reseller may add additional fees up to a negotiated maximum amount or percentage to the price of your purchase.
Call for details.**

6. US Communities (OMNIA Partners) – Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness

Contract Number: 4400008468
Current Option Period End Date: September 30, 2028
Lead Agency: County of Fairfax, Virginia
Lead Contractor: Safeware, Inc.
Important Links:

[US Communities / OMNIA Partners Contract Link](#)

Contract Number: 159469
Current Option Period End Date: April 1, 2027
Lead Agency: Port of Portland, Oregon
Lead Contractor: Safeware, Inc.

7. Sourcewell – Public Procurement Cooperative Purchasing: Public Safety and Emergency Management

Contract Number: 080922-SAF
Current Option Period End Date: October 7, 2027
Lead Contractor: Safeware, Inc.
Important Links:

[Sourcewell Public Safety and Emergency Management Contract](#)

8. US Communities (OMNIA Partners) – Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness

Contract Number: 4400008495
Current Option Period End Date: September 30, 2028
Lead Agency: County of Fairfax, Virginia
Lead Contractor: Mallory Safety and Supply, LLC
Important Links:

[US Communities / OMNIA Partners Mallory Contract Link](#)

Contract Number: 159498
Current Option Period End Date: April 1, 2026
Lead Agency: Port of Portland, Oregon
Lead Contractor: Mallory Safety and Supply, LLC

9. New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (Bergen County Co-Op) – Catalog / SWAT Equipment

Contract Number: Master Contract Number CK04 BC-Bid-#24-62 (COOP)
Current Option Period End Date: December 3, 2026
Lead Agency: County of Bergen, NJ
Lead Contractors: Tomahawk Strategic Solutions
Important Links:

[Bergen County Co-Op Contract Link](#)

10. TIPS - The Interlocal Purchasing System

Contract Number: 240901 (Transportation Vehicles)
Current Option Period End Date: November 30, 2027
Important Links:

[TIPS - The Interlocal Purchasing System](#)

11. TX SmartBuy - Vehicle 5501

Contract Number: 070-M1 / IFB 304T-23T070A1
Current Option Period End Date: November 30, 2025
Important Links:

[TX SmartBuy Contracts Link](#)

September 15, 2025

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Phone: 413-443-7359

DATE: September 12, 2025

RE: Sole Source Specifications for the Lenco BearCat

Lenco BearCat Key Features, Testing and Certifications

Armor Protection

- Armor Panels constructed of Certified Mil-Spec Steel
- Vertical Armor Panels are .50 inch thick, one-piece solid construction from the front of the vehicle to the rear of the vehicle
- Gunports and all surrounding armor protection, including backup armor, is .50 inch thick.
- Proprietary welding technique utilized in sidewall, floor and roof construction
- Armored hood, radiator protection, fuel tank, exterior lighting armor backup, inner fender armor, door and window pocket armor backup
- Department of the Army, U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center – Ballistic Certification for armor plate used in every BearCat manufactured
- Independent Third-Party Testing to the following threats / ballistic standards: EN 1063 BR7, NIJ IV, STANAG 4569 Level 2, .50 CAL M2 Multi-Hit, .50 CAL M33 Multi-Hit, DM51x2 Hand Grenades, DM31 Anti-Personnel Mine, M67x2 Hand Grenades, 20mm FSP, V50 (BL) P Ballistic Test

Mobility & Automotive Safety

- 126" – 135" Wheelbase
- Custom-tuned suspension, including shocks, springs, bump stops, front and rear sway bars, track bar and radius arms
- Proprietary OEM Frame-to-Body construction
- Department of the Army, U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center, Aberdeen Proving Grounds – Automotive Performance Testing to the following standards:
 - Test Operating Procedures (TOP)
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Reference Mobility Model (NRMM)

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- NATO Allied Vehicle Testing Publication (AVTP)
 - Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)
- Human Factors Integration - Safety Assessment Review (SAR)
 - Fort Knox, KY
 - Fort Belvoir, VA
- National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA), Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance (OVSC), Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) Compliance Testing
 - Center of Gravity Test
 - FMVSS 105 – Hydraulic Brake Test
 - FMVSS 206 – Door Locks and Door Retention Test
 - FMVSS 207 – Seating Systems
 - FMVSS 210 – Seat Belt Anchorages
 - FMVSS 302 – Flammability of Interior Components
- National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA), Member Tested and Recommended Certification
 - 2003 Certification
 - 2020 Re-Certification
- U.S. Air Force Air Transportability Test Loading Activity (ATTLA) – Air Transportation Certification
 - Lockheed C-5 Galaxy
 - Boeing C-17 Globemaster III
 - Lockheed C-130 Hercules

Tactical Features

- Patented, zero gravity counter balanced & rotating roof hatch system
- Height-adjustable gunner stand with removable / serviceable design - *US Patent No. 11,561,060 B1*, granted to Lenco on 01/24/2023
- Automatic Door Lock-Out (side doors) with single tap release
- Welded Running Boards rated to hold 3,000 lbs. at each side & 2,500 lbs. on rear
- Occupant situational awareness
- 390 square feet of interior space
- 2-Piece Bumper-integrated hydraulic entry bars with attachments for Audio / Video, Chemical Deployment, and Water Deployment
- Roof Mounted Water Nozzle with internal joystick controls
- Bumper Mounted Water Nozzle with internal joystick controls
- Vehicle-Integrated On-Board SCBA System
- Tactical EMS interior layout, workstation, medical cabinet, oxygen storage and trauma lighting
- 68 Gallon Single Fuel Cell
- 40" Water Fording Package with Independent 3rd Party Testing

Service, Reliability & Interoperability

- Commercial Chassis common to government fleet
- Commercial Chassis Warranty and Service history at nearly 160+ Authorized Ford Service Centers across the United States

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- Ford OEM Warranty
- 3 Year Lenco Warranty
- Operational and Support Cost: Average cost of \$558 USD per 10,000 miles of operation
- Reliability, Availability and Maintainability (RAM): 24,906 mean miles between repair, 1.3 hours mean time to repair and 98% operational readiness
- Interoperability with hundreds of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies across the United States; reduces training cost and limits response time in joint operations
- Lenco Refurbishment Program – (4) individual ‘Schedules’ of refurbishment work that address Ford chassis components, Lenco components, paint and upgrades.
- Lenco Trade-In Program – End-of-Life vehicles can be traded-in to Lenco for value against the acquisition of a new or used model vehicle.

Designer and Manufacturer of Tactical Armored Security Vehicles

10 Betnr Industrial Drive · Pittsfield, MA 01201 · Tel (413) 443-7359 · Fax (413) 445-7865

www.LencoArmor.com · e-mail: Info@LencoArmor.com



SOLE SOURCE LETTER

Lenco Industries, Inc.
10 Betnr Industrial Drive
Pittsfield, MA, 01201
E-mail: Contracting@LencoArmor.com
Phone: 413-443-7359

DATE: September 12, 2025

RE: Sole Source Letter for the Lenco BearCat

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms that Lenco Industries Inc. (d/b/a Lenco Armored Vehicles), as designer and manufacturer, is the **Sole Source** provider of the following products in the United States and internationally:

- **Lenco BEAR®**
- **Lenco BearCat®**
- **Lenco BombCat®**
- **Lenco MedCat™**
- **Lenco FireCat™**

Additionally, these Lenco products, their specifications, manufacturing techniques and marketing materials are proprietary and are protected by copyrights, trademarks, service marks, patents, nondisclosure agreements, noncompete agreements and exclusive supply agreements; in whole or in part.

There are no other items or products available that offer identical functionality or performance characteristics, and Lenco determines the prices for the above-named products to be fair and reasonable because of pre-competed federal and state supply schedules controlled by exclusive distribution.

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 6.302-1 – “Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements” is the statutory authority permitting this Sole Source government procurement.

Further, the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 2, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards establishes government-wide requirements for federal grants and cooperative agreements. Under the Uniform Guidance, a non-Federal entity that receives a federal award must “provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States.” See 2 C.F.R. § 200.322. If the non-Federal entity fails to do so, the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity may sanction a non-compliant recipient of funds.

In summary, Lenco Armored Vehicles, based in the United States, is the only manufacturer or authorized dealer of the Lenco BearCat, its variants or its equivalent.

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Project/Event Name: ATTACK FIRE TRUCKRequested Amount: \$ 150,850Recipient Entity: TOWNVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENTThe entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, Non-Profit, or X OtherIf **Other**, please explain: VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTEntity Contact: MARK BRYANT Title/Position: ASST. FIRE CHIEFPhone Number: Email: Entity Website: County Location: ANDERSONIntended Use of the Funds: REPLACE A 16 YR. OLD ATTACK TRUCK CHASSIS
WITH A NEW CHASSIS THEN REMOUNT THE SERVICE BODY.Justification of Request / Public Benefit: THE DEPARTMENTS PRIMARY ATTACK TRUCK IS 16 YRS. OLD,
NEARLY THE END OF ITS USEFUL SERVICE LIFE, YET RESPOND TO THE MAJORITY OF THE CALLS
REPLACING THE CHASSIS WITH A NEW 4-WHEEL DRIVE UNIT & REMOUNTING THE EXISTING SERVICE
BODY WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE RELIABILITY, REDUCE COST OF MAINTENANCE, AND ENHANCE
ACCESS TO EMERGENCY SCENES IN THE RURAL AND DIFFICULT TERRAIN.DON CHAPMAN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Don Chapman

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House SponsorsPrint Name: CRAIG GAGNON Signature: Craig GagnonPrint Name: WILLIAM R. WHITMIRE Signature: William R. WhitmirePrint Name: Signature:

Townville Volunteer Fire Department
PO Box 70
Townville, SC 29689

February 12, 2026

Representative Don Chapman
SC House District 8
436D Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29601

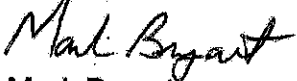
Representative Chapman,

The Townville VFD would like to thank you for your past support, and we thank you for your service to the citizens of SC House District 8. Currently, we are in the need of replacing our "Attack Truck". This particular apparatus responds to nearly 100% of our calls and is very versatile. It responds as our first truck out to vehicle accidents, brush fires, medical calls, and hazardous conditions such as power lines down. It is 4 wheel drive, seats 4, carries 400 gallons of water and has a 375 gallon per minute pump. The truck contains extrication equipment, attack lines for fire suppression, supply hose, gas meters, traffic safety equipment, wildfire complements, medical bags, and an AED to name a few. It could (and has) been also used to fight vehicle fires, and even structure fires in remote access locations and in winter weather where our larger Class A engines cannot make it to the scene. Furthermore, its smaller size and maneuverability allows our younger and newer members to still respond in a smaller apparatus as they continue to adjust to the fire service and upgrade to driving larger and heavier apparatus. Our current truck over 16 years old and is reaching its life expectancy as a first out apparatus. Instead of requesting financial support for an entire new apparatus, we are requesting assistance in the purchase of a new chassis and remounting of current body to save money. We have obtained a quote (please see attachment) for this remount process with a few upgrades (such as cab controlled bumper turret) to further the capabilities of the truck and our department's response model. The total cost of this project is \$150,848.87

With the addition of this upgraded apparatus, we will be able to continue providing ample coverage to our citizens utilizing our busiest piece of apparatus. We appreciate the opportunity to provide this request to you, and look forward to hearing back from you.

If you need anything further, please let me know.

Thank you,



Mark Bryant
Asst. Chief
Townville VFD



Quote

#EST47977

1/16/2026

5031 Highway 153 Easley, SC 29642

Bill To

Billy McAdams
Townville Fire Department
PO Box 70
Townville SC 29689
United States

Ship To

Billy McAdams
Townville Fire Department
PO Box 70
Townville SC 29689
United States

TOTAL

\$150,848.87

Expires: 3/15/2026

Expires

3/15/2026

Sales Rep**Partner****Shipping Method**

Quantity	Item	Comments	Price	Extended Price
	Description			
	Re-chassis current unit with Ford F-550 crew cab 4X4. Adding a front cab control turret.			
1	Apparatus Service Parts Ford F-550 crew cab 4X4. Ford Red		\$74,000.00	\$74,000.00
6	Apparatus Service Parts Remove and install wheels and tires. Dismount and remount tires from wheels. Wheels powder coated black.		\$400.00	\$2,400.00
1	Apparatus Service Labor Disconnect wiring from body. Disconnect plumbing. Remove what is required to Remove body. Install body onto new chassis and reconnect.			\$10,750.00
1	Apparatus Service Labor Fabricate aluminum center console painted black. Center console is to be mounted in the cab floor between the driver and passenger seat. Cut outs for Radios, light controllers, joy stick for monitor, remote start and stop, and remote throttle control for pump.			\$3,314.20
3	App Service Labor Remove center seat between Driver and officer seats. Install center console.		\$195.00	\$585.00
1	Apparatus Service Labor Install roof mounted Whelen light bar. Build wiring harness and install.			\$3,453.00
1	Apparatus Service Labor Install 2 whelen 400 Red/Red lens on left and right front fenders back of fender wells. Build wiring harness and install.			\$1,376.00
1	Apparatus Service Labor Install Whelen HHS 4206 controller. All lights for new chassis and existing body will be wired to controller			\$2,474.70
1	Apparatus Service Parts Add Whelen SA315P Composite Speaker			\$607.00
6	App Service Labor Remove and install 2 radios and speakers. Radio and speaker to be mounted to center console. Remove and install radio antennas.		\$195.00	\$1,170.00





5031 Highway 153 Easley, SC 29642

Quote

#EST47977

1/16/2026

Quantity	Item	Comments	Price	Extended Price
1	Apparatus Service Labor Install Ranch hand bumper and guard.			\$5,912.60
1	Apparatus Service Labor Install Warn Zeon 12000 LB winch. 80' of synthetic cable			\$2,428.49
1	Apparatus Service Labor install An Akron # 3462, Forestry Bumper Turret painted red. Due to existing 1 ½ discharge at the front of the body, modifications may be need for supplying turret. The bumper turret will be mounted on the officer's side of the bumper extension and elevated so the middle of the turret is approximately equal with the hood. Add: Adjustable Flow Nozzle with flat dispersion pattern, adjustable 30 to 125 gpm Add: Proportional joystick positioned for operation by both driver and officer, 60350009 Add: All additional components and plumbing for supplying turret from existing pump.			\$26,954.00
1	Apparatus Service Parts GRAPHICS: - Townville District will be placed on front cab doors. - Maltese cross will be placed on rear cab doors. - Place 6" black scotchlite striping with 1" stripe on each side of 6". Striping to be straight on bottom portion of cab. Striping to continue onto body as a hockey puck design Remove: existing white striping on each side of body. Add: Wrap the top half of the cab in black scotchlite. Wrap will start at the forward post on cab and continue up.			\$7,800.00
Subtotal				\$143,224.99
Tax				\$7,623.88
Total				\$150,848.87



House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Tanker Fire Truck

Requested Amount: \$ 700,000

Recipient Entity: Double Springs Fire Department

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☒ Other

If **Other**, please explain: Volunteer Fire Department

Entity Contact: Terry Vaughan Title/Position: Chief

Phone Number: _____ Email: tvaughan@scfd.org

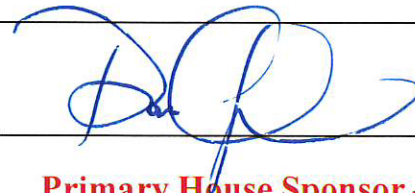
Entity Website: www.acfd.org County Location: Anderson

Intended Use of the Funds: To replace the department's decommissioned tanker and replace it with a new 3,000 gallon water tanker truck.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Double Springs Fire department serves a rural area with a very limited hydrant access. Its tanker was decommissioned two years ago due to age and safety concern, leaving the department without a reliable water source and dependent on neighboring stations. This new tanker will restore the department's ability, prolong water during emergencies and improve response effectiveness for the community it serves

Don Chapman

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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Craig Gagnon

Signature: _____



Print Name: William R. Whitmire

Signature: _____



Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Double Springs Fire Department
2601 Old Dobbins Bridge Rd
Townville SC 29689
Chief Terry Vaughan

Good Day

Double Springs Fire Department is an all-volunteer station in Anderson County SC. We are a small department with only 25 members and we serve a mostly rural area around the lake Harwell area. We are funded by the county of Anderson with only 46 thousand dollars a year to use for fuel for the trucks the county buys for us and also to buy turn out gear. We rely on fund raisers to earn extra money.

Last year we put in for a FEMA grant in hope of getting a New Tanker, but that did not happen so I am hoping you all can help this community with this.

The old tanker we had is out of service due to age and maintains problems, that was depleting our budget. So, we sold it. We are very much in need for a 3000-gallon tanker for this area due to only having a hand full of hydrants to serves this area. With all the hydrants being on the same main road in the Double Springs area on Old Dobbins Bridge Rd. I am asking for your help to grant me 700 thousand dollars in order for us to buy a Tanker for this area so we can better serve this community.

Included I have a quote from a dealer of what our tanker would cost.

Thank you for reading any help will be greatly helpful

Chief Terry Vaughan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chief T. Vaughan", written in a cursive style.



Office: 864-582-2376 • Fax: 864-582-2377 • Email: jledbetter@spartanfire.com

Jason Ledbetter

THIS ESTIMATE EXPIRES AFTER MAY 20, 2026

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: MINI-PUMPER FIRE RESPONSE TRUCK

Requested Amount: \$ 165,500

Recipient Entity: ZION VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, Non-Profit, or X Other

If **Other**, please explain: VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Entity Contact: DANIEL GARRETT Title/Position: BOARD CHAIRMAN

Phone Number: Email: DANIELGARRETTO@PICKENSRAILWAY.COM

Entity Website: ACFD.ORG County Location: ANDERSON

Intended Use of the Funds: TO PURCHASE NEW MINI-PUMPER RESPONSE TRUCK TO
REPLACE TWO VEHICLES (GRASS & RESCUE) THAT ARE AT THE END OF SERVICE LIFE.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: THIS MINI-PUMPER FIRE RESPONSE TRUCK
WILL REPLACE TWO AGING UNITS THAT HAVE BECOME COSTLY TO MAINTAIN
& INSURE. THIS NEW UNIT WILL GREATLY REDUCE COST AND ALLOW FOR
A MORE RELIABLE SERVICE TRUCK FOR THE COMMUNITY.

DON CHAPMAN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

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Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: CHRIS GARNON Signature: Chris Garnon

Print Name: WILLIAM R. WHITMIRE Signature: William R. Whitmire

Print Name: Signature:

Zion Fire Department
5503 Hix Road
Anderson, SC 29625

February 20, 2026

The Honorable Don Chapman
Post Office Box 11867
Columbia, S.C. 29211-1867

Dear Representative Chapman,

The members and Board of Directors of the Zion Fire Department extend our sincere appreciation for your continued support of the First Responders who serve your district. Since the mid-1960s, our department has worked diligently to protect our community while remaining fiscally responsible stewards of the funding entrusted to us by Anderson County and through local donations.

Our station currently operates a 2013 grass truck and a 2010 rescue truck. Both vehicles are approaching the end of their recommended NFPA service life, and maintaining two aging units has become increasingly costly. To ensure reliability and improve operational efficiency, we propose consolidating these units into a single mini-pumper-style response truck. This upgrade would reduce long-term maintenance and insurance expenses while preserving the services we provide to our constituents.

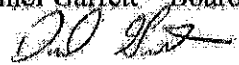
To support this essential transition, our volunteers and Board of Directors respectfully request \$165,500 to assist with the purchase of this new response vehicle. Based on chassis availability and manufacturer scheduling, we anticipate beginning the transition around November 1, 2026, with final production requiring approximately five to seven months barring unforeseen delays.

Your partnership in this effort would directly strengthen emergency response capabilities for the families and businesses in your district. We remain committed to serving our community with excellence and stand ready to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

Chad Crawford – Chief


Daniel Garrett – Board Chairman/FF


Smoke Detectors Save Lives! Change Your Batteries Twice a Year!



OnPoint Public Safety LLC
2533 River Road
PIEDMONT, SC 29673
(855) 508-7348
sales@onpt.us
onpt.us
CERTIFIED EVT TECHNICAN

Estimate #1287

Created: 02/20/2026 at 4:32PM
Payment Term: On Receipt
Service Writer: Stephen Baxley

ZION FIRE DEPARTMENT - ANDERSON COUNTY - SC
ZIONFIREDPT14@GMAIL.COM

Customer Comments

ONPOINT UPFITTERS WILL SOURCE AND BUILD A TURNKEY BRUSH TRUCK SOLUTION PER THE SPECS REQUIRED BY ZFD.

INCLUDED IN THIS QUOTE:

- 2025-2026 FORD F450-F550 CAB AND CHASSIS TRUCK - NEW
- RED PAINT COLOR
- 9FT CUSTOM FLAT BED WITH 2-4 UNDER BODY TOOL BOXES
- 300 GALLON SKID PUMPER SYSTEM WITH 150 ATTACK HOSE, HOSE BED TO ACCOMODATE 100 FT OF HOSE, 15-20HP GAS ENGINE
- FRONT GRILLE GUARD WITH 15K WINCH
- 360 DEGREE EMERGENCY LIGHTING PACKAGE WITH LIGHT BAR, PERIMETER LIGHTING, SCENE LIGHTING, CRUISE, PARK, COMMAND
- 400W / 4 SPEAKERS OF AUDIBLE EMERGENCY WARNING
- CUSTOM RAKE RACK AS REQUIRED
- GRAPHICS
- ALL LABOR AND UPFIT CHARGE TO SOURCE THE TRUCK, EQUIPMENT, INSTALLATION AND DELIVER FULLY READY FOR RESPONSE

AS LISTED IN DESCRIPTION - TURNKEY BRUSH TRUCK

Description	Subtotal
1 COMPLETED TRUCK	\$165,000.00
2 SC SALES TAX	\$500.00
Total: \$165,500.00	

Thank you for choosing OnPoint Upfitters! This is an estimate based on the details and equipment you have requested. Once you approve we will order the equipment needed to complete your installation.

Lifetime Warranty on our service, quality and labor - As long as the original purchasing agency maintains the vehicle, we will resolve any install related failures as long as you own the vehicle. The warranty of the product follows that manufacturers guidelines.

We will respond to your location within 5 hours of our shop for warranty failures within the first year of delivery. After year one, the client agency is responsible to bring the vehicles to our location for warranty resolution.

This shop charges a 3% credit card processing fee.

Subtotal	\$0.00
Shop Supplies	\$0.00
EPA	\$0.00
Fees	\$165,500.00
Tax	\$0.00
Grand Total	\$165,500.00
Paid to Date	(\$0.00)

REMAINING BALANCE \$165,500.00

Signature _____

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: VETERAN SUPPORT SERVICESRequested Amount: \$ 163,000Recipient Entity: ANDERSON COUNTY - VETERAN SUPPORT PROGRAMThe entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or OtherIf **Other**, please explain: Entity Contact: RUSTY BURNS Title/Position: ANDERSON COUNTY ADMINISTRATORPhone Number: Email: RBURN@ANDERSONCOUNTYSC.ORGEntity Website: WWW.ANDERSONCOUNTYSC.ORG County Location: ANDERSONIntended Use of the Funds: SUPPORT THROUGH VETERAN SERVICES UTILIZING VOLUNTEERS FOR PROGRAMS ASSISTING IN MENTAL HEALTH, ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS & LAWN PROGRAM.Justification of Request / Public Benefit: THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY VOLUNTEER VETERANS SUPPORT FELLOW VETERANS MUCH NEEDED MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, MEANINGFUL FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES ASSISTING WITH SUICIDE PREVENTION, LAWN PROGRAM, AND ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO VETERAN'S HOMES.DON CHAPMAN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Don Chapman

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House SponsorsPrint Name: CRAIG GAGNON Signature: Craig A. GagnonPrint Name: BLAKE SANDEN Signature: Blake SandenPrint Name: WILLIAM R. WHITMAN Signature: William R. Whitman



February 11, 2026

**REPRESENTATIVE DON CHAPMAN
SC HOUSE DISTRICT 8
VIA EMAIL**

RE: Veteran Support Program

DEAR REP. CHAPMAN:

Anderson County would like your assistance in a pilot program aimed at assisting our veterans who are in need. As you know, we are seeing increased rates of suicide, substance abuse, and homelessness among our veteran community. We feel that more can be done to support community efforts aimed at assisting those who served.

We would like to request a legislative grant in the amount of \$163,000 for a county-managed Veterans Support Program. We would partner with and make subgrants to qualified non-profits agencies such as Vets Helping Vets to offer assistance with the following identified needs:

- **Lawn Program:** Many veterans are of advanced age and/or disabled. They have trouble maintaining their lawns in an acceptable fashion, which leads to nuisance growth and contributes to blight. Currently, veteran support groups provide assistance as they can, but they use personal equipment and can't keep pace with the need. We request \$35,000 to provide funds for equipment and tools to qualified groups offering this service.
- **Accessibility Improvements:** Mobility-impaired veterans face barriers getting in and out of their homes. We request \$10,000 to support local accessibility initiatives.
- **Fellowship:** We recognize that investing in fellowship yields meaningful returns in the form of suicide prevention and mental wellness. We request \$27,000 to provide support for veteran-initiated fellowship activities.
- **Expanding Mental Health Support:** PTSD counseling saves lives. We request \$60,000 to provide 400 hours @ \$150 per hour of professional, licensed counseling for veterans with PTSD.

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Chairman, District 5

Chris Sullivan
Council District 1

Greg Elgin
Council District 3

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Clerk to Council

Rusty Burns | County Administrator
rburns@andersoncountysc.org



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- **Medical Appliances:** Existing local programs depend on donated used equipment, and even that is hard to come by. Used equipment can be refurbished, so we request \$20,000 for new batteries for wheelchairs and other supplies that would be used to assist veterans with physical challenges.
- **Food Assistance:** Local food card programs play a crucial role in assisting many of our vets who face food insecurity. By providing food cards, we help ensure veterans have access to nutritious meals and alleviate some of the financial burdens they may experience. We are requesting \$11,000 in this grant application to local food card distribution programs. This funding will enable us to support veterans in need, reinforcing our commitment to their well-being and stability.

The requests outlined here total \$163,000. We feel these assistance programs are well worth the investment in terms of lives saved and improved quality of life for those who served.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact me at (864) 844-5700, or by email to rburns@andersoncountysc.org if you have further questions.

SINCERELY,

RUSTY BURNS
ANDERSON COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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Rusty Burns | County Administrator
rburns@andersoncountysc.org



Vets Helping Vets Anderson
P.O. Box 265
Anderson, SC 29622

Dec 18, 2025

Don Chapman
341 Maret Rd.
Townville, SC 29689

**"To Assist Vets Back to a
Good Quality of Life"**

Jesse Taylor	Founder
Bob Robinson	XO
Brittney Murray	Treasurer
Jim Whiteside	Secretary
Larry Morelock	Adjutant

EIN # 81-5002427

Don:

Vets Helping Vets Anderson sincerely thanks you for this opportunity to present a grant request for \$163,000. This grant will allow South Carolina to utilize our organization to make a meaningful difference in the lives of veterans in the Anderson area.

We are a distinctive veterans organization, and our size, growth, and achievements suggest that we could serve as a model for future veterans organizations. The attached narrative contains several important sections, including our mission, an overview of our programs, our impact on the veteran community, and the specifics of this grant request.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. I can be reached at 864-245-0181. We welcome any opportunity to discuss this grant proposal.

Regards,

Jesse Taylor, Founder

Website:
www.vetshelpingvetsanderson.com

Facebook:
www.facebook.com/andersonvetshelpingvets/

email:
admin@vetshelpingvetsupstate.com

About Vets Helping Vets Anderson

Section 1: Our Mission and Growth

Our mission statement is: “To assist vets back to a good quality of life.” Vets Helping Vets Anderson (VHVA) is dedicated to serving veterans in Anderson County and the surrounding areas of South Carolina. Our organization operates with an all-veteran participation model, ensuring every aspect of our work—from planning to implementation—is focused on veterans and driven by their needs and experiences.

Since our humble beginnings in October 2014, VHVA has experienced eleven years of continuous growth. Throughout this period, we have evolved to meet the changing needs of our local veteran community, consistently adapting our programs and services to provide relevant and meaningful support.

VHVA is proud to be registered with the federal IRS as a qualified 501(c)(3) organization, which reflects our commitment to transparency and accountability while enabling us to further our mission in support of veterans.

Our Origins

VHVA was founded by fourteen Vietnam combat veterans who, after the Anderson VA Clinic discontinued its PTSD treatment program, came together as a self-help group. This initial gathering marked the start of an organization that has grown significantly in both size and impact.

Participation

Vets Helping Vets Anderson welcomes veterans who have received an honorable discharge to participate in our organization. We maintain minimal participation barriers: there are no dues required and no paid positions within our group. This ensures all eligible veterans can participate without financial obligations.

Since our founding, participation has grown significantly—from the original fourteen Vietnam combat veterans to a vibrant community of 450 veterans. Participation within our organization is strong and consistent. On a monthly basis, approximately 70% of these vets

attend at least one of our weekly meetings. This high level of engagement highlights the value and effectiveness of our programs, as well as the sense of community we foster among veterans in the area.

Looking Forward

Vets Helping Vets Anderson is grateful for the opportunity to share our achievements, current initiatives, and the potential for growth through grant support. Additional funding will allow us to expand our existing programs and develop new ways to serve Anderson County veterans, building on our proven track record as a leading veterans' organization in South Carolina.

Section 2: Overview of Our Veteran Support Programs

We are committed to providing meaningful assistance to veterans in our community through a range of practical support programs. These initiatives are designed to address everyday challenges faced by veterans, regardless of their status, and aim to improve their quality of life.

We invite you to learn more about the programs we currently offer to veterans in our community.

Lawn Maintenance Assistance for Veterans

One of our central programs offers lawn maintenance services to veterans who, for various life reasons, are unable to care for their own lawns. This support is available to any veteran in our service area who cannot or should not be maintaining their lawns, ensuring no veteran in need is left behind. We currently maintain 54 lawns which we cut twice monthly.

Our lawn maintenance assistance is particularly beneficial for older veterans, helping them remain in their homes without the burden of yard work. The program also provides temporary relief for veterans facing illness, hospitalization, or the loss of a spouse, allowing them to focus on recovery and well-being without worrying about home upkeep. By taking care of these essential tasks, we strive to deliver peace of mind and practical support during challenging times.

Access Ramp Construction

We also construct access ramps for veterans with physical disabilities which restrict their mobility and make it difficult to enter or exit their homes. This service is especially important for veterans who do not qualify for access ramps through the VA or other

organizations. By providing these ramps, we help ensure all veterans have greater independence and the ability to engage with the world outside their homes.

Food Assistance Program

To further support our associates, we offer food cards valued at \$50 to those who are unable to adequately stock their food pantry. This program operates in partnership with a local food store to ensure purchases made with the cards comply with the South Carolina SNAP program guidelines.

The food assistance initiative has received strong support from our associates and is managed by a dedicated group of active associates. It is limited to active VHVA associates to ensure proper oversight and effective delivery of aid.

Welfare Checks

We maintain a database that tracks the meeting attendance of all associates. One of the key metrics it follows is the number of associates who attend at least one meeting a month. Approximately 70% of our 450 associates meet this standard each month.

If the system identifies a member who has not attended a meeting for two consecutive months, that individual is flagged for a welfare check phone call. This process enables us to maintain regular contact and ensure the well-being and life safety of our associates.

Road Hogs Program

The Road Hogs program brings together community service and physical activity for our associates. Approximately 20 dedicated associates participate in this initiative, which allows them to engage in regular exercise while enjoying the camaraderie of fellow team members.

Each week, the Road Hogs select a different section of Anderson County roads to clean up. During these outings, they collectively pick up between 20 and 25 bags of trash. This effort not only provides associates with an opportunity for walking and fellowship but also makes a positive impact on the county and its residents by promoting a cleaner environment.

Transportation Support

While Anderson County Veterans Services offers an essential transportation program for veterans, our organization extends these efforts to further meet associates' needs. Many of our associates participate in carpooling, which not only conserves resources but also fosters connections among veterans. This shared travel experience serves as an important foundation for building fellowship within our group.

In addition, we help older associates who lack access to reliable transportation. Our volunteers step in to help these individuals with running errands and getting to important appointments, ensuring they remain independent and connected to the community.

Medical Appliances Program

Our Medical Appliances Program maintains a substantial and continuously rotating inventory of used, but essential medical equipment. This inventory includes items such as hospital beds, rollators, manual and motorized wheelchairs, and walkers. When we receive donations of used equipment, our volunteers take care to thoroughly clean and repair each item as necessary. This ensures all equipment is in good working condition and ready for prompt delivery whenever a request is made.

We are committed to making these resources accessible to our associates at no cost. There are no fees associated with borrowing equipment from our inventory; we only ask items to be returned when they are no longer needed, so others may benefit from them in the future.

In addition to durable medical equipment, the program also provides a variety of disposable medical supplies. These include incontinence supplies, diabetic test strips, and other related materials. Like the equipment inventory, these supplies are distributed to our associates free of charge, ensuring those with ongoing medical needs have reliable access to the materials required for their well-being.

Fellowship

Over the past several years, we have learned the foundation of VHVA is fellowship. Our organization's structure is designed to provide associates with a variety of opportunities to socialize, build trust, and share their thoughts, ideas, and, most importantly, their personal experiences with each other. Many consider fellowship to be our most significant program, and some jokingly refer to us as a group of donut-eating, coffee-drinking veterans. While this reputation may be part of our identity, it is only one aspect of who we are. Fellowship serves as the cornerstone for all our programs, enabling meaningful connections and a sense of belonging among associates.

Here are some fellowship examples:

- Lawn Mowing Program

This initiative brings together approximately 15 to 20 veterans for a morning meal followed by a full day dedicated to mowing lawns. The program fosters camaraderie and provides a space for associates to interact and support each other while working together.

- Access Ramps Program

A team of about six veterans participates in constructing access ramps for those in need. These associates not only enjoy collaborating and building structures but also cherish the

moment when a veteran with disabilities is able to leave their home for the first time thanks to their collective effort.

- **Road Hogs Program**

The Road Hogs group consists of roughly 20 associates who gather weekly to clean trash from county roadsides. During these outings, associates engage in conversation, walk together, and strengthen bonds while making a positive impact on their community.

- **Fishing Program**

Fishing is a traditional activity allowing associates to relax, converse, and deepen friendships while enjoying the challenge of catching fish. Our fishing pontoon is equipped with handicap access, making it possible for many associates with disabilities to participate—often for the first time in years. This program provides both enjoyment and a renewed sense of inclusion for our handicap associates.

VHVA: A Central Hub for Anderson County Veterans

VHVA stands out as a crossroads for various veterans organizations within Anderson County. Many of our associates are also active associates in groups such as the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Marine Corps League and Upstate Warrior Solution. This interconnection strengthens the ties between these organizations, fostering collaboration and mutual support among veterans throughout the county.

Vets Helping Vets plays a vital role as a crossroad in facilitating communication and connection between all veterans groups in Anderson County. By serving as a central link, VHVA ensures information, resources, and opportunities are efficiently shared, helping to unify the broader veterans community and amplify the impact of each organization's efforts.

Support for Dolly Cooper State Veteran's Cemetery

We actively support the mission of Dolly Cooper State Veteran's Cemetery. In previous years, some have contributed their time and effort to grounds maintenance, ensuring the cemetery remains a respectful and welcoming place for all who visit. Currently, one of us serves as the coordinator for the Wreaths Across America program at the cemetery, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to honoring veterans. Additionally, our group participates in mulching and in the removal of Wreaths Across America wreaths after the Christmas season, further supporting the upkeep and dignity of this important site.

Section 3: Our Impact

How do we measure the success of these programs? Let us share some comments from our associates:

- If not for VHVA, I'm not sure if I could handle the death of my wife.
- Helping vets the government forgot.
- A place I can go where people understand me.
- VHV saved my life.
- I hold lifetime memberships in 9 veterans organizations, but this is the only organization where I regularly attend meetings. I no longer participate in the other 8 organizations.
- I now have over 400 friends I did not have a few years ago.
- A special sense of family and security
- Saved my life.
- Helps me stay connected with my fellow veterans.
- I am bi-polar and if I weren't for VHVA, I would be in the hospital.
- Allows me to give back to the community.
- We help each other find our way back to the real world.
- We help each other cope with problems that we have every day.
- VHVA meetings help me with my social anxiety and depression.
- The freedom to talk about ourselves and to help each other.
- The camaraderie and a real purpose of helping other vets and it gives me that purpose.
- A heartfelt feeling of pride to be a veteran.
- The name says it all.
- Following my husband's death and nervous breakdown, I am alive today because of VHV. Thank God they found me.

Section 4: How This Grant Will Be Put To Use

This grant is critical to our capacity to better serve Anderson County's veteran community. The support provided will enable us to expand our outreach and address key needs which directly impact the quality of life for local veterans.

By securing this grant, we will be able to enhance our service offerings and ensure essential programs remain sustainable and effective. The requested funding will empower us to provide more comprehensive assistance, from supporting daily life challenges to creating opportunities for meaningful connection and personal growth within the veteran community. Ultimately, this grant will allow us to make a lasting, positive difference in the lives of those who have served our country.

Lawn Program

Currently, our dedicated lawn crew relies on their own personal equipment to maintain veterans' properties. Our annual average expenses for this program is \$34,000. We are requesting \$35,000 in this grant application. With this grant, we will be able to purchase our own mowers and related tools, as well as cover the ongoing costs of gasoline and

equipment repairs. This investment will help ensure the sustainability and reliability of our lawn care services for those who need it most.

Increasing Accessibility for Veterans

When constructing ramps for veterans, our organization presently provides the design, installation, and miscellaneous hardware, but the veteran is responsible for purchasing the lumber. Our average annual expenses for this program is \$4,500. We are requesting \$10,000 in this application. This will allow us to include the cost of lumber in addition to the services we now provide. Thanks to this grant, we will now be able to supply the lumber for veterans who are unable to afford it and are often confined to their homes. This will make a significant difference in helping these individuals regain mobility and independence.

Strengthening Community Through Fellowship

Our fishing pontoon, which plays a vital role in fostering fellowship—especially vets with disabilities—requires a new power train to continue its mission. Grant funding will be allocated to this essential repair, ensuring our pontoon remains a safe and accessible venue for group activities and camaraderie. Our average annual expenses for this program is \$3,500. Since we need to replace the power train, we are requesting \$10,000 to fund this program.

Fellowship serves as the cornerstone of our organization, providing the foundation upon which all other programs are built. This sense of community and mutual support is not only fundamental to our mission but also represents a significant portion of our annual expenses.

We recognize investing in fellowship yields meaningful returns, enriching the lives of our veterans and reinforcing their connection to VHVA. The activities supported by this program include weekly meetings where we gather to share coffee and donuts, as well as an annual dinner bringing everyone together for a special occasion. These gatherings promote camaraderie, emotional support, and a sense of belonging which enhances the overall effectiveness of our services.

Once we occupy our new facility, we will open another strong fellowship dimension. We are making our facility available at no charge to other Anderson county veteran organizations for their meetings. This gives all area veterans groups a central meeting place and fellowship.

Our average annual expenses for the fellowship program total \$17,000. In this grant request, we are seeking \$17,000 specifically to sustain and strengthen our general fellowship initiatives. This funding will ensure our organization continues to reinforce its foundation as we provide these valuable opportunities for connection and support among our associates.

Expanding Mental Health Support

A portion of the grant will be dedicated to launching our next initiative: PTSD counseling targeted at non-combat veterans. Our experience has shown PTSD is not limited to those who have seen combat, and there is a growing need for specialized support among all veterans. We are exploring the engagement of a qualified counselor who can offer services on a contracted, as-needed basis, rather than as a paid staff position. This approach will allow us to tailor support to those who require it, fostering healing and resilience within our community. We are budgeting 400 annual hours of contracted services at \$150 per hour, \$60,000 total.

Medical Appliances Program

Our medical appliances program depends on the generosity of those who donate used equipment, which we then refurbish for rehabilitation and distribution to veterans in need. While these donations provide essential resources, the appliances frequently require additional components before they can be used safely and effectively. One of the most common needs is new batteries for electric motorized wheelchairs, as these specialty batteries are particularly expensive. By securing the necessary replacement parts and storage, we ensure donated medical devices are reliable and ready for our associates who rely on them for mobility and independence. We are requesting \$20,000 to help this program meet veteran's need for medical appliances.

Food Card Assistance Program

Our food card program plays a crucial role in assisting many of our associates who face food insecurity. By providing food cards, we help ensure veterans have access to nutritious meals and alleviate some of the financial burdens they may experience. The average annual expense for this program is \$11,000, as outlined above.

To maintain and continue the food card program, we are requesting \$11,000 in this grant application. This funding will enable us to support veterans in need, reinforcing our commitment to their well-being and stability.

Section 5: Requests Summary:

Lawn Program	\$35,000
Access Ramp Program	\$10,000
Fishing Boat	\$10,000
Fellowship	\$17,000
PTSD Support Program	\$60,000
Medical Appliances	\$20,000
Food Card Program	<u>\$11,000</u>
TOTAL Request	\$163,000

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Name: Carey Hill Road Widening and Paving Project

Requested Amount: \$ \$900,000

Recipient Entity: Edgefield County

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, X Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: David Caddell Title/Position: County Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: dcaddell@edgefieldcounty.sc.gov

Entity Website: https://edgefieldcounty.sc.gov County Location: Edgefield

Intended Use of the Funds: Widening and paving of Carey Hill Rd – 1800ft

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This is an existing County Road which leads to Carey Hill Resource Center, a designated Red Cross Shelter

WILLIAM CIBURN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

William Ciburn

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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March 27, 2026

Edgefield County Legislative Delegation
The Honorable Bill Clyburn, Delegation Chair
The Honorable Shane Massey
The Honorable Bill Hixon
State House
Columbia, SC

Gentlemen,

On behalf of Edgefield County, we hope that you will seriously consider the appropriation request of \$900,000 to widen and pave Carey Hill Road in Edgefield County. This road is currently a dirt / gravel County Road leading to Carey Hill Resource Center, a designated Red Cross Shelter. The project will consist of widening the existing road and placing gravel base to accommodate a 22ft wide paved surface 1800ft in length. Edgefield County is prepared to facilitate the design, bidding, and implementation of this project.

Budget

Equipment	\$120,000
Road Widening	\$120,000
GABC Stone	\$110,000
Asphalt	\$525,000
Erosion Control	\$10,000
Riprap	\$10,000
<u>Signage</u>	<u>\$5000</u>
	\$900,000

As always, we appreciate your dedication to the citizens of this county, and we appreciate any assistance that you are able to provide for this worthy project. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David Caddell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" being more prominent.

David Caddell
Edgefield County Administrator

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Saluda County Commerce Park Improvements

Requested Amount: \$ 800,000

Recipient Entity: Saluda County

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Jim Moore Title/Position: Chairman Saluda County Council

Contact Phone Number:

Email Address: j.moore@saludacounty.sc.gov

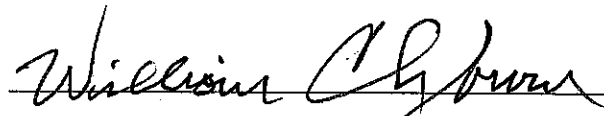
Entity Website: SaludaCounty.SC.GOV County Location: Piedmont

Intended Use of the Funds: Complete construction of the following Public safety Projects;
Sherriff's office Expansion, Fire Stations, and EMS Substations.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: While our CPST will cover most of the construction costs it is still anticipated there will not be enough money for these much-needed Public Safety projects. Any additional money from the State will be that much less the County has to raise through additional taxes or debt.

William "Bill" Clyburn

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


Primary House Sponsor – Signature

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

April 9, 2026

To: Representative William "Bill" Clyburn

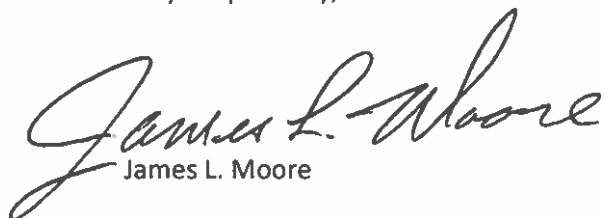
Dear Representative,

Thank you for all the support you give to Saluda County. Your hard work on our behalf is greatly appreciated. Your work in getting a Rural Infrastructure (RIA) Grant for water and sewer at the Saluda County Commerce Park enabled us to make that property substantially more marketable. This will have an effect on Saluda County's Economic Development for years to come.

As Saluda County continues to grow, so do our Public Safety needs. We are currently in the process of continuing our Capital Project Sales Tax (CPST). The committee formed to select the projects to be done has completed their work and will soon be sending a Referendum to County Council for approval. On that list of projects are two Fire Stations, one Fire Substation, two EMS Substations, and a much-needed expansion of our Sheriff's office. These Public Safety projects have an estimated cost of 8.58 Million Dollars. The other projects on the list are Gym/Wellness Center for Town and County, and an extension of the sewer line from Holly Ferry Road to the Traffic Circle, and work on another Recreation field. These projects are estimated at 9.2 Million Dollars.

As you know Government projects seldom come in at the estimated costs. Therefore, Saluda County is requesting \$800,000 in State funds to be used on the Public Safety projects.

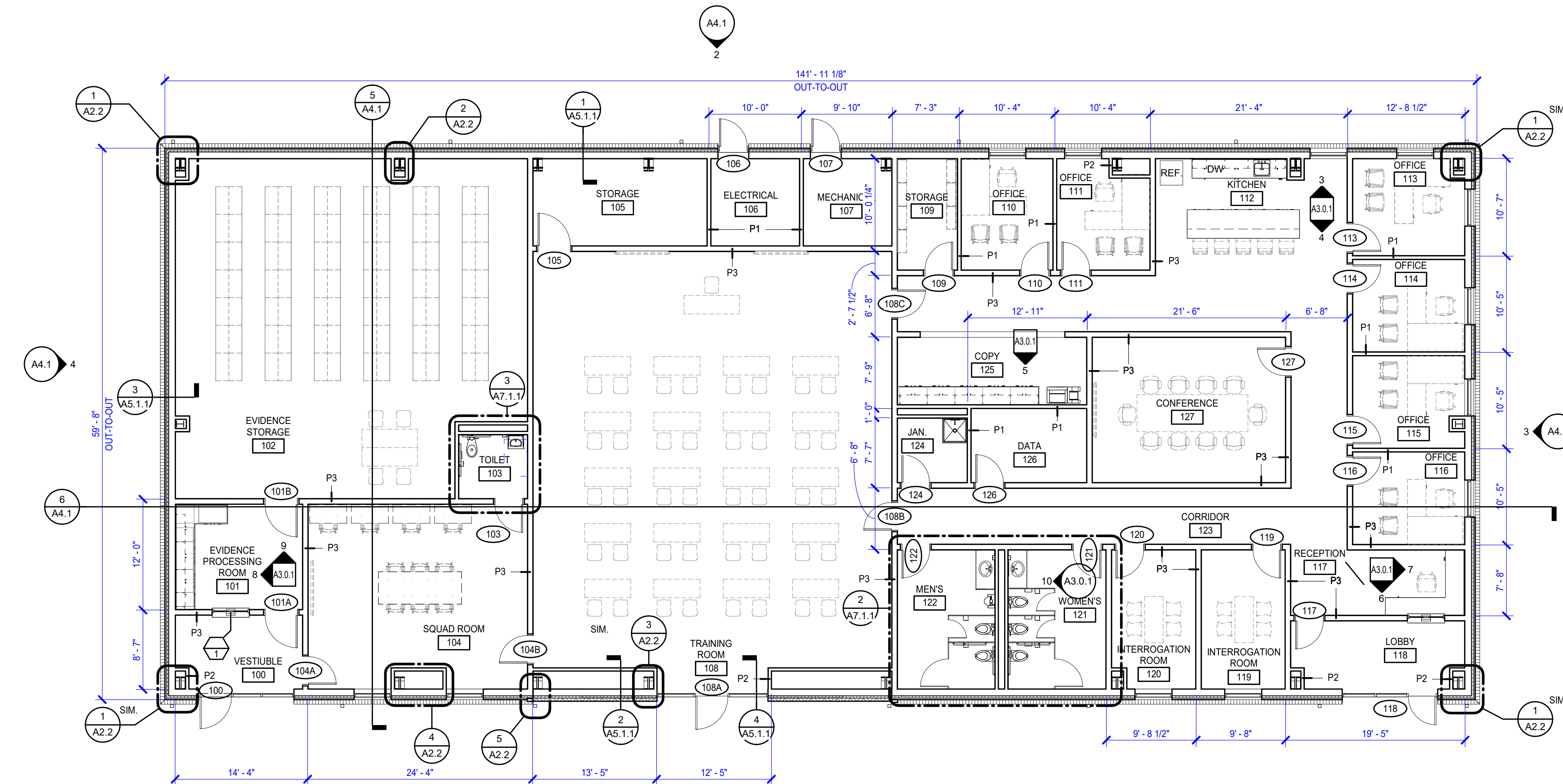
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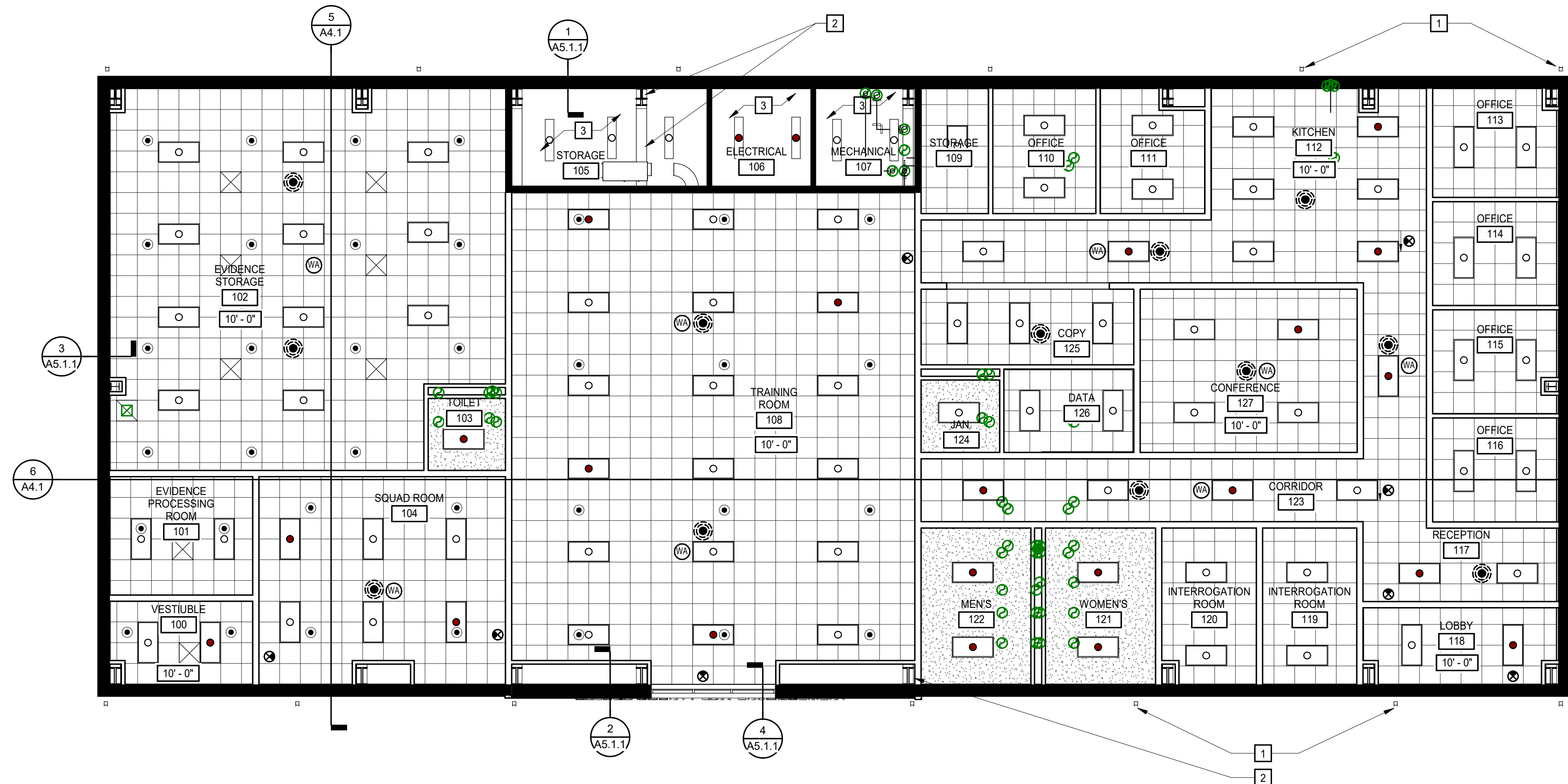
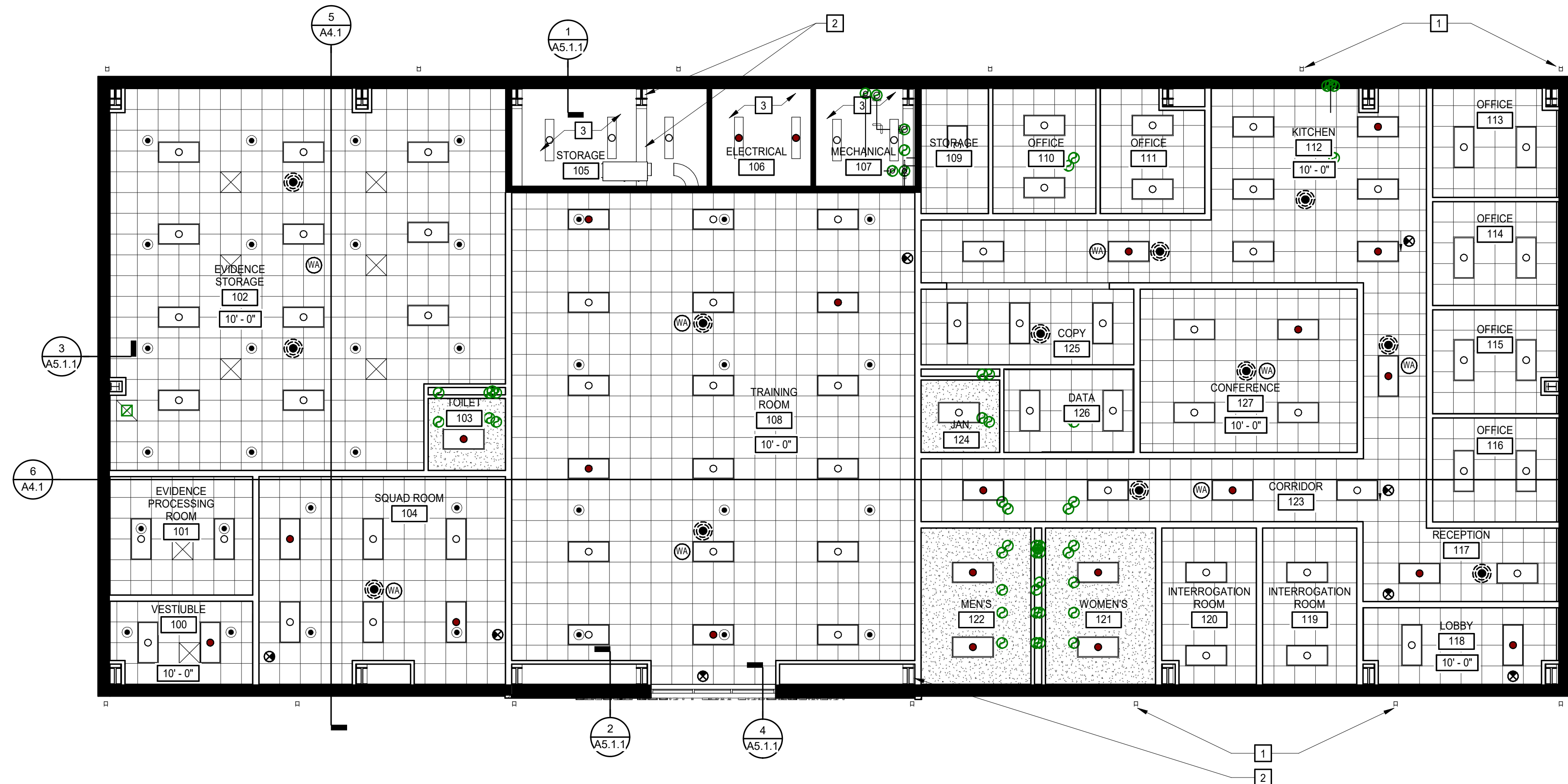
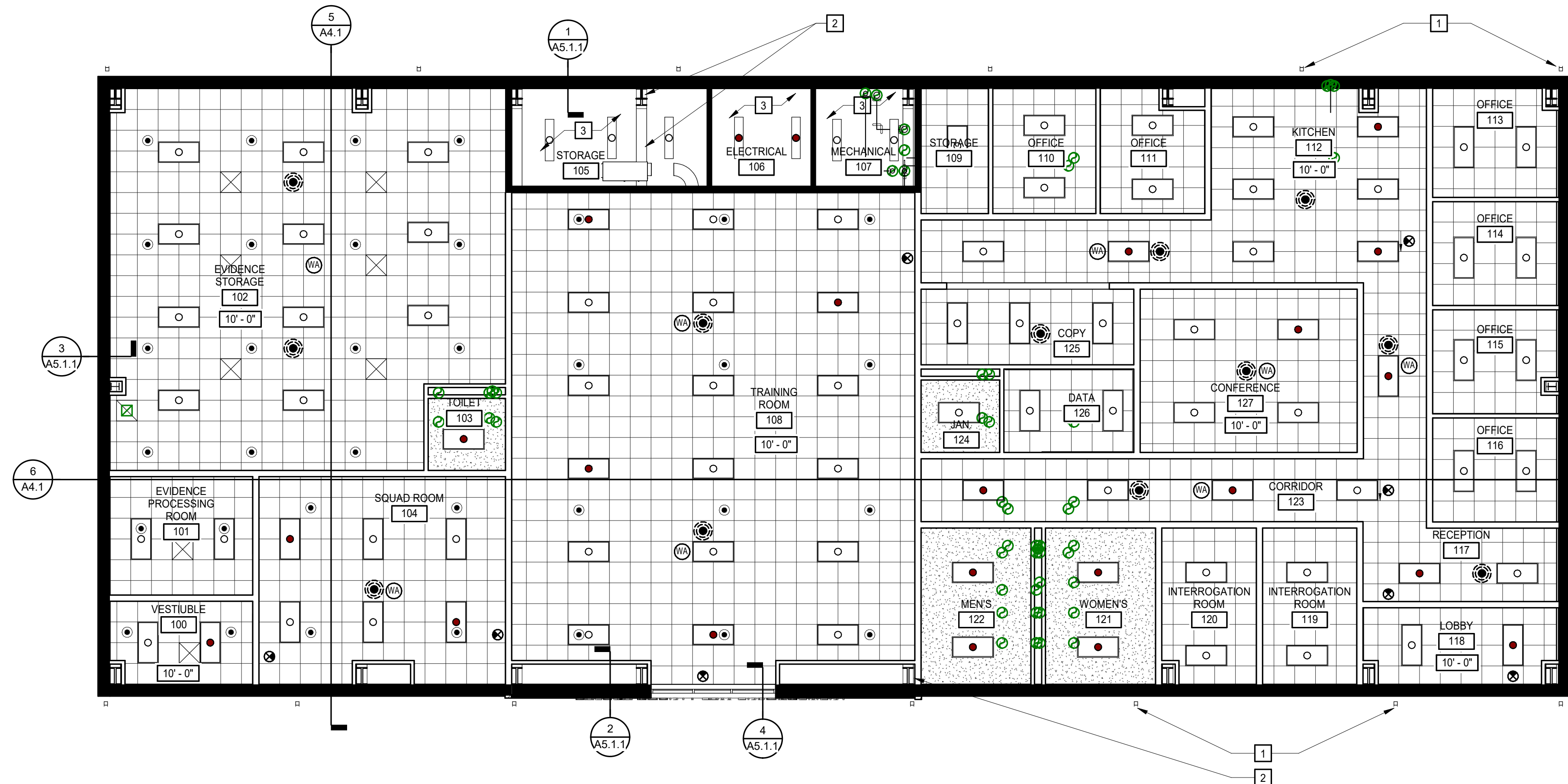
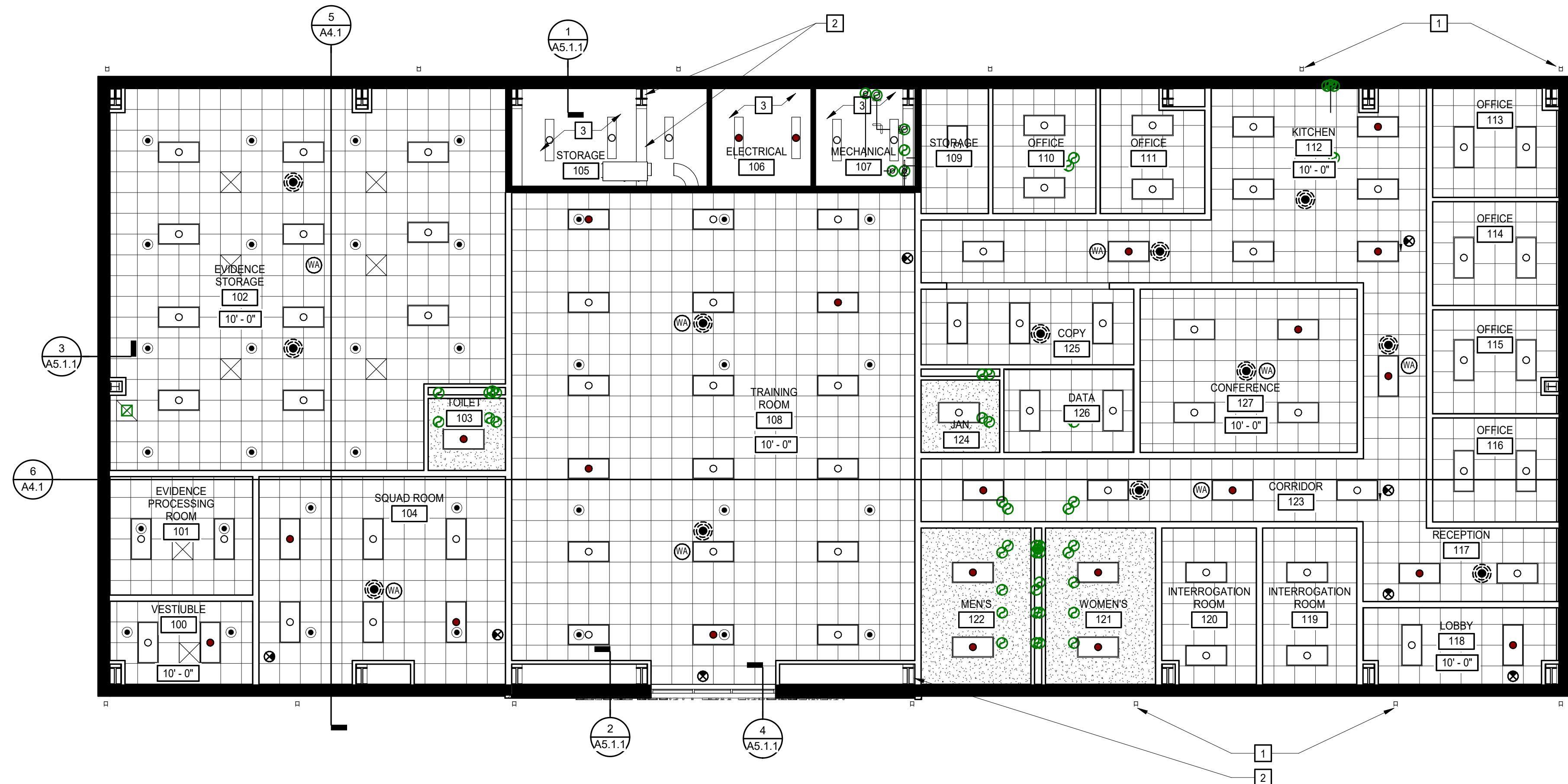
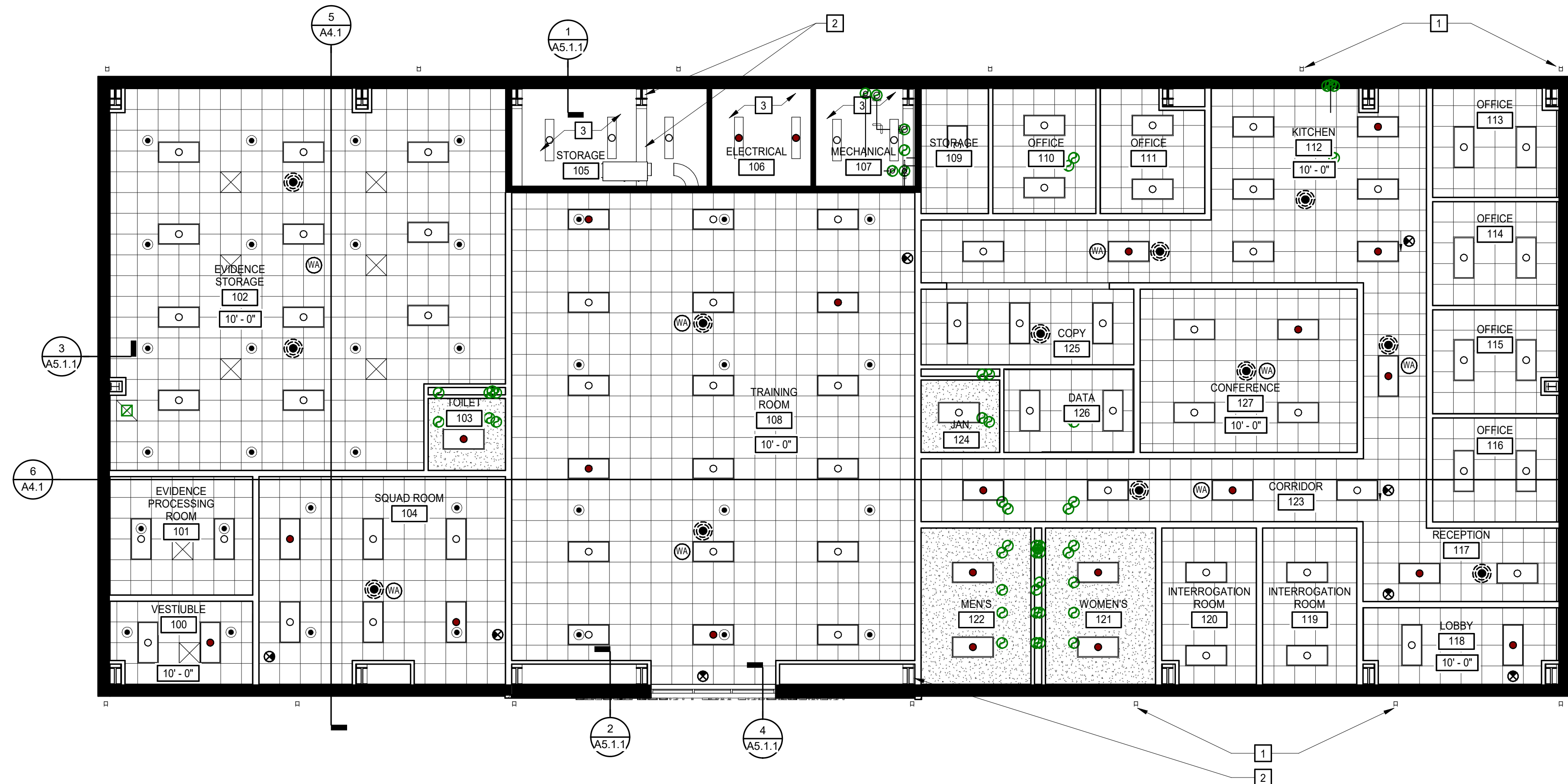
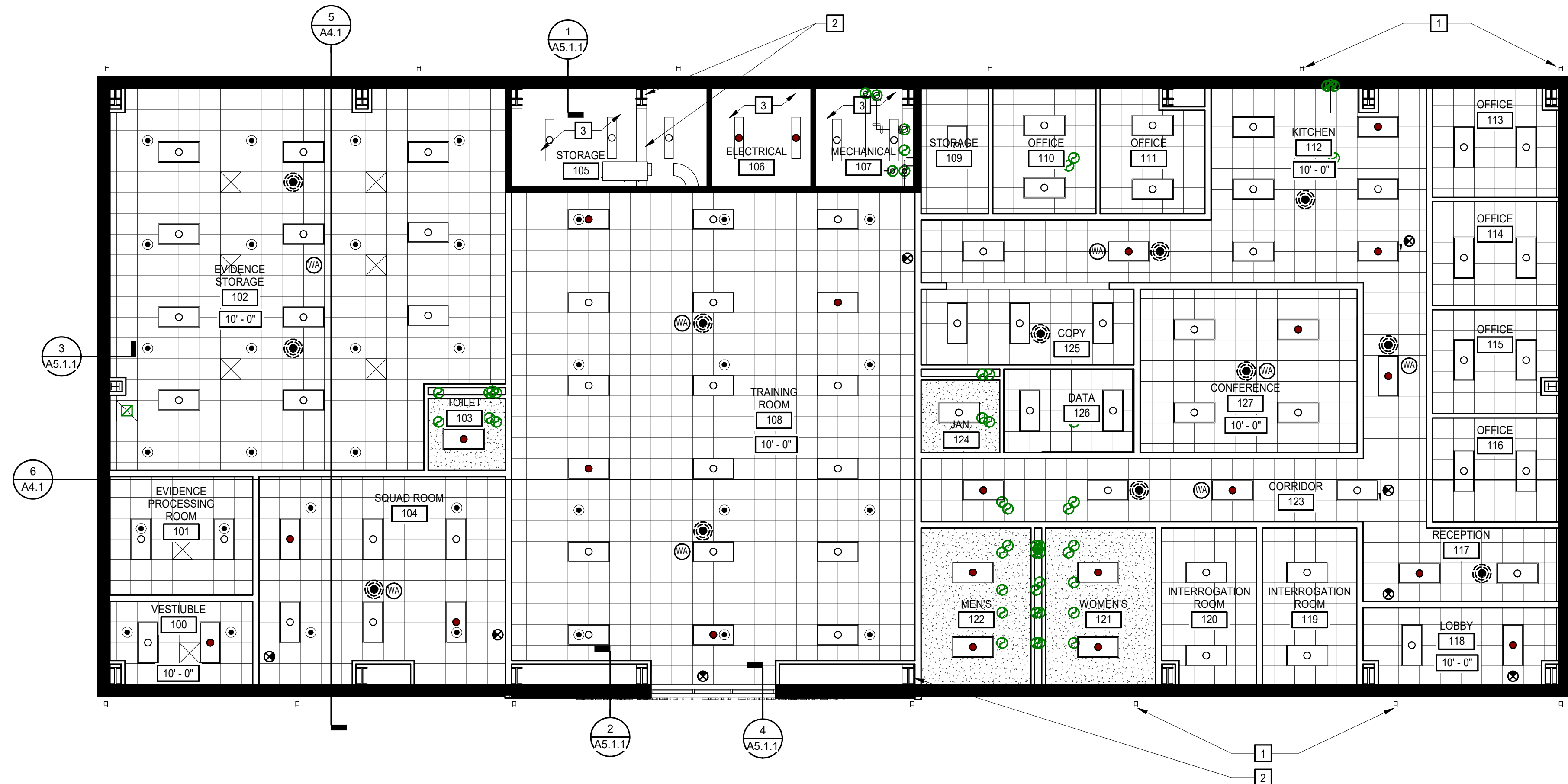
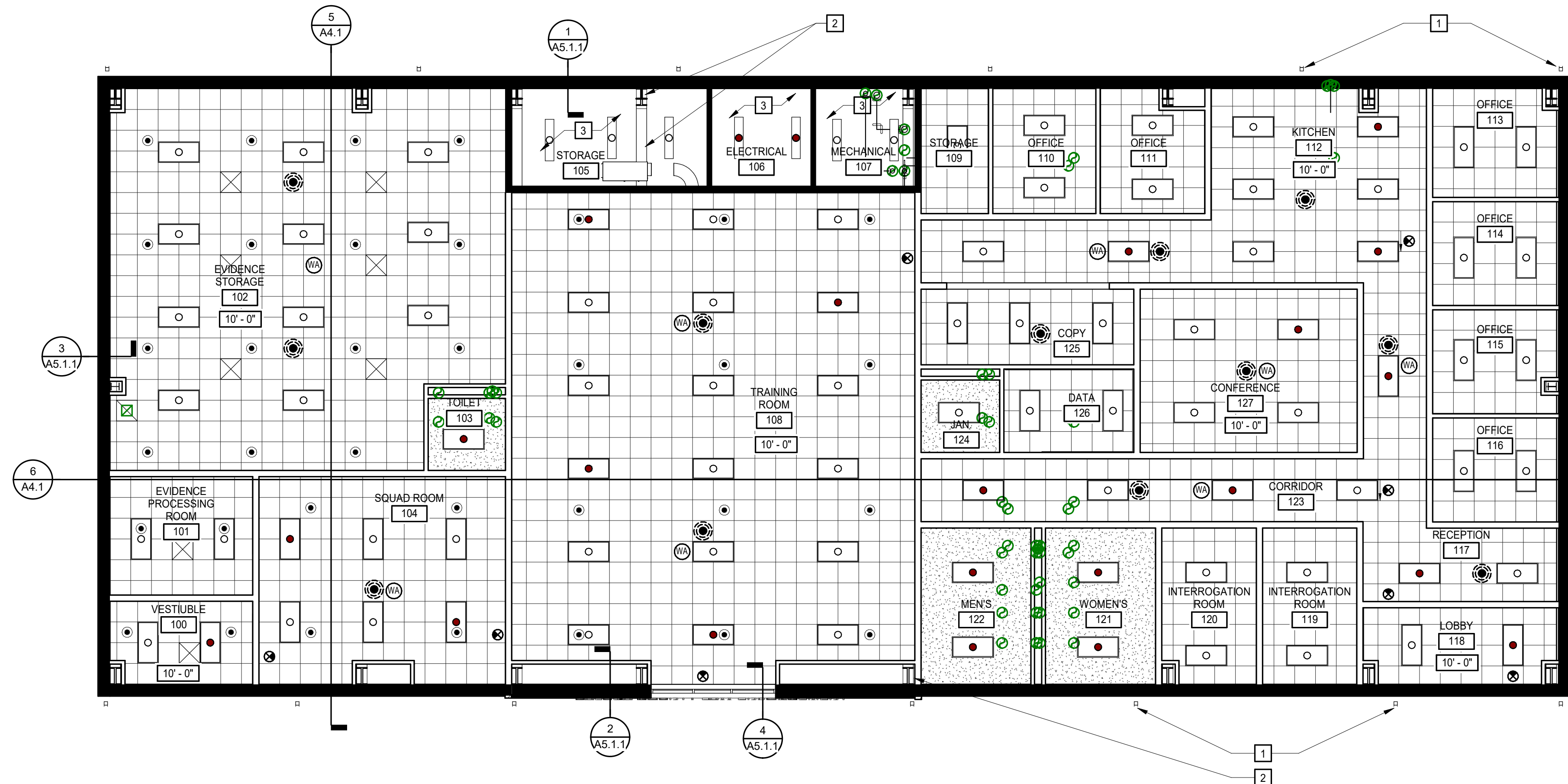
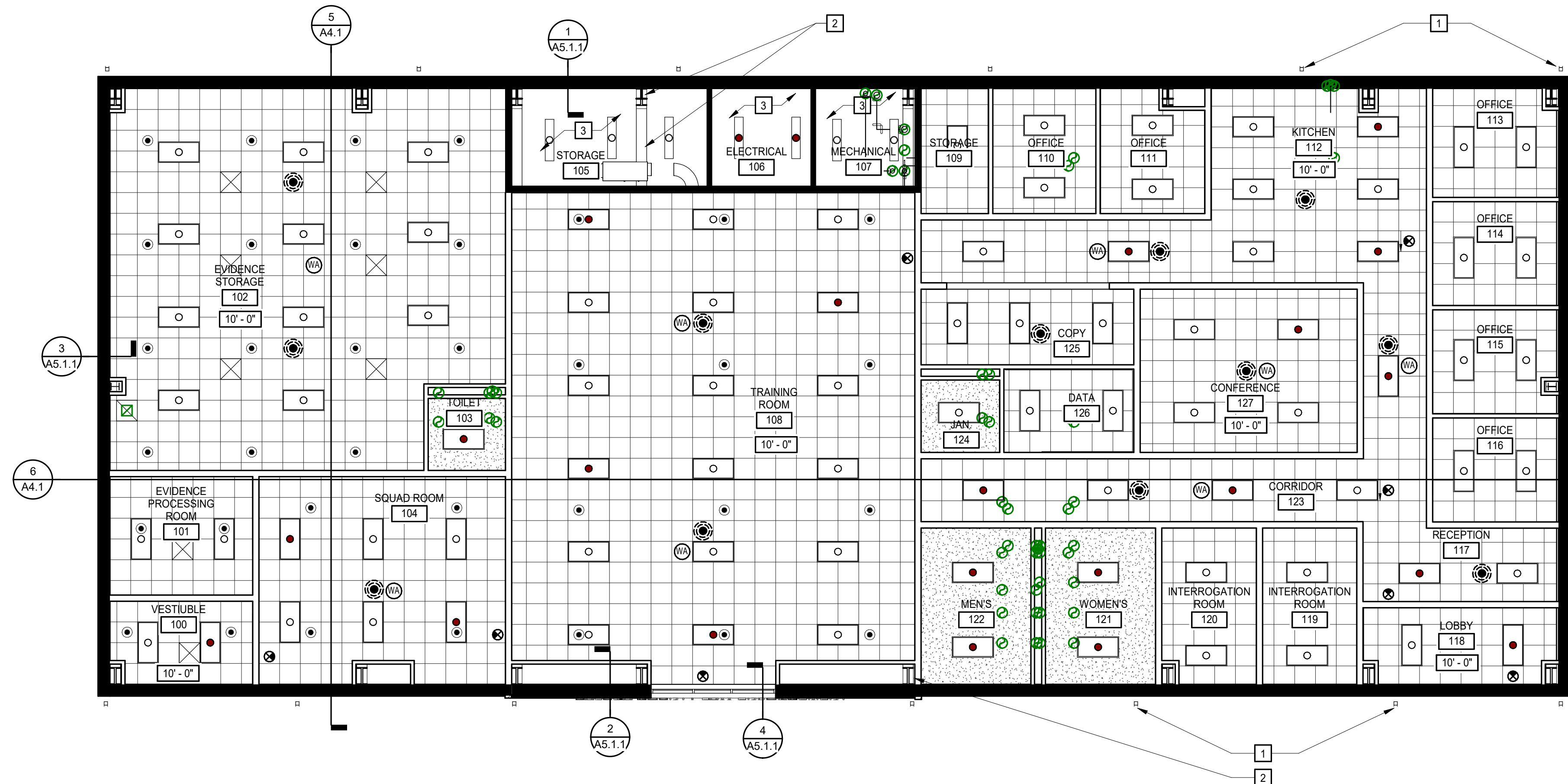
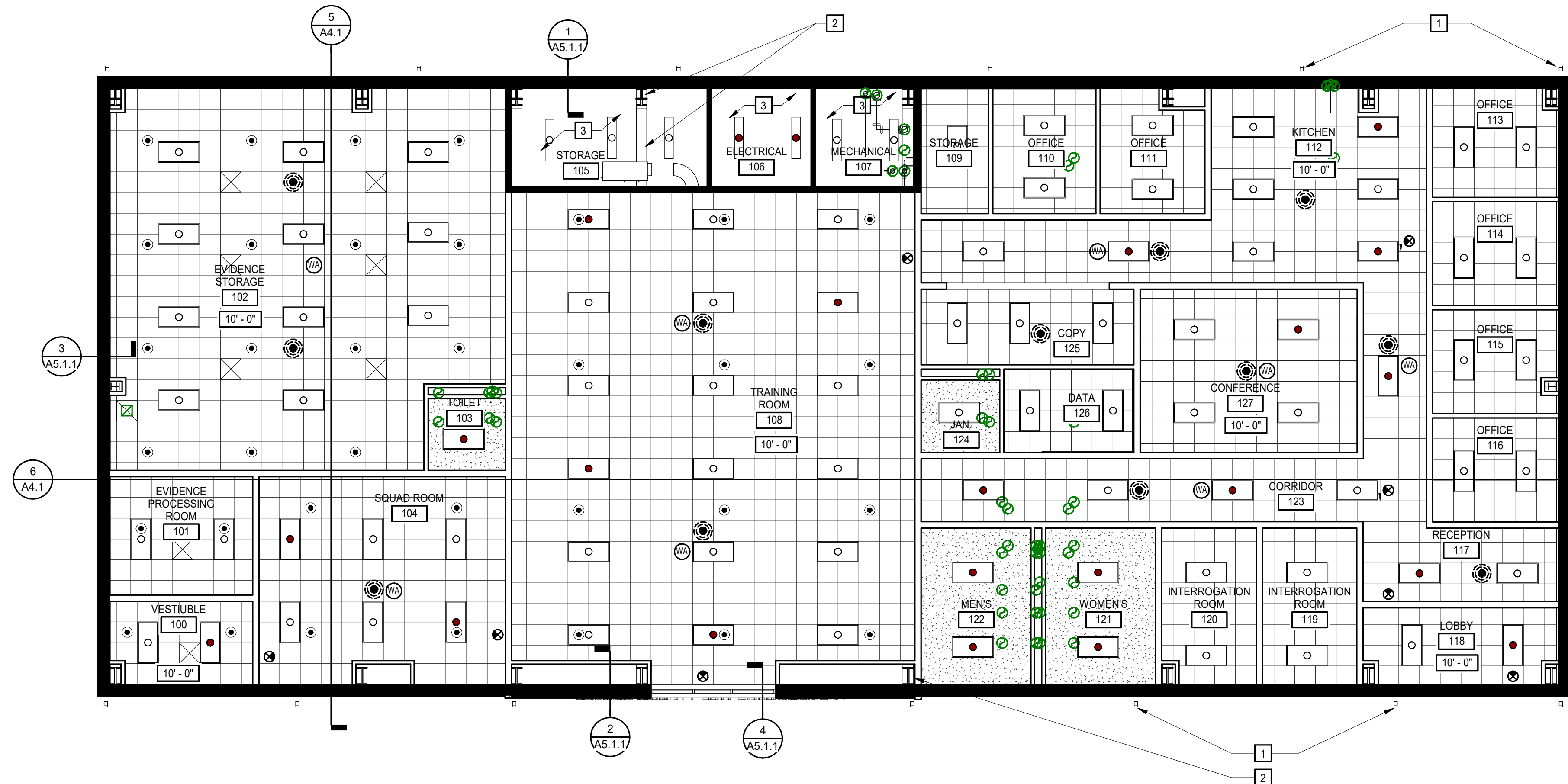
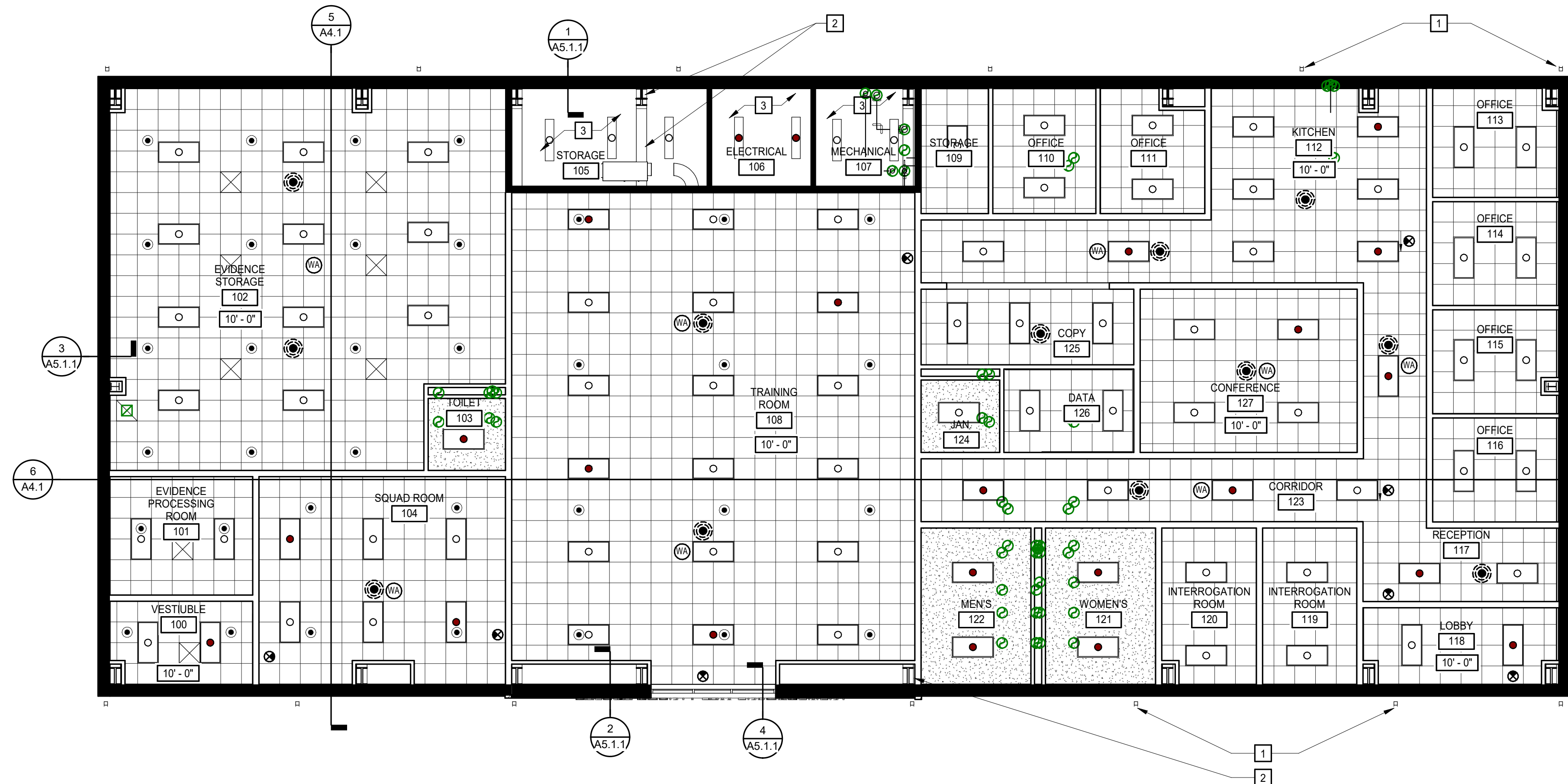
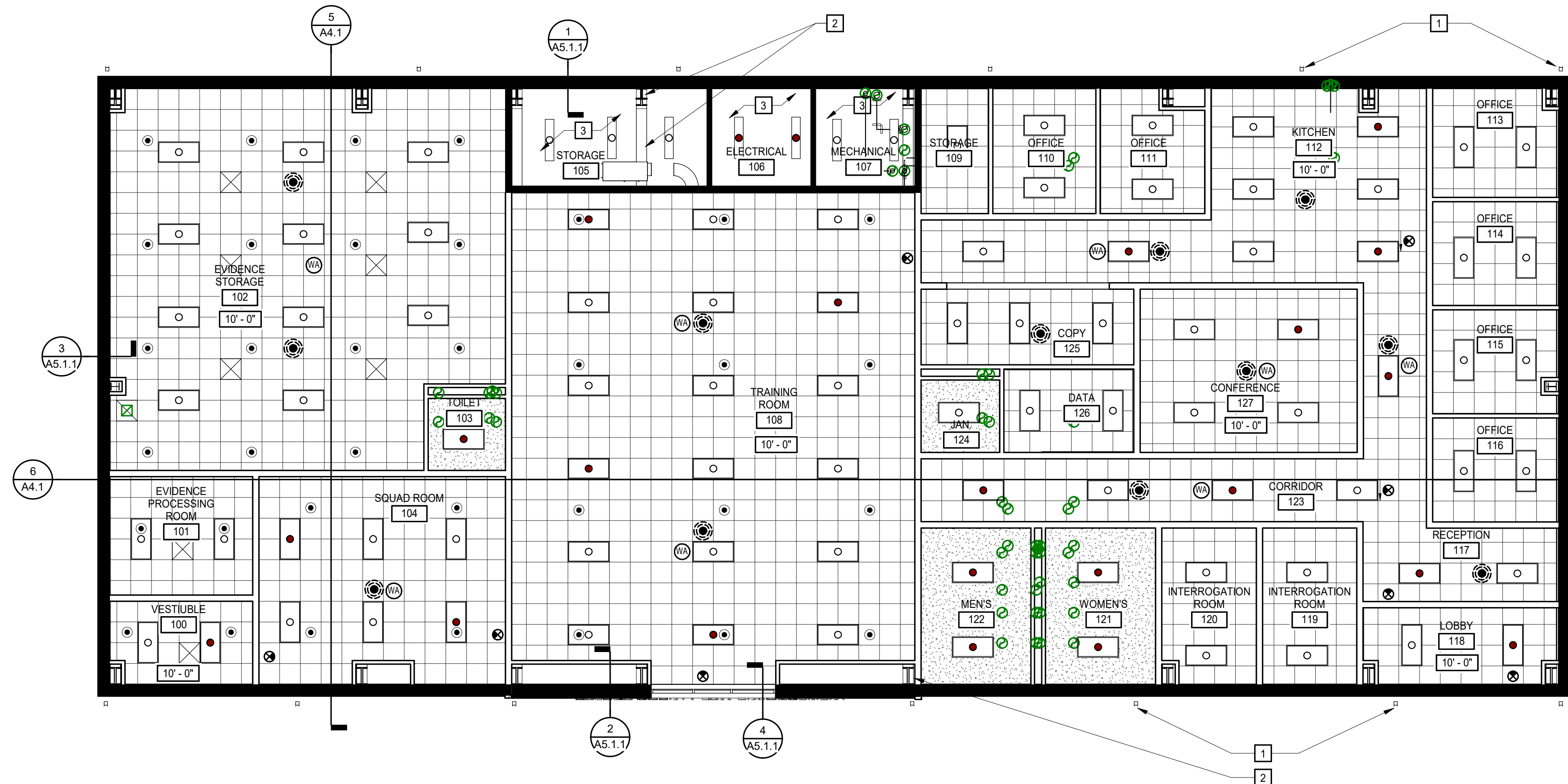
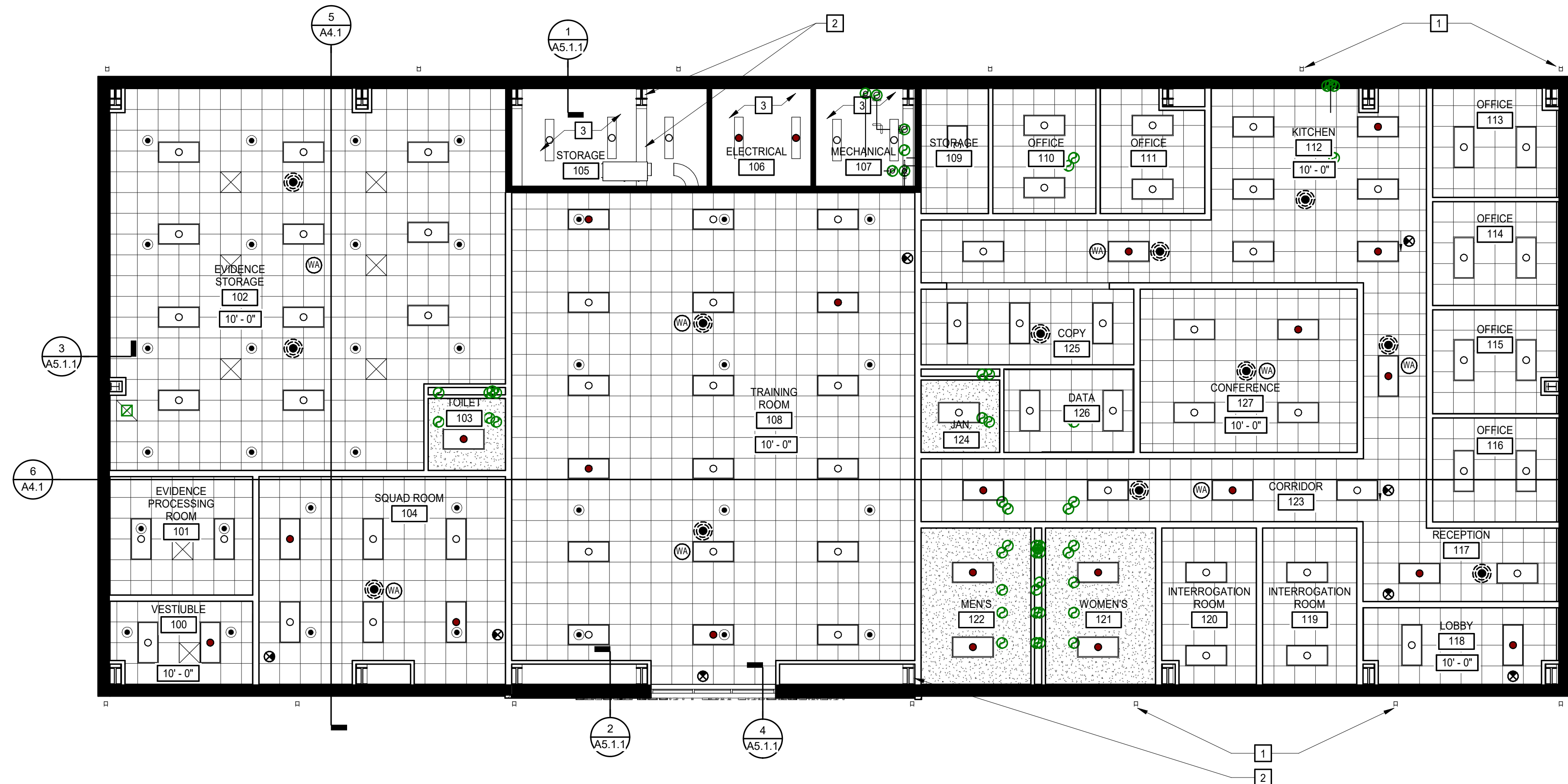
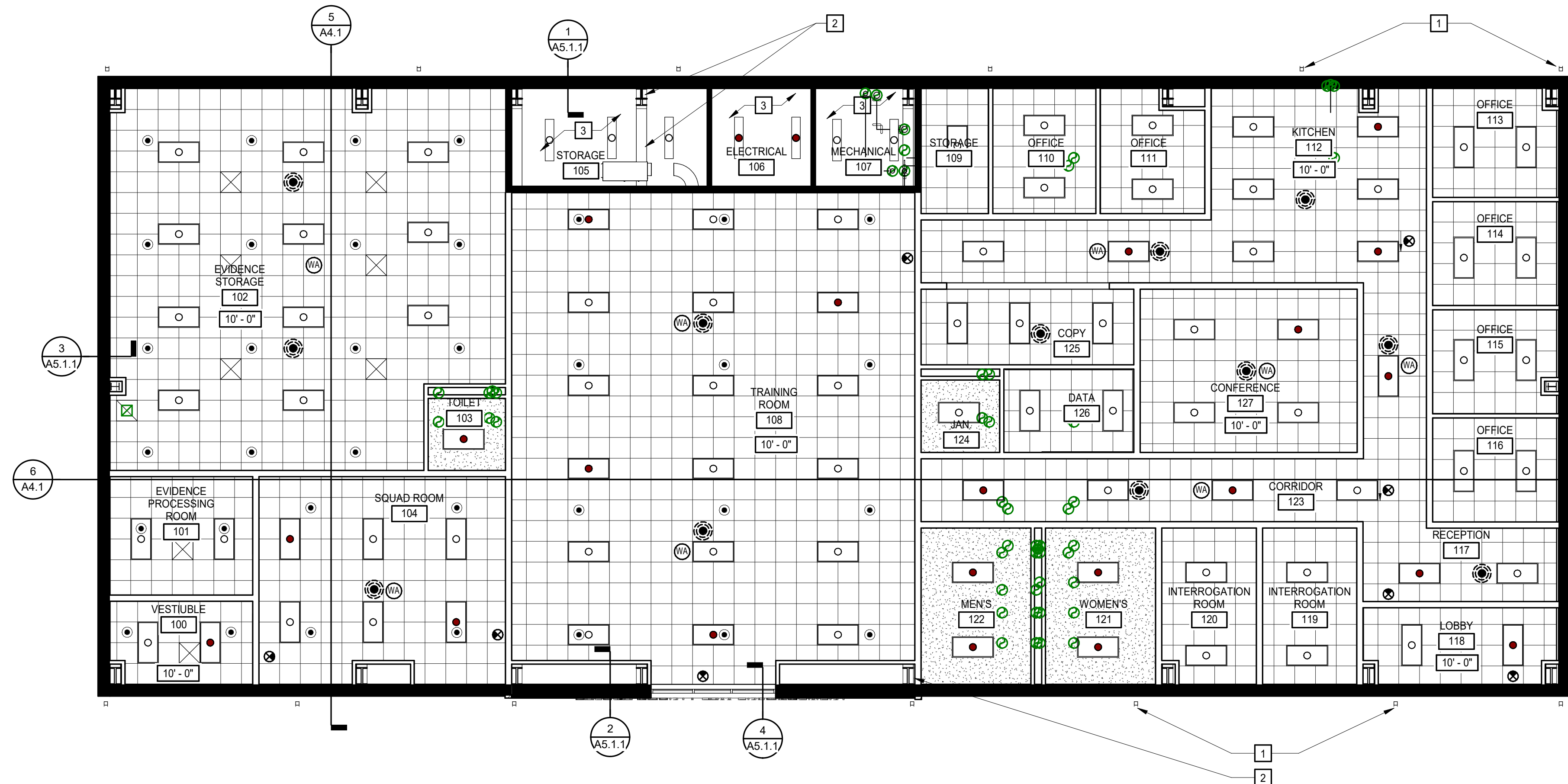
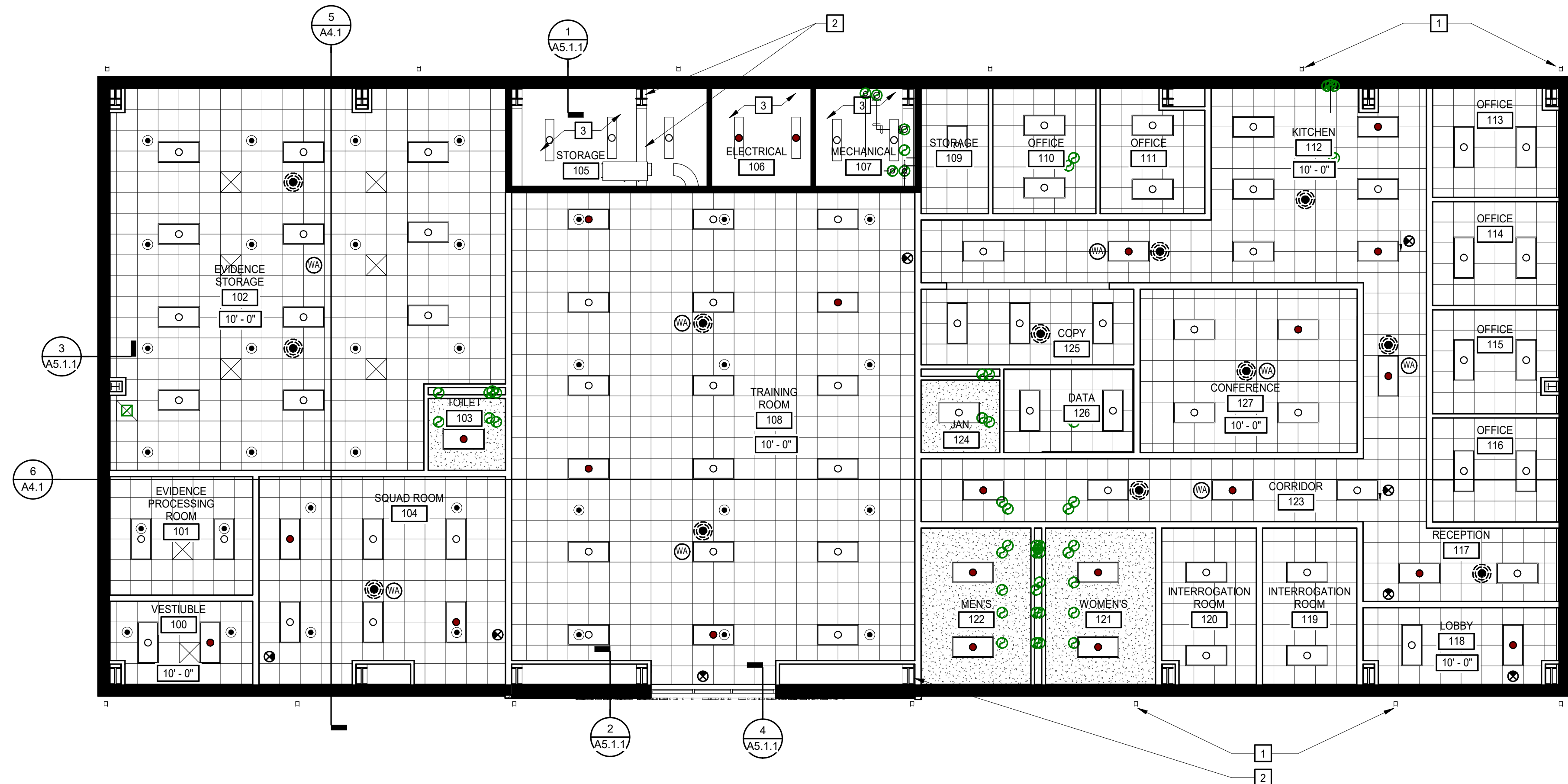
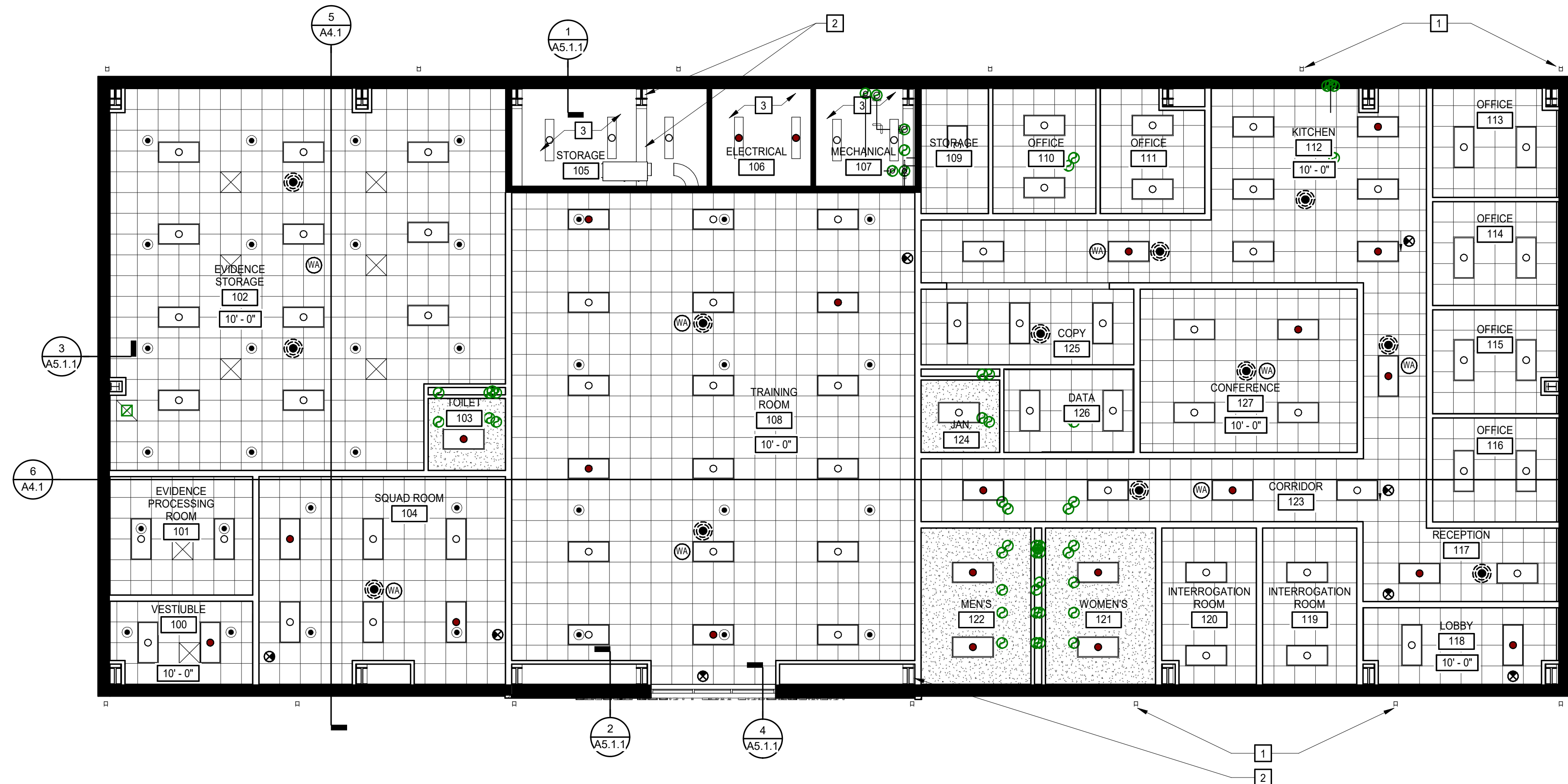
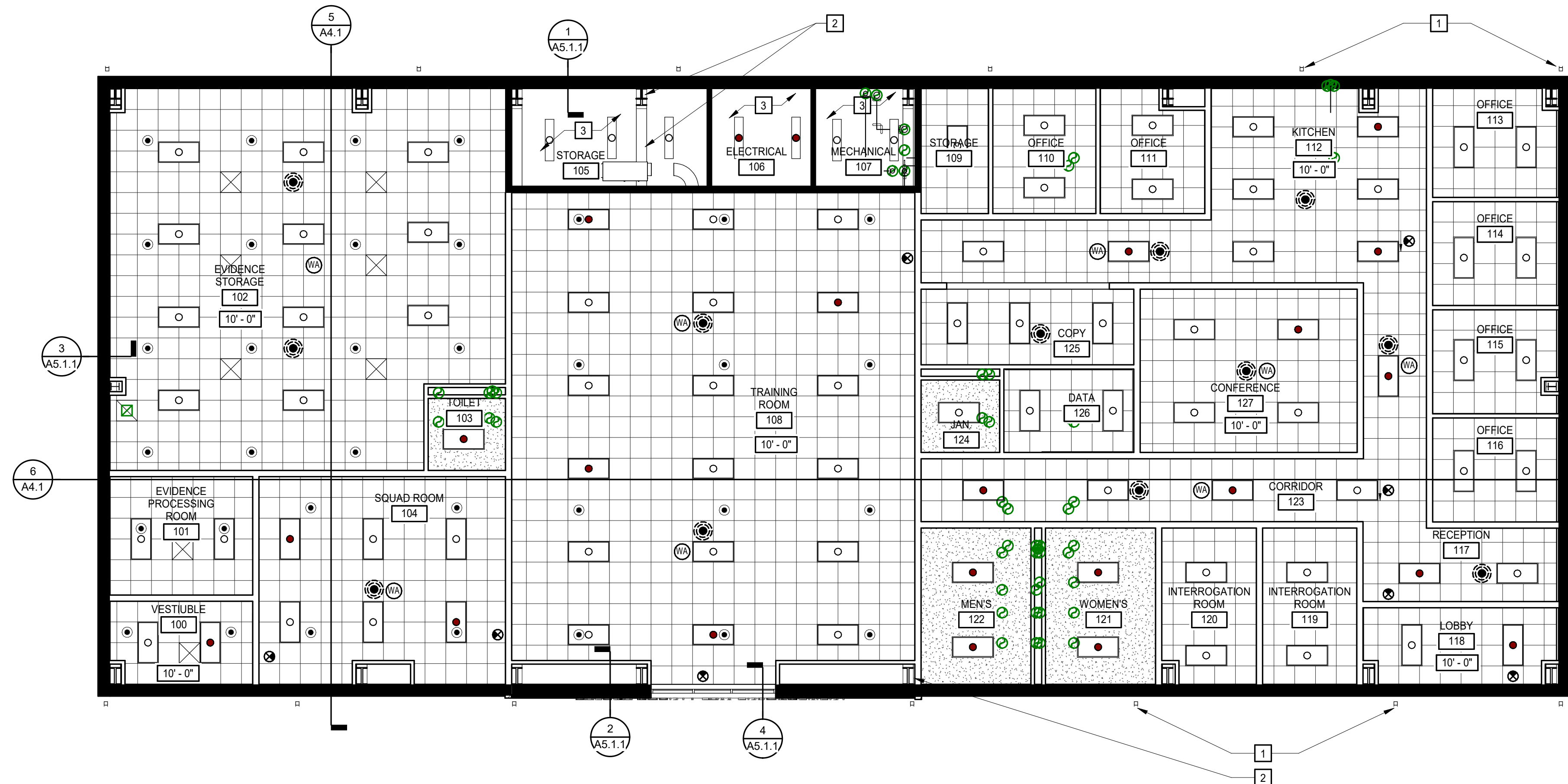
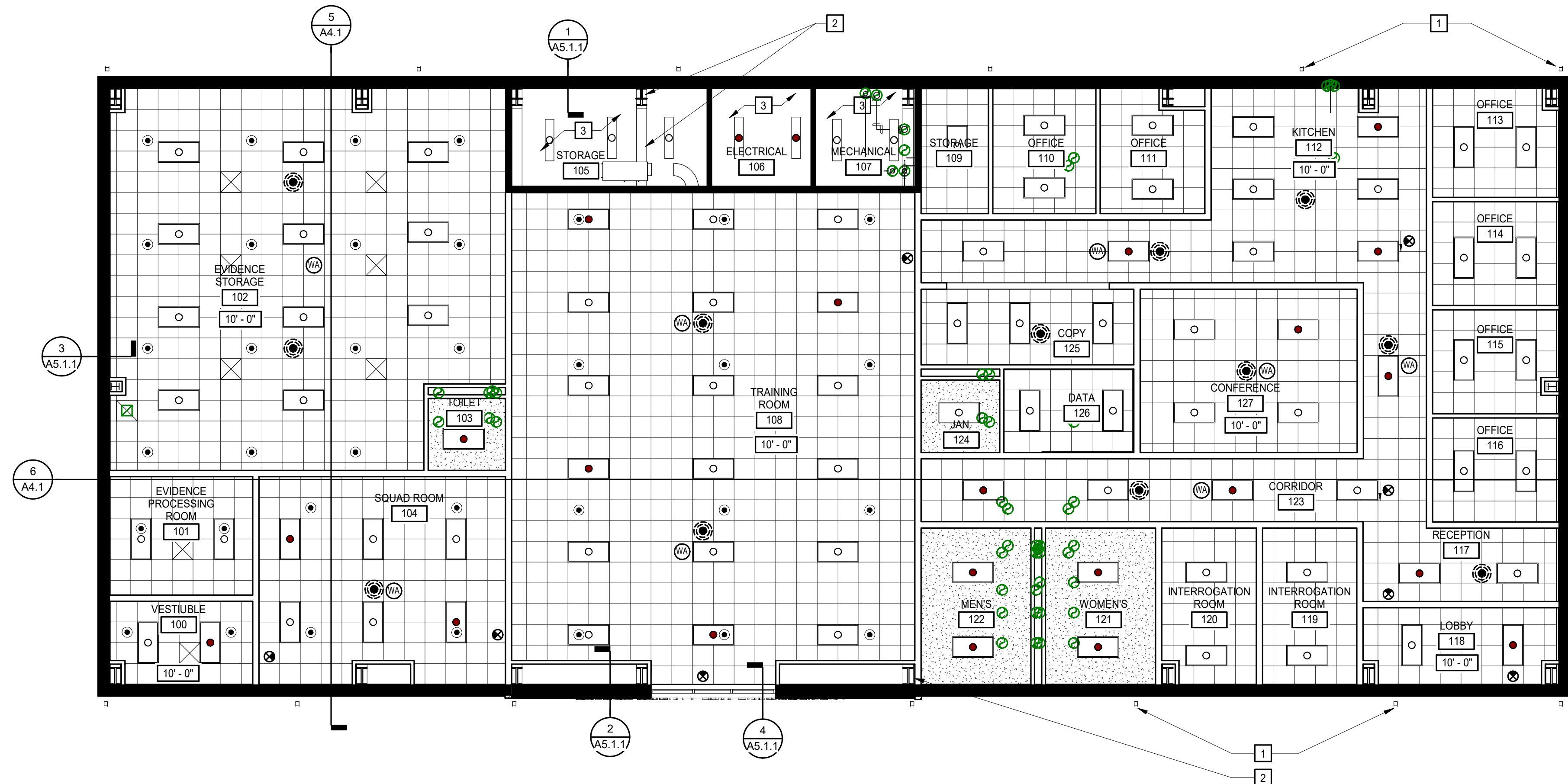
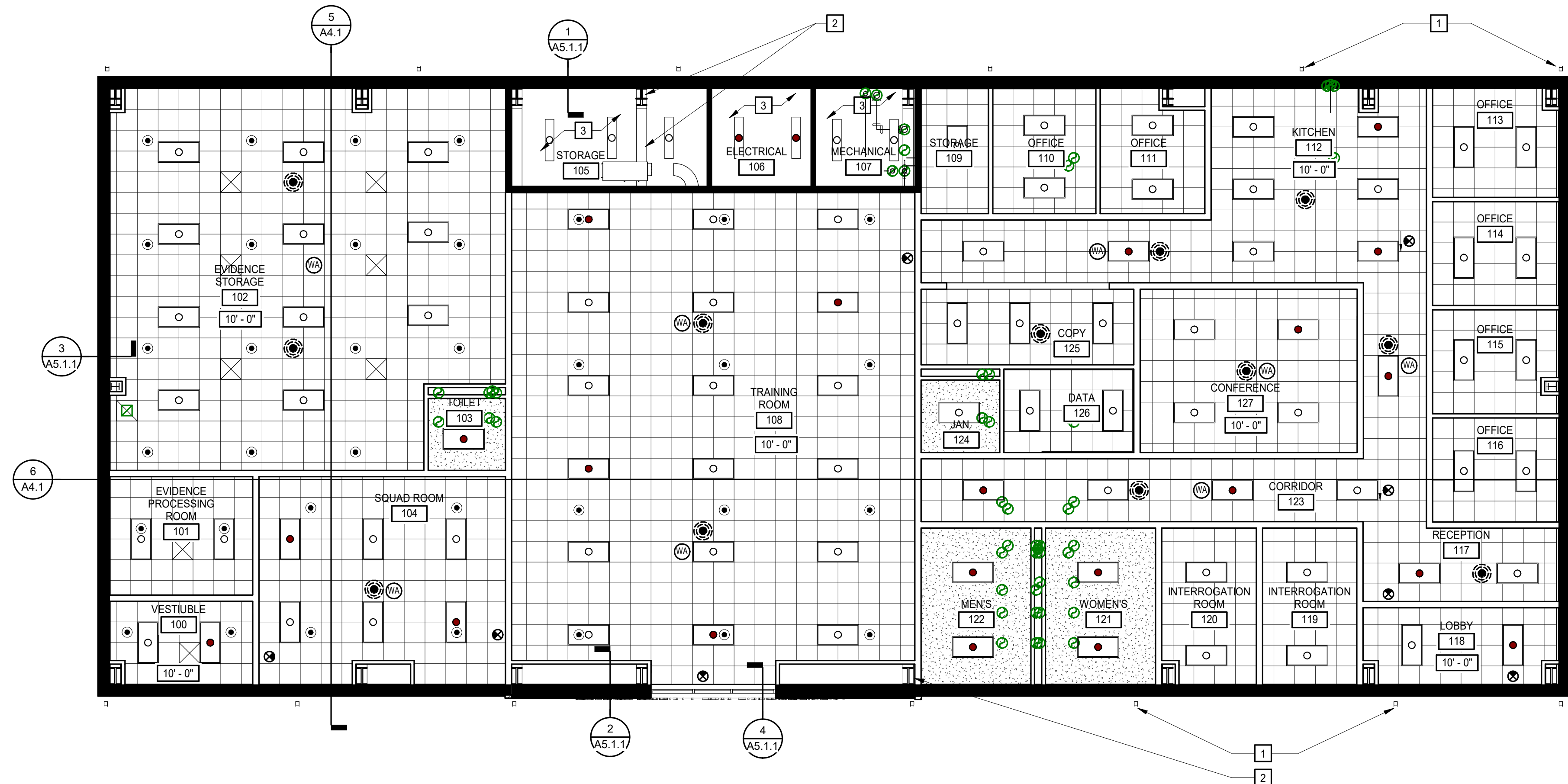
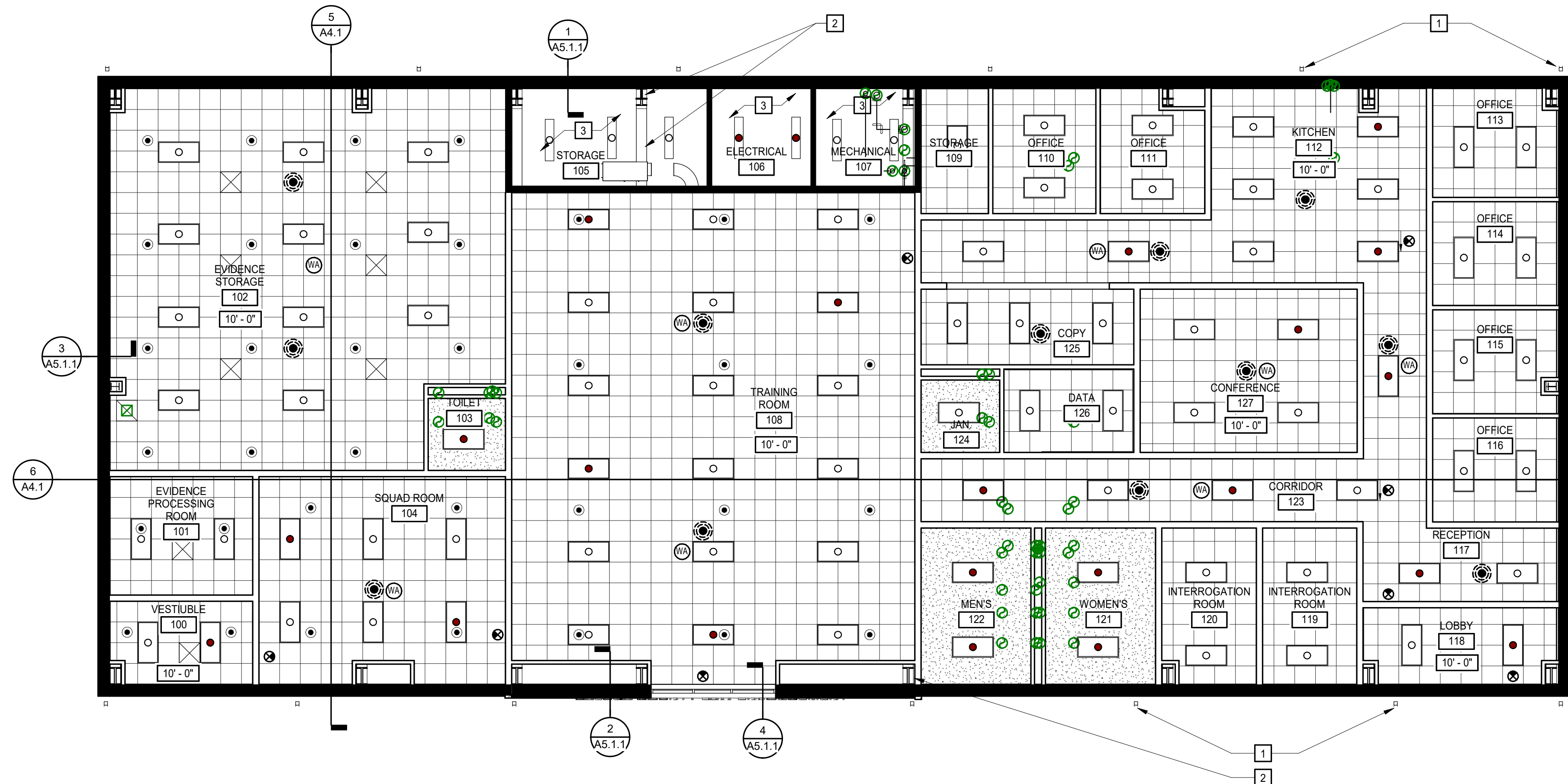
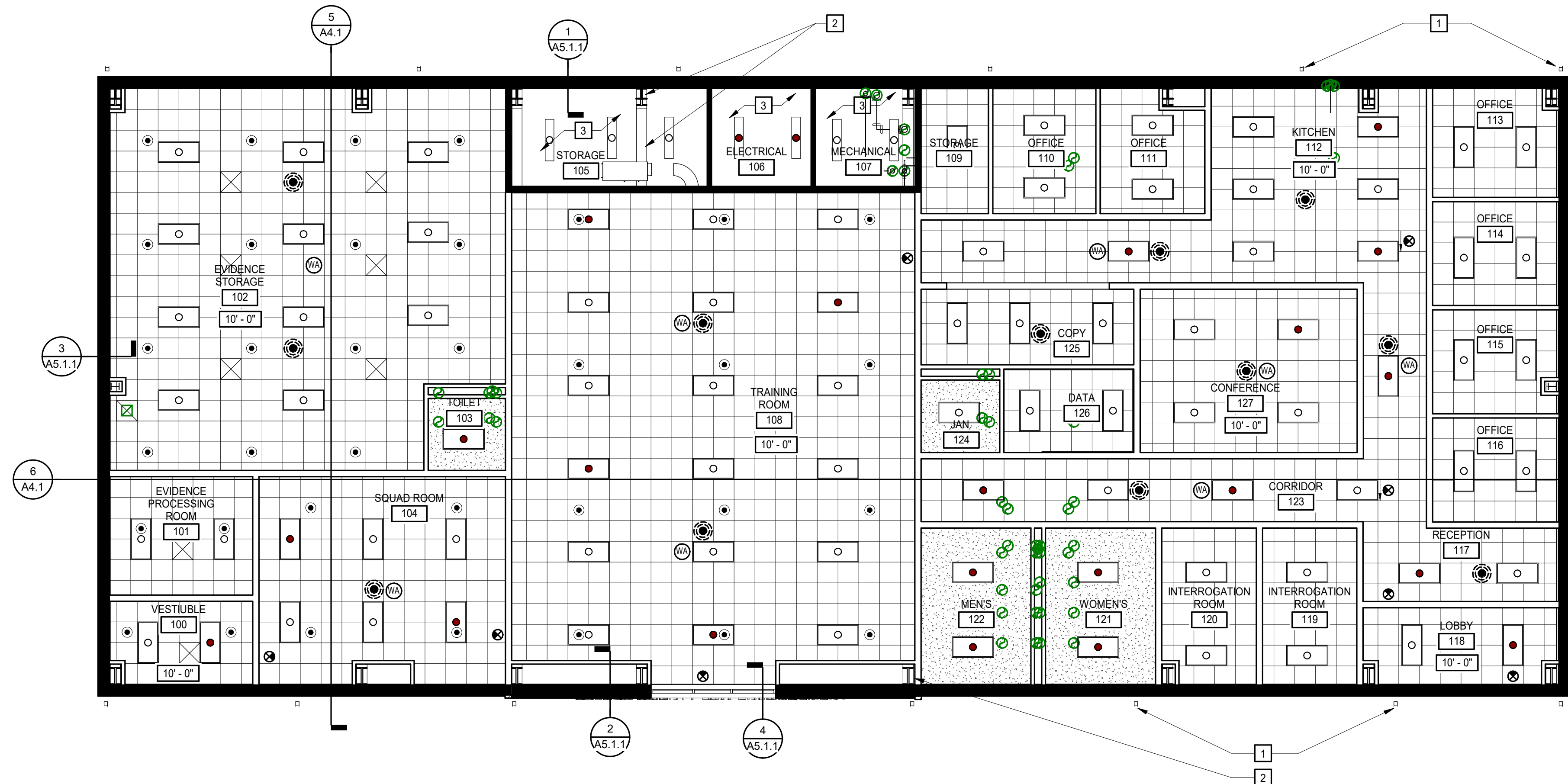
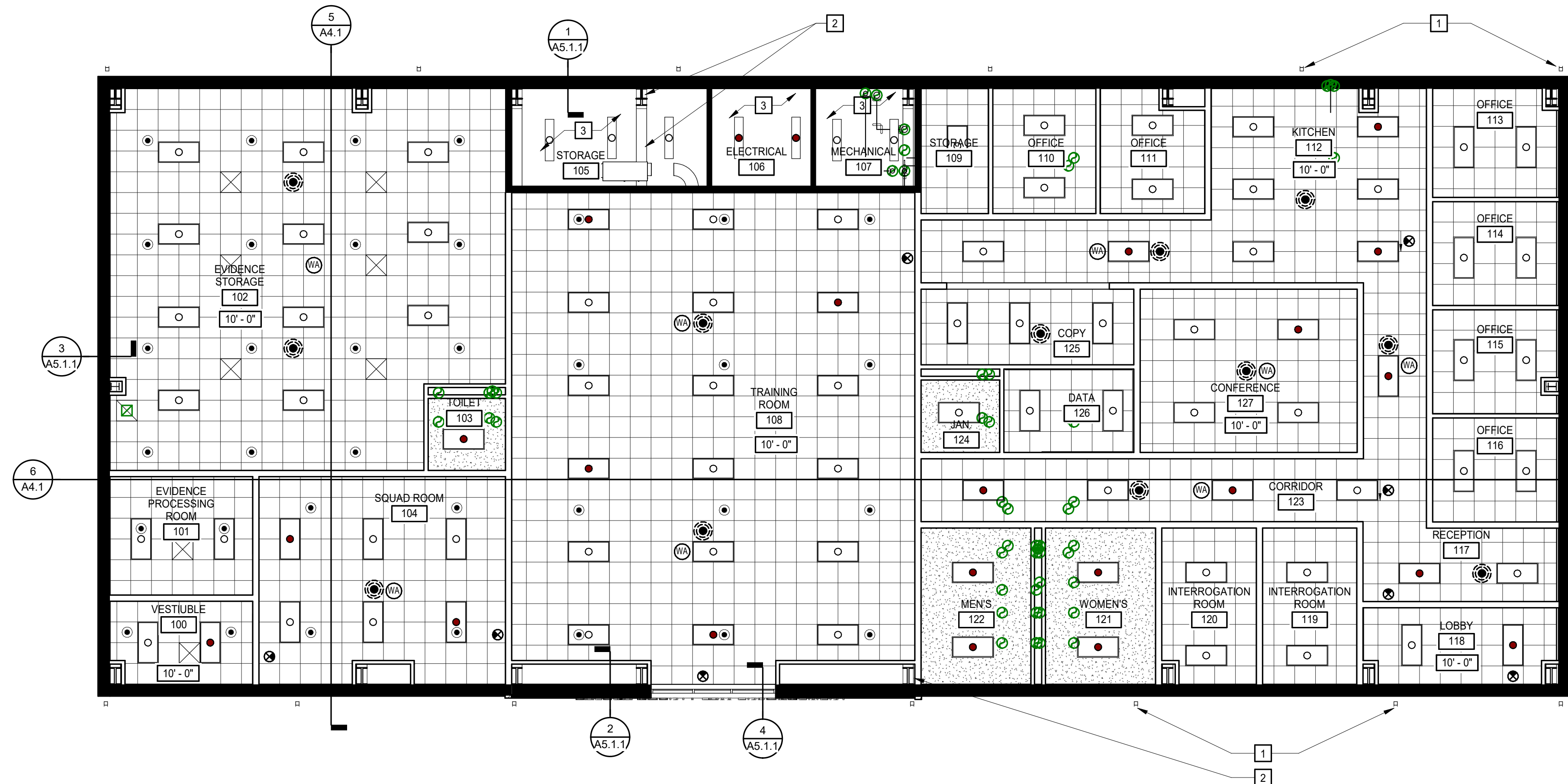
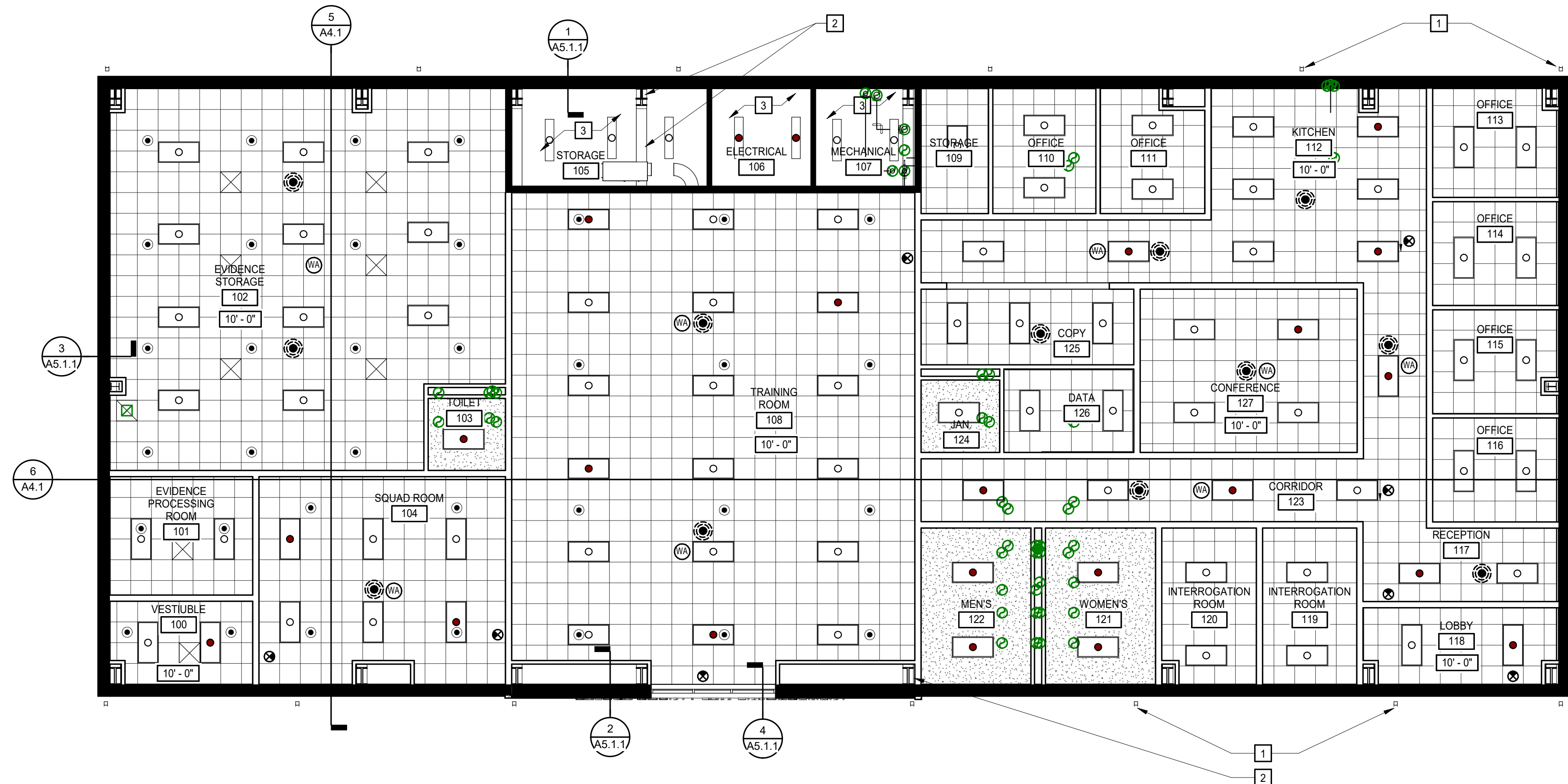
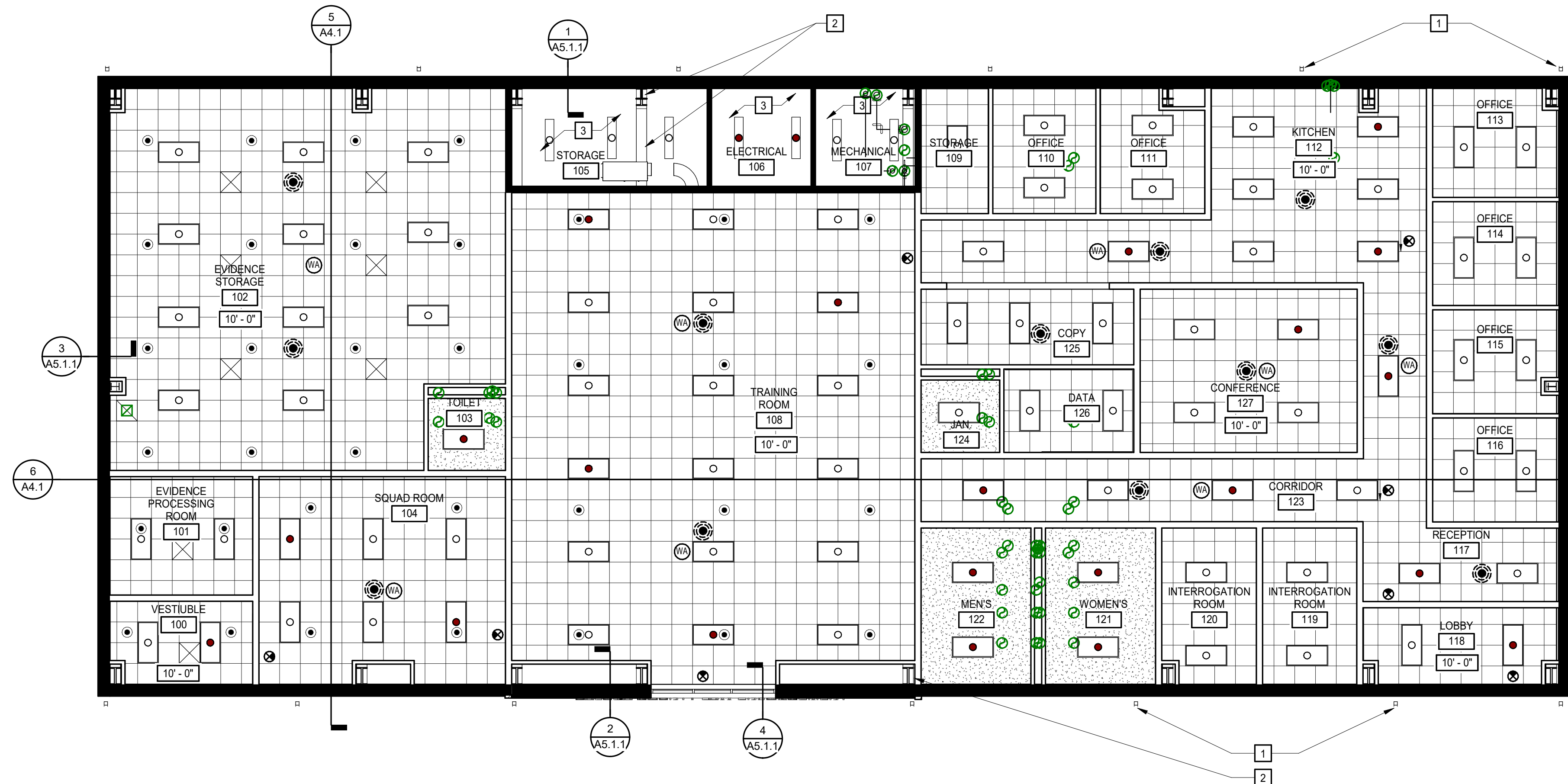
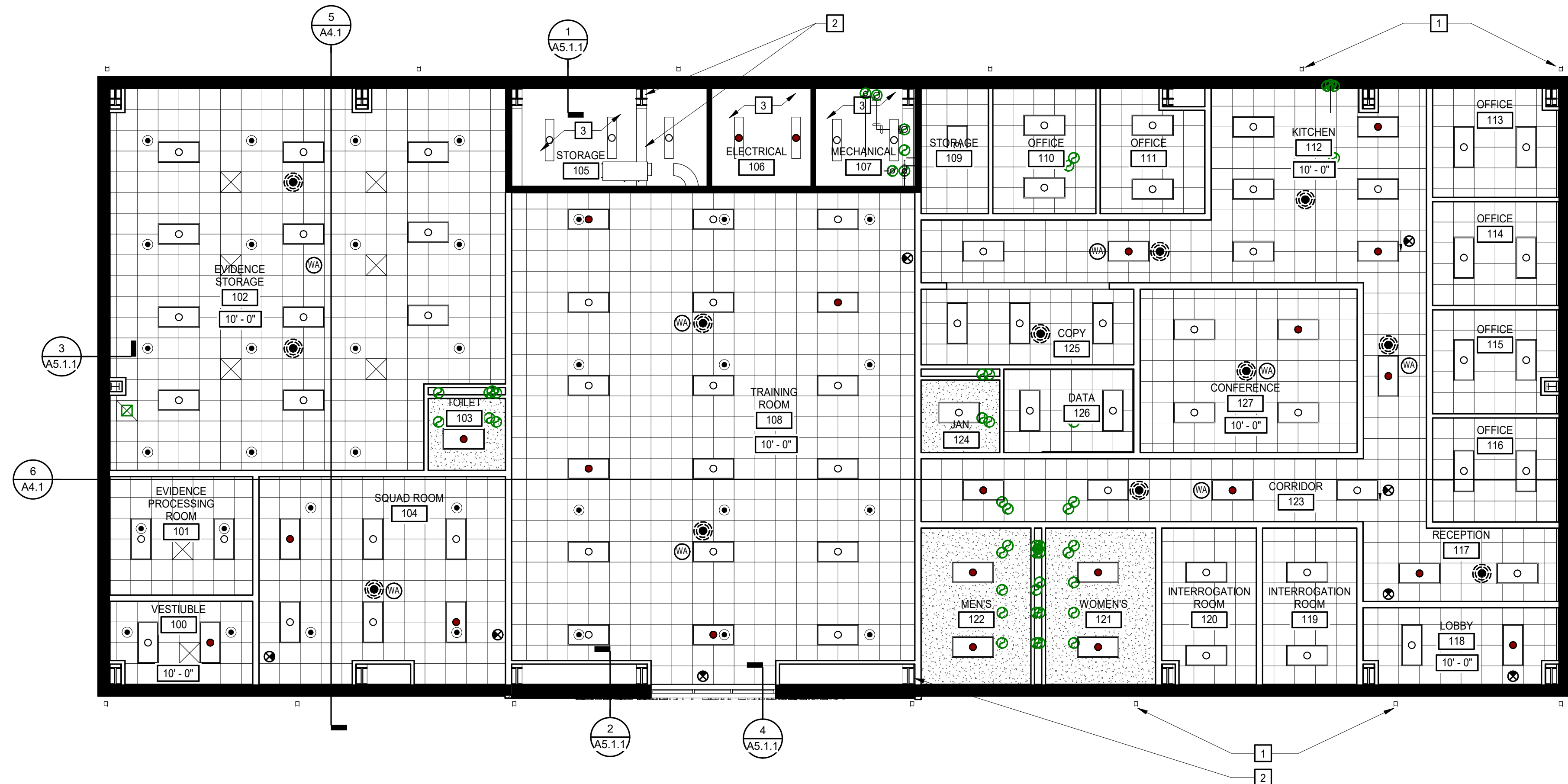
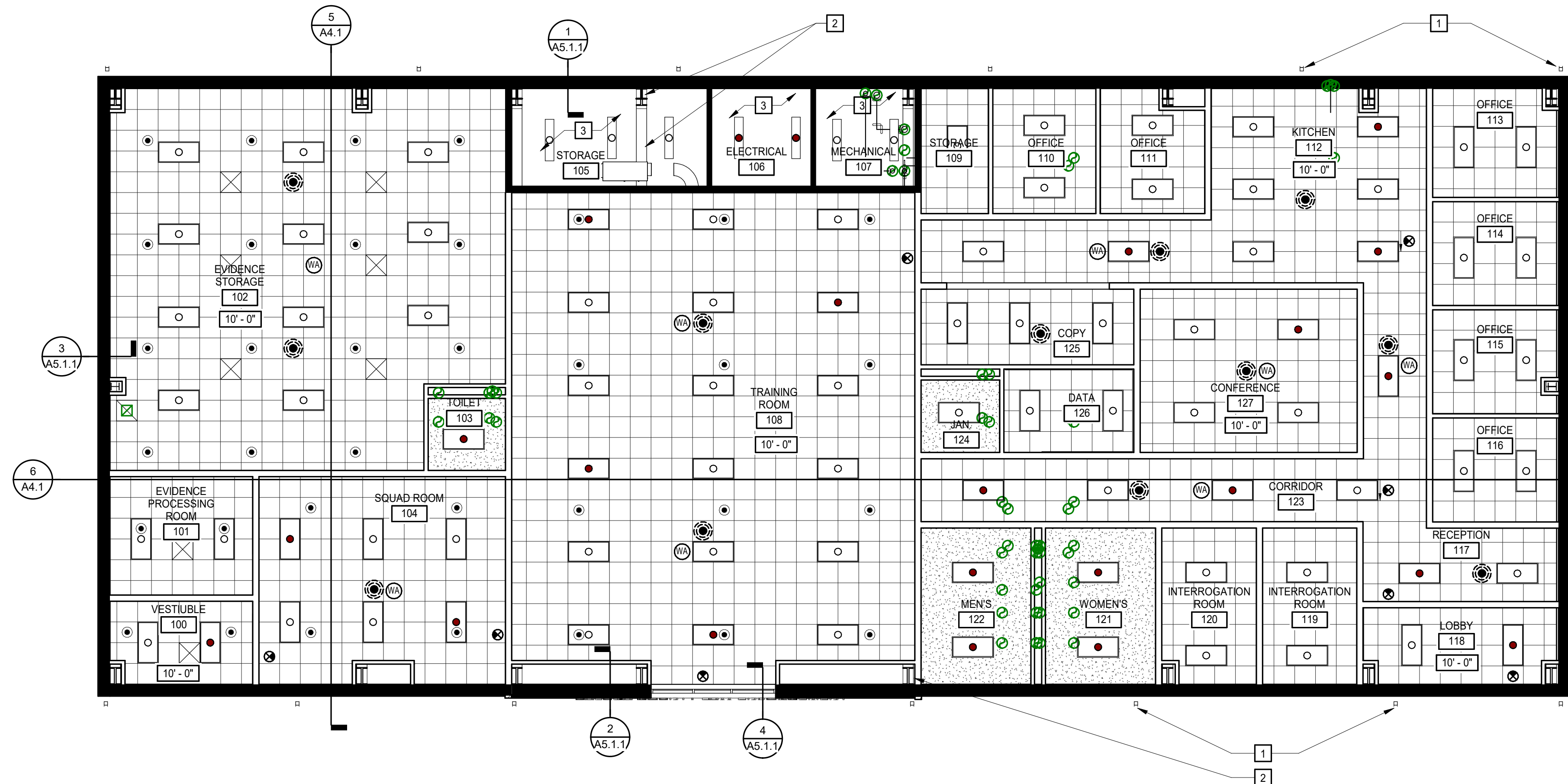
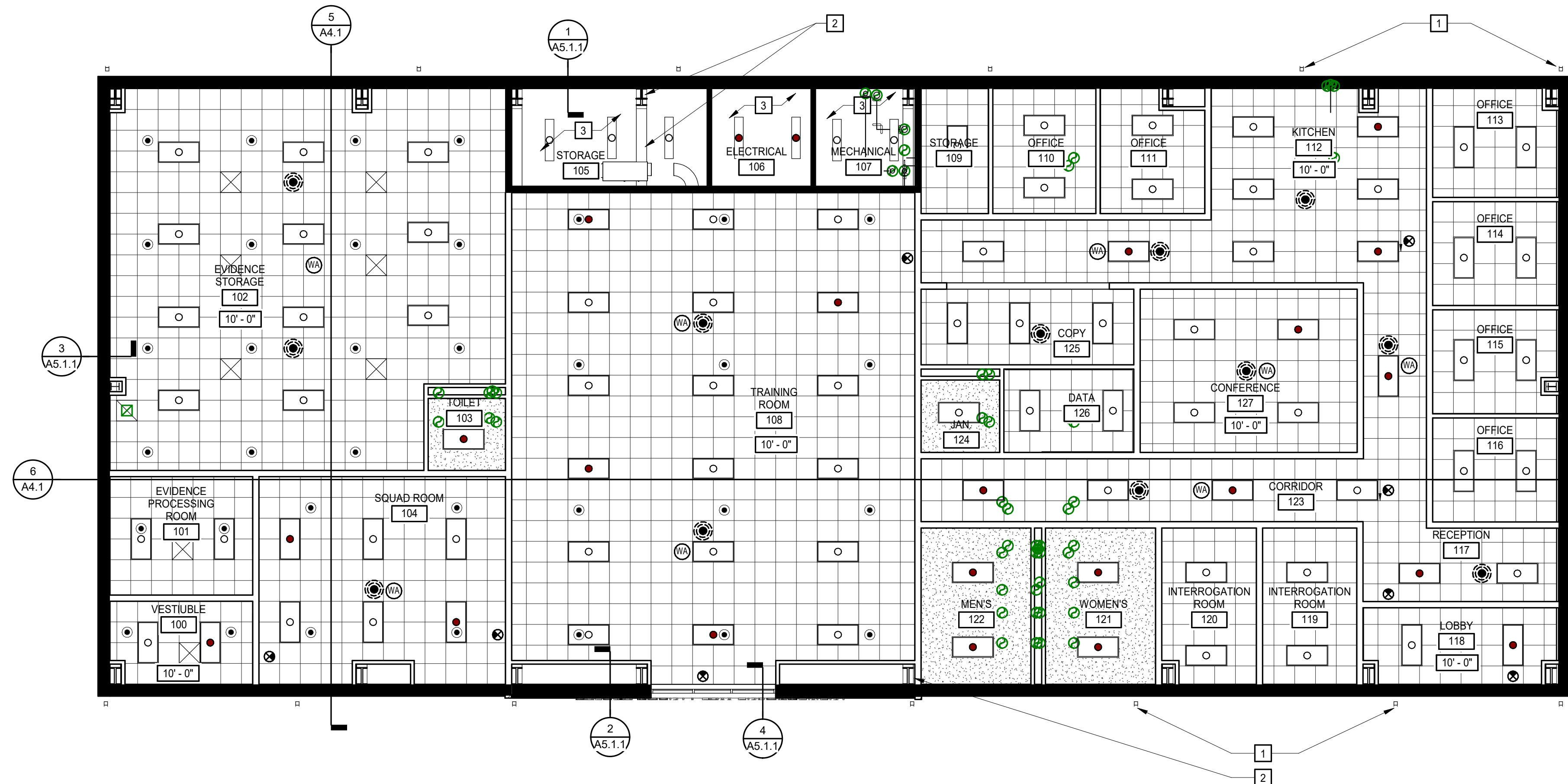
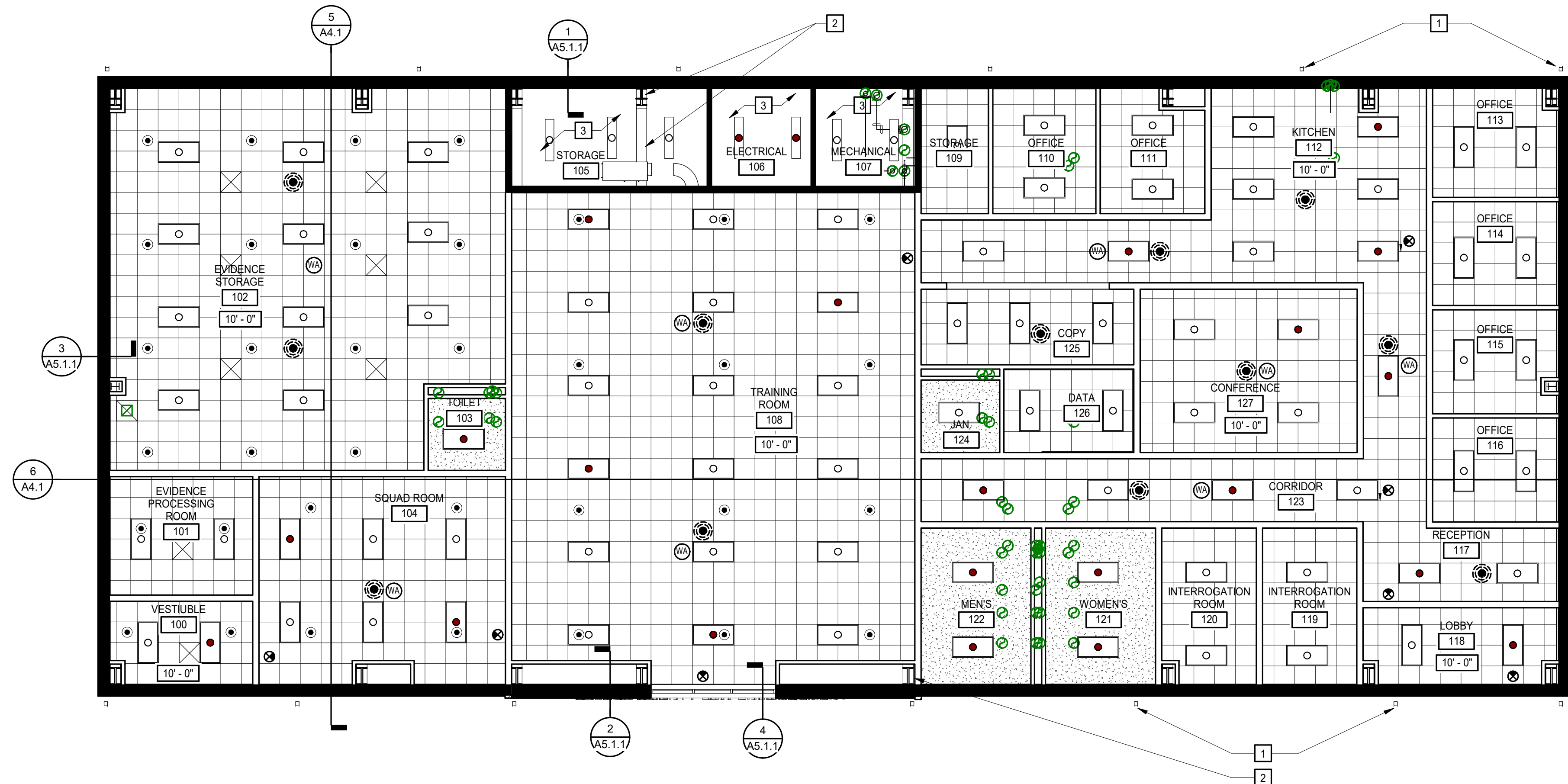
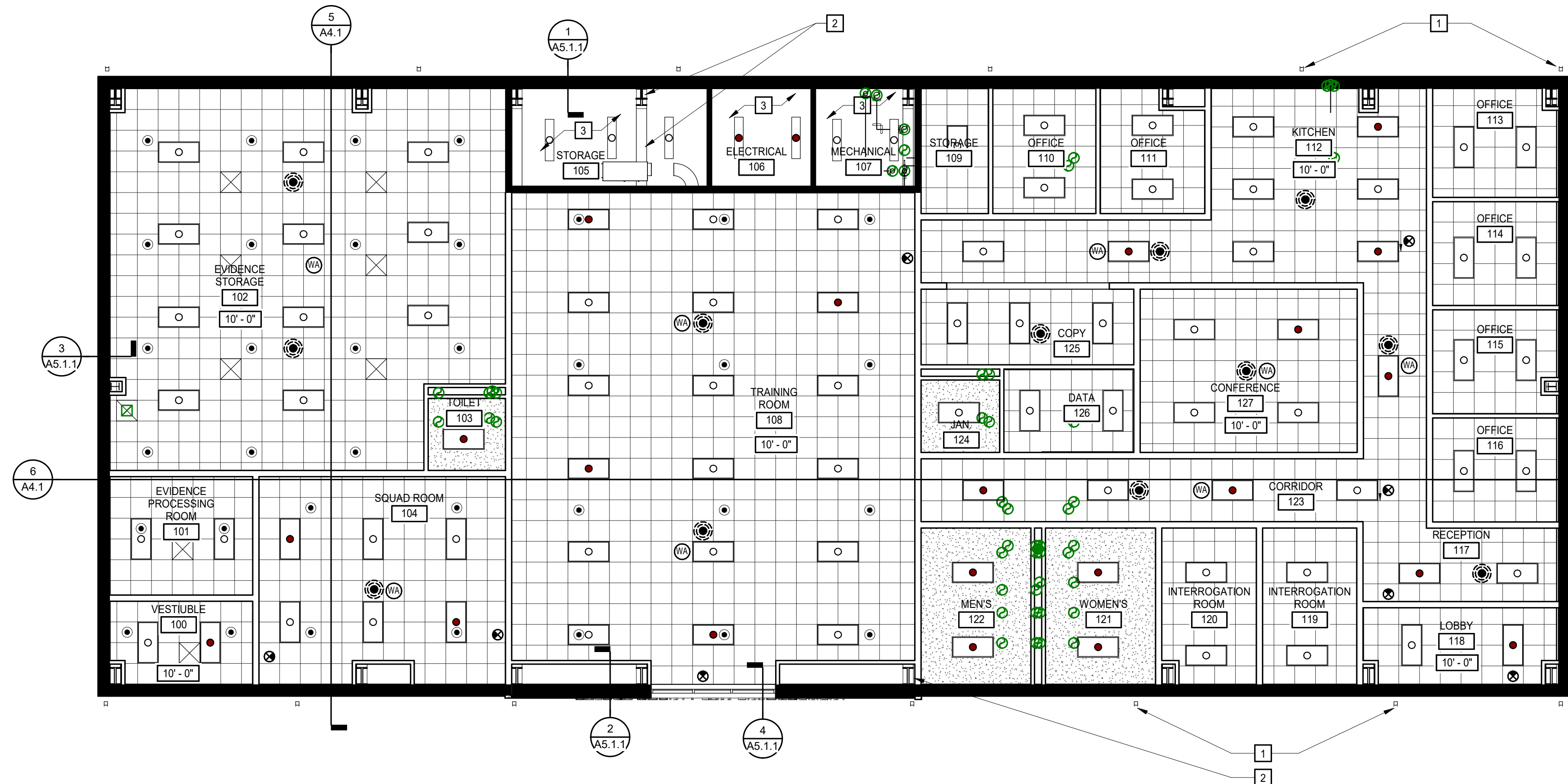
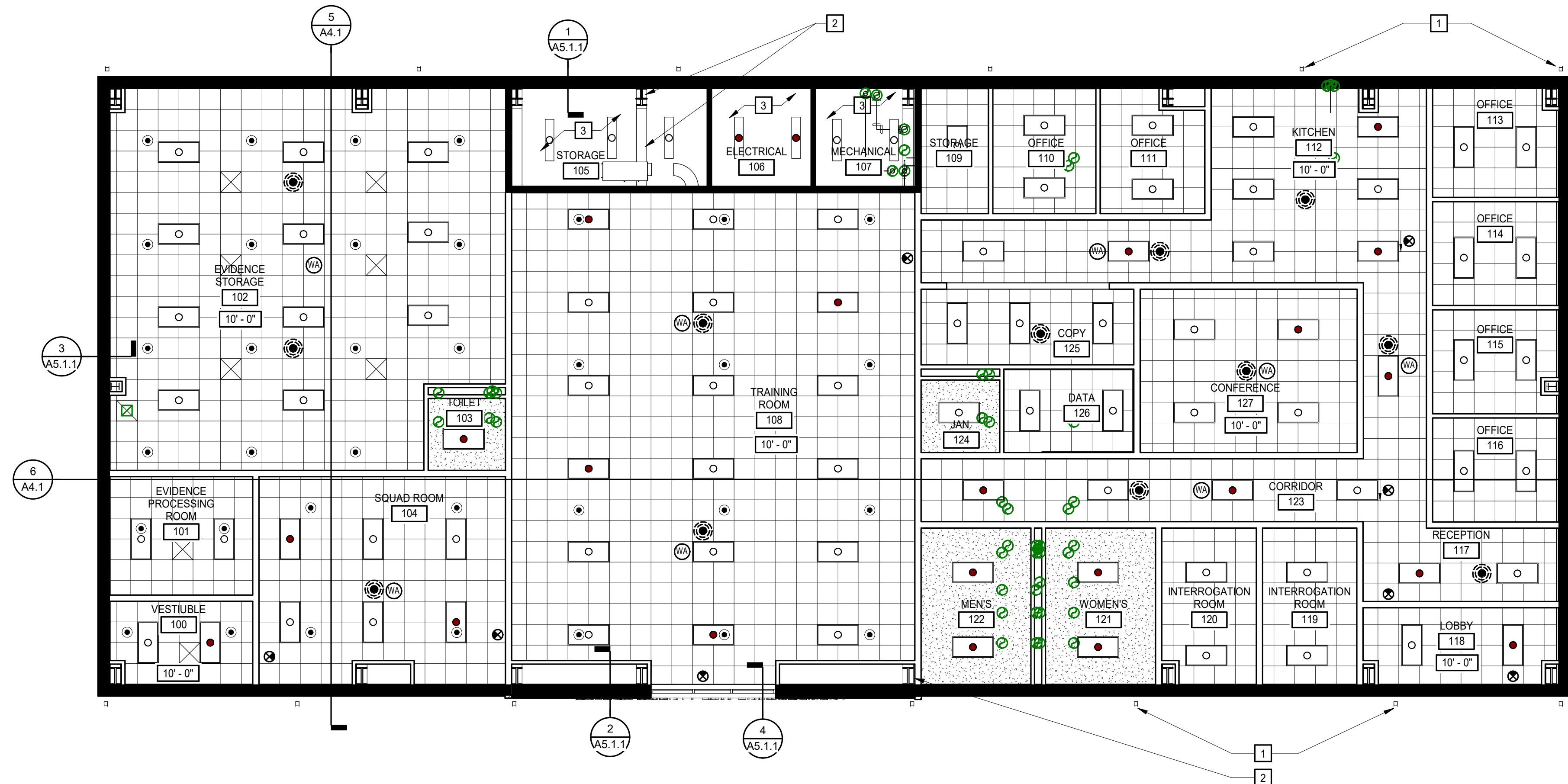
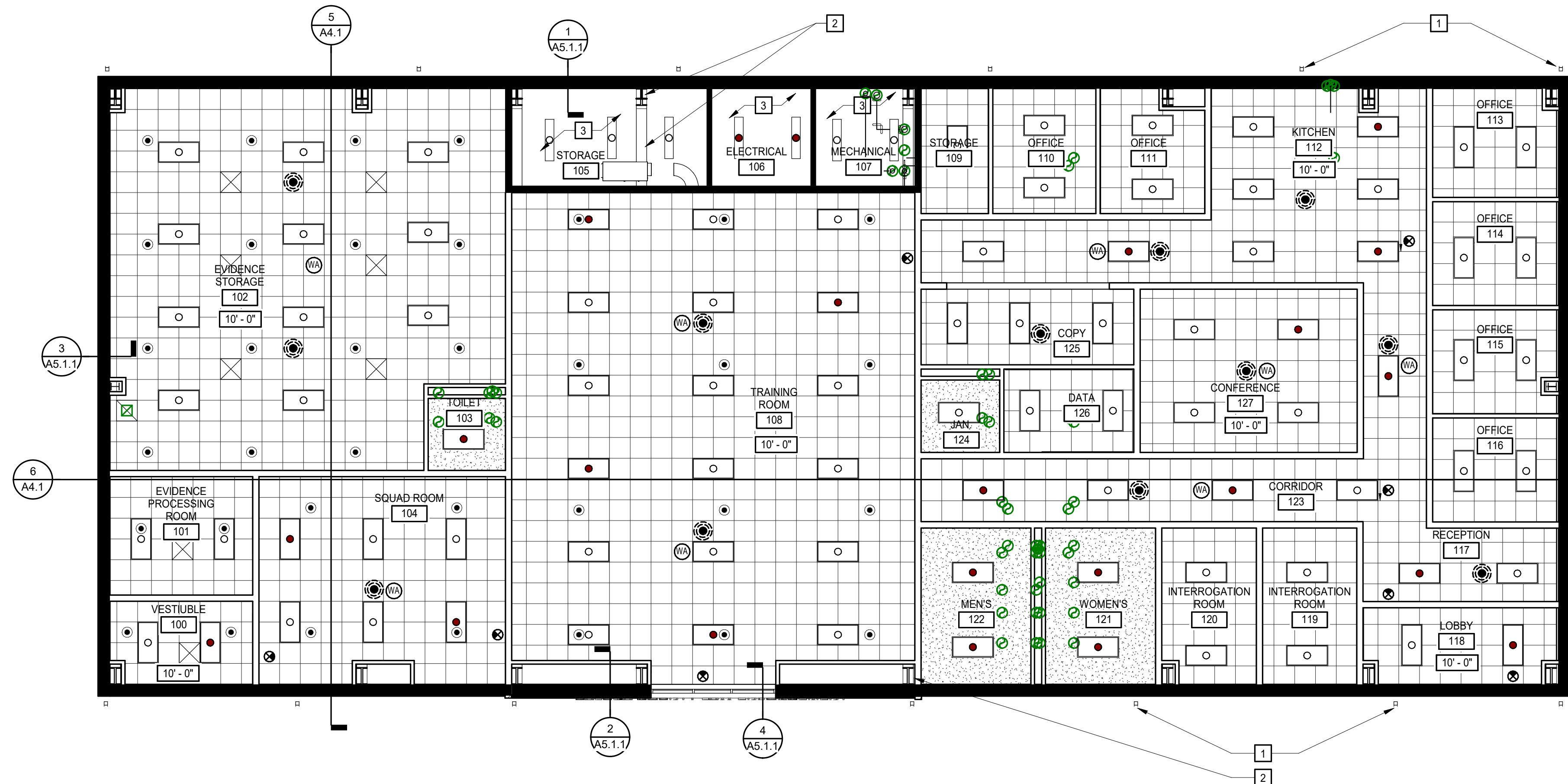
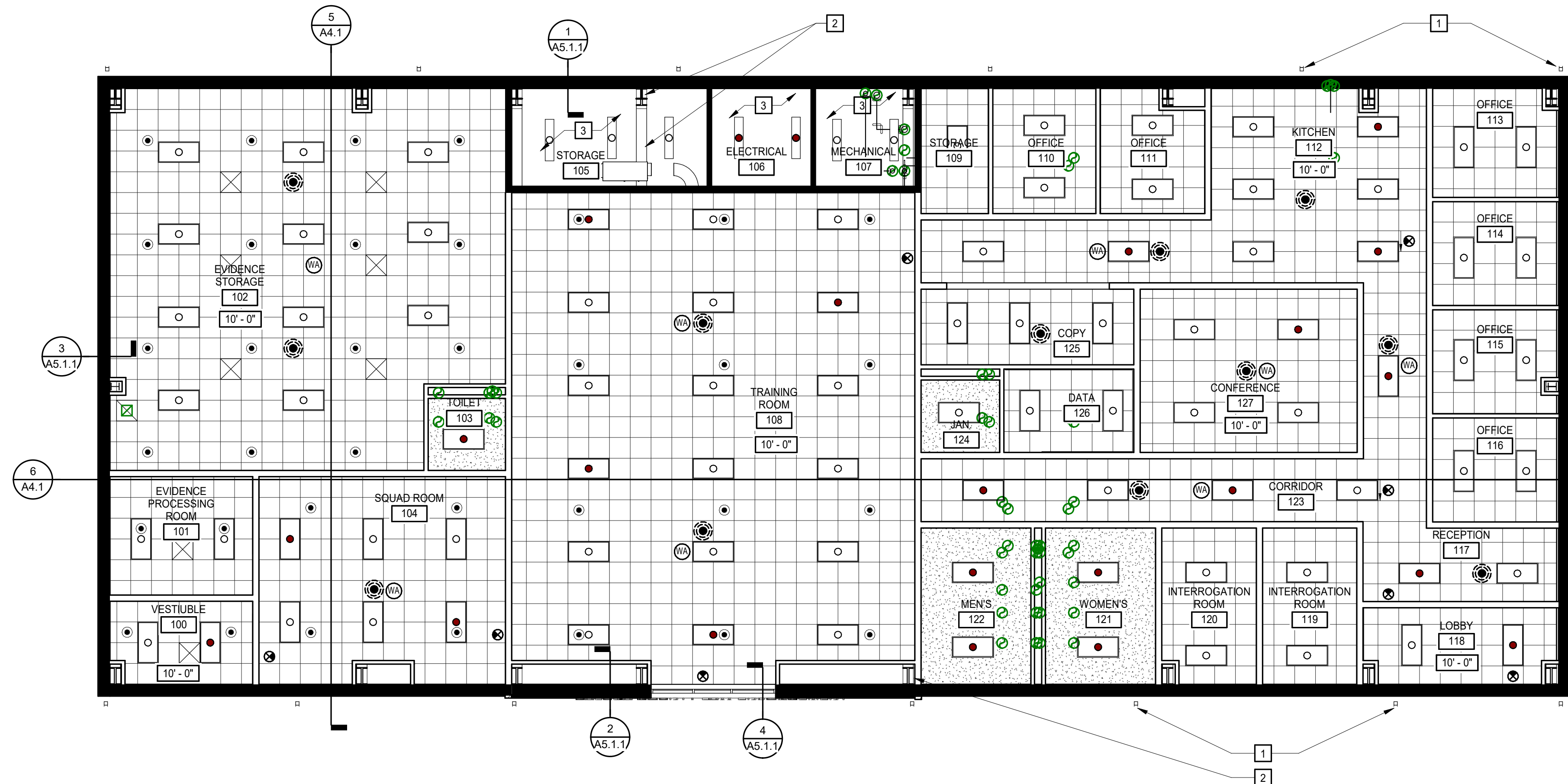
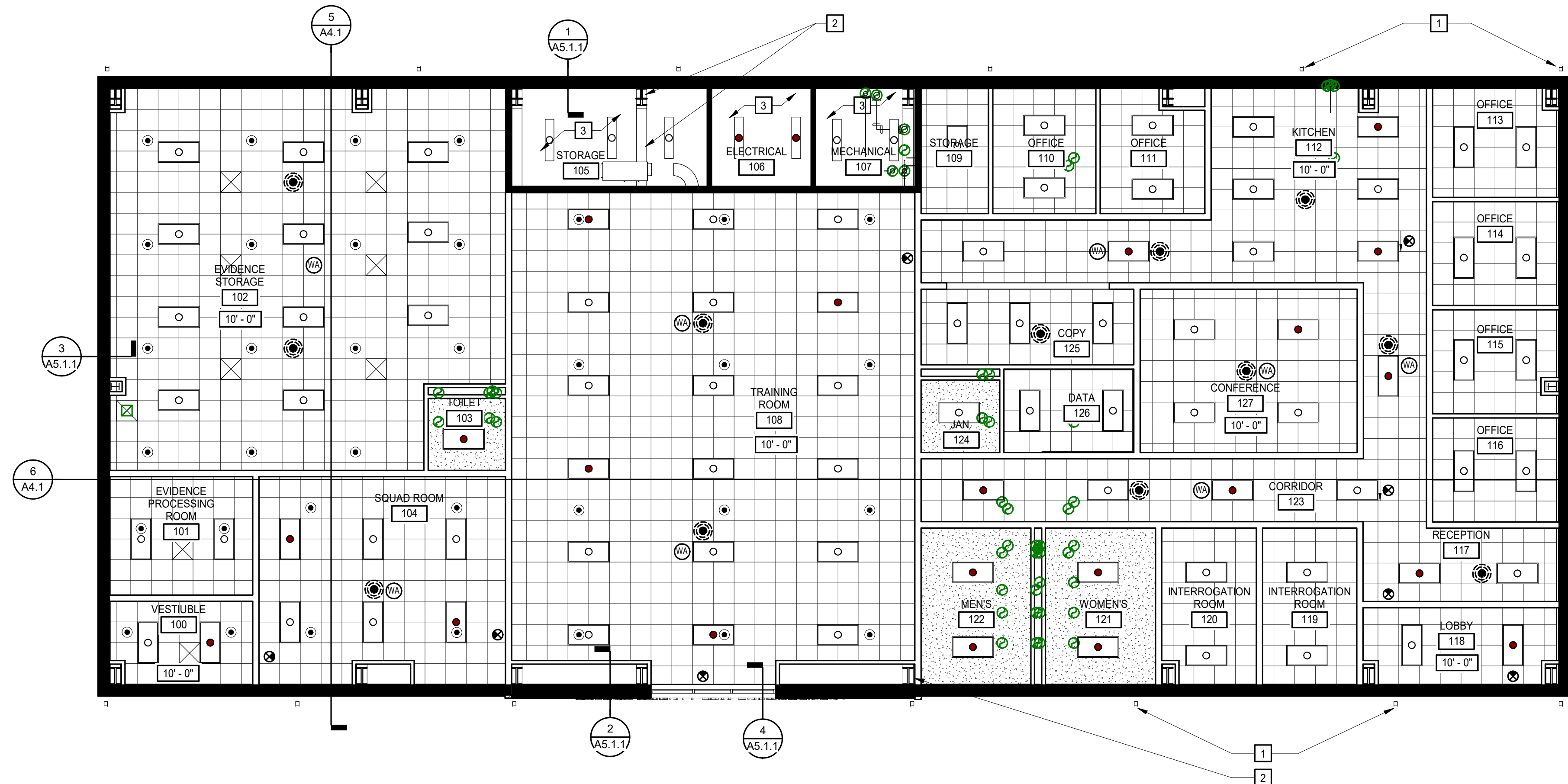
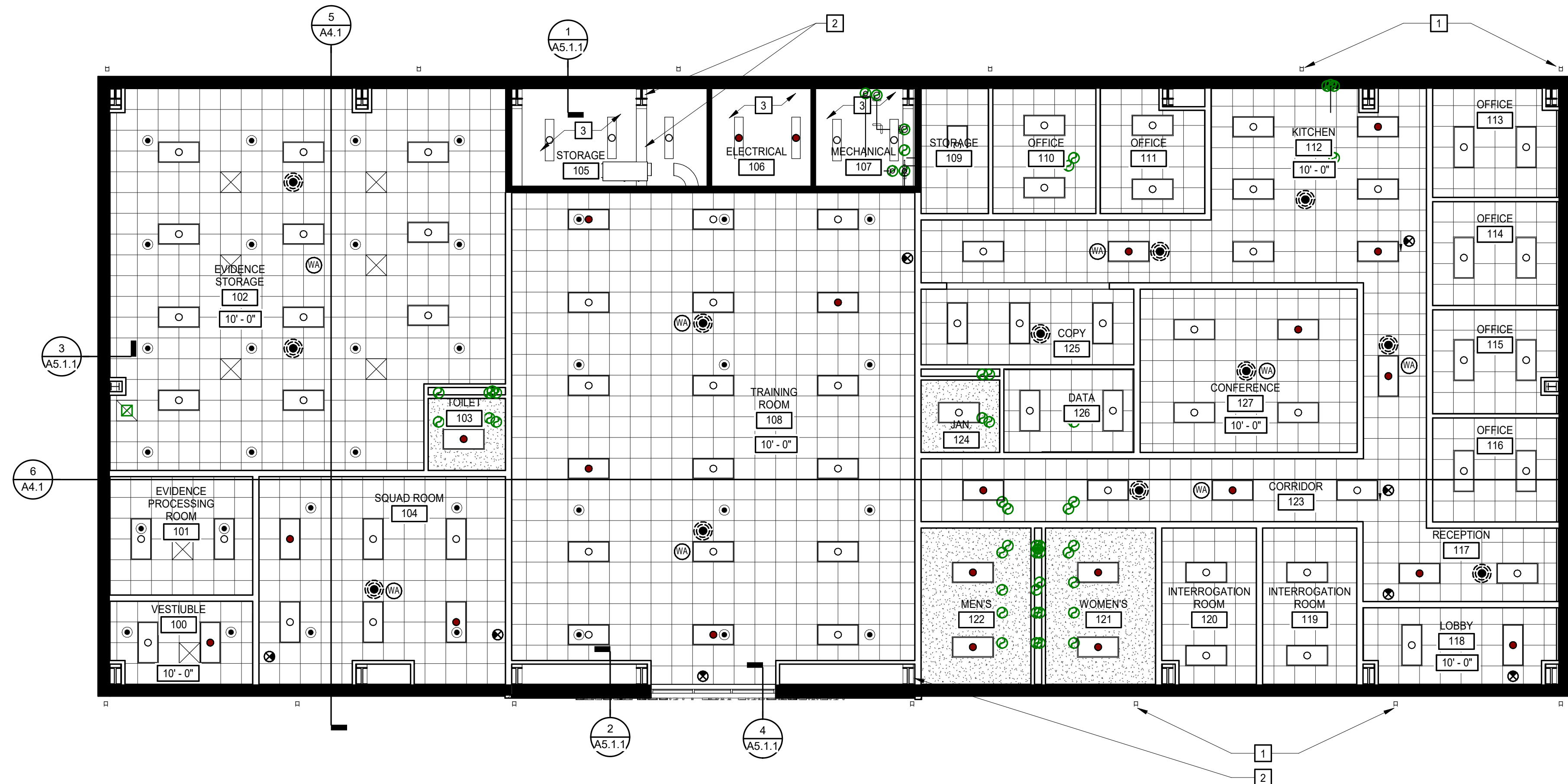
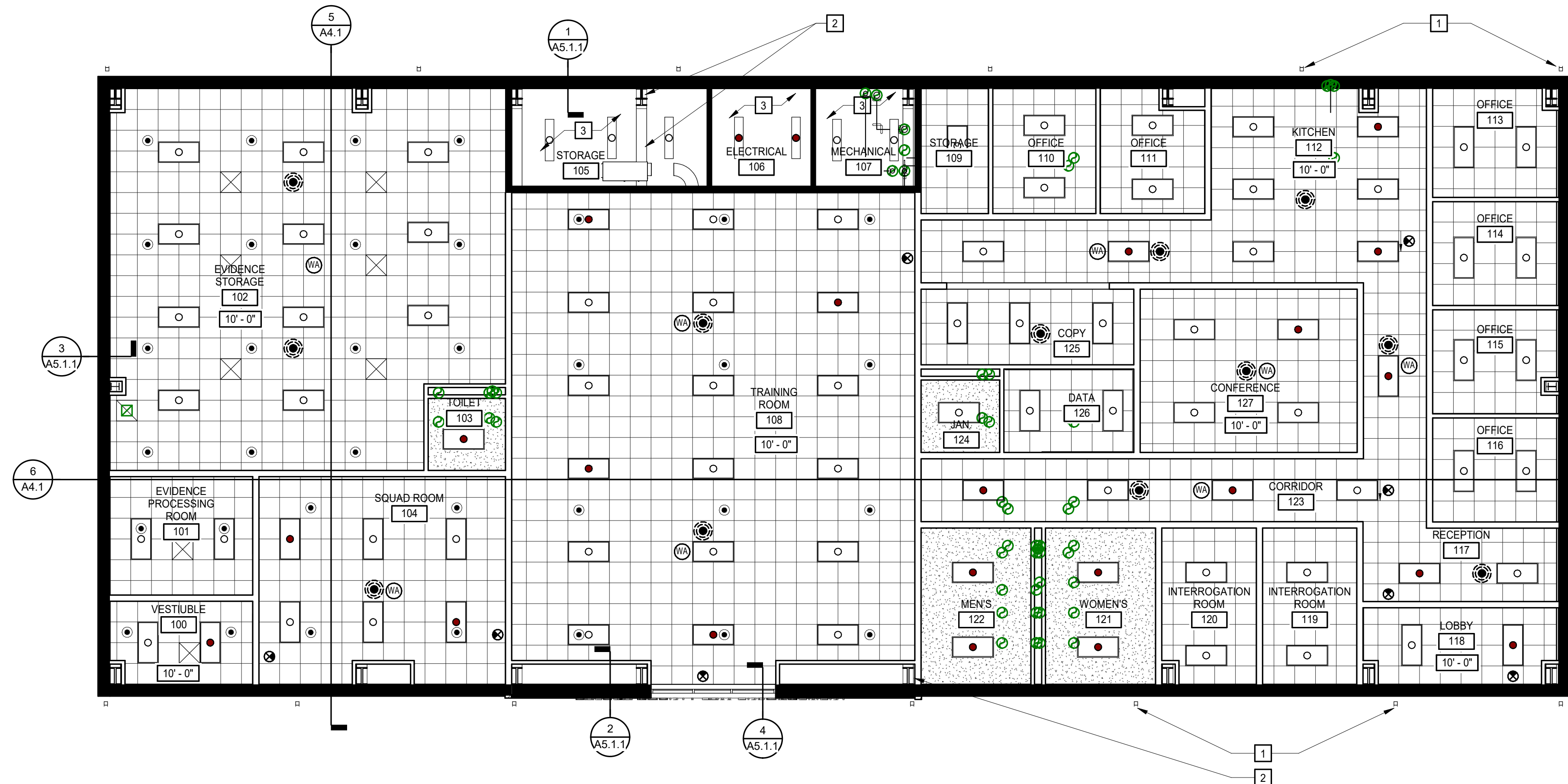
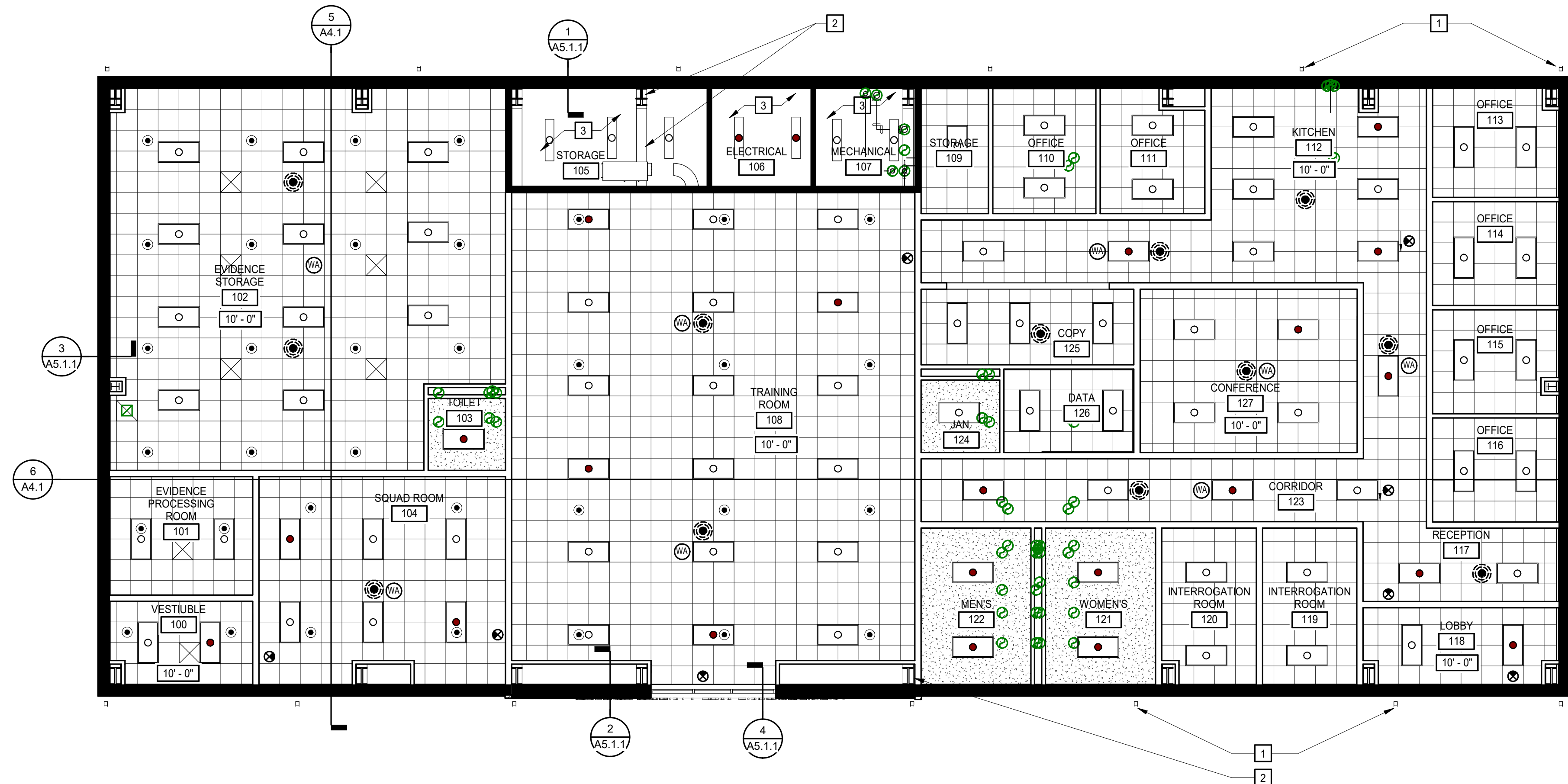
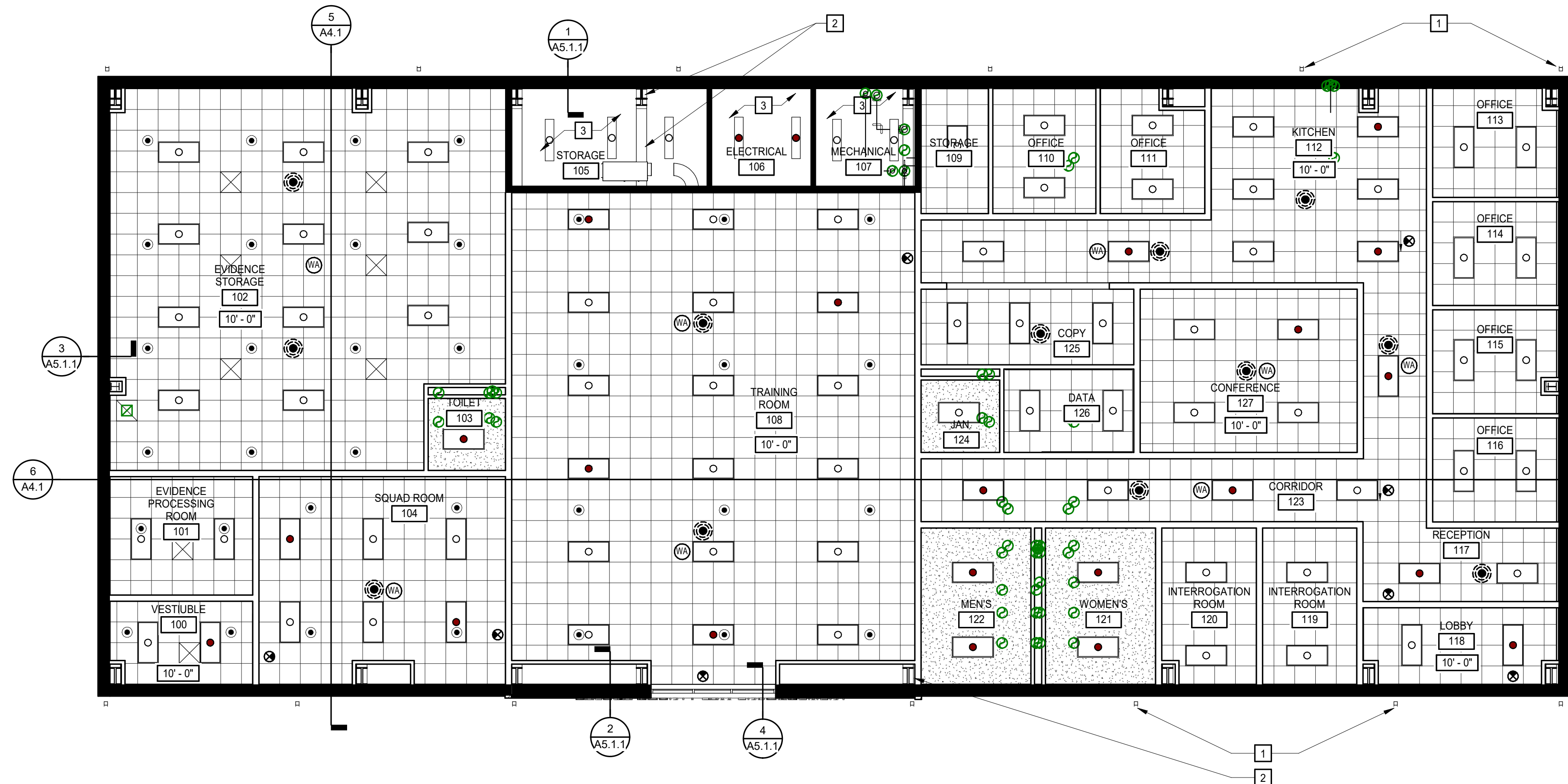
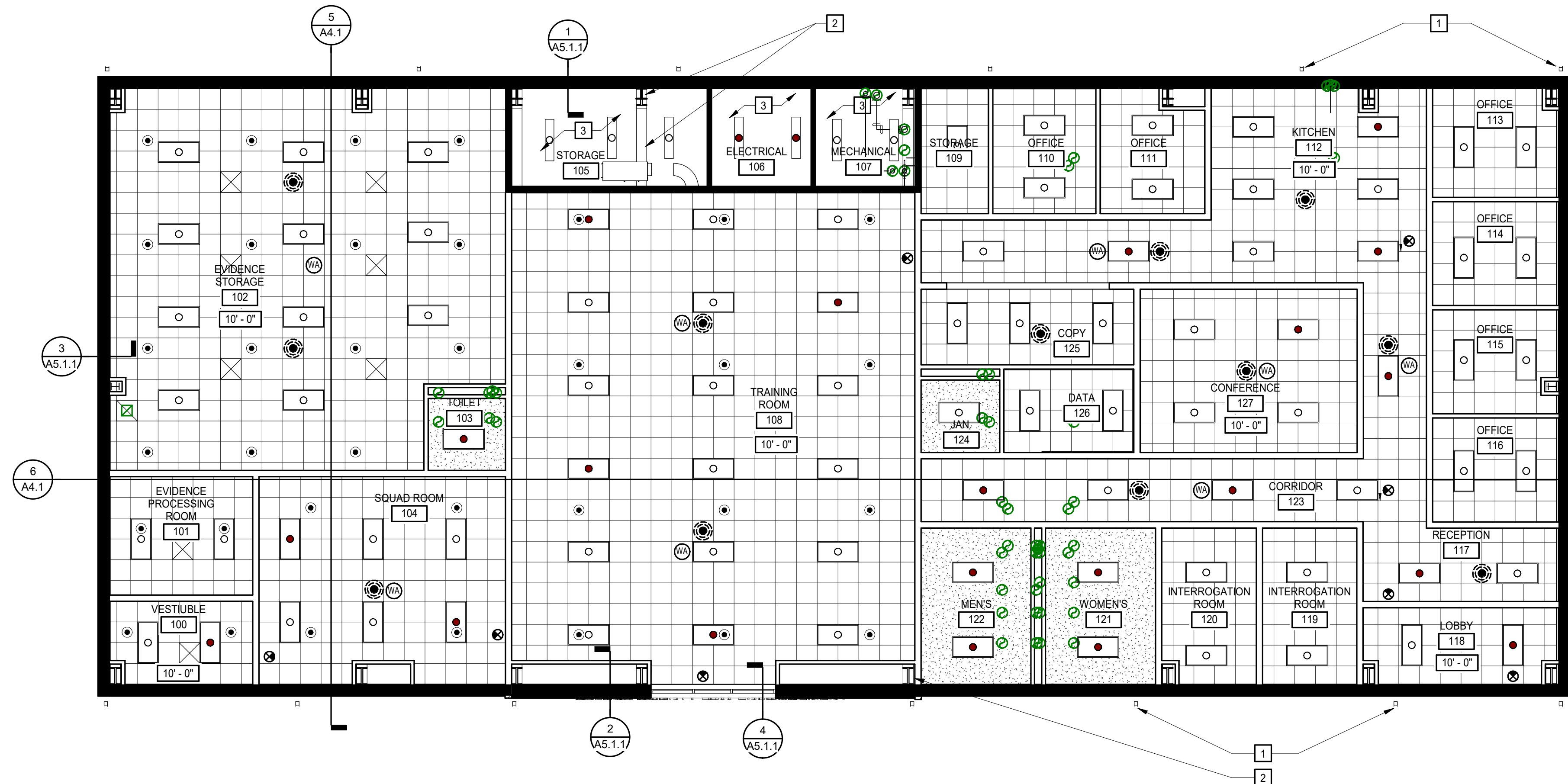
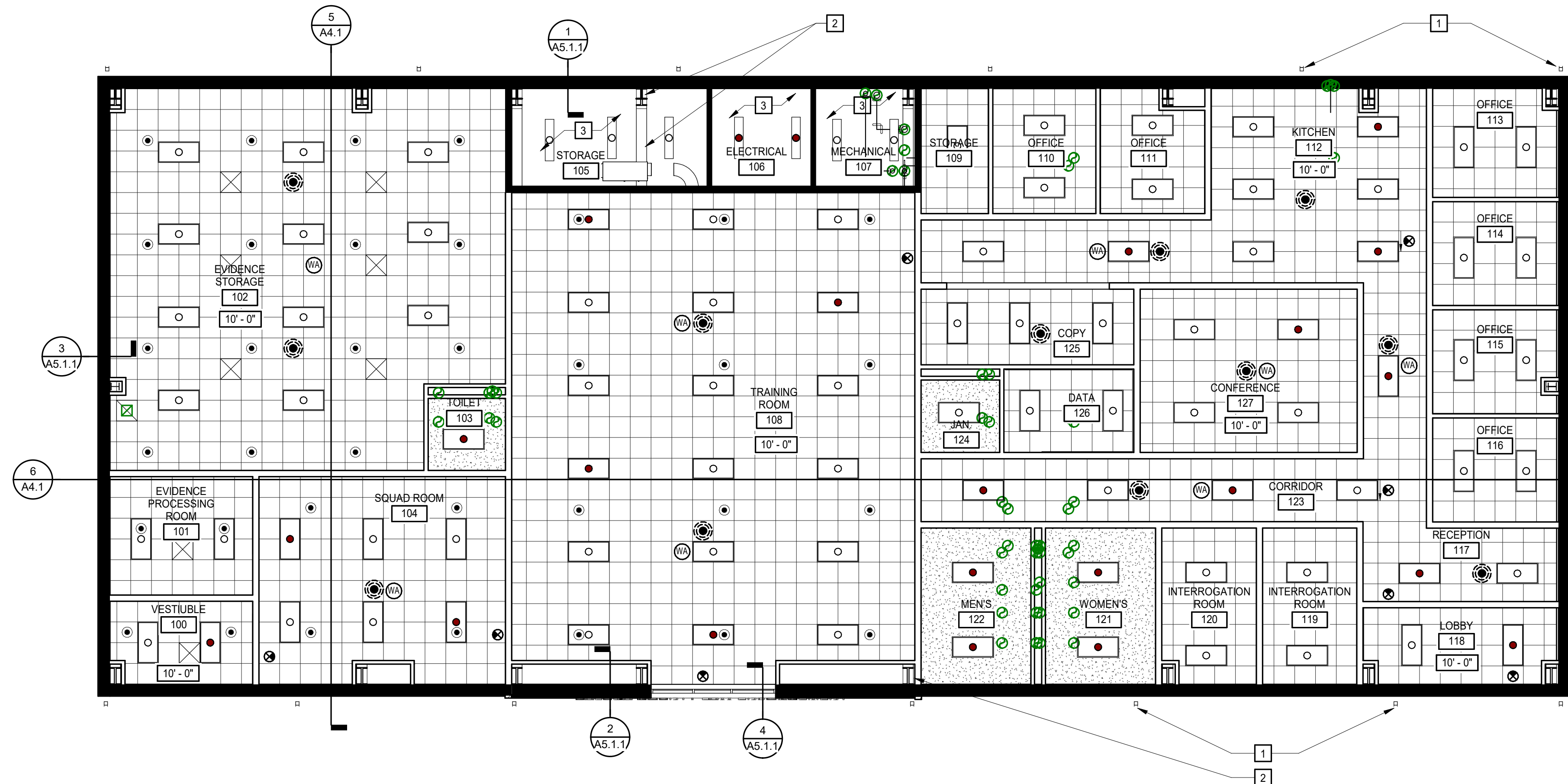
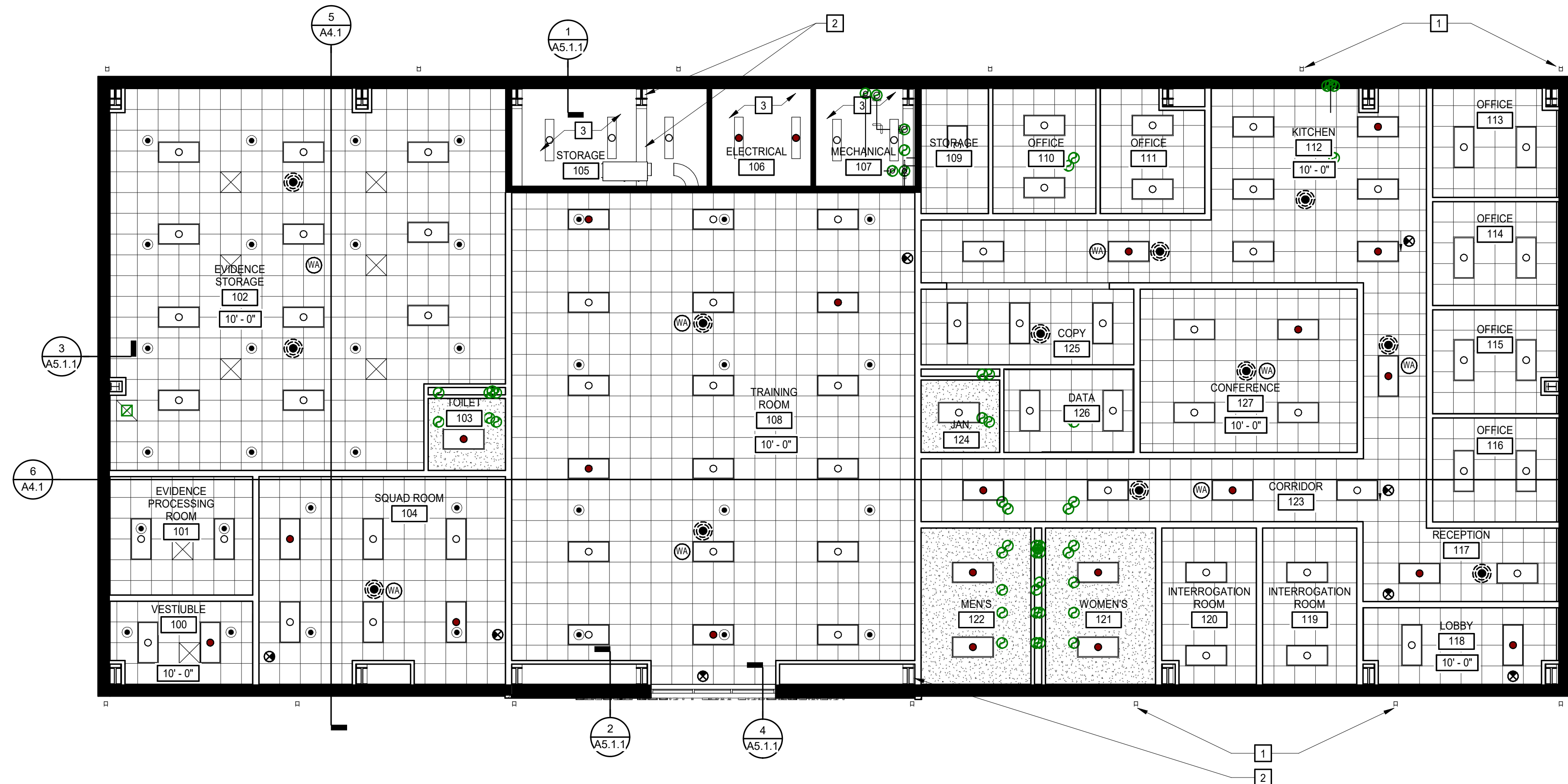
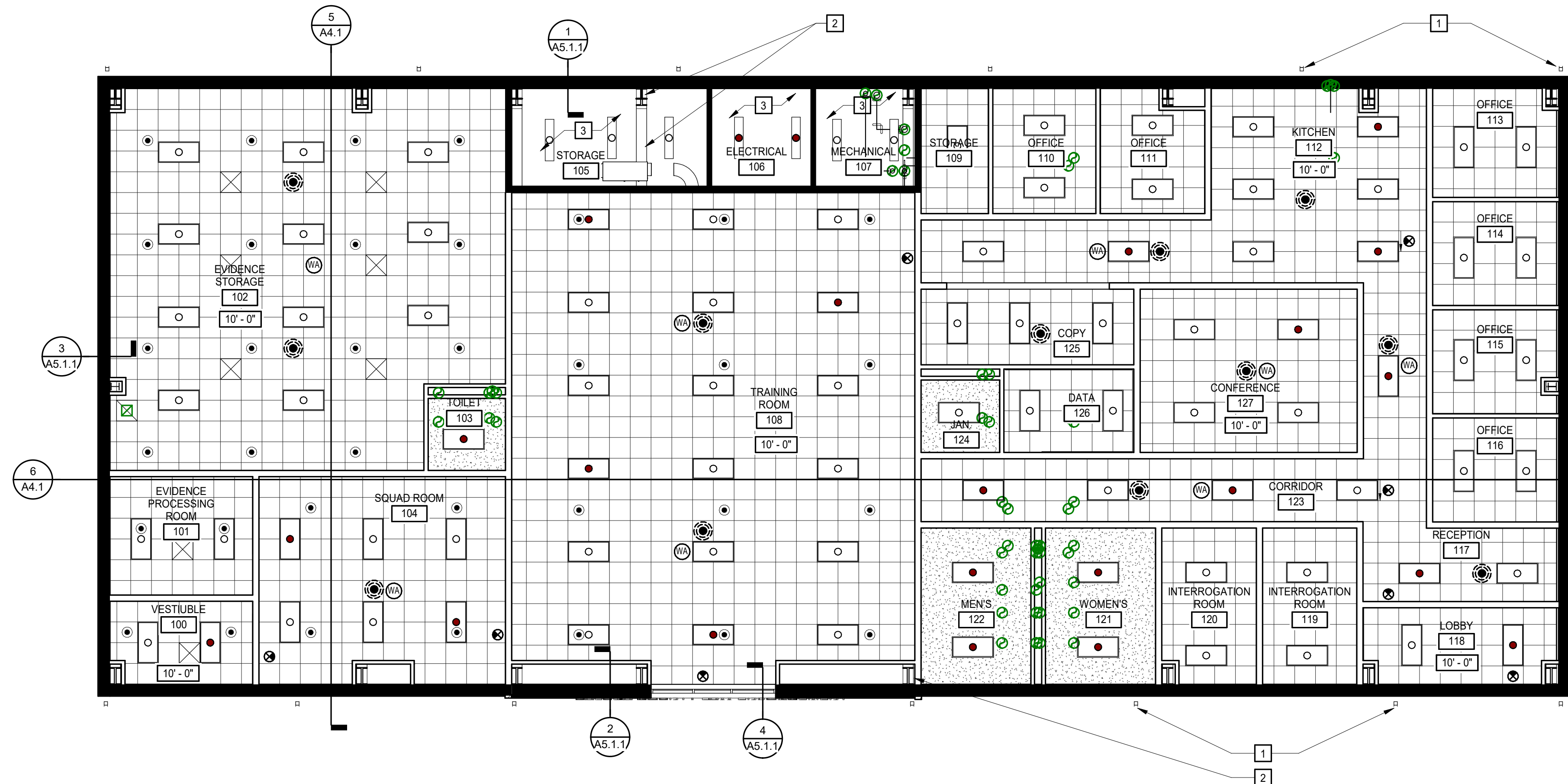
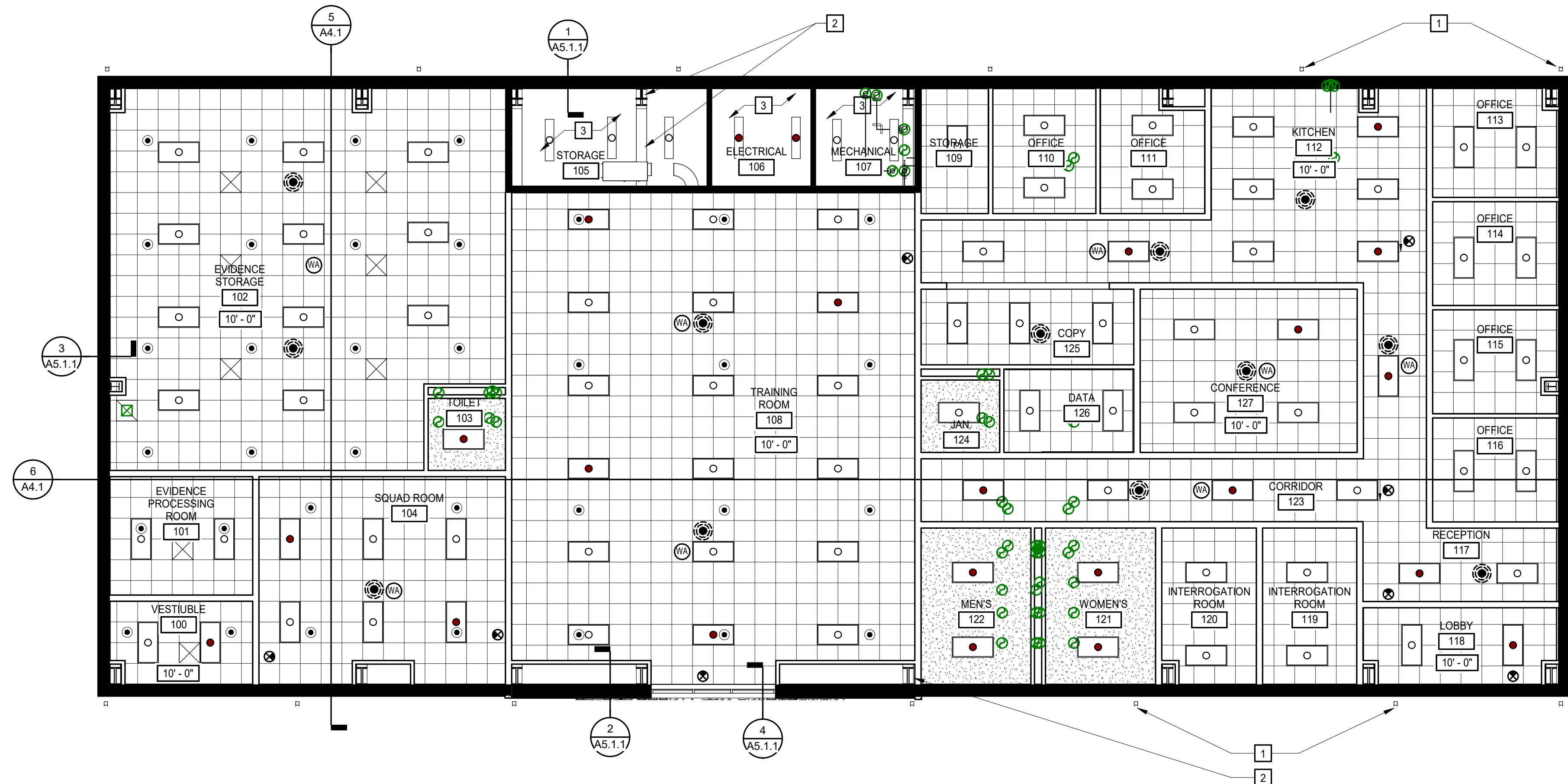
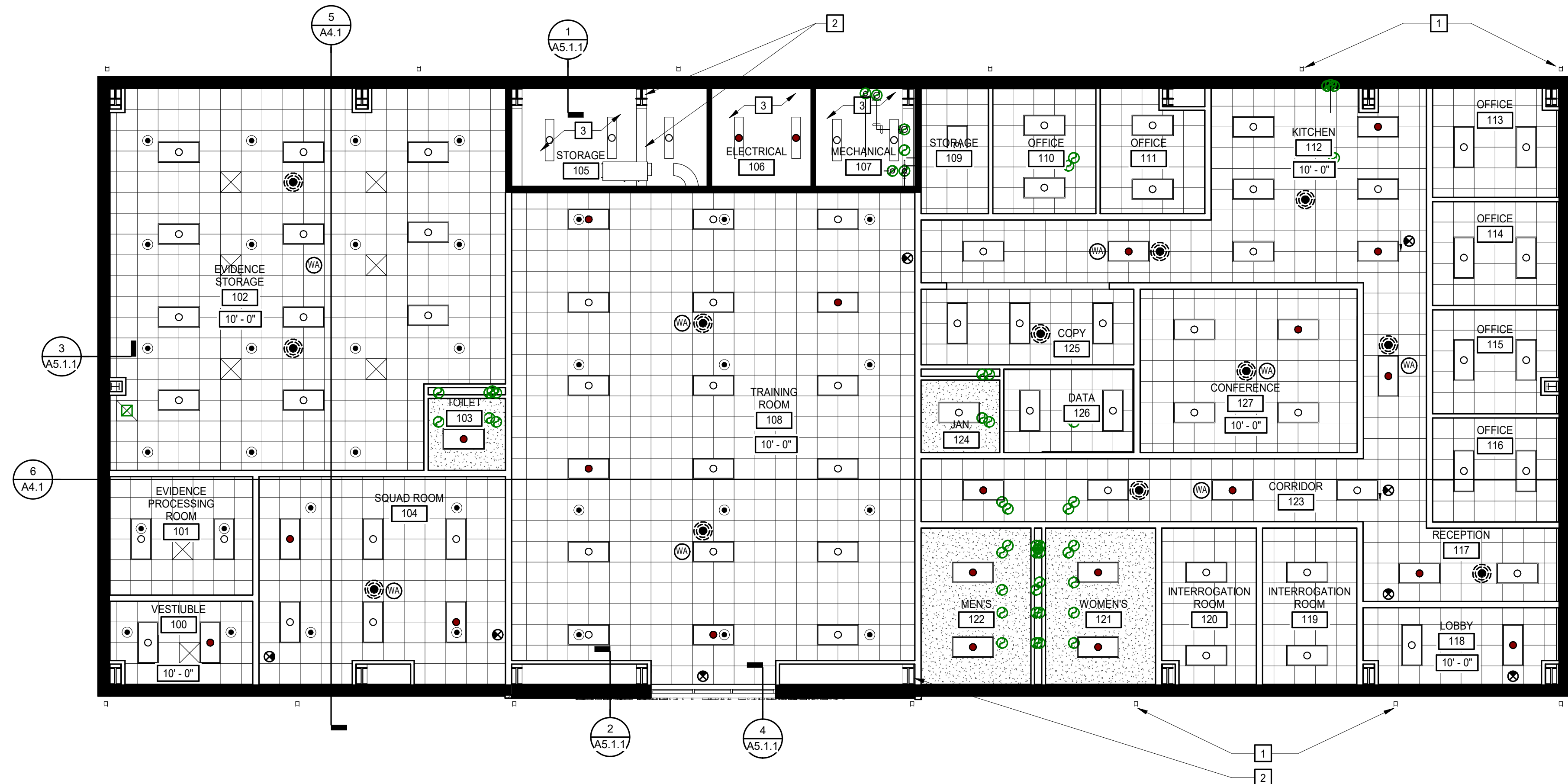
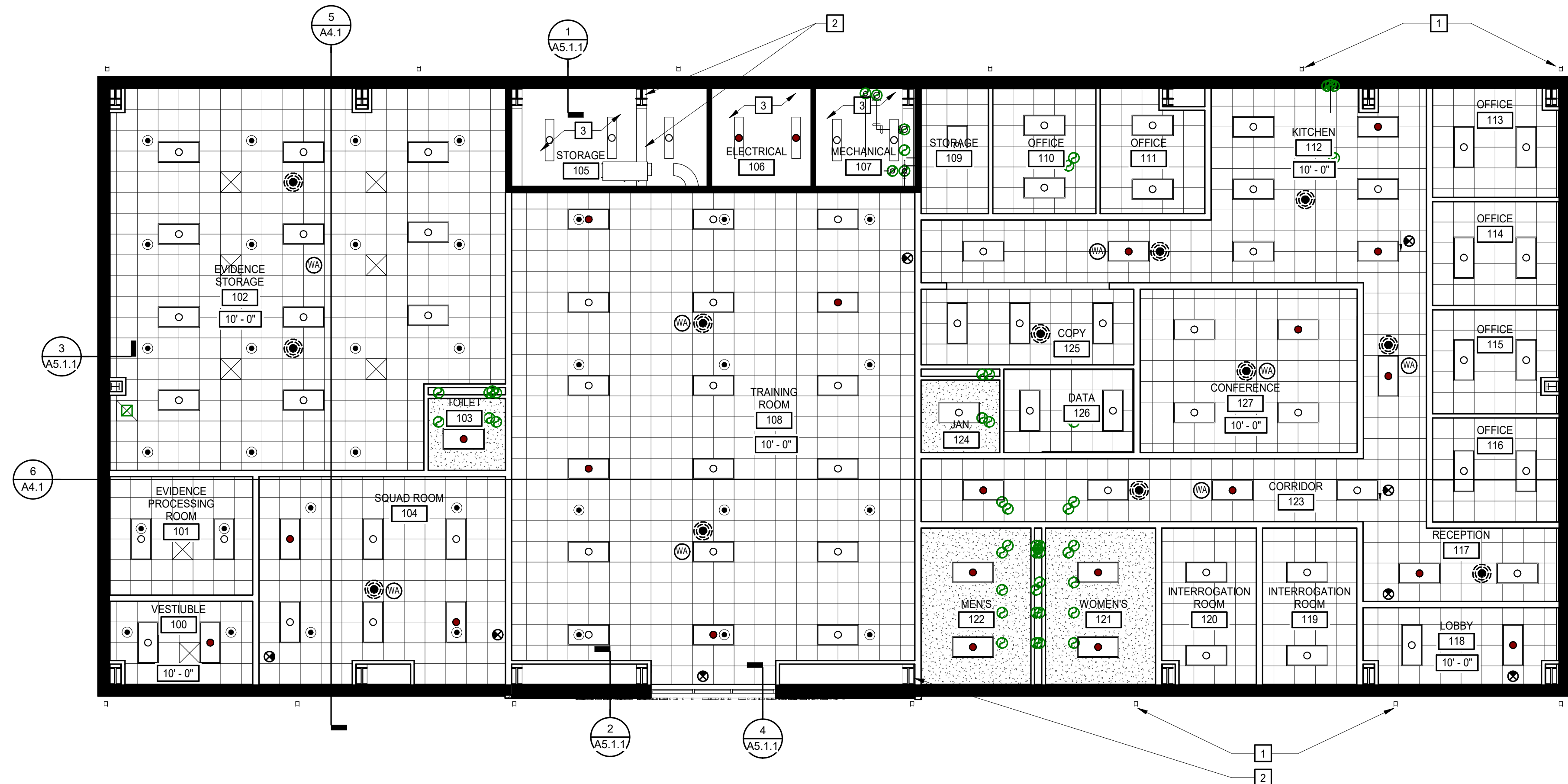
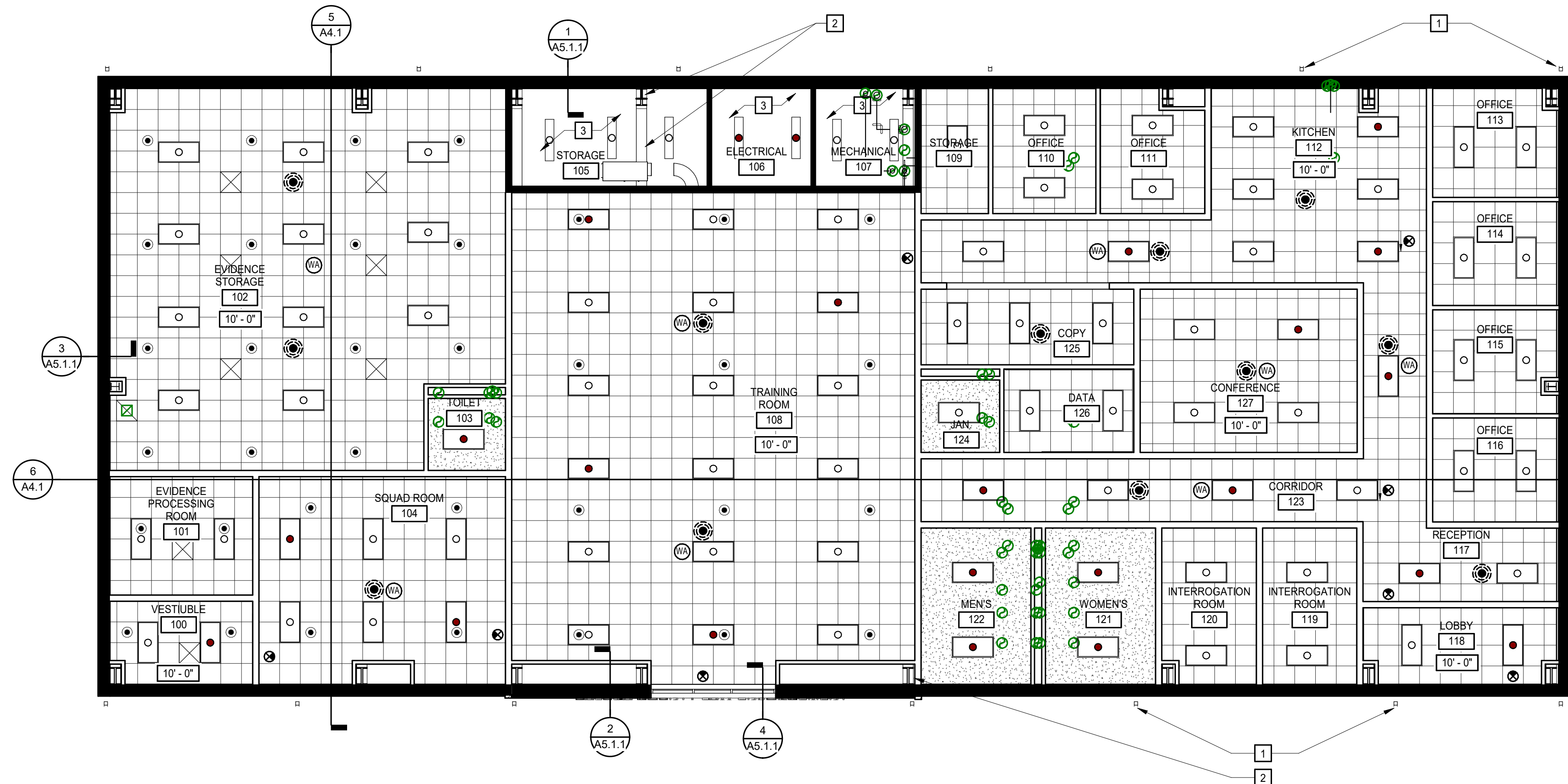
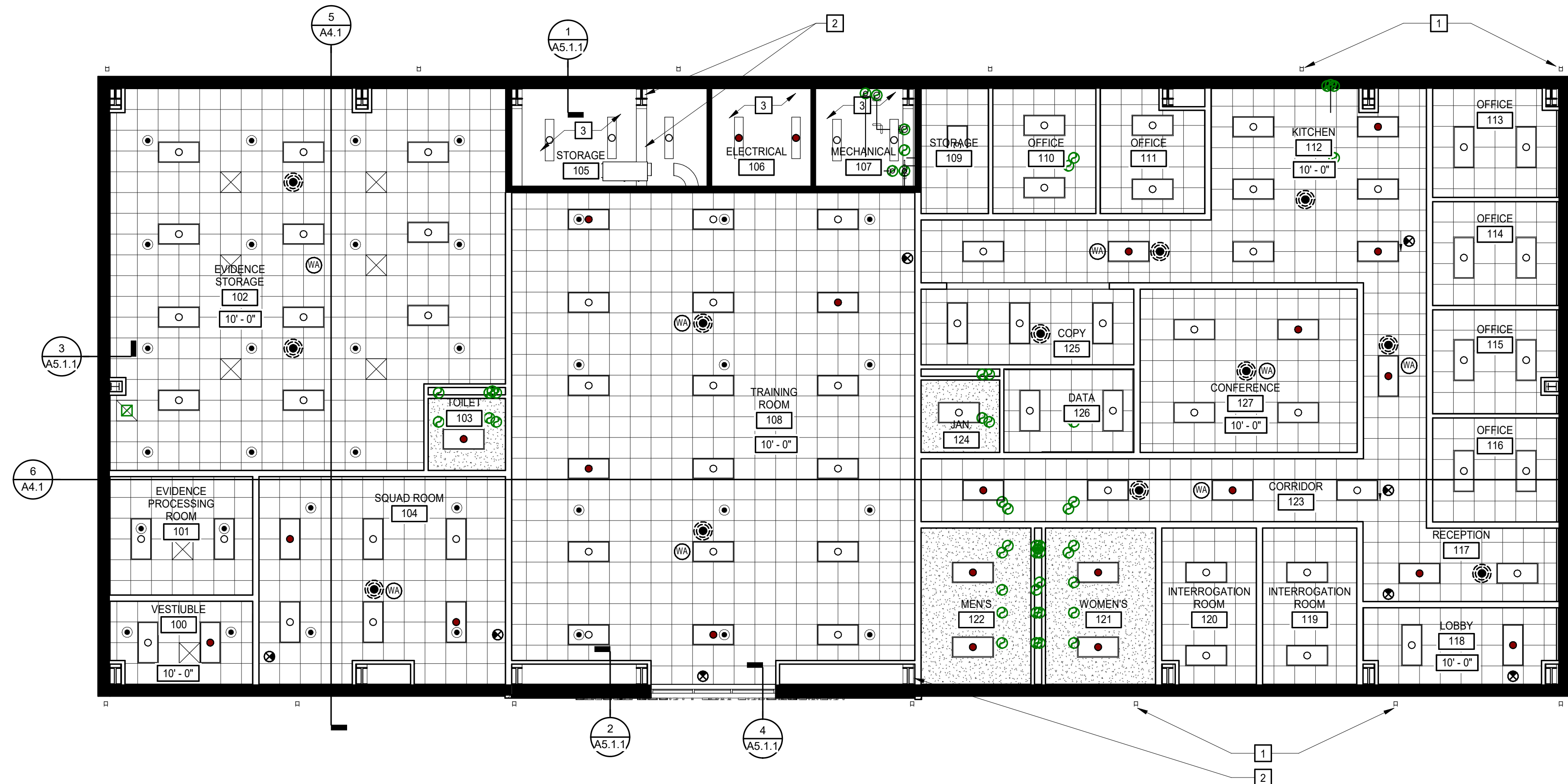
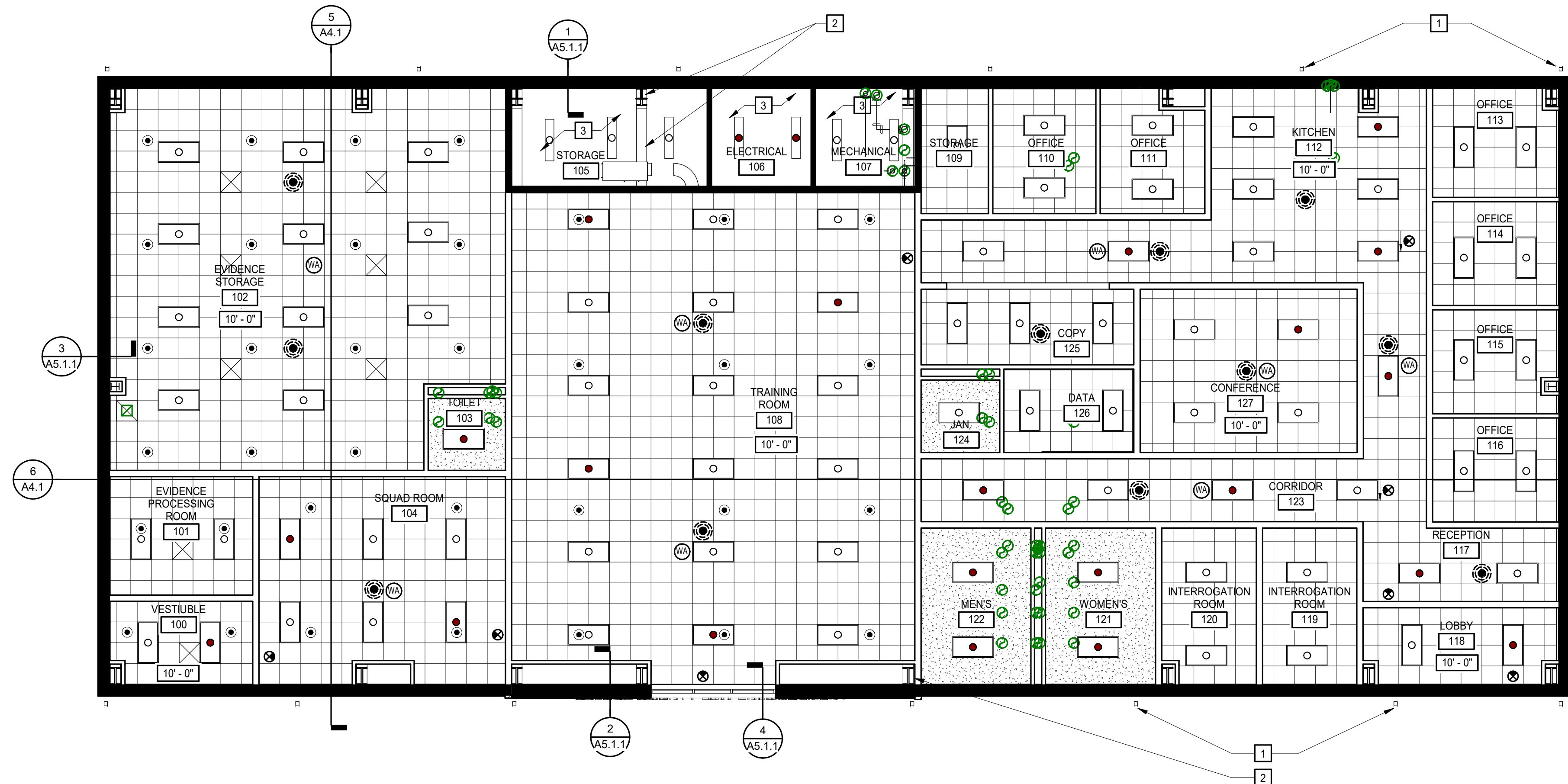
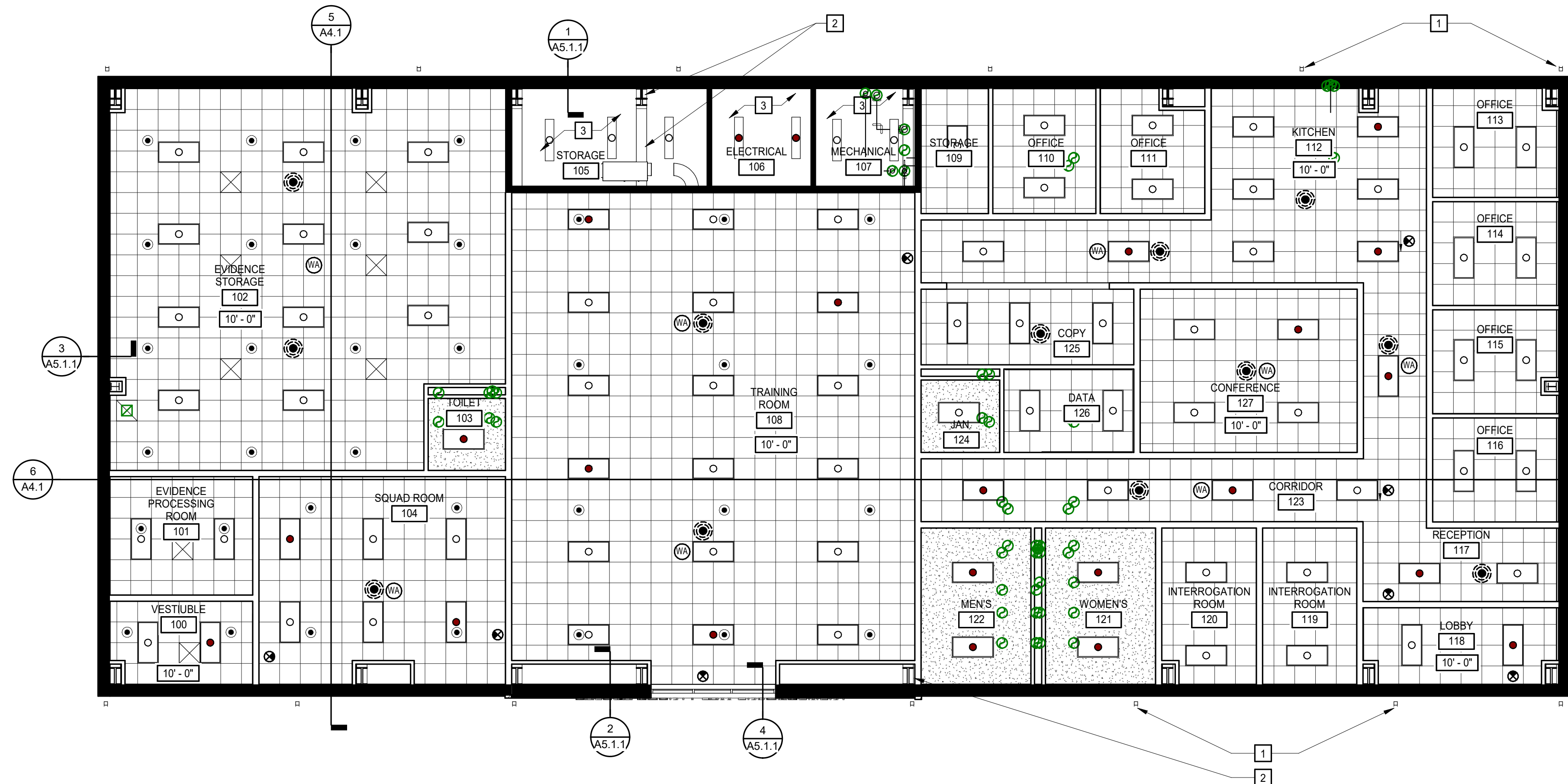
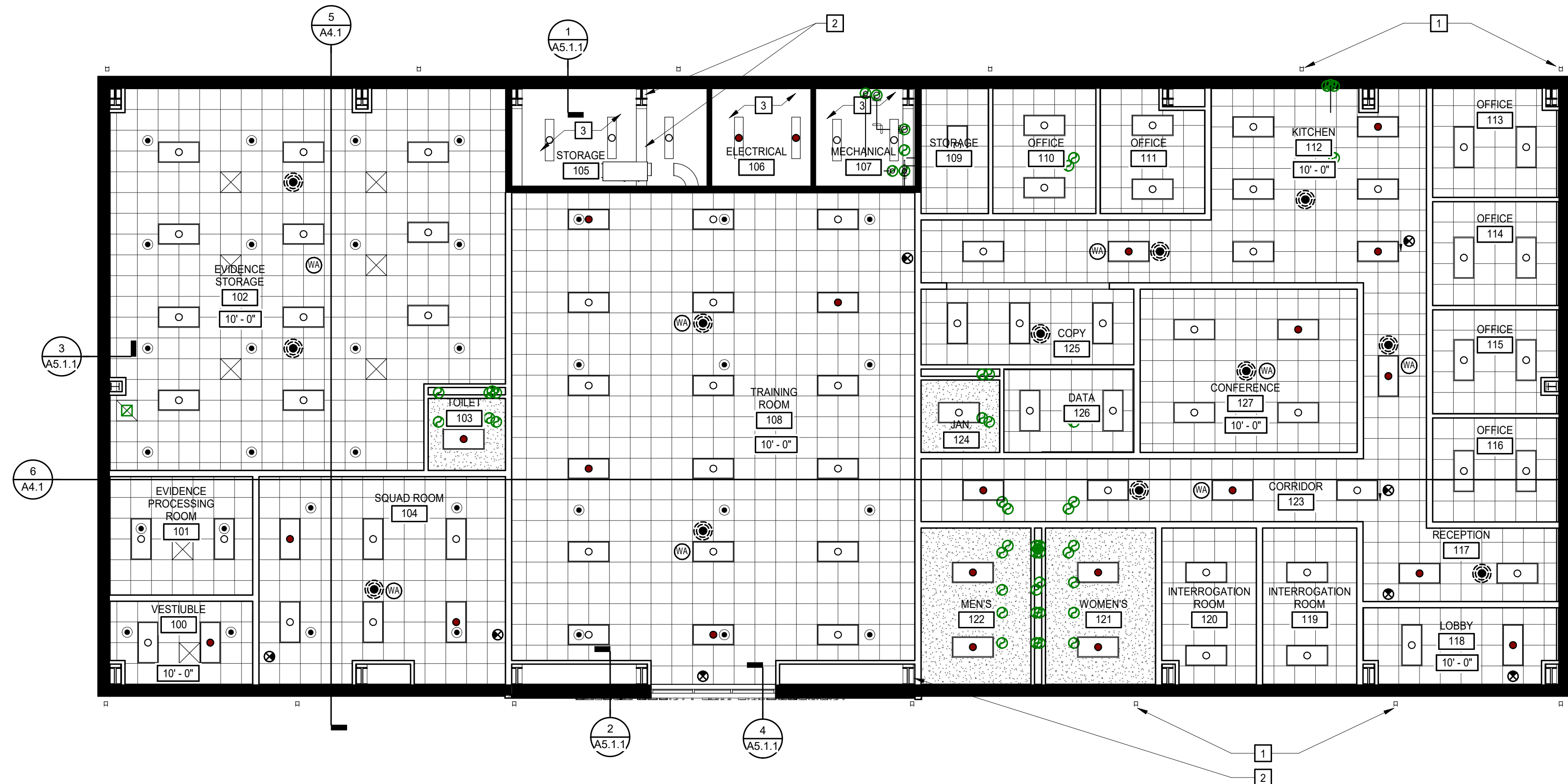
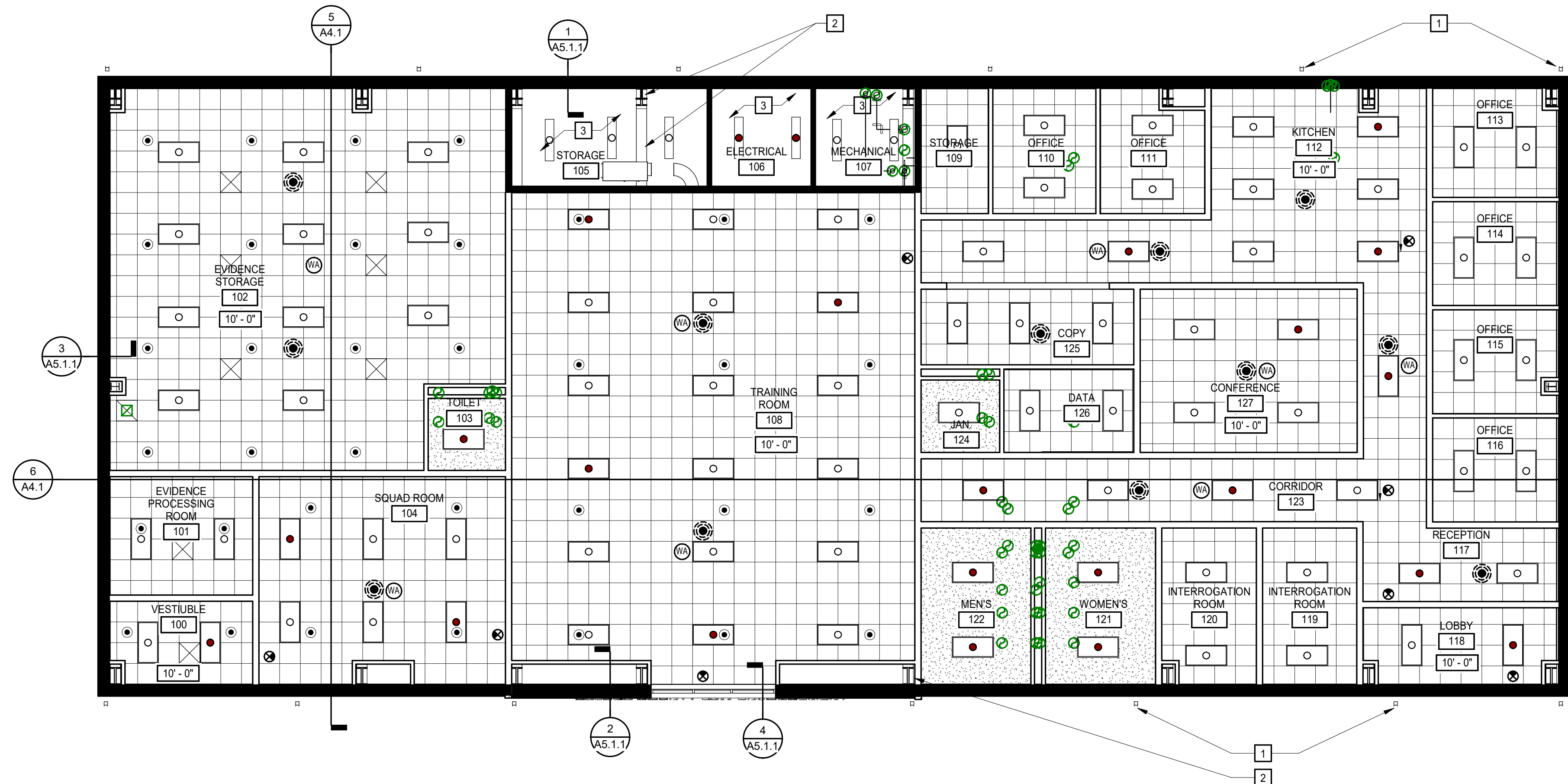
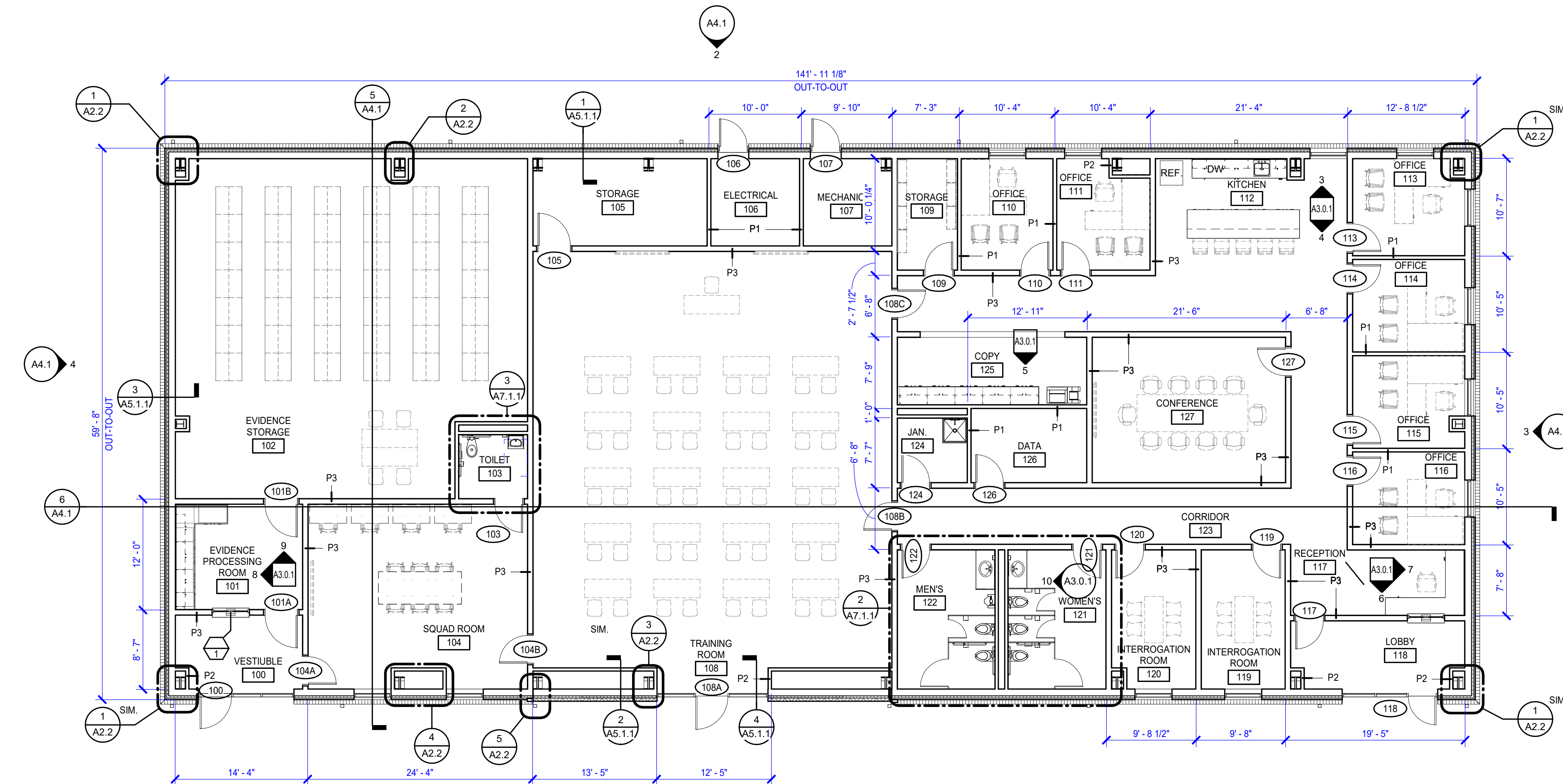
James L. Moore

Chairman, Saluda County Council

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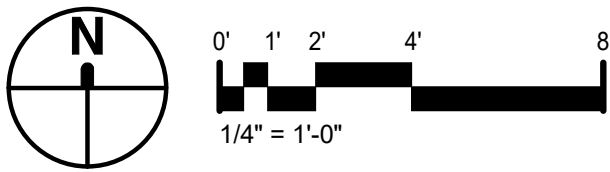


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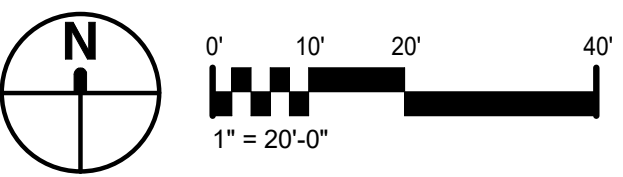
Department Legend

- Administration
- Apparatus Bay
- Bunkrooms
- Kitchen/ Dayroom
- Circulation
- Building Support



FLOOR PLAN

SALUDA EMS SUBSTATION
486 TROJAN RD, RIDGE SPRING, SC 29129



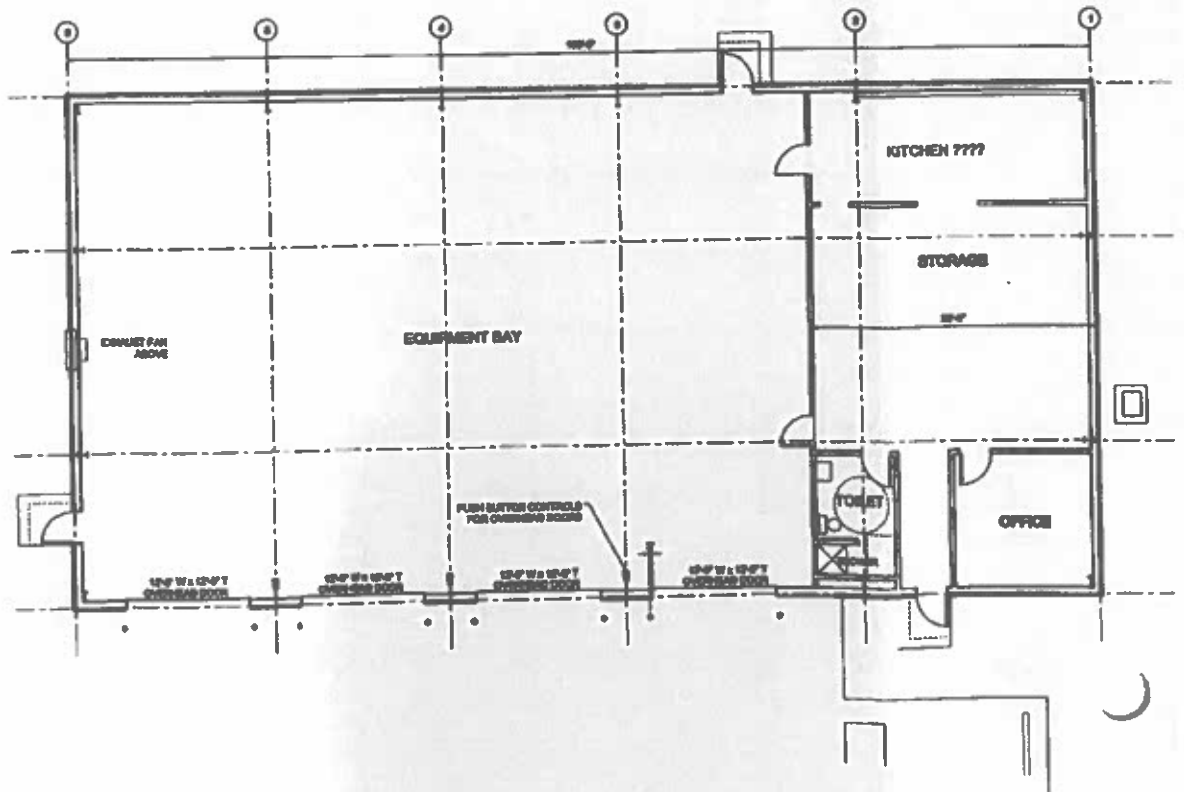
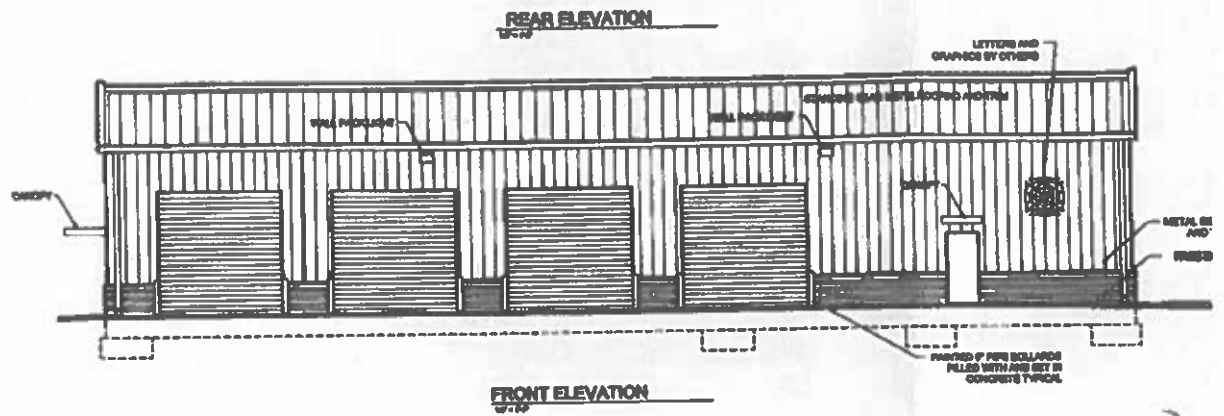
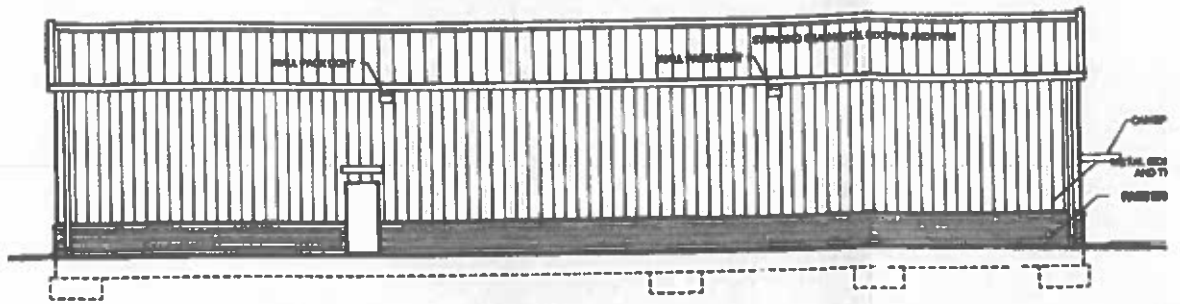
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SALUDA EMS SUBSTATION
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3D VIEW

SALUDA EMS SUBSTATION
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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Umoja Village Community Projects

Requested Amount: \$ 300,000.00

Recipient Entity: Umoja Village

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, X Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Donna Moore Wesby Title/Position: CEO & Co-Founder

Phone Number: 803-226-0150 (office)

Email: _____

Entity Website: umojavillage.com County Location: Aiken

Intended Use of the Funds: The allocation will be used to fund several community projects planned and organized by Umoja Village for the benefit of South Carolina residents in the spirit of Umoja, which means Unity. All of the planned events highlight local, regional, and statewide services and resources available to the citizenry. Furthermore, some events focus on uniting populations that also attract tourists to Aiken County, the Central Savannah River Area, and South Carolina in general. It's also to be noted that the events covered in the attached justification document have taken place one or multiple years and have a track record of success.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: See attached document _____

WILLIAM CLYBURN

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

William Clyburn

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



Umoja Village

P.O. Box 6645 * Aiken, SC 29804 * 803-226-0150 * www.umojavillage.com

UMOJA=UNITY

April 1, 2026

South Carolina Governor Hon. Henry McMaster
and the South Carolina General Assembly
Columbia, SC 29201

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Umoja Village Board of Directors, thank you for considering Umoja Village as a potential recipient of a \$300,000.00 allocation to be used for Umoja Village Community Projects. Umoja Village is duly registered and financially stable 501(c)3 charity founded June 2020, in South Carolina.

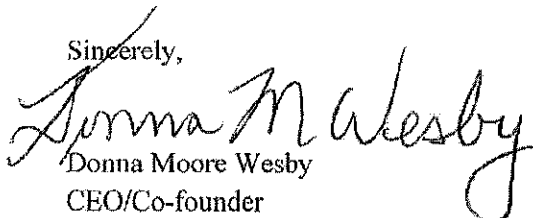
Umoja Village is a resource management and advocacy organization that connects primarily the underserved and underrepresented populations to the resources and services they need. In the spirit of Umoja, which means Unity, Umoja Village serves as a resource hub and works with other agencies, organizations, churches, and businesses to make client referrals thereby helping them to become more effective, efficient, and successful.

Furthermore, Umoja Village is an authorized SC Thrive partner site where clients can physically come to our Richard Johnson Jr. Umoja Village Resource Center in Aiken to submit one application for a variety of state and federally funded programs. In order to promote efficiency, Umoja Village does not reinvent the wheel. It's our daily mission to facilitate partnership and collaborative opportunities to discourage redundancy of services. Where there is a service gap, Umoja Village fills the gap through programming and working with other groups to meet the needs.

In 2025, we saw 526 visitors at our resource center. 191 received direct assistance through our Project Bounce Back initiative. And, 97 clients needed housing/housing assistance who were either facing eviction or were without stable housing. Other assistance needs included: Education; Finance/Banking; Legal; Healthcare connections; Employment; Grant Writing; Resume Writing; Personal Development; and Transportation. This data for 2025 alone demonstrates the need for funds listed beside each program category on the following page.

The community projects described on the subsequent pages of this document explain how Umoja Village plans to use allocated funds. All of the described events are planned throughout the year. So with regards to timeline, these events and projects are ongoing. Please let me know if you need additional information. Again, we are grateful for the consideration and pray you will find our efforts are worth investing in as we strive to impact lives in South Carolina. Umoja Village: People Helping People!

Sincerely,


Donna Moore Wesby
CEO/Co-founder



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COMMUNITY PROJECTS/PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

NOTE: The following projects/programs are ongoing and year-round. The annual events are held on the same dates each year. Others dates are set as schedules permit.

\$100,000.00 EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS: Umoja Village plans/sponsors a minimum of 10 educational and self-development workshops for clients and the general community with partners such as SRP Federal Credit Union, Security Federal Bank, The Center For Heirs Property, and other agencies and organizations. Examples include banking and money management; entrepreneurship workshops; how to start nonprofits; heirs' property, wills, and investment seminars; personal information protection, etc. Each year on our Founders Day, we plan an educational event that combines the celebration of Umoja Village's existence and also Juneteenth. Umoja Village provided \$29,000.00 in grants to small businesses who completed a six-week training program. We would like to increase this support and continue this initiative in partnership with the City of Aiken and the local chambers.

An underserved population that Umoja Village recognized needed attention were widows or widowers. In 2025, Umoja Village planned "Under His Wings" to honor widows and widowers and to connect them to the resources they need. The event featured a powerful and inspirational program in addition to a resource fair of vendors who provide services particularly needed by this population. Although 2025 was the first time it was organized, the event was extremely well-attended and successful. Survey results demonstrated the need and a desire for this event to continue. This event is held in May.

\$100,000.00 CULTURAL PROGRAMMING: Annually, Umoja Village plans Unity Weekend, which is the third weekend in October. This weekend features three days of events aimed at bringing the community together to learn of resources and to celebrate the beauty of life and culture. Day 1 offers the annual Unity Golf Tournament to raise funds to benefit the Richard Johnson Jr. Umoja Village Resource Center and Umoja Village's Rebuilding The Foundation Crime Prevention Plan. Day 2 presents "Unityfest," which is the largest, free outdoor Gospel festival in the Central Savannah River Area. This event attracts between 3,000-5,000 attendees annually and includes all-day music performances; over 50 food, merchandise, and information vendors; and a Kidszone. The closing event varies each year. Umoja Village also sponsors an annual Black History Month Community Celebration. We just completed our 5th annual celebration in February 2026, which brought together over 600 attendees for a fantastic day of highlighting Community Influencers and a celebration of history and culture.

\$100,000.00 OTHER SPECIAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMING: Umoja Village conducts a variety of special projects to meet the needs of the community, such as Project Bounce Back and Heads In Beds. "Project Bounce Back" is the formal programmatic title of holistic wraparound services Umoja Village has been providing our clients over the last three years. Project Bounce Back establishes a personalized comprehensive pathway to helping the formerly incarcerated, those living in poverty or on government assistance, or who are undereducated, underserved, and underrepresented to bounce back into society by developing a personalized Life Action Plan to help them become gainfully employed, educated, independent, better parents, connected to financial management and credit repair resources, and even perhaps to start/sustain small businesses. The Life Action Plan is a tool by which Umoja Village provides case management and connects them to the resources and services needed.



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

UMOJA VILLAGE
112 INDIAN CREEK TRAIL
AIKEN, SC 29803

Date: 07/28/2021
Employer ID number: 85-4066068
Person to contact: Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending: December 31
Public charity status: 509(a)(2)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required: Yes
Effective date of exemption: March 14, 2021
Contribution deductibility: Yes
Addendum applies: No
D.L.N.: 26053498001201

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

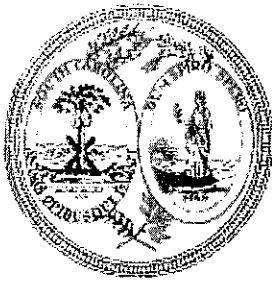
If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements



State of South Carolina
Office of the Secretary of State
The Honorable Mark Hammond

6/4/2025

Umoja Village
Donna M Wesby
112 Indian Creek Tr
Aiken, SC29803

RE: Registration Confirmation

Charity Public ID: P62046

Dear Donna M Wesby :

This letter confirms that the Secretary of State's Office has received and accepted your Registration, therefore, your charitable organization is in compliance with the registration requirement of the "South Carolina Solicitation of Charitable Funds Act." The registration of your charitable organization will expire on 5/15/2026.

If any of the information on your Registration form changes throughout the course of the year, please contact our office to make updates. It is important that this information remain updated so that our office can keep you informed of any changes that may affect your charitable organization.

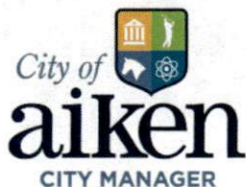
If you have not yet filed your annual financial report or an extension for the annual financial report, the annual financial report is still due 4½ months after the close of your fiscal year.

- Annual financial reports must either be submitted on the Internal Revenue Service Form 990 or 990-EZ or the Secretary of State's Annual Financial Report Form.
- If you wish to extend the filing of that form with us, please submit a written request by email or fax to our office using the contact information below. Failure to submit the annual financial report may result in an administrative fine of up to \$2,000.00.

If you have any questions or concerns, please visit our website at www.sos.sc.gov or contact our office using the contact information below.

Sincerely,

Kimberly S. Wickersham
Director, Division of Public Charities



City Manager's Office
P.O. Box 1177
Aiken, South Carolina 29802
803-642-7654

111 Chesterfield St. S
Aiken, South Carolina 29801
Fax: 803-642-7646
311@cityofaikensc.gov

April 30, 2026

The Honorable William Clyburn
South Carolina House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Representative Clyburn:

This Umoja Village has maintained an active and meaningful working relationship with the City of Aiken. The City of Aiken has provided grants to the Umoja Village in support of the services they have provided to the community.

Based on this history of partnership and the demonstrated impact of their work, the City of Aiken affirms that Umoja Village is an established service provider with a proven record of community engagement. Umoja Village is not a pass-through organization, but rather a direct provider of programs and services that strengthen families and neighborhoods within our city.

Sincerely,

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Stuart T. Bedenbaugh
City Manager



Aiken County Government
Office of the County Council

Remembering the Past, Preparing for the Future

Gary Bunker
Council Chairman

April 30, 2026

Rep. William "Bill" Clyburn
416 C Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Clyburn,

This letter confirms the relationship between Aiken County Government and Umoja Village in support of its consideration for an appropriation in the South Carolina General Assembly budget.

Specifically, Umoja Village has received grants totaling \$860 in 2024 and \$775 in 2025 from both Council Contingency Funds allocated by various members of Council to assist in providing services benefitting our community, and from Keep Aiken County Beautiful.

Please feel free to contact our office if additional information or documentation is needed or required.

Sincerely,

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Gary Bunker, Chairman
Aiken County Council

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Project/Event Name: Regional Water Transmission Lines with Fire Hydrants for Public Safety

Recipient Entity: Lake Marion Regional Water Agency

If **Other**, please explain: Joint Authority Water and Sewer System under SC Code of Laws 6-25-5

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: wardj@dorchestercountysc.gov

Intended Use of the Funds: Complete the Lodge Hall Reach (23,900 Linear feet) \$2.9 Million, Complete the Providence Vance Water Line Phase 3 (from Hwy 15 to Vance) \$3.1 Million, and the Shady Grove Reach (from I-95 along US Hwy 178 to Harleyville) \$3.0 Million. Match federal funding of projects identified in the 5 Year LMRWA Capital Improvement Plan and the Water Resources Development Act 2024 where the US Congress authorized projects of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Leverage state and federal funding to provide the region with clean reliable water for public health, fire protection with hydrants with lower ISO ratings and insurance costs, and community in economic development and job creation in rural areas near I-95 and I-26.

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature(s): _____

Lake Marion Regional Water Agency



P.O.Box 2946101 M/C A204 ♦ Moncks Corner, S.C. 29461

March 17, 2025

The Honorable Gilda Cobb-Hunter
South Carolina House of Representatives
309C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Subject: Request for Funding Support for Critical Water Infrastructure Projects

Dear Representative Cobb-Hunter:

I hope this letter finds you well. As Chairman of the Lake Marion Regional Water Agency (LMRWA), I am reaching out to request your support in securing funding to complete key infrastructure projects that are vital to the health, safety, and economic development of our region.

We are seeking state funding to match federal dollars for the following critical water line projects, as identified in LMRWA's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and aligned with the Water Resources Development Act of 2024, where Congress authorized projects under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

- **Providence Vance Water Line Phase 3** (Hwy 15 to Vance) – \$3.1 million
- **Lodge Hall Reach** (Lodge Hall Road in Vance) – \$2.9 million
- **Shady Grove Reach** (I-95 along US Hwy 178 to Harleyville) – \$3.0 million

These projects are essential to providing clean, reliable water access to underserved communities, enhancing public health, and ensuring adequate fire protection through the installation of hydrants. Lower ISO ratings from improved fire protection will reduce insurance costs for residents and businesses alike. Additionally, these improvements will drive economic growth and job creation in rural areas strategically positioned near I-95 and I-26, fostering long-term sustainability and development opportunities. The projected start date is August 15, 2025 and the estimated completion date is December 31, 2026.

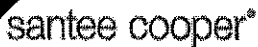
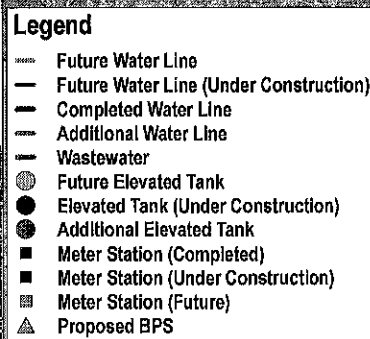
Your leadership and advocacy for securing the necessary funding will be instrumental in ensuring that these vital projects move forward. I welcome the opportunity to discuss this request in more detail at your convenience. Thank you for your continued commitment to the well-being and prosperity of our communities.

Sincerely,

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Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman, Lake Marion Regional Water Agency

More Than A Water Project



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¹ Estimated Costs Do Not Include Property Acquisition

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Town of St. George Water Tank Project

Requested Amount: \$ 5,200,000

Recipient Entity: Town of St. George

The entity is a: State Agency, ☒ Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Kevin Hart Title/Position: Mayor

Phone Number: _____ Email: mayor@stgeorgesc.org

Entity Website: www.saintgeorgesc.org County Location: Dorchester

Intended Use of the Funds: Construct a 250,000 Gallon Water Tank

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Provide water storage and fire protection for St.

George area

Gilda Cobb-Hunt

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Gilda Cobb-Hunt

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Town of St. George Water Tank Project

Executive Summary

The Town of St. George is seeking \$5,200,000 in funding to construct a 250,000-gallon water tank. This critical infrastructure will provide reliable water storage and enhanced fire protection for current and future residents, supporting the Town's ongoing residential, commercial, and industrial growth.

Project Background

St. George, with a population of 1,855, is experiencing renewed growth across multiple sectors. In 2025, the Town utilized \$570,050 from South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Funds to conduct a water rate study, develop an asset management plan with GIS mapping, develop a hydraulic model of the system, and create multiple Standard Operating Procedures for its water system. The plan identified the need for a 250,000-gallon water tank to ensure adequate water storage and fire protection for all customers.

Additionally, the Town plans to purchase water from the Lake Marion Water System in the future, and the proposed tank will benefit both systems.

Project Description

The requested funding of \$5,200,000 will cover:

- Land acquisition
- Engineering design
- Permitting
- Construction of the 250,000-gallon water tank

These investments will ensure the Town's water infrastructure meets the demands of a growing community and complies with regulatory standards.

Funding Request

Total funding requested: **\$5,200,000.**

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Chlorination Building	1	EA	\$93,440.00	\$93,440.00
Instrumentation/SCADA	1	EA	\$50,310.00	\$50,310.00
Excavation	600	CY	\$80.00	\$48,000.00
Electrical	1	EA	\$57,500.00	\$57,500.00
Back-up Generator	1	LS	\$71,870.00	\$71,870.00
Mobilization (5%)	1	EA	\$158,750.00	\$158,750.00

Opinion of Probable Construction Cost =	\$3,416,820.00
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Funding Administration	\$102,500.00
Legal Fees	\$37,585.02
Land/ROW	\$200,000.00
Surveying Services	\$47,835.48
Geotechnical Services	\$54,839.96
Engineering Fees (Design/Bidding/Construction Administration)	\$242,500.00
Resident Project Representative/Inspection Services	\$176,500.00
DHEC Plan Review Fee	\$1,000.00
Environmental - Permit Fees	\$20,000.00
Contingency @25% of construction	\$854,205.00

Opinion of Probable Project Cost =	\$5,153,785.46
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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: South Carolina Child ID Program

Requested Amount: \$ \$160160.00

Recipient Entity: Attorney Generals Office

The entity is a: ☒ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Mark Salmans Title/Position: Grant Facilitator

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: safety-blitz.org County Location: _____

Intended Use of the Funds: Provide 56,000 child id kits to all first grade student in South Carolina

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The primary benefit to the State of South Carolina
is the creation of a proactive, standardized safety net for families across all 46 counties. By
reaching every first grader, the state ensures that all parents, regardless of socioeconomic status,
have the tools necessary to assist law enforcement in a crisis.

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



HOUSE MEMBER APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

SECTION 1: ENTITY INFORMATION

- **Requesting Entity:** Attorney General's Office
- **Project Name:** South Carolina Child ID Program

SECTION 2: PROJECT TIMELINE

- **Project Start Date:** November 1, 2026
- **Project Completion Date:** March 31, 2027

SECTION 3: PROJECT DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION The South Carolina Child ID Program is a statewide safety initiative designed to provide an **Inkless Child ID/DNA Kit** to every first-grade student in South Carolina. This program is coordinated as a "gift of safety" from the South Carolina Attorney General's Office and the State Legislature. These kits allow parents to maintain vital identification information—disappearance, having this data ready for law enforcement significantly reduces critical response times during the "golden hours" of an investigation.

SECTION 4: INTENDED USE AND BENEFIT OF STATE FUNDS State funds will be used exclusively for the procurement and distribution of **56,000** identification kits at a unit cost of **\$2.86**.

The primary benefit to the State of South Carolina is the creation of a proactive, standardized safety net for families across all 46 counties. By reaching every first grader, the state ensures that all parents, regardless of socioeconomic status, have the tools necessary to assist law enforcement in a crisis. The National Child ID Program will provide oversight for the project, ensuring all kits are delivered directly to South Carolina school districts.

SECTION 5: PROJECT BUDGET

| Item Description | Quantity | Unit Cost | Total Cost |

| Inkless Child ID / DNA Kits | 56,000 | \$2.86 | \$160,160.00 |

Total Funding Requested | \$160,160.00 |

SECTION 6: VERIFICATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA IMPACT The Safety Blitz Foundation, Inc. hereby verifies the following:

- **Location of Use:** 100% of the requested funds will be deployed within the borders of South Carolina.
- **Accountability:** Detailed tracking numbers will be provided to the State to verify that the kits have been successfully delivered to the respective school districts in South Carolina.

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Project/Event Name: City Of Easley Fire Department Equipment Replacement

Requested Amount: \$ 515,000.00

Recipient Entity: City Of Easley

Is the entity a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Brad Owen Title/Position: Fire Chief

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: bowen@easleyfd.org

Entity Website: www.cityofeasley.com County Location: Pickens

Intended Use of the Funds: Ladder Truck Replacement/ Turn Out Gear Replacement

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: I am writing requesting \$400,000 to replace a Ladder Truck
that is currently a 1993 model. The age and safety concerns with operating a truck from 1993 has safety
concerns for our members but the community during response and reliability operating on scene. We
additionally request 115,000 to assist in replacing 20 sets of turn out gear. Reducing exposure to our members.

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Not a collection

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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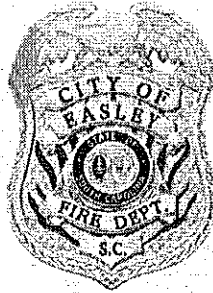
CITY OF EASLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief
Brad Owen

Deputy Fire Chief
Shannon Dales

Training Officer
Johnny Sammy

Fire Marshal
Michael Tapp



Shift Battalion Chiefs
Lee Kaiser
Larry Greer
Brandon Bradley

Shift Captains
Wade Brooks
Caleb Perry
JP Foster

February 20, 2026

The City of Easley Fire Department is requesting the replacement of the department's 33-year-old ladder truck and aging turnout gear due to safety, reliability, and cost concerns. The outdated equipment poses operational risks, increases maintenance expenses, and affects response performance. Replacing it would improve firefighter safety, enhance emergency response efficiency, and reduce long-term costs. The upgrade would ultimately strengthen public safety and firefighter morale.

Subject: Justification for Replacement of Ladder Truck and Turnout Gear

I am writing to formally request the replacement of our current ladder truck and turnout gear, given several critical factors affecting our operational efficiency and safety.

1. Safety Concerns

- **Age and Condition:** Our ladder truck is over 33 years old and has undergone numerous repairs, raising concerns about its reliability. The availability of parts makes the apparatus availability costly and uncertain.
- **Turnout Gear:** The current turnout gear is near the end of its useful life; According to NFPA, gear is required to be replaced every 10 years, creating costly repairs with questions on the timeline for its life span.

2. Operational Efficiency

- **Response Times:** The outdated ladder truck has shown a decline in performance, which directly affects our response times in critical situations. A new truck would enhance our ability to respond effectively to emergencies.
- **Equipment Compatibility:** New turnout gear is designed to integrate with modern firefighting techniques and equipment, improving our overall operational effectiveness.

3. Financial Considerations

- **Maintenance Costs:** The ongoing maintenance expenses for the current ladder truck are substantial. Investing in a new vehicle would reduce these costs and provide more reliable service.
- **Purchase Cost:** There have been significant increases in fire service equipment costs. This appropriation would provide for safer apparatus and needed protective equipment.

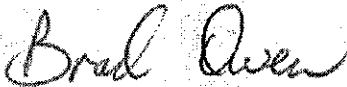
4. Community Impact

- **Public Safety:** Upgrading our equipment directly correlates with increased public safety. The community deserves the best resources available to ensure their protection during emergencies.
- **Staff Morale:** Providing our firefighters with the best equipment boosts their morale and confidence, allowing them to perform their duties more effectively.

In conclusion, replacing our ladder truck and turnout gear is essential to ensuring the safety of our firefighters and the community we serve. I urge you to consider this request seriously and support our initiative for upgraded equipment.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I am available for further discussions and to provide any additional information you may require.

Sincerely,



Chief Brad Owen
City of Easley Fire Department
Office – 864-859-8950
Email – bowen@easleyfd.org



EASLEY COMBINED UTILITIES

A Community Tradition

March 26, 2026

Ways and Means Committee
Attn: Representative Neal Collins
418C Blatt Bld.
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Easley Combined Utilities' Middle Branch WWTP Expansion (Phase 2) Appropriation Request

To whom it may concern:

Easley Combined Utilities is respectfully requesting funding in the amount of \$875,000.00 to help fund the second phase of the Middle Branch WWTP expansion. The project entails replacement of a blower and an installation of a new blower on a 1 million-gallon 2 sludge digester. This project is a necessary step in increasing the capacity of the Middle Branch WWTP from 3.5 MGD to 4.2 MGD. The project will improve the redundancy of the aeration system by adding additional blowers. With dedicated blowers on the aeration basin, treatment efficiency will be improved. Furthermore, improved effluent water quality will be achieved as well- helping to protect the downstream environment and drinking water sources.

We respectfully request funding and appreciate the consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Andy Sevic
General Manager

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



Chief of Police

Brandon Liner

Easley Police Department
220 N.W. Main Street
Easley, SC 29640
864-859-4025

Dear Representative Collins,

I am writing to respectfully request your support in helping the Easley Police Department complete several critical growth and infrastructure projects that exceed our current budgetary capacity. As you know, the City of Easley has experienced substantial growth in recent years. While this growth is a positive reflection of our community's strength and desirability, it has created increasing demands on public safety infrastructure that our existing facilities were not designed to support.

Approximately a year and a half ago, our department reached the point where we could no longer host an agency-wide meeting within our facility due to space limitations. In response, we began renovating the unfinished basement of our building to create a dedicated training room. Much of this work has been completed; however, due to budget constraints, we have been unable to finish essential components, including sealing and finishing the concrete flooring and purchasing necessary tables and chairs.

More significantly, while this new training space has expanded our internal capacity, it has limited our ability to host community-facing meetings and public events. The basement location currently lacks elevator access, preventing ADA compliance and restricting accessibility for community members and staff. Although the elevator shaft is already in place, funding is needed to purchase and install the elevator and to complete required infrastructure improvements to the stairwell. Finalizing these components is essential to ensuring the space is fully functional, accessible, and compliant with federal standards.

In addition to facility challenges, our parking and storage capacity has been strained by departmental growth. Our current lot no longer provides adequate space for officer vehicles and essential storage needs. The City owns adjacent property that presents an ideal opportunity to expand our parking area and improve secure storage. However, we lack the funding necessary to complete this expansion, including paving, fencing, and enclosing commercial-grade carports to provide secure areas for equipment and evidence processing.

Each of these projects represents a practical and forward-thinking investment in the safety and operational readiness of our department. While we have taken meaningful steps toward progress, we require additional support to bring these initiatives to completion.

We appreciate your continued leadership and commitment to the City of Easley. Any assistance or advocacy you can provide as we work to meet these pressing infrastructure needs would be sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully,

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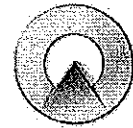
Brandon Liner
Chief of Police
Easley Police Department



City of Easley Law Enforcement Proposal

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March 05, 2026

Customer Information

City of Easley
Mr. Johsua Blinkey

Project Information

City of Easley Law Enforcement
220 NW Main St
Easley, SC 29640

Offer #: 0304093245

Dear Johsua,

Schindler Elevator Corporation is pleased to submit our proposal to furnish and install the products listed below in the above building, for the sum of **One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$114,900.00)**, inclusive of taxes.

BUDGET PROPOSAL SITE SURVEY REQUIRED TO PROVIDE FIRM PROPOSAL

Specification Summary:

Qty	Product	Capacity	Openings	Speed	Stops
1	330A Dual Jack	2100	2 F	100	2

1) **Current Lead Times**

- a) Submittal Package 2 - 3 weeks
- b) Manufacturing 14 - 16 weeks (w/ executed contract, approved submittals & 1st payment)
- c) Installation 1 - 2 weeks

2) **Standard 330A product finishes** included in this proposal are as follows:

- a) Stainless steel hoistway entrances
- b) Stainless steel cab fronts
- c) Standard laminate wall panels
- d) Cab inside height 7' 9" with 7' 0" door height with 3' 0" wide door opening
- e) Flooring is by others with recess 3/8"
- f) Luminous aluminum framed ceiling with fluorescent lighting
- g) **Voltage supplied to be 208V 3 phase**
- h) Aluminum handrail on rear wall
- i) 12 months service warranty with regular hours call back service
- j) Schindler SafeCall for cellular service for the emergency phone for warranty period

3) ADA Telephones (with autodial to Schindler 24-hr Call Center for duration of pre-paid maintenance period) in elevator cabs are included.

4) Pricing is based on limited plans at time of the proposal and a specification was not provided limited details. Please refer to included specification page for included components. Minimum requirements and hoistway dimensions in attached proposal and specification must be met for installation of this product.

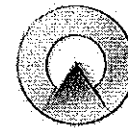
5) Alternate:

-Provide provisions for car readers: add: \$900.00

6) **Price is based on labor rates for installation by June 30, 2027.** Hourly rates below increase by 5% per year.

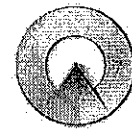
7) Labor Rates: Our offer provides for installation of all equipment during the normal, straight time hours of the elevator trade. Work performed outside of the scope covered by this offer will be performed at the following rates (2026):

- a) Mechanic [Regular Hours]- \$237.00/ Hour Mechanic [Overtime Hours]- \$414.00/ Hour
- b) Team [Regular Hours]- \$435.00/ Hour Team [Overtime Hours]- \$718.00/ Hour



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- 8) Upgraded traveling cables **have** been included for card readers or other restricted floor access security systems (provided by others). Please note that card reader, if applicable, must be installed prior to final elevator inspection to avoid incurring additional fees.
- 9) No costs for cutting, patching, core-drilling, fire stopping of penetrations, or similar related work are included in this proposal
- 10) Final inspection: We have included the cost for one final inspection for each elevator. Should additional inspections be required due to failure to pass the final inspection (and not the fault of Schindler Elevator), a reinspection fee of \$5,500 per elevator shall be charged to cover the cost any subsequent re-inspection(s).
- 11) Re-Mobilization: We have included the cost for one mobilization. Each additional re-mobilization required (due to no fault of Schindler) will be at an additional cost of \$4,000.00
- 12) Temporary usage of the elevator(s) can be provided at a cost of \$4,500 per elevator plus \$1800/calendar month/elevator from the date of temporary acceptance through final acceptance. Schindler will provide maintenance service during this period and general clean up after the period but will not be responsible for any physical damage to the elevator equipment. Repair work necessitated by damage, misuse and abuse to be paid by others. Please refer to the Temporary Use section of the attached Proposal Conditions.
- 13) Should storage be required, Schindler will store your elevator or escalator in a bonded 3rd party storage facility for you at a cost on the table above per month per equipment and will release equipment upon a site meeting the conditions on our prestart checklist. A formal change notice must be processed for all storage fees prior to delivery to the project site. You agree to pay any other increase in cost resulting from delays in construction. Storage per month without any prorating \$2,200.00.
- 14) Contract Terms and Conditions: All contract terms and conditions must be completed and the engineering/material procurement/site visit invoice (50% of subcontract value) paid before fabrication and delivery can be provided. For your convenience, we will provide you an invoice equal to 50% of the above price upon acceptance of our proposal. Payment of the initial invoice is a condition precedent to production of materials. It is also Schindler's Corporate policy that 95% of the total material/labor amount be paid before Final Acceptance of the elevator(s) can occur. Final retainage must be paid within 60 days after Final Acceptance of elevator.
- 15) In the event of governmental changes to applicable tariffs, tax rates, including but not limited to sales tax, use tax, excise tax, privilege tax, transaction tax and similar changes, or loss of tax exempt status, Schindler reserves the rights to adjust the contract price accordingly to account for all additional cost impacts.
- 16) For IBC 2018 or A17.1 – 2019 jurisdictions that require the Visual Communication Device in the Elevator Car, an internet-connected RJ45 ethernet connection cable is required in the machine room (RCC) or the hoistway overhead in the machinery space for a Machine-room-less (MRL) Elevator or machine room.
- 17) For IBC 2018 or A17.1 – 2019 jurisdictions that require the Visual Communication Device in the Elevator Car, one additional separate branch circuit with a 110-Volt, single phase, 15 Ampere enclosed, externally operable, fused motor-circuit switch or circuit breaker that is lockable open in accordance with NFPA 70/CEC, is required in the machine room (RCC) or the hoistway overhead in the machinery space for a Machine-room-less (MRL) Elevator or machine room.
- 18) Wiring and provisions for ethernet cable and Internet connection to support Visual Alarm Module (VAM) if under IBC2018 or ANSI/ASME A17.1-2019 jurisdiction, supplied to the motor controller location.
 - a. Connection shall not have data restrictions or firewall that restrict VAM data
 - b. Minimum bandwidth available for VAM at all times – 1Mbps
 - c. Maximum ping time – 100ms
 - d. Data packet loss <5%
 - e. Internet service must have 4-hour backup minimum in the event of loss of building power



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Hydraulic Elevator Specification Summary
Bank AA - Elevator #1

Main Data		Entrances	
Product	Schindler 330A (TM)	Entrance Doors	(2) 441 #4 Stainless Steel
Application	330A Holeless Dual Jack	Entrance Frames & Qty	(2) 441 #4 Stainless Steel
Capacity	2100 Lbs General Purpose - Class A	Entrance Sill & Qty	(2) Aluminum
Speed	100 FPM	Sill Mounting	(2) Easy Match
Travel	14 ft 0 in	3D Door Detection	
Future Travel	None	Emergency Escutcheons	
Stops	2 (2 Front / 0 Rear)	Fixtures	
Power Supply	208 Volts 80 Hz 3 Phase	Car Fixture Type	Vandal Resistant
Doors	Single Speed Side Opening	Car Fixture Finish	Stainless Steel 301
IBC Year	2018	1 Main COP	
Opening Size	3 Ft. 0 In. X 7 Ft. 0 In.	(1) Car Lantern(s)	
Cab Height	8 Ft. 0 In.	Certificate Frame	
Cab Type	125-Cab with Hung Panels	Hall Fixture Type	VR-Jamb Mounted
Plt Depth	4 Ft. 0 In.	Hall Fixture Push Button	Brushed Stainless Steel 304
Overhead	12 Ft. 5 In.	Finish	
Platform Width	6 Ft. 0 In.	Hall Fixture Faceplate	Brushed Stainless Steel 304
Platform Depth	5 Ft. 1 In.	Finish	
Holstway Width	7 Ft. 4.5 In.	(1) PB Fixture with FER	
Holstway Depth	6 Ft. 4 In.	Options and Miscellaneous	
Seismic Equipment	No	New Product Service	12 Months, 8 Hours Callback
ANSI Year	2019	Visual Comm. device per IBC 2018/A17.1-2019	
Not Stretcher Car Compliant		Audible Gong (Std)	
Cab		Low Oil Bypass (Std)	
Cab Panels	Plastic Laminate Hung Panels	Infrared Door Protection (Std)	
Cab LH Wall	Painted	Phase Monitor Relay (Std)	
Cab RH Wall	Painted	Independent Service/HES (Std)	
Cab Rear Wall	Painted	Soft Start	
Cab Base	None	Adjacent Machine Room	
Base, Frieze, Reveal	#4 Stainless Steel	Top Exit Lock	
Front, Return, Transom	#4 Stainless Steel	Shutoff Valve Qty: 3	
Cab Doors	#4 Stainless Steel	Muffler	
Canopy	Schindler	QKS16 Door Operator	
Ceiling	SC02 Removable Flat	9 Pound Rails	
Cab Threshold	Aluminum	Keyed Switch Emergency Stop Switch	
Handrail Type	Flat (1/2" x 2")	Top Exit Switch	
Handrail Finish	Aluminum	ADA Compliant Phone	
Handrail Location	Rear	Sliding Guide Shoes	
Handrail Row Qty	1	Automatic Evacuation	
Platform Recess	0.375	1 Speed Fan	
Protective Pads	None	2 Holstway Access Switches	
Protective Pads Source	None	Firefighter's Service Phase 2	
Cab Finished Floor	Carpet By Others	Class B Fire Rating For Cab	
		Larger Tank	
		Top Exit Guard	
		Pressure Switch	
		Overspeed/Rupture Valve	
		Upgraded Travel Cable	
		Plt Ladder Source: GC	



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Bank AA - Elevator #1

Decoration Selection

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	01 Ceiling Type	SC02
	02 Ceiling Finish	Removable Flat
	03 Car Door	#4 Stainless Steel
	04 Side Wall	Painted E098 Plastic Laminate Hung Panels
	05 Rear Wall	Painted E098 Plastic Laminate Hung Panels
	06 Skirting	Skirting not included SS4
	07 Fixtures	Vandal Resistant 301 #4 Stainless Steel
	08 Landing Door	(2) 441 #4 Stainless Steel
	09 Handrail	Flat (1/2" x 2") Aluminum Rear



01	02	03	04	05
	Schindler standard To be determined		Schindler standard To be determined	Schindler standard To be determined
06	08	09		
Not Selected				

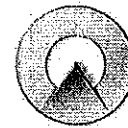


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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Proposal is made subject to the following conditions:

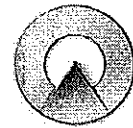
1. A mutually agreeable form of contract (fully executed before a manufacturing date can be established in our factory) which includes the following provisions.
2. Our indemnity obligation will be limited to the extent of our negligence.
3. We will not be liable in any event for direct damages in excess of the amount of our Subcontract, whether in contract or in tort, nor in any event for special, indirect, consequential or liquidated damages of default or delay.
4. The purchaser agrees to accept in satisfaction of insurance requirements for the project a standard Schindler Certificate of Insurance with "per occurrence" limits not to exceed \$2 million. Schindler will not name additional insureds.
5. Schindler will participate as an insured in an OCIP/CCIP (Owner's / Contractor's Insurance Program), provided it is at no cost to Schindler, and under such circumstances we will provide additional insured coverage for offsite operations and auto liability only.
6. Partial waivers of lien for payments received by Schindler will be issued on a mutually agreeable form if the Purchaser so requests in writing. Schindler shall issue a full waiver of lien on a mutually agreeable form after the receipt of all monies to which it is entitled under this Agreement if the Purchaser so requests in writing.
7. Payment of the subcontract price will be made as follows:
 - Fifty percent (50%) of the final sales price will be due and payable within 30 days from receipt of a fully executed copy of this proposal or receipt of Contractor's subcontract. This initial payment will be applied to pre-production, engineering, initial submittals, project management, and raw material procurement. Receipt of this payment is required prior to the ordering the manufacturing of any materials.
 - Thirty percent (30%) of the total sales price, including any modifications by scope changes, shall be due and payable when the material described above has been received at Schindler's warehouse hub and ready for delivery to the Customer. Receipt of this payment is required prior to delivery and mobilization of labor.
 - Twenty percent (20%) will be invoiced upon commencement of on-site installation.
 - Retention shall be five percent (5%).
 - Payment of not less than 95% of the subcontract price, inclusive of all change orders, is a condition precedent to scheduling of the final inspection as required by the authority having jurisdiction.
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 - All invoices, including final invoice, are payable within 30 days of receipt.
 - Change orders will be invoiced immediately upon execution and payable per standard 30-day terms.
 - Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or other contract documents, payment to you by Owner or any other source will not be a condition precedent to payment to us of any amounts due hereunder.
8. Work shall be performed by Schindler during regular working hours on regular working days, and overtime by Schindler will be compensated at Schindler's standard billing rates.
9. You will have the hoistway/wellway in a safe and proper condition and in conformance to the dimensions contained in the final approval drawings.
10. Should storage be required, Schindler will store your elevator or escalator (which may ship as separate modules) in a bonded 3rd party storage facility at a cost stated on the table above per month per module. Delivery on site and installation will begin once the site meets conditions of our prestart checklist and availability of manpower. A formal change notice must be processed for all storage fees prior to delivery to the project site. You agree to pay any other increase in cost resulting from delays in construction.
11. Satisfactory reference as to credit must be furnished including bank and bonding company references.
12. You agree to pay, as an addition to the price stated herein, the amount of any federal excise tax, state and local sales, use or transaction tax, or increase of any tax, or similar charges based upon the sale, use, ownership or possession of materials and/or equipment imposed by any law enacted after the date of this proposal, or imposed upon you by any existing law. In the event



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of legislative change to the applicable tax rates, including but not limited to sales tax, use tax, excise tax, privilege tax, transaction tax and similar charges. Supplier reserves the right to adjust the contract price accordingly.

13. In the event the customer claims an exemption from sales and/or use tax, the customer shall provide a valid executed exemption certificate.
14. In the event you claim an exemption which Supplier accepts in good faith and it is later determined by a taxing authority that such exemption does not apply, Schindler reserves the right to adjust the contract price to reflect the change.
15. Customer shall pay any penalty, interest, additional tax, or other charge that may be levied or assessed as a result of the delay or failure, caused by the Customer, to pay any tax or file any return or information required by law, rule or regulation or by this Agreement to be paid or filed by Supplier.
16. If either Party is audited by a taxing authority or other governmental entity in connection with taxes under this Taxes Section, the other Party shall reasonably cooperate with the Party being audited in order to respond to any audit inquiries in an appropriate and timely manner, so that the audit and any resulting controversy may be resolved expeditiously.
17. In the event of governmental changes to applicable tariffs, Schindler reserves the rights to adjust the contract price accordingly to account for all additional cost impacts. We reserve the right to modify price and schedule without penalty due to (1) material or component shortages; and/or, (2) increases in inflation rates based upon the S&P Material Price Index (MPI), (3) increases imposed on Schindler by vendors/suppliers.
18. If the work for the above project does not proceed for any reason, we will be paid for costs incurred plus a reasonable mark-up for overhead and profit.
19. Any proprietary material, information, data or devices contained in the equipment or work provided hereunder, or any component or feature thereof, remains our property. This includes, but is not limited to, any tools, devices, manuals, software, modems, source/ access/ object codes, passwords. In the event Schindler's maintenance obligation is terminated, the Schindler Ahead features ("SA") (if applicable) will be deactivated and Schindler reserves the right to remove the Schindler Ahead hardware. If Schindler is no longer the maintenance provider, Customer is responsible for obtaining alternative telephone service for the elevator phones.
20. Should latent or concealed conditions be encountered in the performance of the work below the surface of the ground or should concealed or unknown conditions in an existing structure be at variance with the conditions indicated by the Purchaser, or should unknown physical conditions below the surface of the ground or should concealed or unknown conditions in an existing structure of an unusual nature differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in the work of the character provided for in this contract be encountered the contract price and time shall be equitably adjusted by change order upon claim by either party made within 20 days after the first observance of the conditions.
21. Neither party shall be responsible for any loss, damage, detention or delay caused by labor trouble or disputes, strikes, lockouts, fire, explosion, theft, lightning, wind storm, earthquake, floods, epidemics, pandemics, storms, riot, civil commotion, malicious mischief, embargoes, shortages of materials or workmen, unavailability of material from usual sources, government priorities or requests or demands of the National Defense Program, civil or military authority, war, insurrection, failure to act on the part of either party's suppliers or subcontractors, orders or instructions of any federal, state, or municipal government or any department or agency thereof, acts of God, or by any other cause beyond the reasonable control of either party. Dates for the performance or completion of the work shall be extended by such delay of time as may be reasonably necessary to compensate for the delay.
22. Risk of loss of materials and equipment shall pass to Purchaser upon delivery of materials to the site. Title to materials and equipment shall pass to Purchaser upon payment by Purchaser to Schindler.
23. The amount set forth in Article 2 of the section titled "Project Specific Qualifications and Clarifications" of the Agreement is based upon Schindler's work being performed during regular working hours of regular working days. Purchaser may require overtime subject to Schindler's ability to comply, and Schindler shall be compensated for such work at its standard billing rates. Changes in the scope of work must be agreed upon in writing and the schedule and contract amount adjusted accordingly.
24. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Schindler warrants that the work supplied hereunder will comply with the specifications and that there will be no defects in materials and workmanship for one year after completion of the work or acceptance thereof by beneficial use, whichever is earlier. The equipment furnished and installed under our Agreement requires maintenance service, such as periodic examinations, lubrication and adjustment by competent mechanics, specially trained to service said equipment. Our guarantee is not intended to take the place of this normal servicing of the equipment and it is not to be construed that we will provide maintenance service of this type, without charge, except as may be provided in our contract, or that we will correct, without charge, breakage, maladjustment or other issues arising out of maintenance provided by others. Schindler's sole duty under the warranty is to correct the nonconformance or defect at Schindler's expense within a reasonable



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time after the receipt of notice. The express warranties contained herein are in lieu of all other warranties, express or implied, including any warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, purchaser's remedies hereunder are exclusive.

25. If either party shall default in the performance of its obligations hereunder, the non-defaulting party may send written notice reasonably describing the default. If the defaulting party does not commence to take reasonable steps to cure the default, within 10 days of the date of such notice, the non-defaulting party may terminate upon 10 days further notice.
26. Schindler shall be responsible for maintaining job progress in accordance with a schedule of performance mutually agreed upon by Schindler and Purchaser. Any change to the schedule of work shall require Schindler's consent.
27. We reserve the right to modify price and schedule without penalty due to material or component shortages, inflation, and/or vendor/supplier imposed increases.
28. Change Notices must be received and fully executed prior to Schindler Elevator Corporation performing any additional work outside the scope of the base contract. Written or verbal notices will not be accepted as a substitute for a fully executed change notice.
29. Schindler's offer is in accordance with the applicable ANSI A17.1 code version on the date of this proposal. If there is a subsequent change to the code following the date of this proposal, re-pricing may be required. Schindler shall be entitled to compensation for any cost and/or time increase that results from the code change.
30. If an inground borehole is required to accommodate the jack unit, our bid shall be based on the assumption that the hole is drilled in normal uncontaminated soil, sand or gravel, using a truck mounted drilling rig. Adequate access will be provided for this rig. Should latent or concealed conditions be encountered in the performance of the work below the surface of the ground or should concealed or unknown conditions in an existing structure be at variance with conditions indicated by the contract documents, or differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in this contract be encountered, we will be compensated for all additional costs for labor and material to overcome obstacles. The additional costs shall be the difference between our estimate for the bid and our actual cost incurred and shall be billed at our standard billing rate. The time to complete the installation shall be extended to include the additional required to overcome these obstacles while drilling the hole.
31. This offer complies with Group IV specifications in effect as of the date of this proposal.
32. Machine room-less elevators require a variance in the State of California for pass final inspection. Schindler will assist the owner with filing for a variance.
33. In the event of any change to the applicable code, after the date of this proposal that may affect this installation, you agree to pay Schindler any additional costs and provide the necessary extension of time to comply with the code change.
34. This bid is based on compliance to California Building Code (CBC) 2016 and Title 8 Elevator requirements for seismic (zone 4 seismic 0.5g horizontal forces). It assumes that the Elevator Importance Factor does not exceed 1.0 Ip. If Elevator Importance Factor exceeds 1.0 Ip the price will adjust accordingly. It assumes that SDS value does not exceed 1.4g. If the SDS value exceeds 1.4g the pricing may adjust accordingly.
35. This bid is based on California Electric Code (CEC) 2016 compliance which requires a full walk-in control room. If a control space is required, then bid documents must be permitted to California Electric Code (CEC) 2013 or building permit must be approved prior to January 1, 2017.
36. Schindler reserves the right to make technical modifications - in conformity with technological progress and/or safety regulations - to the products and/or to replace the components with components of equal or superior quality at any time until delivery and without further notice.



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SCHINDLER BID CLARIFICATIONS PREPARATORY WORK BY OTHERS FOR ELEVATORS.

For delivery and installation dates please look at the specifications summary.

Installation work shall be performed during regular working hours of regular working days after hoistway(s) and machine/control room(s)/spaces have been properly prepared as described in the following items. All items must be performed or furnished at no cost to Schindler Elevator Corporation ("Schindler") by the Owner or General Contractor or their agents in accordance with all governing codes. The price and installation schedule of Schindler is based on these job-site conditions existing at the beginning and during the installation of the elevator equipment.

All work must be performed per the latest applicable edition of the national (ASME A17.1 or CSA B44) and/or local codes.

1.0 Job Conditions

1.1 Acceptable material unloading area within 25ft of hoistway with "rollable" access (planked or paved) or uninterrupted use of a crane or forklift and operator at no cost to Schindler. Dry and enclosed storage area of adequate size (_____ minimum square feet) for elevator materials near hoistway. Any warranties provided by Schindler for elevator equipment are null and void if equipment is stored in a manner that does not comply with the requirements as defined above.

1.2 Power for construction adjacent to hoistways and machine/control rooms/spaces (110/220 volt, single phase, for welders and hoists) and sufficient 3-phase power for elevator(s) at the same time. Refer to section 2.0 electrical and "Schindler Power Data" sheet. The power for construction and permanent 3-phase power must be installed and available prior to the start of elevator installation.

1.3 All work areas, including hoistway, machine/control room and pit, clear of debris. Maintain minimum temperature of 55°F (13°C). Adequate work area in front of ground floor entrance required. Proper lighting of work areas.

1.4 Freestanding and removable construction barricades (per OSHA requirements) either outside of elevator hoistway(s), open hoistway top or between elevators inside of hoistway(s) as required. Barricades located 24" (0.61m) in front of the hoistway openings (refer to the "hoistway preparation" sheet). Openings include landing accesses, open hoistway top (if slab not built) and in general any other opening which may create falling hazard into the hoistway. Barricades shall be erected, maintained, and removed by others.

- a) Protection from Falls - As required by the (OSHA) 1926.502 B) (1-3) a freestanding removable barricade at each hoistway opening at each floor. Barricades shall be 42" high, with mid-rail and kick board, and withstand 200 lbs. of vertical and horizontal pressure
- b) Protection from Falling Objects - As required by the (OSHA) OSHA 1926.502(j) hoistway protection from falling debris and other trades materials by either:
 - 1. 8 foot screening/mesh in front of all elevator entrances. or
 - 2. Secured/controlled access to all elevator lobbies (lock and Key) with posted Notice "only elevator personnel beyond this protection"

1.5 Furnish adequate on-site refuse containers for the proper disposal of elevator packaging material. If adequate containers are not furnished, disposal of packaging material shall become the responsibility of the owner.

1.6 Guarding between multiple elevator hoistway is required when there is a counterweight located between elevators. It must comply with applicable governing codes and regulations. The guarding shall be securely fastened to the building structure. Installation and maintenance of guarding materials is by others. Coordinate with Schindler Field Supervisor.

2.0 Electrical

2.1 Provide a lockable, fused disconnect switch or circuit breaker suitable for 3-phase power for the elevator control and a separate lockable, fused disconnect switch for elevator lighting circuit for each elevator. Locate and mark with appropriate signage. (National Electrical Code (NFPA 70 Rules 620-22, and 620-51 to 620-53) or (CSA C22.1-02 sections 38-022, and 38-051 to 38-053)). FOR REMOTE CONFIGURATION ONLY: Electrical contractor to supply an additional lockable auxiliary (non-fused) disconnect in the hoistway at the location of the drive (motor controller), along with wiring from the main disconnect to the auxiliary disconnect. The auxiliary disconnect will have the same signage and same current rating as the main disconnect. An auxiliary contact, rated for 24VDC at 1A, shall be provided in each of the main and auxiliary disconnects for disabling the battery-powered circuits (NFPA 70 Rule 620-91(C) or CSA C22.1-02 section 38-091). The contact shall open when the disconnect switch is open. In the hoistway or control room, the disconnects must be NEMA 1 compliant and the building shall provide a shunt trip activation of the main disconnect triggered by contacts of the fire recall initiating devices (as defined by NFPA). These devices, located in the hoistway or control room, shall provide independent disconnection of electrical power to both main and auxiliary circuits prior to sprinkler activation (A17.1-2000 Rule 2.8.2.3, A17.1-2007 Rule 2.8.3.3.2 and/or local code). Refer to "Schindler Power Data" sheet. Provide suitable feeder and branch wiring circuits from the building service to



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the controller, including main line switch, for signal systems, power operated doors, elevator lighting and receptacles. All terminations into Schindler equipment shall be copper conductor only. Three phase power shall be in 'Wye' configuration only. Refer to "Schindler Power Data" sheets and this section.

2.2 Provide suitable feeder and branch wiring circuits from the building service to the controller, including main line switch, for signal systems, power operated doors, elevator lighting and convenience outlets. Refer to "Schindler Power Data" sheets.

2.3 A permanent lighting fixture shall be provided and conform to A17.1-2.2.5. It shall provide illumination of 100lx at the pit floor and the pit platform, when provided. The light bulb should be externally guarded against breakage. Light switch to be provided that is accessible to pit access door. In addition to a light in the pit a GFCI convenience outlet shall be installed in the pit (NEC (NFPA 70 Rules 620-85) or (CSA C22.1-03 Section 38-085)).

- a) Pit - A permanent lighting fixture shall be provided and conform to A17.1-2.2.5. It shall provide illumination of 100lx at the pit floor and the pit platform, when provided. The light bulb should be externally guarded against breakage. Pit light located as defined on sheet 3 of 8, no less than 32" [0.81m] below bottom landing. Light switch to be provided that is accessible to pit access door. In addition to a light in the pit a GFCI convenience outlet shall be installed in the pit (NEC (NFPA 70 Rules 620-85) or (CSA C22.1-03 Section 38-085)).
- b) Machine / Control Space (If provided) - A permanent lighting fixture shall be provided for machine spaces, machine rooms, control spaces, and control rooms and conform to A17.1 2.7.9.1. It shall provide illumination of 200lx at floor level, standing surface of working platform or at the level of the standing surface when the elevator is in the blocked position. Light bulb should be externally guarded against breakage. Light switch to be provided that is accessible at the point of entry.
- c) Floor Landings - A permanent lighting fixture should be provided for illumination at the landing sill conforming to A17.1 2010 2.11.10.2. It shall provide illumination of 100lx at the landing sill. Refer to "Schindler Power Data" sheets and this section. Provide suitable feeder and branch wiring circuits from the building service to the controller, including main line switch, for signal systems, power operated doors, elevator lighting and receptacles. All terminations into Schindler equipment shall be copper conductor only. Three phase power shall be in 'Wye' configuration only. Refer to "Schindler Power Data" sheets and this section.

2.4 Provide emergency power generator and automatic transfer switch(es) with feeders from ATS contacts to elevator controls when applicable. Conduit with fish tape, between control rooms/spaces where sequenced elevator operation is required due to generator capacity.

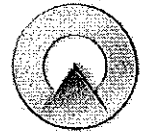
2.5 Wiring and provisions for power and ethernet cable and internet connection to support Visual Alarm Module (VAM) if under IBC 2018 or ANSI/ASME A17.1-2019 or later code years jurisdiction, supplied to the motor controller location.

- a) One disconnect with a 120-volt, single phase, 15 ampere enclosed, externally operable, fused motor-circuit switch or circuit breaker that is lockable open in accordance with NFPA 70/CEC, is required in the Control Room (RCC) or in the Building utility space adjacent to the JH and JHL.
- b) An additional group power source is to be supplied from a separate 15 Amp - 120 Volt branch circuit and is to be fed so it will be active on both normal and emergency power for the Fire Command Visual Alarm Panel (FCVAP). The FCVAP can be in the Fire Command Center (FCC) or with GC/AHJ. The branch circuit shall be located behind the FCVAP. For buildings without a fire Authority approved FCC, the FCVAP shall be located behind a locked cover provided by the GC. The lock shall use a Group 3 Security key.
- c) Provisions must be made for automatically providing power to the Two-Way Emergency Visual Communication Devices from the building auxiliary (emergency) power generator.
- d) An internet connection must be provided for the Visual Alarm Module (VAM).
- e) A generic network with a regular ISP Modem.
- f) Internet connection line shall be a RJ45 ethernet connection cable.
- g) The connection shall originate in the Machine Room/Control Room (RCC) or the Hoistway Overhead in the Machinery Space for a Machine room less (MRL) Elevator and connect to the building internet connection.
- h) This internet connection is required to have an un-interrupted power supply for a duration of 4 hours to allow the Visual Communication Device to function if building power is lost.
- i) Additional detailed specification for the network connection can be provided upon request.

3.0 Hoistway

3.1 Clear, plumb, hoistway with variations not to exceed

- a) +/- 1" (25mm) within the first 100ft (30.5m). Tolerance may increase +/- 1/32" (0.8mm) for each additional 10ft (3.05m) up to a maximum of +/- 2" (50mm).



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3.2 Hoistway enclosure to be fire rated per national code requirements (Section 2.1) and applicable building codes. Hoistway, pit, and overhead dimensions to be as specified on Schindler final layout drawings.

3.3 Where there is a single blind hoistway, an emergency door shall be installed at every third floor, but not more than 36ft (11m) from sill. The clear opening must be at least 28" (700mm) wide and 80" (2030mm) high (Section 2.11).

3.4 75° bevel guards on all projections, recesses or setbacks over 4" (100mm), except on side used for loading/unloading.

3.5 Provide venting/pressurization of the hoistway per national code requirements (Section 2.1) and applicable building codes.

3.6 Dried-in hoistway(s) and machine/control room(s)/spaces.

3.7 Clear, flat, vertical or horizontal surfaces for mounting rail brackets at each floor, in overhead, and intermediate levels (if required) in the same vertical plane as the clear hoistway line. This includes divider beams between elevators for multiple elevators in a common hoistway. Rail bracket supports shall not intrude into the clear hoistway line. Rail bracket supports and divider beams in the overhead to be located approximately 24" (610 mm) below the roof of machine room slab. Supply vertical flat plates on which to mount elevator rail brackets if gusset plates obscure beam webs, such as in wind bracing frames. If applicable, intermediate bracket supports between floor(s) and in the overhead area may be required. Refer to Schindler final layout drawings for maximum bracket spacing and actual support locations.

3.8 For masonry block hoistway construction, Schindler will provide rail bracket inserts for installation by others, located in accordance with the Schindler final layout drawings. Where inserts are not used, hollow masonry blocks are not acceptable for bracket fastening; a concrete belt around hoistway or other acceptable support at each floor, in overhead and intermediate levels (if required) has to be provided.

4.0 Hoistway Front

4.1 Blockout/cutout through wall as required, to accommodate hall button boxes, signal fixtures, and hoistway wireway/raceway duct. Provide for any repairs such as grouting, patching, painting, or fire proofing. Coordinate blockout/cutout with Schindler field supervisor.

4.2 Grouting around entrance frames and finished floor and grout to sill line after installation of entrance.

4.3 If applicable, for vertical bi-parting freight entrances, provide channel frames and sills at all openings along with separate disconnect switch and feeder to door control panel. Channel frames to be plumb within 3.2mm (1/8") for every 2.4m (8ft).

5.0 Machine/Control Room

5.1 Access to the machine/control room and machinery space (Rule 2.7.3 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 101.3 for less than ANSI 2000). Door shall be self-closing, self-locking and operable from inside without a key. Minimum door size 750 mm x 2030 mm (30" x 80") (Rule 2.7.3.4 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 101.3d for less than ANSI 2000).

5.2 Where machine/control room(s) are remote from the hoistway, electrical duct runs will be in the overhead/ceiling area. No provisions are made for underground installation.

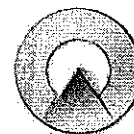
5.3 GFCI convenience outlet and telephone outlet located in machine/control room. (National Electrical Code (NFPA 70 Rules 620-85 or (CSA C22.1-02 section 38-085)). Dedicated analog telephone line capable of outgoing or incoming calls for emergency phone system (Rules 2.27.1.1 & 2.27.1.2 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rules 211.1a & 2.11.1b for less than ANSI 2000) or Schindler Remote Monitoring (SRM).

5.4 Hoisting beam(s), trap doors and other means of access to machinery space of adequate size for maintenance and equipment removal (Rules 2.7.3.4 and 2.9.3.3 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rules 101.3d and 105.3c for less than ANSI 2000). Hoisting beam(s) in each shaft located and load rated per Schindler final layout drawings. Lifting points or beam(s) shall be visibly marked with the safeworking load.

6.0 Pit

6.1 Dry pit reinforced to sustain vertical forces from rails and impact loads on buffers (Rules 2.2.2.4 and 2.2.2.6 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rules 106.1b(3)&(4) for less than ANSI 2000). Elevator buffer impact loads as calculated (Rule 8.2.3 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 1308 for less than ANSI 2000). If occupied space below pit, supporting structure to withstand five times the stated load, refer to Schindler final layout drawings.

6.2 Adequate sealing and waterproofing of pit. Effective prevention of pit exposure to storm water or ground water.



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6.3 Where there is a difference in level between the floors of adjacent pits, a metal guard shall be installed not less than 79" (2000 mm) in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or 72" (1829 mm) for less than ANSI 2000 above the level of the higher pit floor (Rule 2.2.3.1 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 106c(1) for less than ANSI 2000). Where the difference in level is 24" (600 mm) or less a standard railing (Rule 2.10.2 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater) shall be permitted (Rule 2.2.3.2 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 106.1c(2) for less than ANSI 2000).

6.4 Drains & sumps in elevator pits, where provided, shall comply with the applicable plumbing code and they shall be provided with a positive means to prevent water, gases and odors from entering the hoistway. Sumps and sump pumps in pits, where provided, shall be covered. The cover shall be secured and level with the pit floor (Rules 2.2.2.4 and 2.2.2.6 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rules 106.1b(3)&(4) for less than ANSI 2000) and should be located to clear elevator equipment (cannot be connected directly to storm drain or sewer). NOTE: For hydraulic elevators a water/oil separator needs to be provided for certain jurisdictions (code to confirm).

6.5 GFCI type duplex receptacle and light fixture with guard in pit. (National Electrical Code (NFPA 70 Rules 620-85) or (CSA C22.1-02 section 38-085)) Minimum illumination level to be 100 lux (10fc) measured at the floor (Section 2.2)

6.6 Pit ladder for each elevator in compliance with Rule 2.2.4.2 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 106.1d(2) for less than ANSI 2000. Nearest point of the ladder shall be within 39" (975mm), measured horizontally from the means to unlock the egress door from the pit. The ladder shall extend not less than 48" (1200mm) above the sill of the access door. Rungs or cleats shall be spaced 12" (300mm) on center and 16" (400mm) wide (see Rule 2.2.4.2 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater or Rule 106.1d(2) for less than ANSI 2000) for exception when unavoidable obstructions are encountered). Locate per Schindler final layout drawings. All walk-in pits must follow the requirements of Rule 2.2.4.4 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater and less than ANSI 2007 and Rule 2.2.4.5 for ANSI 2007 or greater or Rule 106.1d(4) for less than ANSI 2000).

6.7 Rule 2.2.2.5 in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater, in elevators provided with firefighters emergency operation, a drain or sump shall be provided.

6.8 If the project contains a borehole elevator and in elevators following ANSI 2000 or greater, location of hole(s) and removal of hole spoils after completion of drilling if required. Provide a 24" X 24" square blockout in pit for jacks that penetrate floor.

7.0 Provisional Handover and Turnover Requirement

7.1 Temporary Service: Schindler shall be reimbursed for any labor and material that is not part of the permanent elevator installation and that is required to provide temporary elevator service. Schindler's temporary acceptance form shall be executed and the elevator inspected before being placed into temporary service. The costs associated with the power, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of the equipment and any construction permits or fees required by governing authorities shall be paid for by Others.

7.2 In addition to the above, the following work must be completed before elevator(s) are placed into automatic operation. (Prior to code required municipal authority inspection, refer to Schindler acceptance inspection standard form).

- a) Finished cab flooring and if applicable, fitting of interior cab walls and/or ceiling.
- b) Machine/control room to comply with code and to suit Schindler standard equipment. Proper machine/control room dimensions and safety clearances to be provided as indicated on Schindler final layout drawings with recesses and ducts to be covered as required. Proper stairways or steps and guardrails to be provided. Proper lockable fire rated door, self-closing and self-locking with label to be provided (Rules 2.7.3 & 2.11.14).
- c) If applicable, smoke and/or heat detectors with signals to elevator controller(s) (See NFPA 72).
- d) If applicable, emergency power generator and automatic transfer switch with capacity to run at least one elevator at a time.
- e) Seal all penetrations through 2-hour (or greater) rated walls with code approved material. Drywall liner behind all wall mounted hall fixtures. Penetration permitted by IBC 2012 Section 713.8.1 must be protected according to Section 713. Any penetration due to formed or poured concrete (e.g. block out) must be backfilled according to IBC.
- f) Cab light circuits and all receptacles installed in machine/control rooms, machinery spaces located outside the hoistway must have ground fault circuit interrupter protection (GFCI) (NEC 620 or CSA 38). All receptacles installed in the hoistway and pit and in and on the car shall be the GFCI type.
- g) If applicable, conduit and wire runs from elevator(s) to remote status panel.
- h) If applicable, conduit and wiring for fire alarm system to each elevator control in machine/control room.
- i) If applicable, conduit and wire runs for emergency/rescue communications in central alarm & control facility, fire control room, security desk, etc.
- j) If applicable, conduit and wire runs for remote alarm bell from machine/control room to remote location.
- k) Adequate lighting of building corridors so that illumination at the landing sill is minimum 100 lux (10FC) (Section 2.11).
- l) Guarding of counterweights in multi-elevator hoistways: when a counterweight is located between elevators, the counterweight runway shall be guarded on the side next to the adjacent elevator (Rule 2.3.2.3).



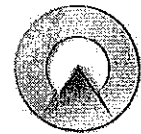
8.0 Elevator Car Finished Flooring Specification (Floor Recess Guidelines)

1. Applied customer flooring by GC must not exceed flooring allowed weight per Schindler layouts
2. Substrate and finished floor height to be flush with cab sill (+/- 1/16")
3. Typical substrate materials examples are:
 - a) Plywood and OSB
 - b) Cement based backer boards
4. Elevator platform base is either 5/8 plywood or 11-gauge galvanized steel.
 - a) Self-tapping fasteners may be for steel installation
 - b) Standard wood floor fasteners may be used for plywood
 - c) In all cases maximum penetration beyond the platform base shall be less than 1/4 inch.

You agree to indemnify and save Schindler harmless against any and all liability and costs arising out of your failure to carry out any of the foregoing requirements.

1.0 Job Site Conditions

- 1.1 Provide acceptable material unloading area within 100 feet of the escalator wellway(s) with 'rollable' access that provides a direct path to the escalator wellway lay down area (Planked or paved surface is required that is capable of supporting escalator truss loads; all building flooring protection is by others). If clear 'rollable' access is not available, Schindler shall be provided with uninterrupted use of crane(s) or forklift(s) and operator(s) to deliver equipment to the lay down area directly adjacent to the escalator wellway(s). The cost of crane(s) or forklift(s), and operator(s) is to be provided by others.
- 1.2 Power for construction adjacent to wellways and machine rooms (110/220 volt, single phase, for welders and hoists) and sufficient 3-phase power to run escalator(s) at the same time. Refer to Schindler Power Supply Data sheet. To meet the date upon which the escalators are to be turned over, the power for construction and permanent 3-phase power must be installed and available prior to the start of escalator installation.
- 1.3 Dry and enclosed laydown area with dimensions equal to the length and width of the escalator shall be provided directly adjacent to each escalator wellway to accommodate Schindler's installation methodology. If laydown area of sufficient size to accommodate Schindler's installation methodology is not provided, additional charges shall apply. Any warranties provided by Schindler for escalator equipment are null and void if equipment is stored in a manner that does not comply with the requirements as defined above.
- 1.4 All work areas, including wellway, machine/control room and pit, clear of debris. Maintain minimum temperature of 55°F (13°C). Adequate work area surrounding wellway required. Proper lighting of work areas.
- 1.5 Furnish adequate on-site refuse containers for the proper disposal of elevator packaging material. If adequate containers are not furnished, disposal of packaging material shall become the responsibility of the owner.
- 1.6 Construction barricades and floor opening protection (per OSHA requirements) surrounding the escalator wellway(s) are required. Barricades to be freestanding and removable, located at each escalator wellway, with lockable entry doors at the upper and lower ends of each unit. Barricades shall be erected, maintained, and removed by others.
 - a. **Protection from Falls** - As required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 1926.502 B) (1-3), provide a freestanding removable barricade at each hoistway opening at each floor. Barricades shall be 42" high, with mid-rail and kick board, and withstand 200 lbs. of vertical and horizontal pressure.
 - b. **Protection from Falling Objects (OSHA 1926.502(j)(4))** - As required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 1926.502(j), provide wellway protection from falling debris and other trades materials by either:
 - i. 8 foot screening/mesh in front of all escalator pits and wellways
 - ii. Secured/controlled access to all escalator lobbies (Lock and Key) with posted Notice "only escalator personnel beyond this protection"
- 1.7 Hoisting of trusses into place, using building floor and ceiling/roof supports provided by others, is required. If it is not possible to hoist escalator trusses into place, using building floor and ceiling/roof supports provided by others, additional charges shall apply. All shoring of building floors, walls and ceilings/roofs required for transport of escalator truss to each escalator wellway, and installation of escalator truss



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into each wellway, is to be provided by others.

1.8 Contractor is to provide temporary protection of installed escalator equipment from environmental conditions (dust, construction debris, etc.) and damage by others. If equipment is not adequately protected, and subsequent repairs or cleaning are required, Schindler shall be compensated to restore the equipment to an "as new" condition prior to completion and final acceptance inspection.

2.0 Electrical Service, Conductors and Devices

2.1 Provide a lockable, fused disconnect switch or circuit breaker suitable for 3-phase power in the upper machinery space of each escalator. Locate and mark with appropriate signage.

2.2 Furnish GFCI convenience outlets and light fixtures in the upper and lower machinery spaces, and a telephone line and outlet located in the upper machinery space for each escalator.

2.3 Dedicated analog telephone line capable of outgoing and incoming calls for Schindler remote monitoring (SRM).

3.0 Wellway, Pit, Control Space

3.1 Escalator wellway, pit, and overhead dimensions to be as specified on Schindler final layout drawings. Properly framed openings in the floors, necessary supports and bearing plates (including intermediate supports if required) for the truss per the manufacturer's drawings and information, the necessary enclosures, wellway railings, baffles and barricades around the wellway as required.

- a. When concrete supports are provided, coordinate with the escalator contractor, the location and installation of steel member required for truss attachment prior to the pouring of the concrete supports.
- b. Prevention of pit exposure to storm water or ground water is recommended. Owner should consider providing a drain or sump pump in lower end of wellway (pit) floor to prevent accumulation of water in the truss. Where provided, drains or sump pumps shall comply with the applicable plumbing code, and they shall be provided with a positive means to prevent water, gases and odors from entering the wellway. Sumps and sump pumps in pits, where provided, shall be covered.

3.2 Finished covering or cladding for the exterior of the escalator from the edges of the decks including covering/cladding for the truss and soffit is by others. The materials used will be fire resistant as required by ANSI code and will weigh not more than ten (10) pounds per square foot. Welding materials to the truss is not allowed.

3.3 Provide ventilation and heating of machine/control room, control space and machinery space. Machine/control room or control space temperature to be maintained between 13°C (55°F) and 32°C (90°F). Acceptable humidity levels for jobs shall be maintained at 95% or less non-condensing. See Schindler Power Supply Data Sheet for heat emissions.

3.4 If applicable, smoke and heat detectors with signals to escalator controller(s), including wiring for fire alarm system to each escalator control in machine room or escalator pit.

3.5 If applicable, conduit and wire runs from escalator pits and machine rooms to remote monitoring status panels/fire control room panels.

3.6 Sprinklers, if required, to be located as per local code requirements.

3.7 In the event that the installation requires a separate machine/control room, the following shall apply.

- a. Proper machine/control room dimensions and safety clearances to be provided as indicated on Schindler final layout drawings with recesses and ducts to be covered as required.
- b. Machine/control rooms shall have clear headroom of not less than 95 3/4". Door(s) shall be self-closing, self-locking and operable from inside without a key. Minimum door size 30" x 80". Consult Schindler final layout drawings for required door sizes.
- c. Where machine/control room(s) are remote from the escalator wellway, electrical duct runs will be in the overhead/ceiling area and clear, unobstructed access for installation will be required. No provisions are made for underground installation.
- d. FCI convenience outlet and telephone outlet located in machine/control room for each escalator.
- e. Provide a lockable, fused disconnect switch or circuit breaker suitable for 3-phase power for the elevator control for each escalator. Locate and mark with appropriate signage.
- f. Lighting, ventilation, and heating of machine/control room, control space and machinery. Machine/control room or control space temperature to be maintained between 13°C (55°F) and 32°C (90°F). Acceptable humidity levels for jobs shall be maintained at 95% or less non-condensing. See Schindler Power Supply Data Sheet for heat emissions.
- g. Class "ABC" fire extinguishers in electrical machinery and control space. Extinguishers shall be located convenient to access door.
- h. Properly designed machine/control room with adequate Sound Transmission Class rating.



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4.0 Removal of Existing Escalator Equipment

- 4.1 In the event that the installation requires removal of the existing escalator equipment by Schindler, the following will be completed by others.
- a. Construction barricades and floor opening protection (per OSHA requirements) surrounding the escalator wellway(s) are required.
 - b. Power for construction adjacent to wellways and machine rooms (110/220 volt, single phase, for welders and hoists) and safe work lighting.
 - c. Structural drawings and calculations required to develop the hoisting and rigging plan.
 - d. Shoring of floors, ceilings, roofs and walls required for hoisting and rigging, and equipment removal.
 - e. Protection of building floors, ceilings, roofs and wall surfaces during equipment removal.
 - f. Building related demolition required to remove existing units from wellways.
 - g. Building related demolition and clear 'rollable' egress paths required to remove existing units from building.
 - h. Transportation and proper disposal of removed escalator equipment.
 - i. Any required asbestos or hazardous materials abatement.

5.0 Finish Work

- 5.1 Finished flooring base, finished flooring, and finished grouting up to the escalator contractor's floor support and floor landing plates.
- 5.2 Seal all penetrations through 2-hour (or greater) rated walls with code approved material.
- 5.3 Provide, paint and finish all material other than that described in this specification.

6.0 Provisional Handover

- 6.1 The work specified in all items above must be completed in their entirety by others before the escalator(s) are placed into automatic operation. Furthermore, Schindler will not schedule the final acceptance inspection with the governing code authority until the works in specified in all items above have been completed.
- 6.2 Once installed, escalators cannot be used as a fixed stairway system for transport of construction personnel or materials within the building. Escalator equipment (including, but not limited to, floor landing plates, steps, balustrades, handrails, etc.) cannot be used to stage/support access equipment (scaffolding, ladders, scissor lifts, pallet jacks, etc.) for completion of work by other trades.

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Contract Requirements:

This proposal is based on furnishing our standard equipment as defined by the specification summary, in accordance with our attached standard terms and conditions. This proposal will become part of our agreement with you for this work.

We will require receipt of this fully executed proposal, including any attached amendments, final approved drawings, along with payment for pre-production and engineering costs equal to 50% of the above price prior to the release of the elevator equipment for fabrication.

You may indicate your acceptance of our proposal by signing below and returning this document to me. Upon execution this will become the final contract and will be binding to all parties.

Attached terms and conditions are fully incorporated.

Please note our proposal is valid for 30 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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ACKNOWLEDGED AND ACCEPTED BY

By _____

Title _____

Date _____

Schindler Elevator Corporation

By _____

Title _____

Date _____



FURNITURE QUOTE

PROPOSAL TO:

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	50	BASE ASSEMBLY BLACK, MARKET PRICE	OSBF60BK	\$	668.00	\$	250.00	\$ 12,500.00
	50	POWER MODULE AND WIRELESS CHARGER, MARKET PRICE	OSAC4003	\$	609.00	\$	225.00	\$ 11,250.00

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Josh,

This is what I had actually given him, which was a \$ / sf price.

See below based on ~ 2,500 sf.

I think the reason we did not do a formal quote, is that some other options were being looked at with some specialty flake samples we gave you guys to consider. I have not heard anything back.

If you need the quote to be formal based on what is below, confirm, and I can get one over to you Monday. Again, pricing is still good based on the standard custom blend of flake noted below.



From: Jamie Gillespie

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 1:44 PM

To: Mario DiPietro <mdipietro@cityofeasley.com>

Cc: Jeremy Gillespie <jsgillespie@carolinapainting.com>; brandon liner <blliner@easleypd.org>; Jeremy Gillespie <jsgillespie@carolinapainting.com>

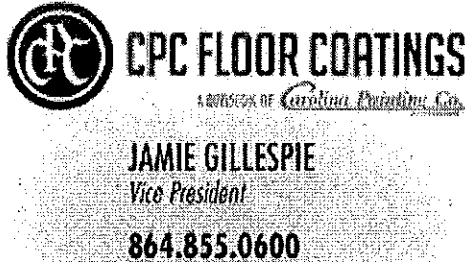
Subject: RE: [External] LEC Basement Floor

Mario,

We are looking at \$ 8.38 /s f

- Prep
- Prime w/ moisture mitigating primer
- Color base coat with custom flake to refusal

- Top coat polyaspartic



From: Mario DiPietro <mdipietro@cityofeasley.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 8:53 AM
To: Jamie Gillespie <jgillespie@carolinapainting.com>
Cc: Jeremy Gillespie <jsgillespie@carolinapainting.com>; brandon liner <bliner@easleycpd.org>
Subject: Re: [External] LEC Basement Floor

The area of the floor is approximately 2,500 sf, including the hall. Mario

From: Jamie Gillespie <jgillespie@carolinapainting.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 3, 2025 3:32 PM
To: Mario DiPietro <mdipietro@cityofeasley.com>
Cc: Jeremy Gillespie <jsgillespie@carolinapainting.com>
Subject: LEC Basement Floor

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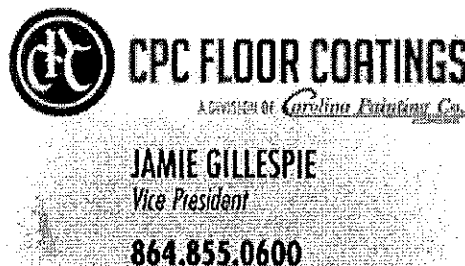
Mario,

We can bring the Beast in, down the steps to prep the floor.

Below are the links to the flake choices and the visualizer.

<https://torginol.com/products/flake>

<https://torginol.com/design>



House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Brotherton Family Child Development and Training Center (CDTC)

Requested Amount: \$500,000.00

Recipient Entity: Pickens County YMCA

Is the entity a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Sid Collins

Title/Position: President/CEO

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email Address: sidcollins@pcymca.net

Entity Website: www.PCYMCA.net

County Location: Pickens

Intended Use of the Funds:

Funds will be used for capital costs associated with the operation and renovation of the former Easley YMCA building into the Brotherton Family Child Development and Training Center, which will ultimately serve approximately 185 infants through 5 years olds.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit:

Pickens County has limited options for high-quality childcare and early learning programs (pre-kindergarten), especially for low-income families. The Easley area is considered a childcare desert, an area with census tracts with more than 3 children under the age of 5 for every licensed childcare slot. Childcare is critical to a thriving economy. Various research studies, including the Perry Preschool Longitudinal Study, have found that participants in Early Childhood Education programs, like the YMCA CDTC, are 25% more likely to graduate from high school and are more likely to hold a job and have higher earnings in adulthood. Research over 40 years into the longitudinal study found a return on investment of 7 to 10 percent per year based on increased school and career achievement and a decreased reliance on social and health interventions later in life. This project is aimed at providing this critical resource for the Easley area and surrounding communities. While the YMCA is a non-profit, this CDTC is operating in the context of public education due to scholarships provided by the YMCA, participation in the First Steps program and acceptance of ABC vouchers for those who qualify.

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____

Print Name: Neal A. Collins

Additional House Sponsors

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Brotherton Family Child Development and Training Center

Project Purpose and Community Benefit

Since 2019, the Pickens County YMCA has had as a part of its strategic plan the goal of meeting the critical early childhood needs in the Easley, Pickens and Powdersville communities. While there is a significant need for safe, reliable childcare, data also shows that only 37% of children in the Easley area demonstrated readiness for Kindergarten according to the 2023 KRA report.

As a part of our focus to strengthen our communities and develop our youth, we recognize that economic development starts with early childhood development. Investing in high-quality early learning opportunities, beginning at birth, is a solution that creates upward mobility by ensuring all children have the opportunity to build foundations for long-term success in life. Meanwhile, when children are taken care of, parents have the freedom to work and advance in their own careers. Quality, safe and affordable childcare is an essential service to create a ready and successful workforce.

The Brotherton CDTC at the Easley YMCA McKissick Campus, not only provides an essential service for working families in Pickens County but one that also strengthens the foundation of our local economy.

Description of the Project

The Brotherton CDTC is a fully licensed, full-day childcare center that operates year-round. This CDTC will serve approximately 185 children, infants to 5-year-olds, with a specified number of subsidized spots for families in need. CDTC curriculum and outcomes will be developed in partnership with local school districts, First Steps and other subject-matter expert organizations.

The vision for the YMCA's CDTCs is much more than a childcare center. As a vital change agent for the entire community, there are 3 primary goals:

1. Offer a high-quality education within a Christian worldview that socially develops, emotionally prepares and academically equips children for kindergarten. We believe that the earliest years of a child's life are critical to their long-term development and success.
2. Provide training and support for Grandfamilies and Kinship Caregivers in the Pickens County community as well as parents of CDTC students. We believe that the family, not the YMCA, should be the nucleus for a child to grow and develop. The YMCA can be a partner in this.

3. Assist expecting and newborn mothers throughout the journey of pregnancy and the first year of the child's life. We believe that if we can help equip and support mothers during this wonderful but challenging season, the development of the child and family will be greatly enhanced.

The Brotherton CDTC at the McKissick Campus has several unique opportunities that set it apart from other childcare centers. This center is part of a larger project that includes the renovation of the original 25,000sf Easley YMCA into the Brotherton CDTC and a new Senior Center operated in partnership with Pickens County Meals on Wheels. This intergenerational center will include intentional programming between the seniors and children from the CDTC.

Project Status

The CDTC opened in August 2025 and fully licensed by DSS. It is currently serving 85-90 families and growing by the week. The CDTC will be starting First Steps this coming summer and soon will be accepting ABC vouchers, once approved by the state.

Intended Use and Benefit of State Funds

Due to rising construction costs and initial operating capital, an additional \$800,000 had to be secured to complete the project. In order to ensure the long-term viability and keeping care affordable to families, we are requesting funds to help cover the remaining cost of the project. The funds received from the State of South Carolina will be used to close the gap needed for the Brotherton CDTC project to be fully funded.

Recipient Entity and Use of Funds Location

Pickens County YMCA: The Pickens County YMCA Association Offices are located at 101 Burns Road in Easley South Carolina. The Pickens County YMCA service area includes Pickens County and northern Anderson County, both in South Carolina.

Brotherton Family Child Development and Training Center: The Brotherton CDTC is located in Pickens County at 201 Burns Road, Easley SC 29640.

Project Website: www.TheYMCA.us/BrothertonCDC



March 24, 2026

THE IMPORTANCE OF INVESTING IN EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION

Childcare is critical to a strong workforce and a thriving local economy but it is equally as critical to the development of our children. From birth to age five, a child's brain grows and develops more than at any other time. Quality childcare experiences bolster healthy cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development – preparing a child for success in kindergarten and beyond. Across Pickens County, the demand for childcare for our youngest learners far exceeds the supply. The problem only intensifies when you add the factors of affordability and quality.

THE YMCA'S ROLE

The YMCA has been living out its mission, to build healthy spirit, mind and body for all, in Pickens County since 1961. Throughout its 60-plus years of service and impact, the YMCA has progressively adapted to meet the community's changing needs while foundationally maintaining the same mission and goals it began with. Now, the YMCA is prepared to respond to the critical community need for early childcare.

BROTHERTON FAMILY CHILD DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING CENTER

The Brotherton Family Child Development and Training Center (CDTC) is a 15,000 square foot complex dedicated to providing early learning services and high-quality childcare for families in and around Easley serving approximately 185 infants through 5-year-olds. The CDTC opened in August of 2025 and is currently serving 85-90 families.

Consistent with its mission, the YMCA will provide financial assistance for families in need, ensuring that everyone has access to quality childcare, regardless of their financial circumstances. The CDTC will shortly be accepting ABC vouchers and has already qualified for the First Steps program beginning in the summer of 2026.

OUR REQUEST

We are extremely grateful for the support we have received from individuals, organizations and municipalities which has raised \$5.2mil for this \$6mil project. Today, we would like to request \$500,000 from the State of South Carolina to help fund the remaining capital needed for this project and help us meet this critical community need.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sid Collins
President & CEO

PICKENS COUNTY YMCA
101 BURNS RD, EASLEY SC 29642
www.PCYMCA.net

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Project/Event Name: History Man Comics- Characters related to Bamberg County

Requested Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Recipient Entity: South Carolina American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission SC250

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or X Other?

If **Other**, please explain: State Commission

Entity Contact: Molly Fortune Title/Position: CEO, SC250 Commission

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: MFortune@southcarolina250.com

Entity Website: SC250.com County Location: Richland

Intended Use of the Funds:

In Bamberg County, there is a clear gap in accessible, engaging educational materials that tell the story of the American Revolution in a way that connects with today's students. *Historman Comics* addresses this need by presenting South Carolina's Revolutionary War history through a format that resonates with elementary and middle school audiences.

Building on the proven success of previous *Historman Comics* series—including those focused on General Thomas Sumter, General Francis Marion, and the Heroines of the American Revolution—this next phase expands the initiative through the development of new, historically grounded characters. These characters are intentionally designed to represent underrepresented groups in South Carolina's Revolutionary-era story, including women, African Americans (free and enslaved), and Native Americans, ensuring a more complete and inclusive narrative for students.

Requested funds will support the following specific activities for TWO Comic Books (Graphic Novels):

- **Character Development and Storyline Creation**
Development of new, historically accurate, student-friendly characters that reflect South Carolina's diverse Revolutionary-era experiences, including those of underrepresented groups, with the ability to expand into stories connected to communities such as Bamberg County.
- **Final Editing and Educational Alignment**
Professional editing to ensure historical accuracy, age-appropriate content, and alignment with South Carolina curriculum standards, making the materials immediately usable by educators in Bamberg County schools.
- **Graphic Design and Series Production**
Completion of illustration, layout, and design for a multi-part comic series, ensuring a high-quality, engaging product for classroom and independent learning.
- **Digital Conversion and Accessibility**
Preparation and formatting of the comic series for digital distribution through SC250 educational platforms, allowing seamless access for teachers and students across Bamberg County.
- **Targeted Implementation in Bamberg County Schools**
Coordination with local educators to introduce and integrate these materials into classrooms, ensuring direct impact for Bamberg County students and addressing an identified gap in current instructional resources.

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Justification of Request / Public Benefit:

This investment will create a sustainable and expandable educational tool that builds on a successful model, fills a critical gap in classroom resources, and ensures that the full, diverse story of South Carolina's Revolutionary past is accessible to students in Bamberg County and across the state.

This project aligns with statewide efforts to ensure all students see themselves reflected in South Carolina's history.

Budget: Writing, Design, & Editing of (2) 20+ page Bamberg Centered Graphic Novels

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Neal A. Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ **Print Name:** _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



March 24, 2026

The Honorable Neal Collins
South Carolina House of Representatives
418C Blatt Bldg., Columbia 29201

Dear Representative Collins,

On behalf of South Carolina 250 (SC250), I respectfully submit this request in support of *Historman Comics*, an educational initiative designed to bring the stories of the American Revolution in South Carolina to life for elementary and middle school students.

In Bamberg County, there is a clear gap in accessible, engaging educational materials that connect students to South Carolina's Revolutionary-era history. *Historman Comics* addresses this need by presenting history through a format that resonates with today's learners, graphic novels and character-driven storytelling that make complex historical events both relatable and memorable.

SC250 has previously funded *Historman Comics* projects with great success, including series focused on General Thomas Sumter, General Francis Marion, and the Heroines of the American Revolution. These projects have demonstrated strong educational value, student engagement, and the ability to translate complex historical narratives into accessible classroom resources.

Historman Comics has also been a prior SC250 grant recipient and remains in good standing. SC250 maintains all required documentation confirming that the organization is authorized to conduct business in South Carolina and is based in Camden, South Carolina. This established relationship ensures both accountability and the capacity to successfully execute this project.

Building on this proven success, the next phase expands the initiative through the development of new, historically grounded characters. These characters are intentionally designed to represent underrepresented groups in South Carolina's Revolutionary story, including women, African Americans (free and enslaved), and Native Americans, ensuring a more complete and inclusive narrative for students.

Requested funds will support:

- Character development and storyline creation
- Final editing and curriculum alignment
- Graphic design and production of a multi-part comic series
- Digital conversion for classroom accessibility
- Targeted implementation and use within Bamberg County schools



Project Timeline

The *Historman Comics* development process is anticipated to take approximately **18 months from project initiation to final delivery**, with flexibility built in to accommodate the depth of historical research required for new character development.

Phase 1: Research & Character Development (Months 1–6)

- Primary source research and historical validation
- Development of new characters representing underrepresented groups
- Storyline outlining and educational framing

Phase 2: Scriptwriting & Content Development (Months 4–9)

- Scriptwriting for multi-part comic series
- Integration of educational standards and classroom usability

Phase 3: Illustration & Design (Months 7–14)

- Artwork creation and visual development
- Layout, formatting, and design of each comic

Phase 4: Editing, Review & Final Production (Months 12–16)

- Professional editing for accuracy and readability
- Final design refinements and approvals

Phase 5: Digital Conversion & Distribution (Months 15–18+)

- Formatting for digital classroom use
- Integration into SC250 educational platforms
- Distribution and implementation in Bamberg County schools

Due to the evolving nature of research, particularly in developing historically accurate characters representing underrepresented groups, this timeline may extend as needed to ensure both accuracy and quality.

This investment will create a sustainable, scalable educational resource that fills a critical gap in classroom materials while building on a model that has already proven successful across South Carolina. Most importantly, it ensures that students in Bamberg County have access to engaging content that reflects the full and diverse story of our state's Revolutionary past.



This project aligns with **statewide efforts to ensure**
all students see themselves reflected in South Carolina's history.

Thank you for your consideration and your continued support of educational initiatives that strengthen both our communities and our understanding of South Carolina's history.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Molly Fortune".

Molly Fortune
CEO

South Carolina American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission (SC250)
803-445-3181 // MFortune@southcarolina250.com

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Project/Event Name: Appalachian Council of Governments New Office Facility

Requested Amount: \$ 2,000,000

Recipient Entity: South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or X Other?

If **Other**, please explain: SCACOG is a council of governments, as established through Article VI, Chapter 7 of the SC Code of Laws, to provide services in Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, and Spartanburg Counties.

Entity Contact: Steven Pelissier Title/Position: Executive Director

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: pelissier@scacog.org

Entity Website: www.scacog.org County Location: Greenville, with services provided throughout the six-county region.

Intended Use of the Funds: The intended use of the funds is for SCACOG to secure a building to meet its future needs. The organization's existing building is 28 years old. It is too small to meet current operational functions and is technologically obsolete. A building that is currently for sale has been identified as offering strong potential to serve as a new facility. It would require significant upgrades and re-distribution of space to do so, however. SCACOG has funds in reserve to help cover the cost of purchasing and upgrading the building though existing funds and revenue from the sale of the current SCACOG office building would not cover the overall expense for the new facility.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: SCACOG provides critical services to the local governments, other service providers, economic development entities, and citizens of its region. Adequate office facilities are necessary to carry out these services in an effective manner.

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Neal Collins

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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The Honorable Neal Collins
South Carolina House of Representatives
418C Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

March 4, 2026

Dear Representative Collins,

Please accept the attached appropriation request form from the South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments (SCACOG) seeking funds to help acquire a new operational facility for our organization. SCACOG's current building is no longer adequate for operations, both because it is too small and is technologically obsolete. We have identified an available building that shows strong potential for meeting future needs. While we have funds saved to purchase and upgrade a building, those funds, along with revenue we would receive from the sale of our current facility, would not be sufficient. We are requesting funding from the state to fill in the gap.

SCACOG provides a variety of critical services to local governments, public service providers, economic development entities, and citizens across our region. An adequate facility is crucial to our ability to continue providing those services.

We have already identified a targeted building. It is anticipated to take sixty to ninety days to complete due diligence prior to making an official offer for it. Once the facility is purchased, a period of up to eight months would be necessary to upgrade it to meet our needs.

We know you receive requests for financial assistance from numerous entities with valuable initiatives. We appreciate your consideration of our request. If I may provide additional information, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Steven R Pelissier
Executive Director



**South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments
Funding Request to Support the Purchase of a New Building**

Project Description

The South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments (SCACOG) is requesting funds to assist in acquiring a building to meet its future needs. The organization's existing facility is 28 years old. It is too small to meet current operational functions and is technologically obsolete. A building that is currently for sale has been identified as offering strong potential to serve as a new facility. The building is 7,500 sf larger than the existing facility and was renovated in 2013. The building would require significant upgrades and a re-distribution of space to meet the organization's needs, however. SCACOG has funds in reserve to help cover the cost of purchasing and upgrading the building though existing funds and revenue from the sale of the current SCACOG facility would not cover the overall expense for the new building.

SCACOG provides critical services to local governments, other service providers, economic development entities, and citizens of its region. Adequate office facilities are necessary to carry out these services in an effective manner.

The project budget is included on the next page.



Appalachian Council of Governments New Building Purchase Budget
March 4, 2026

Expenses

Anticipated Purchase Price	\$	3,700,000
Renovations and Upgrades		3,250,000
Furniture		650,000
<u>Moving Expense</u>		<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$	7,625,000

Funds Available

Funds on Hand	\$	2,600,000
Transfer from Fund Balance		175,000
Anticipated Revenue from the		2,300,000
<u>Sale of the Existing Building</u>		<u></u>
Total	\$	5,075,000

Additional Funds Needed	\$	2,550,000
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THE CITY OF
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Natalie Zeigler
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

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January 27, 2026

The Honorable Brandon Cox
330 D Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Subject: Grant Request for \$254,728 to Fund Second Set of Turnout Gear for Firefighters

Dear Representative Cox:

On behalf of the Goose Creek Fire Department, I am writing to request funding in the amount of \$254,728 to support the purchase of a second set of turnout gear for our firefighters. This critical investment will significantly reduce exposure to cancer-causing toxins and ensure that we meet the NFPA 1851 standard for personal protective equipment maintenance and decontamination.

Firefighter occupational cancer is a growing crisis with 72% of firefighter line-of-duty deaths attributed to cancer-related illnesses. Currently our personnel do not have access to a second set of turnout gear, meaning they are forced to wear contaminated gear throughout their 24-hour shifts after responding to fires. The prolonged exposure leads to hazardous toxins both through skin absorption and inhalation; dramatically increases the risk of occupational cancers and other serious health conditions.

With the requested funding, we will be able to equip our firefighters with a second set of turnout gear, allowing them to immediately replace contaminated gear after exposure. This measure aligns with national best practices and will directly enhance the health, safety, and longevity of our emergency responders. The City will immediately order the second set of turnout gear upon approval and receipt of funding. We will be able to have this project closed out within six months of the receipt of funds.

The Goose Creek Fire Department remains committed to protecting both our firefighters and the community we serve. We believe this investment is essential to ensuring the well-being of our personnel and maintaining a high level of emergency response readiness. We appreciate your consideration of this request and welcome the opportunity to discuss this funding initiative further.

Thank you for your time and support. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require additional information or documentation.

Sincerely,

Natalie M. Zeigler
City Administrator



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Turnout Gear Request

Item	Amount	Cost
Fire Gear Set	48	\$158,400
Fire Boots	85	\$44,115
Gloves	60	\$8,700
Hoods	60	\$5,983
Helmets	40	\$16,800
Technical Boots	30	\$20,730
Total		\$254,728

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: City of Goose Creek Stormwater Piping on State Road 728

Requested Amount: \$ 700,000

Recipient Entity: City of Goose Creek, SC

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, X Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Natalie Zeigler Title/Position: City Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: nzeigler@goosecreeksc.gov

Entity Website: www.cityofgoosecreek.com County Location: Berkeley

Intended Use of the Funds: The funds will be used to pipe an open ditch along State Road 728-Old Moncks Corner Road in Berkeley County.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This funding would pipe an open ditch system along Old Moncks Corner Road within the City limits of Goose Creek. Piping this ditch will then allow the City to install a multi-use path to allow safe travel for pedestrians and bikers to Central Creek Park.

Rep. Brandon Cox

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Syllveste Davis

Signature: _____

Print Name: Harriet Hulman

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____



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January 27, 2026

The Honorable Brandon Cox
330 D Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Subject: Grant Request for Critical Ditch Piping Along State Road 728 (Old Moncks Corner Road) To Enhance Pedestrian Safety

Dear Representative Cox:

On behalf of the City of Goose Creek, I am writing to respectfully request funding in the amount of \$700,000 to support the piping of a drainage ditch to support significant pedestrian safety initiatives along a state roadway (Old Moncks Corner Road) within the city limits of Goose Creek.

The existing ditch extends along the roadway to Central Creek Park, an all-inclusive park that serves residents of all ages and abilities with a wide variety of recreational opportunities. Piping this ditch will allow the City to install a critical, safe multi-use pathway so that pedestrians and bicyclists can safely access the park. Central Creek Park remains one of the City's most critical and highly used recreational facilities. The addition of the proposed multi-use pathway will increase safety for youth and families by providing a pathway that is protected from vehicular traffic, reducing exposure and promoting recreation participation for pedestrians.

The total estimated cost of this project is \$957,740. The City of Goose Creek is committed to contributing \$257,740 in stormwater funding to ensure the project's completion. The City will obtain the required SCDOT encroachment permits and competitively bid the project. Once state funding is received, we anticipate the project can be completed within twelve months.

The City of Goose Creek remains committed to providing safe roadways and pedestrian infrastructure that enhance connectivity, safety, and quality of life for our residents.

Thank you for your time and support. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information or documentation.

Sincerely,

Natalie M. Zeigler
City Administrator
City of Goose Creek



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Grant Request for Critical Ditch Piping Along State Road 728 (Old
Moncks Corner Road) to Enhance Pedestrian Safety

Item	Unit	Qty	Unit Price	Cost
18" N12 HPDE	LF	3375	\$217	\$732,375
24" N12 HPDE	LF	565	\$246	\$138,990
3' Deep 4'x4'24"x24" DI	EA	10	\$6,525	\$65,250
3.5' Deep 4'x4'24"x24" DI	EA	2	\$6,800	\$13,600
5.5' Deep 4'x4'24"x24" DI	EA	1	\$7,525	\$7,525
Total				\$957,740
City Portion				\$257,740
State Request				\$700,000

Installed Cost (Median)			
Description	Unit	Qty	Unit Price Total
18" N12 HDPE	LF	3375	\$ 217.00 \$ 732,375.00
24" N12 HDPE	LF	565	\$ 246.00 \$ 138,990.00
3' Deep 4'x4' 24"x24" DI	EA	10	\$ 6,525.00 \$ 65,250.00
3.5' Deep 4'x4' 24"x24" DI	EA	2	\$ 6,800.00 \$ 13,600.00
5.5' Deep 4'x4' 24"x24" DI	EA	1	\$ 7,525.00 \$ 7,525.00
Total			\$ 957,740.00

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April 30, 2026

The Honorable Heather Ammons Crawford
South Carolina House of Representatives
522B Blatt Bldg.
Columbia 29201

Heather.crawford@mail.house.gov

Dear Representative Crawford,

I am writing to formally request your support in securing state funding for the rehabilitation of the SC 544 bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway. From an engineering and infrastructure management perspective, this project has reached a point of critical importance. The requested funding amount for this project is \$10.0 million and the scope of work includes joint repairs, hydrodemolition, and a bridge deck overlay.

According to South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) traffic data, this bridge carries nearly 30,000 vehicles per day, such sustained traffic loading, combined with environmental exposure typical of coastal structures—particularly salt-laden air and moisture—has accelerated the deterioration of the bridge deck over several years. Routine inspections have documented progressive wear, including surface degradation and underlying structural concerns that, if left unaddressed, could compromise both safety and serviceability.

The SC 544 bridge was opened to traffic in 1993, and due to its age and exposure to the elements and heavy traffic conditions, it has undergone recent repairs and maintenance work. For example, SCDOT's contractor performed partial-depth, but significant repairs in 2020 on sections of the existing bridge deck that required patching due to surface cracking and delamination caused by rebar being too close to the surface. In October 2025, nighttime lane closures were required for most of the month due to additional bridge maintenance work. SCDOT has indicated that it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the bridge deck in its current condition, as deterioration mechanisms continue to advance and localized failures are accelerating. These conditions require more frequent and intensive maintenance interventions, which are no longer sustainable as a long-term strategy.

SCDOT has estimated that the cost of rehabilitating the bridge deck will be approximately \$10,000,000. Delaying this work will not only increase long-term repair costs due to compounding material degradation but also elevate the risk of more significant structural deficiencies requiring more extensive intervention. From a lifecycle cost standpoint, timely deck rehabilitation represents the most fiscally responsible course of action.

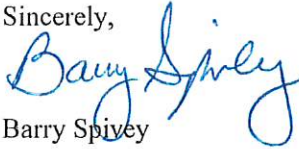
The SC 544 bridge serves as a vital transportation link for both Horry County and Georgetown County and is one of only two crossings over the Intracoastal Waterway and one of only two fixed span bridges between Myrtle Beach and the City of Georgetown—a span of nearly forty miles. It also functions as a critical hurricane evacuation route for the region, underscoring its importance not only for daily mobility but also for public safety during emergency events. As such, it plays an essential role in regional mobility, emergency response access, and economic activity.

Additionally, the bridge supports the transportation demands of the most densely populated area in Horry County, serving well over 100,000 residents and accommodating millions of visitors annually. Any disruption to this corridor would have widespread implications, including increased congestion, reduced emergency response efficiency, and negative impacts on tourism and commerce.

Given these factors, I respectfully request your support in prioritizing funding for this necessary infrastructure investment. Proactive rehabilitation will ensure continued safe operation, preserve a critical regional asset, and avoid significantly higher future expenditures.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if you require further technical documentation or wish to discuss this project in more detail.

Sincerely,



Barry Spivey
Horry County Administrator
Horry County Government

Cc: Horry County Council

David Jordan, Deputy County Administrator, County Attorney
David Gilreath, Assistant County Administrator, I&R Division

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Project/Event Name: Brain Injury Association of SC

Requested Amount: \$ 500,000

Recipient Entity: Brain Injury Outreach and Education

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Joyce Davis Title/Position: Executive Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: biaofsc.com County Location: Richland County

Intended Use of the Funds: see attached

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: see attached

Sylleste Davis

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Sylleste Davis

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Sylleste Davis

Signature: Sylleste Davis

Print Name: Lee Hewitt

Signature: Lee Hewitt

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

May 5, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister,

This letter is to confirm that the Brain Injury Association of South Carolina has a contract in place with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to provide access to a statewide family support network for individuals with traumatic brain injuries.

If you have additional questions, please contact Robin Crawford, Director of Governmental Affairs, at 803-391-1011 or robin.crawford@omh.bhdd.sc.gov.

Sincerely,



Robin Crawford
Director of Governmental Affairs
South Carolina Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

FY26 Brain Injury Outreach and Education Initiative (Request \$500,000)

Public purpose served by the initiative:

1.2 million South Carolinians experience a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) or stroke each year. More than 209,000 of those individuals are left with disabilities. These numbers do not include those disabled as a result of hypoxic injuries that can result from strangulation, drug overdose, or heart attack; nor does it include other conditions like tumors or infectious disease that affect the brain.

The symptoms of brain injuries (BI) are life-changing and not only impact the BI survivor but their entire family. Many people living with BI do not qualify for state supported services, like Medicaid, DDSN, and SCVRD. **BIASC helps BI survivors, and their families, navigate a complicated healthcare system and leads them to resources that meet their needs.** We provide resource facilitation through our toll-free helpline, and we connect with people through support groups, online activities, health fairs, and outreach activities. We also offer training programs to professionals, caregivers, and other groups. Unfortunately, however, SC lacks residential, day and behavioral-based program options that specialize in BI care.

Funds will be used for:

1. Developing a State TBI Action Plan by:
 - Assisting DDSN in completing the state plan based on a Statewide Needs Assessment
 - Continuing to identify and improve on the needs BIASC is already addressing:
 - BI Survivor Peer Mentorship program
 - Caregiver Peer Mentorship program
 - Partner with SC School Districts to incorporate use of the Reduce/Remove, Educate, Accommodate/Adjust, Pace (REAP) Manual and Teacher Acute Concussion Tool (TACT) to track and monitor student concussion data (i.e. sports related and non-sports related)
 - Increase social and recreational opportunities for BI survivors and caregivers
2. Enhancing the visibility of BIASC, SC Brain Injury Leadership Council (SCBILC), and the State TBI Action Plan.
3. Expanding our online community with offerings such as:
 - Yoga, art classes, BI Support Group meetings, and Coffee Chat with special speakers
 - Quarterly educational presentations by community partners
 - Online BI support groups, online caregiver support group, hybrid BI support groups
 - BI fundamentals classes
 - BI specialist certification classes
 - Online BIASC committee meetings so BI survivors and caregivers can attend and have a voice
4. Expanding BI training and certification to clinical and community based medical providers, behavioral health providers, case managers, social workers, therapists, home health providers, school professionals, 911 dispatchers and responders including law enforcement, EMS, paramedics, fire fighters, etc.

Public benefit from the initiative:

Individuals with BI and their families will be informed of services available to them and receive assistance in navigating a complex healthcare system. This will enable the BI survivor to have access to services that will ultimately help them have a better quality of life. Providers who are trained in BI will better serve this population, which will increase the success of the survivors.

Brain Injury Outreach and Education Initiative
July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026
Brain Injury Association of South Carolina

FY2026
Request

Personnel costs(Salary + fringe)	3 Full Time Employees	40 hrs/wk	
	2 Part Time Employees		168,815
	FICA and UI		13,674
	Employee Health Benefits		16,200
Consultants	Training		5,000
	Marketing		45,000
	Computer/iT		1,000
	Staff Development		1,000
		New F/T Acctg/grant manager	40,000
		Total Personnel Costs(sal+fringe)	290,689
Programs:			
Brain Injury Training supplies(applications, manual, workbook, classes, exam)	manuals, exams, equipment and supplies	For Basic Brain Injury 101 trainings, Certified Brain Injury Specialist Training(CBIS) and Brain Injury Fundamentals	12,500
Consultants/Trainers	3 classes	Cost of Certified Instructors	8,000
Educational Conference	Annual Conference	Contract Coordinator/venue/food/ scholarships for survivors/CEUs	8,000
Law Enforcement Training Collaboration with NAMI	mileage reimbursement for (volunteers)	Educate Law Enforcement Officers on Brain Injury	2,000
Visibility Project	Resource bags for new TBI adult and pediatric patients	Resource Bags to Level 1 Trauma Centers (add additional hospitals, rehab hospitals and outpatient rehabs)	10,000
Resource Facillitation		Included in phone, postage, print materials, informational materials	
Brain Injury Friendly Classes for Socialization and Community Participation Project	Unmasking Brain Injury Project, Painting Classes, Yoga & Mindfulness, etc.	Supplies, instructors, facilities	5,000
BI Support Groups	Financial assistance & training	Supplement from Grants	7,500
SC Brain Injury Safety Net Project	To maintain and expand the education/collaboration in youth. Education to parents, profess.	Contract Brain Injury Safety Net Coordinator	5,000
Get Schooled on Concussions Subscription and prod	Annual subscription for SC Teachers to access the Teacher Acute Concussion Tool		
Veterans Outreach	Provide information by phone and at events	Included in phone, postage, print materials, informational materials	
Opioid Crisis Outreach	Provide training, exhibit at conferences, provide opioid and brain injury cards in Narcan kits	Included in phone, postage, print materials, informational materials	
Intimate Partner/Domestic Violence Outreach	Provide training to pilot site and screening for TBI	Included in phone, postage, print materials, informational materials	
Mileage/travel	Travel to meetings, support Group meetings, events, training, etc.	All staff and programs	18,000
Exhibit fees for conferences	Participate in Health/Educational Fairs, conferences	All staff and programs	10,000
Marketing	Promote programs and outreach	All programs	25,000
		Total Programs	111,000
Infrastructure:			
Rent and utilities		Supplement with grants	24,353
Phone and internet	436/month	Supplement with grants	5,000
Liability insurance, D O insur., workers comp.			4,000
Informational Materials			20,000
Printing			13,000
Postage			750
Minor Office Equipment			7,000
Office Supplies			7,000
Accounting Services			10,000
Website			750
Membership			500
Moving expenses			
Computer Software			5,958
		Total Infrastructure	98,311
		Total Budget	500,000

Since 1998, the Brain Injury Association of S.C. (BIASC) has been the voice of the brain injury community in S.C.



1.28M TBI or Stroke in S.C. Each Year

209K Left with Disabilities

\$500,000 in funding helps cover the costs of our outreach and education initiative which addresses demands in the brain injury (BI) community.

TBI in S.C.: 1.28 million South Carolinians experience a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) or stroke each year. More than 209,000 of those individuals are left with disabilities.

Programming Impact

Our programming in FY24 tackled a range of pressing issues for brain injury survivors and helped to address the isolation, lack of resources, and gaps in education faced by brain injury survivors and their families. Through initiatives such as veteran-focused outreach, therapeutic yoga and art classes, and comprehensive training programs, BIASC worked to empower survivors, caregivers, and professionals. The success of our annual conference and continued assistance for peer support groups further underscored our commitment to delivering critical resources and emotional support across S.C.

35 Veteran Focused Events

3,532 Training Participants

204 Conference Attendees

Veterans with TBI: 35 veteran-focused events statewide provided crucial resources, education, and support to veterans, a population at increased risk of brain injuries due to combat and service-related trauma.

Educational Opportunities: 47 trainings were provided to 3,532 participants, delivering critical insights and resources to brain injury survivors, caregivers, and professionals, empowering them to better manage the complexities of BI.

Online Yoga and Art classes: BIASC presented a total of 8 classes (4 each) to promote physical healing, mental wellness, and creative expression, providing accessible therapeutic outlets for recovery.

Life with Brain Injury Conference: With 204 in attendance, the program featured inspiring and educational sessions covering 13 topics, along with networking opportunities for survivors, caregivers, and professionals. The exhibit hall showcased 28 exhibitors, and 32 scholarships were awarded.

Support Groups: BIASC continued to train leaders and fund 10 support groups across S.C., including a new group for veterans with TBI, providing essential emotional and peer support to survivors.

S.C. Brain Injury SafetyNet: This program continued to deliver training and resources on pediatric concussion management to schools, families, and healthcare professionals statewide by exhibiting at 12 conferences including the S.C. Children's Trust conference, and the S.C. Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics.

Challenges and Solutions

This past year brought significant challenges, particularly in expanding care access for underserved populations in S.C. Through advocacy and collaboration with state and nonprofit organizations, BIASC laid the groundwork for improving outreach on intimate partner violence and opioid abuse. BIASC attended Brain Injury Awareness Day on Capitol Hill, meeting congressional staff to request TBI Act reauthorization. BIASC assisted the S.C. Department of Disabilities and Special Needs in completing a statewide TBI Needs

Assessment by organizing focus groups, interviews, and surveys, including support for those unable to complete it independently. The results will inform the new S.C. TBI State Action Plan, guiding legislative and appropriation requests.

A shortage of qualified providers is another challenge, as many do not require training in BI treatment. BIASC aims to improve outreach to providers by promoting training opportunities and highlighting their benefits.

Public Awareness and Resources

Through a combination of in-person and virtual outreach, BIASC expanded its impact in FY24.

Youth Concussion Resources: 1,579 S.C. REAP Manuals were distributed at conferences, including the S.C. Coaches Clinic and S.C. Athletic Trainers Symposium, while 48 teachers accessed the Get Schooled on Concussions portal, and the Teacher Acute Concussion Tool.

Resource Kits: Tote bags filled with resources and information were distributed to 292 TBI patients at

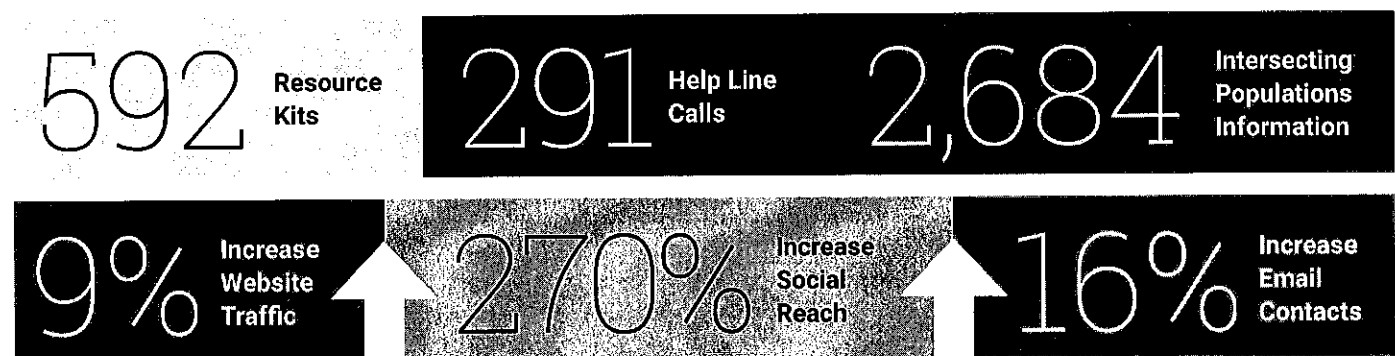
Level I trauma centers. An additional 300 bags were distributed to CARF-accredited inpatient rehabilitation hospitals and outpatient programs, expanding the total distribution to 592 resource kits over FY23.

Information for Intersecting Populations: BIASC distributed 2,684 materials addressing BI among Intimate Partner Violence/ Domestic Violence (IPV/DV)

survivors, veterans, and individuals affected by opioid misuse.

Website Requests: BIASC Staff addressed 42 requests for information and assistance submitted through the BIASC website form.

Help Line: In FY24, BIASC assisted 291 individuals and families with finding local resources and making referrals, an increase of 16% from the previous year.



Website: BIASC saw a 9% increase in website traffic as more people sought information, resources, and support. Google Analytics was added as a new resource to measure impact.

Social Media: Presence grew on Facebook and Instagram, and a new LinkedIn account launched to connect with professionals and advocates, reaching over 48,000, a 270% increase over FY23.

Email Contacts: BIASC's email contacts increased by 16% to a total of 2,197.

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May 21, 2026

John P. Cribb
SUPERVISOR

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee
S.C. House of Representatives
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister,

On behalf of Berkeley County, I write to respectfully request state investment in Bushy Park Road, a critical corridor for economic development in the Lowcountry.

Bushy Park Road serves the Cooper River Industrial Corridor, one of South Carolina's most significant heavy industrial areas. It provides primary access to the Bushy Park Industrial Complex and the Charleston International Manufacturing Center, supporting multinational manufacturers, chemical producers, defense contractors, and logistics operators. The corridor also connects these operations to U.S. Highway 52, Interstate 26, rail, barge, and the Port of Charleston, making it essential to freight movement and supply chain reliability across the region.

The condition and capacity of Bushy Park Road directly affect our ability to retain existing employers and recruit new capital investment to Berkeley County and the State. State funding will improve safety, support freight movement, and strengthen South Carolina's competitive position for advanced manufacturing, defense, and logistics projects. Berkeley County stands ready to partner with the General Assembly and SCDOT to ensure these investments deliver the strongest possible return for our state.

Thank you for your leadership and your continued commitment to South Carolina's economic competitiveness.

Sincerely,



John P. Cribb
Berkeley County Supervisor

BERKELEY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

- Industry & Business Advocate -

The Honorable Bruce Bannister
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee
S.C. House of Representatives
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Dear Chairman Bannister,

On behalf of the Berkeley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, I am writing to express our strong support for state funding to improve road infrastructure in the Bushy Park area, which supports significant manufacturing investment and employment in Berkeley County.

The current road conditions pose significant safety concerns for every individual and company that relies on these corridors daily. The deteriorating infrastructure poses risks that can and should be addressed with urgency.

Investing in these roads will not only enhance safety but will also strengthen the area's competitiveness for future industrial recruitment. Improved infrastructure will support existing industries, encourage new investment, and ensure that employees traveling these routes each day can do so safely.

The Berkeley Chamber Board respectfully requests your support for funding these critical road improvements in Bushy Park. This investment will protect workers, strengthen our economic foundation, and position our region for continued growth.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to our communities' prosperity and safety.

Sincerely,

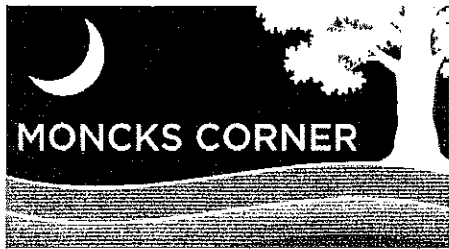


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January 26, 2026

The Honorable Lawrence K. Grooms
South Carolina Senate - District 37
313 Gressette Building
Columbia, SC 29201

and

The Honorable Sylleste H. Davis
South Carolina House of Representatives, District 100
425 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Community Investment Funding

Dear Representative Davis and Senator Grooms:

As you begin work on the upcoming state budget, I write to request your continued support for key economic development, infrastructure, and flood mitigation initiatives that are essential to the long-term safety, resilience, and growth of the Town of Moncks Corner. Specifically, we respectfully seek your assistance with targeted Community Investment funding to supplement substantial local and grant funding already committed for public safety facilities, a new Town Hall, and stormwater and flood mitigation improvements along the California Branch watershed.

Public Safety Facilities

Police, Court, and Town Hall

Moncks Corner's current Town Hall, constructed in 1994, now houses nearly all municipal operations, including Administration, Recreation, Community Development, Building and Codes Enforcement, Court, and Police. Over time, the facility has been stretched far beyond its intended capacity, with storage areas, closets, and conference rooms converted into offices. These constraints increasingly limit operational efficiency and the Town's ability to deliver timely, effective public services.

- Repurposing the existing Town Hall as a dedicated Police Headquarters and Municipal Court facility, providing appropriate space for law enforcement and judicial functions (total project cost: \$1.295 million).
- Construction of a new 15,000-square-foot Town Hall to house remaining municipal departments. This facility is designed to meet

current needs while accommodating future growth, improving public access, and centralizing services (total project cost: \$10.5 million).

Community Investment funding would help offset a portion of these costs, allowing the Town to advance both phases without delaying other essential services or placing excessive pressure on local taxpayers.

Fire Department

The Town has two Fire Department projects underway that would benefit from partial Community Investment support.

The first is the expansion and modernization of Fire Station 1, currently in the design phase (total project cost: \$2.55 million). This project will increase apparatus capacity and modernize firefighter living and working spaces. The existing station was constructed with a shared sleeping bay rather than individual quarters, limiting privacy and complicating mixed-gender staffing.

The second project is the construction and equipping of Fire Station 3, which will significantly improve response times and emergency coverage. Currently, the Town operates two stations—one downtown and one in the Foxbank community—located approximately eight miles apart. Station 3 is planned near the midpoint between these facilities.

The Town secured a site for Fire Station 3 from the Carolina Grove development, but the property must be developed within a limited timeframe, or it will revert to the developer. While adjacent commercial development was originally expected to help offset costs, most available acreage was later acquired by Berkeley Electric Cooperative for its new headquarters.

The Town has taken steps to address this funding gap by implementing impact fees, which are expected to generate approximately \$3 million toward the project. However, the total cost remains significant—approximately \$4.5 million for construction and an additional \$2 million for fire apparatus and vehicles. Community Investment funding would help close this remaining gap and allow the Town to deliver the station within the required timeframe.

Stormwater and Flood Mitigation

Although Moncks Corner is not classified as a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), the Town proactively established a stormwater utility in 2018 and received delegated permitting authority from DHEC (now DES) in 2021. This step became necessary after Berkeley County discontinued stormwater maintenance within Town limits.

The Town inherited a poorly mapped and aging stormwater system, with early efforts focused on the California Branch watershed. A 2018 watershed study identified priority improvements and led to several projects that combined federal, state, and local funding.

Completed and ongoing projects include:

- A \$1.4 million FEMA grant, matched by \$482,000 in Town funds, to acquire and clear eight flood-prone properties.
- A \$319,503 RIA grant, matched with \$1.1 million locally, to improve crossings at Whitesville Road and Jolly Lane.
- Current projects at Hill/Warren Street (\$592,000) and Winter Street (\$425,000 CTC, and \$1.2 million RIA), both requiring local contributions.

While these projects substantially address the 2018 study recommendations, Tropical Storm Debby prompted a new assessment identifying more than \$18 million in additional high-priority needs. These include road crossings, stream restoration, and property buyouts, with an estimated \$4.45 million in required local match, plus approximately \$2.5 million associated with NRCS-supported projects.

The Town intends to continue pursuing competitive grants; however, required non-federal matches represent a significant challenge. Non-federal funding would allow the Town to leverage these grants more effectively, accelerating projects that would otherwise be delayed for many years. All existing and proposed drainage improvements involve systems associated with or crossing SCDOT-maintained roadways.

Summary of Community Investment Needs

The Town of Moncks Corner respectfully seeks partial Community Investment funding to support the following priorities:

- Fire Department Improvements – Expansion and modernization of Fire Station 1 (\$2.55 million total); construction of Fire Station 3 (\$4.5 million total); and \$2 million for fire apparatus and vehicles.
- Town Hall and Public Safety Facilities – Construction of a new 15,000-square-foot Town Hall (\$10.5 million total) and repurposing of the existing Town Hall as a Police and Court facility (\$1.295 million total).
- Stormwater and Flood Mitigation – More than \$18 million in identified high-priority projects, with local match requirements exceeding \$4.45 million, plus an additional \$2.5 million related to NRCS projects.

Each of these initiatives represents a significant local investment and reflects the Town's commitment to responsible planning and fiscal stewardship. Community Investment funding would serve as critical assistance, enabling Moncks Corner to leverage existing local and grant resources while minimizing the impact on taxpayers.

The Town remains fully committed to funding the remaining balance of each project and to responsibly administering any Community Investment funds received. Thank you for your continued advocacy and dedicated service to our district.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey V. Lord
Town Administrator



City of Greenville

April 3, 2026

The Honorable Chandra Dillard
South Carolina House of Representatives
House Ways and Means Committee
Columbia, SC 29208

Dear Representative Dillard,

Thank you for your service at the State House and on the House Ways and Means Committee, and for your continued support for the City of Greenville (City).

On behalf of the City, I am requesting your consideration of a \$5,000,000 one-time direct appropriation to fund the Greenline-Spartanburg Neighborhood Infrastructure Enhancement Project (Project). This is a neighborhood that City Council, residents, and City staff have spent the better part of a year planning for. Council adopted the Greenline-Spartanburg Neighborhood Plan in December 2024 after nine months of work with the people who live there. The plan calls for real investment in the basics: stormwater drainage, sidewalks, and roads.

Neighborhood Context and Planning Foundation

The Greenline-Spartanburg neighborhood sits just east of downtown, and for a long time it has not gotten the infrastructure attention it needed. The neighborhood has seen growing development pressure in recent years, but basic infrastructure hasn't kept pace. Vacant lots, disconnected streets, sidewalks that dead-end without warning, and aging utilities remain everyday realities for residents.

In 2024, the City updated neighborhood plan and our current efforts include road and sidewalk upgrades, like a raised intersection at Spartanburg and Mt. Eustis Streets, Chestnut Street connector design, reopening Hilly Street bridge for pedestrians, lighting improvements, sports facility repairs, and a mural.

Infrastructure Needs and Project Scope

Onsite reviews of Greenline-Spartanburg revealed the depth of the infrastructure needs, such as streets without curbs or proper drainage, sidewalks that are cracked, missing, or just stop mid-block. As a result, we have residents who are forced to walk in the road, including kids heading to school. When it rains hard, water pools in yards and across

streets because there is nowhere for it to go. The roads themselves are in rough shape, and patching only goes so far when the base underneath has been undermined by years of poor drainage. These are not small inconveniences. They affect whether people feel safe walking in their own neighborhood and whether the area can support the kind of growth that is coming, regardless.

This Project focuses on three things:

1. **Stormwater:** Funding would go toward new storm drains, culvert replacements, grading work, and green infrastructure where it makes sense.
2. **Sidewalks:** Funding would go toward new construction and targeted repairs to create continuous, ADA-compliant routes connecting homes to the community center, schools, bus stops, and downtown.
3. **Roads:** the work ranges from resurfacing to full reconstruction where the road base has given out entirely. This work gets sequenced after stormwater and coordinated with Greenville Water's pipe replacement, so we are not tearing up new pavement to get at old pipes underneath.

Each part relies on the others: drainage must be fixed before roads, and streets need repair for durable sidewalks. The Plan called for coordination, which this Project delivers.

Project Timeline and Logistics

Our Engineering Team is already working on several neighborhood corridors in Phase 1. After state funding is received, we'll complete design, permitting, and procurement for stormwater, sidewalk, and resurfacing projects. This phase should take six to nine months, including surveys, technical analysis, reviews, utility coordination, and procurement. Construction will start the following fiscal year and proceed in phases over two to three years, with surface improvements following underground work.

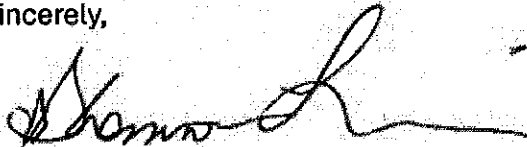
Fiscal Responsibility

The full cost of the infrastructure work is estimated at \$15,900,000. The total cost of Phase 1 is \$5,700,000, of which we are requesting a one-time capital appropriation of \$5,000,000 from the State to implement. The City will oversee the funds, provide staff and engineering, and handle ongoing maintenance through existing programs, with no further cost to the State after project completion. None of the funding will go toward salaries, staffing, or operating expenses. The State's support would make it possible to do the work at the right scale, at the right time, before development gets ahead of the infrastructure that should be there to support it.

The City has a strong track record when it comes to managing state funds. We treat state dollars the way we treat our own: carefully, transparently, and with full accountability. The City will provide detailed progress updates at agreed-upon intervals, including financial reporting on how funds are being spent, construction milestones, and any issues that arise along the way.

Thank you for your consideration. I would welcome the chance to discuss this further or provide any additional information the Committee may need.

Sincerely,

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Shannon Lavrin
City Manager

Project Justification and Supporting Documentation

Funding Request: \$5,000,000

Project Summary

The City is requesting \$5,000,000 in one-time capital funding to further our Greenline-Spartanburg Neighborhood Infrastructure Project (Project). This scope of this Project aligns with the recommendations prescribed in our Greenline-Spartanburg Neighborhood Master Plan (Plan). The Plan highlighted infrastructure (e.g., drainage problems, failing sidewalks, and poor road conditions) gaps and issues that are hindering the neighborhood's progress. This Project addresses those gaps with coordinated engineering work in stormwater, sidewalks, and road resurfacing. The City will manage all funds, oversee construction, and assume long-term maintenance responsibility.

Project Description & Readiness

Phase 1 design and assessment for several of the neighborhood corridors is in progress. The City's Engineering Department will oversee the project, coordinating with Greenville Water's pipe replacements to ensure utility work precedes road resurfacing. On affected streets, stormwater improvements are completed first, followed by sidewalks and then road surfaces. That order protects every layer of the investment. The neighborhood will stay involved throughout.

Implementation Timeline

Once funded, final design and procurement will take six to nine months, including surveying, geotechnical analysis, environmental review, utility coordination, and public procurement. Construction is expected to begin in the following fiscal year. Underground stormwater and utility coordination go first, followed by sidewalk construction and road resurfacing once each section of subsurface work has been completed and inspected. The full scope of work is expected to take two to three years from the date of appropriation, with progress dependent on coordination with Greenville Water's pipe replacement schedule and on field conditions that can only be fully assessed once work begins.

Improved drainage reduces flooding and property damage. Connected sidewalks make walks to school safer. Resurfaced roads lower vehicle costs and speed up emergency response. These are basic things, and this neighborhood has gone without them for too long.

The City has invested staff time, engineering resources, funding, and is committed to maintaining everything that gets built. Greenville Water has committed to investing in new pipes and the community was heavily engaged in the development of the neighborhood plan. State funding would close the funding gap to complete the infrastructure enhancements for this community.

It is worth noting that the City has consistently managed state appropriations well. Projects funded through prior state investments have been completed as committed, with funds spent as intended and detailed reporting provided along the way. For this Project, the City will provide regular progress updates, including financial accounting, construction status, and documentation of completed milestones. We want the State to see exactly what its investment is producing, not just at the end, but throughout the life of the project.

Given that this Greenville is projected to continue to grow, constructing the infrastructure now, ahead of development, costs a fraction of what it would cost to retrofit later. This is a one-time capital request for work that has been planned, designed, and is ready to go.



City of Greenville

April 1, 2026

**The Honorable Chandra Dillard
South Carolina House of Representatives
House Ways and Means Committee
Columbia, SC 29208**

Dear Representative Dillard,

Thank you for your service at the State House and on the House Ways and Means Committee, and for your continued support for the City of Greenville (City).

On behalf of the City, I am requesting your consideration of a \$950,000 one-time direct appropriation to support the purchase and preservation of the former Greenville Cultural Exchange Center (Center), located at 700 Arlington Avenue in Greenville, SC. We are working with a local nonprofit partner to acquire the property whose work is grounded in preservation and conservation. The nonprofit will own the property and be responsible its care, while the City's role is to help facilitate the purchase and ensure the property remains connected to the community it has served.

The building at 700 Arlington Avenue was built in 1912 and is one of the few original structures still standing in a neighborhood that lost most of its homes to hospital expansion and commercial development over the past 60 years. The City registered the building for its architectural significance and its role as the Cultural Exchange Center which opened in 1987 as a museum and research center that operated for 36 years and housed irreplaceable historical collections. This building is a two-story masonry house that blends late Queen Anne and Craftsman details: a large wraparound porch with square columns, a hipped dormer with three windows on the second floor, and a gabled bay facing what was originally Garlington Avenue. The building has been recognized for its architectural significance as a transitional design between those two styles.

Project Timeline and Logistics

The City and its nonprofit partner are ready to move once state funding is in place. Before any purchase, the City will facilitate a thorough due diligence on the property, including a full property assessment, a structural condition review, a Phase I environmental site assessment, and a title search. We have had preliminary conversations with Jordon

Construction about terms. No closing will take place until all due diligence is complete and the results support going forward. After the acquisition, the nonprofit will work with the City to run a community planning process that shapes what comes next for the building, including its restoration, its programming, and its role in the neighborhood going forward. The people who care most about this place will have a real say in what it becomes.

Fiscal Responsibility

The total cost of acquisition and initial stabilization is projected at \$1.9 million. We are not asking the State to cover all of it. This request is for \$950,000 in one-time funding. The rest will come from local investment, nonprofit contributions, and private philanthropy.

The State's role is a one-time capital contribution toward the purchase and stabilization of the building. The nonprofit takes on the long-term responsibility for maintenance, programming, and operations. It is anticipated that all due diligence will be completed before closing; therefore, public funds will only be committed after the property's condition, environmental status, and title have been thoroughly reviewed.

This straightforward approach will allow for the preservation of a building the City has already recognized as historically and culturally significant. State participation would help the City and its nonprofit partner act while the opportunity to acquire the property still exists.

Thank you for your consideration. I would welcome the chance to discuss this project or provide any additional information that would be helpful as the Committee reviews this appropriation.

Sincerely,

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Shannon Lavrin
City Manager

Project Justification and Supporting Documentation

Funding Request: \$950,000

Project Summary

The City is requesting \$950,000 in one-time capital funding to facilitate the purchase of the former Greenville Cultural Exchange Center at 700 Arlington Avenue. The City has registered this property as historically significant on two grounds: its role as a home to prominent Greenville leaders and its later decades of service as a cultural and history museum, and its architectural merit as an early 20th-century residence that blends late Queen Anne and Craftsman styles. Jordon Construction purchased the property in 2023. Without intervention, the building and its history are at risk.

A local nonprofit dedicated to preservation and conservation will acquire and hold the property. The City's role is to help secure the funding, facilitate due diligence before the purchase, coordinate community engagement, and connect the project to public resources. The nonprofit will own, maintain, and care for the property over the long term. The remaining project costs beyond the State's contribution will be covered through local funds, nonprofit resources, and private philanthropy.

Historical & Architectural Significance (Additional Information is Attached)

The house at 700 Arlington Avenue was built in 1912–1913 for Claude S. and Nina Sanford. It is a two-story masonry building with late Queen Anne and Craftsman details: a wraparound porch with square columns, a hipped dormer with three windows, and a gabled bay on the east side. The City recognized it for its architectural significance as an early 20th-century residence that represents the transition between those two styles. The original address was 802 Garlington Avenue; the street was renamed Arlington Avenue when the property was sold to Thomas H. and Kate Pope around 1917. Thomas Pope was the postmaster of Greenville and custodian of the Federal Building.

The neighborhood was once one of the more sought-after residential areas in Greenville, sitting about three miles from downtown near the city limits. That changed starting in the 1960s. Commercial development moved in, Academy Street was widened, and St. Francis Hospital was built and later expanded under Bon Secours. Many of the homes along Arlington Avenue and the surrounding blocks were torn down. This building is one of the few left standing.

In the 1980s, Ruth Ann Butler, Greenville native, Sterling High School graduate, and Benedict College alumna, approached fellow Sterling alumnus John Hunter about buying the property to open a cultural and history museum. Hunter had been running the Austin Music Academy there and agreed to move. Ruth Ann opened the Greenville Cultural Exchange Center on August 22, 1987. She built it into a museum and research center dedicated to the history and contributions of people in the Upstate and to promoting economic empowerment in the community. Former Greenville City Mayor Bill Workman

supported the project. The City put in \$10,000, the County matched it, and American Federal Bank loaned Ruth Ann \$65,000 to complete the purchase.

The Center ran for 36 years, from 1987 to 2023. It held Dr. Alfred Q. Jarrette's library of reference materials and photographs, school artifacts dating to the early 1940s, the Lydia King Brockman Simpson library collections, and memorabilia from notable Greenville natives. Visitors over the years included artist Jonathan Green, Peg Leg Bates, and genealogist Tony Burroughs. For more than three decades, the building was where Greenville's history was kept, shared, and celebrated.

Project Description & Readiness

The City is working to facilitate the purchase of this property from Jordon Construction through a local nonprofit focused on preservation and conservation. Before closing, the City will facilitate the completion of all necessary due diligence, property assessment, structural review, Phase I environmental site assessment, and title search, to make sure the property is in acceptable condition and that public funds are being spent responsibly. Once that work is done and the results check out, the nonprofit will take ownership.

The first order of business after acquisition will be stabilizing the building, fixing the roof, securing the envelope, getting utilities into safe working order, while being careful to preserve the architectural details that make this house distinctive. From there, the nonprofit will lead a community process, with the City's support, to figure out what comes next. That could mean bringing back cultural programming, reopening it as a museum and research center, using it for neighborhood meetings and events, or some mix of all of those. The community will drive that decision.

The nonprofit brings a preservation-focused mission, the ability to go after grants and charitable donations that governmental agencies can't access, and a board structure that keeps the community involved in how the property is managed.

Implementation Timeline

Once state funding is appropriated, the City will move quickly to work with the nonprofit to complete the due diligence. We expect that process to take 60 to 90 days and to include a full property assessment, structural evaluation, Phase I environmental review, and title search. The nonprofit will then close on the property and start stabilization work within the current fiscal year. Longer-term restoration and programming will be phased in as the nonprofit secures additional funding through grants, donations, and other sources.

Detailed Project Budget & Use of Funds

The total estimated cost of buying and stabilizing the Greenville Cultural Exchange Center is \$1,900,000. The City is requesting \$950,000 from the State. The rest will come from local capital funds, the nonprofit, and private donors.

State money would go toward the property purchase, due diligence, and physical stabilization only. None of it would be used for staffing, salaries, or day-to-day operating costs. All state funds would pass through the City to the nonprofit for the purpose of buying and securing the property.

Investment Category	Estimated Cost	Purpose & Justification
Property Acquisition	\$1,050,000	Purchase of the Greenville Cultural Exchange Center at 700 Arlington Avenue from Jordon Construction, including the historic 1912–1913 building and surrounding grounds
Due Diligence & Pre-Acquisition Studies	\$100,000	Property assessment, structural evaluation, Phase I environmental site assessment, title search, appraisal, and legal review, all to be completed before closing
Building Stabilization & Envelope Repairs	\$350,000	Roof repairs, weatherproofing, securing the building envelope, and addressing structural concerns while preserving the building's Queen Anne and Craftsman architectural features
Utility & Safety Upgrades	\$200,000	Bringing electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems to safe working condition; fire and life-safety improvements suited to the historic structure
Environmental Remediation	\$50,000	Addressing any environmental issues found during the Phase I review, including abatement of hazardous materials if needed
Planning, Design & Project Management	\$150,000	Community engagement, architectural and engineering assessments, historic preservation planning, construction management, and contingency
Total Project Cost	\$1,900,000	

Public Benefit & State Alignment

The City has formally associated its name with this property, which holds historical registration that affirms its cultural significance to past residents and the community, and its embodiment of Greenville's architectural heritage. Preservation is a matter of maintaining the City's historical integrity while an opportunity exists.

The Cultural Exchange Center served the community for 36 years. Losing the building would mean losing the physical home of that work, the place where the collections were kept, where visitors came to learn, and where the neighborhood gathered.

Transferring ownership to a preservation-oriented nonprofit organization presents distinct advantages. The nonprofit can go after foundation grants and charitable gifts that the City and State cannot. Its board structure ensures continued community representation in decision-making processes. Furthermore, the City stays involved as a partner without taking on the weight of owning and operating another building.

This building is among the few remaining historic and culturally significant structures in our City. Delaying action increases both the difficulty and cost of preservation and risks eliminating the opportunity entirely.

State participation would facilitate the preservation effort and demonstrate South Carolina's commitment to supporting communities in safeguarding their heritage.

Statement of Significance Cultural Exchange Center

700 Arlington Avenue (formerly 802 Carlington Avenue) is significant under Criteria A* for its role in Greenville's local history as a residence of prominent Greenville leaders and its later use as the Greenville Cultural Exchange Center ("Cultural Exchange Center"). The Cultural Exchange Center was an important focal point for Greenville's African American history. The structure also has architectural significance (Criteria C) for an early 20th-century residence combining late Queen Anne and Craftsman styles.

The structure was built in 1912-1913 for Claude S. and Nina Sanford. Claude was an owner of Sanford and Goodwin Shoe Company. Although it has not been determined who the architect was, prominent designers such as J.E. Carter, Cunningham and Cunningham were active in the neighborhood at this time. The design features Craftsman and Queen Anne architectural elements representative of a transition of the two styles. The two-story masonry construction has a large front porch that also wraps the east elevation. The porch columns are square, and the front elevation's second floor has a prominent hipped dormer with three windows. Chimneys are located on both sides of the house and a distinctive, gabled bay dominates the east elevation, which fronts Sumner Street.

The property was sold to Thomas H. and Kate Pope by 1917. Thomas was the postmaster of Greenville and the custodian of the Federal Building. Originally 802 Carlington Avenue, the street was renamed Arlington Avenue (700) prior to the Pope's purchase. The adjacent street on the eastern boundary was also renamed from Willis to Sumner Street. At this time, the boundary of Greenville's city limits were nearby and the neighborhood was considered to be very desirable area with distinctive homes. It is approximately three miles from the central business district. In the 1960s and 70s, the neighborhood suffered from encroaching commercial activity, the widening of nearby Academy Street and the construction of St. Francis Hospital. The hospital and its subsequent expansion as it became Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital resulted in the loss of many homes on Arlington Avenue and adjacent streets.

By the 1980s, the neighborhood was racially mixed, and Ruth Ann Butler approached fellow Sterling High School alumnus John Hunter about selling 700 Arlington Avenue to open an African American cultural and history museum. Mr. Hunter was operating the Austin Music Academy, and he readily agreed to relocate. Ruth Ann opened the Greenville Cultural Exchange Center on August 22, 1987 as a museum dedicated to Greenville's African American history with a goal 'to increase awareness and appreciation of the contributions made by the black people here in the Upstate and to promote economic empowerment in the black community.' Then-Mayor Bill Workman supported the Center and the City of Greenville donated \$10,000 followed by a matching grant by Greenville County. American Federal Bank loaned \$65,000 to Ruth Ann, enabling her to purchase 700 Arlington Avenue and open the Center. From 1987 until its closing in 2023, the Center served as an educational and research center in Greenville. Important collections included Dr. Alfred Q. Jarrette's library of reference materials and photographs, artifacts and materials from black schools dating from the early 1940s, the Lydia King Brockman Simpson library collections, and memorabilia from leading Greenville natives including Jesse

Jackson's Sterling High School football helmet and his bellhop jacket from the Poinsett Hotel. A bust of Jesse Jackson was unveiled at the Center shortly after its opening and was displayed in the Jesse L. Jackson Hall of Fame Room.

Important visitors to the Center were artist Jonathan Green, dancer Peg Leg Bates, and author and genealogist Tony Burroughs. CNN, Ebony, Jet magazine, and PBS television crews visited and featured stories on the museum. For over 36 years, the Cultural Exchange Center served as a focal point for African Americans in Greenville. The Center played a significant role in Greenville's local history and the preservation of black history.

In addition to Ruth Ann Butler's creation and advocacy of the Cultural Exchange Center, she played an important role in Greenville's civil rights history. A native of Greenville and a graduate of Sterling High School, Ruth Ann graduated from Benedict College. After briefly teaching in Georgia, Ruth Ann returned to Greenville, where she taught for 18 years. She participated in the Woolworth's lunch counter sit-in and the protest march from Springfield Baptist Church to the downtown airport following Jackie Robinson's visit, where he had to sit in the "colored" waiting room. Later, Ruth Ann became a highly respected community activist and served on boards for the Greenville County Library, Greenville Technical College, United Way, and Centre Stage. She was honored in 1992 with the Outstanding Community Service Award by the Greenville Chapter of Las Amigas.

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Dear Chairman Bannister,

The Greenville Zoo Foundation is requesting a \$2 million appropriation from the State of South Carolina to support the design and construction of a modern Sumatran Orangutan Habitat that meets national standards for animal care and conservation.

The project is currently in the planning and design phase, with construction anticipated to begin in 2029 when the Greenville Zoo will be required to renew accreditation by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. The remaining funding for the project will be a collaborative effort between the Greenville Zoo Foundation's philanthropic efforts and the City of Greenville.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for your continued support of conservation, education, and public resources across South Carolina. We would welcome the opportunity to provide any additional information or answer questions as needed.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Tucker
Executive Director
Greenville Zoo Foundation

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Sumatran Orangutan Habitat Project at the Greenville Zoo

Project Description

The Greenville Zoo is undertaking the development of a new Sumatran Orangutan Habitat, an \$8.8 million capital project designed to enhance animal welfare, strengthen conservation efforts, and expand public education opportunities.

This project will replace the Zoo's existing orangutan habitat with a modern, purpose-built environment that meets current and emerging standards set by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). The new habitat will be designed to support the complex physical, behavioral, and social needs of Sumatran orangutans, one of the world's most critically endangered primates.

The Greenville Zoo is accredited by the AZA, the leading accrediting body for zoological institutions in the United States. Accreditation is awarded to facilities that meet rigorous standards for animal care, veterinary programs, conservation, education, and safety. Fewer than 10 percent of zoos and aquariums nationwide carry this distinction. The Greenville Zoo has maintained accreditation for 35 years and is one of only five accredited institutions in South Carolina, alongside Riverbanks Zoo and Garden in Columbia, the South Carolina Aquarium in Charleston, Brookgreen Gardens in Murrells Inlet, and Ripley's Aquarium of Myrtle Beach. The construction of the new Sumatran Orangutan Habitat is critical to maintaining the Greenville Zoo's AZA accreditation.

Orangutans are highly arboreal animals that depend on vertical space, climbing structures, and environmental complexity. The new habitat will feature a vertically oriented design that more closely reflects the rainforest canopy, including elevated climbing systems, flexible pathways, and varied enrichment opportunities that promote natural behaviors.

The project includes both indoor and outdoor components. The outdoor habitat will provide expanded space, increased height, and enhanced environmental features. The

indoor dayroom will allow for year-round access regardless of weather conditions, improving visibility for visitors and increasing opportunities for educational programming.

Additional infrastructure will include modern animal holding areas, veterinary support spaces, and training facilities. These features are critical to maintaining the health and long-term sustainability of the orangutan population and supporting participation in the Orangutan Species Survival Plan®, a coordinated national effort to manage genetically viable populations in human care.

Conservation Impact

Sumatran orangutans are critically endangered, with fewer than 14,000 individuals remaining in the wild. Habitat loss due to deforestation and agricultural expansion continues to threaten their survival.

As an accredited institution, the Greenville Zoo participates in the Orangutan Species Survival Plan®, which is designed to maintain a genetically diverse and sustainable population. The new habitat will allow the Zoo to continue participation in the Orangutan Species Survival Plan® by expanding the capacity to responsibly house additional orangutans and their offspring, contributing directly to the long-term survival of this critically endangered species.

The Greenville Zoo also partners with field conservation organizations working directly in Sumatra to protect habitat, rehabilitate orangutans, and support local communities.

Project Need

The existing orangutan habitat, while safe and functional, no longer meets the spatial, structural, and operational requirements necessary to support long-term species sustainability and evolving national accreditation standards.

Key limitations include: Insufficient vertical height and complexity, limited holding and support space, restricted access during colder months, and the inability to accommodate additional animals through conservation programs.

Without this investment, these limitations will constrain the Zoo's ability to maintain AZA accreditation and to contribute meaningfully to conservation efforts.

Use and Benefit of State Funds

The requested \$2 million appropriation from the State of South Carolina will directly support design and construction of the Sumatran Orangutan Habitat and associated infrastructure.

State funds will be applied to:

- Construction of the primary habitat structure, including vertical climbing systems and outdoor exhibit features
- Development of the indoor dayroom to ensure year-round animal care and public access
- Installation of animal holding and support areas that meet national standards for safety and welfare
- Integration of visitor viewing areas and educational gathering spaces to support public programming

This investment will provide measurable public benefit by:

- Supporting one of South Carolina's few nationally accredited zoological institutions
- Expanding access to conservation education for 345,000 annual visitors and 23,000 students through education programming
- Strengthening the Zoo's role in national and global conservation efforts for critically endangered species
- Ensuring continued compliance with rigorous standards for animal care, safety, and facility operations

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for your continued support of conservation, education, and public resources across South Carolina. We would welcome the opportunity to provide any additional information or answer questions as needed.

Greenville Zoo - Orangutan Habitat Project

Revision Dates:

Project Funding Summary

3/13/2026

Soft Cost Summary

Design Team

Design + Engineering Fees Allowance	\$690,245.02	
Design Contingency	\$34,512.25	
Subtotal	\$724,757.27	91.3%

Zoo

Geotechnical + Surveying Allowance	\$7,247.57	
Signage Allowance	\$7,247.57	
Zoo Soft Cost Contingency	\$54,356.80	
Subtotal	\$68,851.94	8.7%

Soft Cost Subtotal: \$793,609.21 9.0%

Construction Cost Summary

General Contractor

Site & Building Construction	\$7,265,737.03	
Subtotal	\$7,265,737.03	90.5%

Zoo

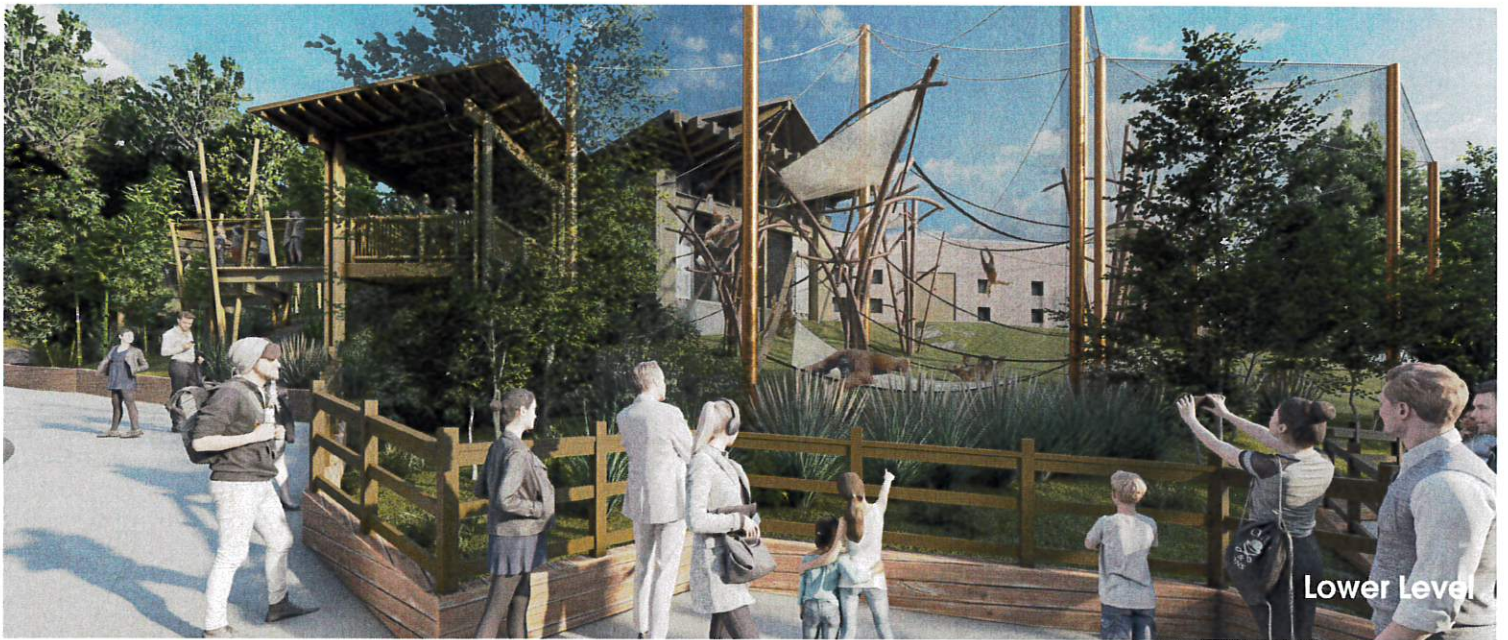
Permitting + Testing Allowance	\$7,265.74	
FF&E Allowance	\$7,265.74	
Graphics & Interpretives Allowance	\$21,797.21	
Construction Cost Contingency (10%)	\$726,573.70	
Subtotal	\$762,902.39	9.5%

Construction Cost Subtotal: \$8,028,639.42 91.0%

Total Project Budget: \$8,822,248.63



Day Room



Lower Level



Upper Level

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February 4, 2026

Ways and Means Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
PO Box 11867
Columbia, SC29211

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of Prisma Health, we respectfully request **continued state appropriation funding** to support the Sickle Cell Lifespan Center during the FY26-FY27 program years. Prisma Health remains deeply committed to sustaining and expanding this statewide model of comprehensive care for children, adolescents, and adults living with sickle cell disease in South Carolina.

Prisma Health treats more individuals with sickle cell disease than any other healthcare system in South Carolina. In FY24 and FY25 (through Q3), Prisma Health provided inpatient, outpatient, and emergency department care to **more than 6,200 patients with SCD**. This high level of utilization underscores both the burden of disease and the critical need for a coordinated, multidisciplinary system of care.

In FY24-FY25, Prisma Health received **\$2 million in one-time funding from the South Carolina General Assembly through the Department of Public Health**, which enabled the formal establishment of the Prisma Health Sickle Cell Lifespan Center. This investment was built upon innovative care models previously piloted in the Upstate and expanded comprehensive adult SCD services into the Midlands, creating a true lifespan approach to care delivery.

This initial state investment supported the hiring of critical clinical and support staff across both regions, including adult SCD physicians, advanced practice providers and nurse navigators, dedicated social workers, and the ongoing recruitment of psychologists with expertise in the unique mental health needs of individuals with SCD. These resources have already produced meaningful impact by expanding access to multidisciplinary care, improving patient engagement, increasing uptake of preventive screening and disease-modifying therapies, and enhancing continuity of care for hospitalized and outpatient adults with SCD.

Continued state support is essential to maintaining this momentum and preventing erosion of the gains achieved through the initial appropriation. **FY26-FY27 funding will allow Prisma Health to sustain these critical clinical positions and strategically expand the Lifespan Center's reach and impact statewide.** Planned priorities include the addition of telehealth services to support patients admitted to outlying facilities, the deployment of community health workers in both



regions to provide home-based support under social work supervision, and the development of complex care clinics for patients with SCD-related organ damage. In addition, continued funding will support expanded access to cardiac, neurologic, pulmonary, and mental health screening and preventive services. It will also focus on increasing uptake of disease-modifying therapies and access to clinical research and further reduction in emergency department visits and hospitalizations through proactive, outpatient-focused disease management. Ongoing state support will also strengthen partnerships with community-based organizations and the South Carolina Department of Public Health to advance education, advocacy, and patient support initiatives across the state.

The Prisma Health Sickle Cell Lifespan Center represents a proven, scalable model for delivering high-quality, cost-effective care to one of South Carolina's most vulnerable populations. With continued state investment, this model has the potential not only to improve health outcomes and quality of life for individuals with SCD, but also to reduce avoidable healthcare utilization and strengthen the long-term health of South Carolina's communities.

All requested funds will be used within the state of South Carolina and will directly benefit South Carolinians living with sickle cell disease. We appreciate your consideration and continued partnership in advancing this essential work.

Sincerely,

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George Haddad, MD
Chair, Department of Pediatrics
Prisma Health-Upstate

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Chair, Department of Pediatrics
Prisma Health-Midlands

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Alan Anderson, MD
Director, Comprehensive Lifespan Sickle
Cell Disease Program
Prisma Health-Upstate

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Carla Roberts, MD
Clinical Assistant Professor of
Pediatrics
Prisma Health-Midlands

Sickle Cell Disease Lifespan Center at Prisma Health
Update and continued support
January 2026

Background and opportunity

Prisma Health treats more Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) patients than any other healthcare system in South Carolina.¹ In both FY24 and FY25 (through Q3), Prisma Health treated more than 6,200 SCD patients in inpatient, outpatient, and emergency department settings.²

Nationwide there are a limited number of providers who can help transition young adult SCD patients from pediatric hematology oncology clinics and provide ongoing care for adult SCD patients. Prisma Health's pediatric physicians made every effort to continue providing care for these patients. However, patient volumes became unsustainable and pediatric practices are not equipped for the complex care needs of adult SCD patients.

Lack of appropriate transition care for SCD patients leads to relapses and insufficient care for the late effects of SCD. In addition, lack of access to appropriate care can result in high rates of emergency department visits, hospitalization, and overall healthcare expenditures which could be avoided with appropriate preventative care.

FY24 - FY25 funding

Prisma Health received \$2M in one-time funding from the South Carolina General Assembly in the FY24 - 25 budget through the Department of Public Health.

This funding enabled us to establish the Prisma Health Sickle Cell Disease Lifespan Center.

The SCD Lifespan Center builds upon the innovative approach to comprehensive SCD care Prisma Health has piloted in the South Carolina Upstate and expands this approach to the South Carolina Midlands. This care delivery model provides increased access to providers and support services for lifelong preventive care and disease management services for adult SCD patients.

FY24 - 25 funding enabled the hiring of critical staff both in the Upstate and in the Midlands including:

- Adult SCD providers including an Internal Medicine physician (part-time) in the Midlands, a Med/Peds physician in the Upstate (full time), and a transition-focused hematologist (part-time) in the Midlands
- Inpatient and outpatient adult Advanced Practice Providers (APPs) and Nurse Navigators added to both markets
- Dedicated adult social workers added to both markets
- Recruiting for adult psychologist focused on the unique mental health needs of SCD patients in the Upstate and pediatric and adult psychology support in the Midlands

¹ Source: SC Department of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

² Source: SC Department of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

Sponsor: State of South Carolina
Principal Investigator: Alan Anderson
Project Title: Sickle Cell Lifespan Center
Project Dates: 7/1/26-6/30/27

26-27

PERSONNEL

SALARY

Peds HemOnc Physician, Upstate	\$	26,040
Adult Internal Med/Peds Physician, Upstate	\$	250,016
Med/Peds Physician, Upstate	\$	17,185
Nurse Practitioner, Upstate	\$	107,640
Social Worker, Upstate	\$	71,968
Nurse Navigator, Upstate	\$	88,130
TBH, Psychologist, Upstate	\$	6,400
TBH, APP In patient, Upstate	\$	110,000
TBH, CHW 1, Upstate	\$	60,000
TBH, CHW 2, Upstate	\$	60,000
Pediatrician, Midlands	\$	92,003
Patient Services Rep, Midlands	\$	40,685
Certified Medical Assistant, Midlands	\$	49,192
Social Worker, Midlands	\$	92,060
Nurse Practitioner, Midlands	\$	126,922
RN/Nurse Navigator, Midlands	\$	84,448
TBH, Adult Psychologist, Midlands	\$	3,000
TBH, Pediatric Psychologist, Midlands	\$	6,410
TBH, APP in patient, Midlands	\$	120,000
TBH, Nurse, Midlands	\$	80,000
TOTAL SALARY	\$	1,492,099

FRINGE BENEFITS

Peds HemOnc Physician, Upstate	23.49%	\$	6,117
Adult Internal Med/Peds Physician, Upstate	23.49%	\$	58,729
Med/Peds Physician, Upstate	23.49%	\$	4,037
Nurse Practitioner, Upstate	23.49%	\$	25,285
Social Worker, Upstate	23.49%	\$	16,905
Nurse Navigator, Upstate	23.49%	\$	20,702
TBH, Psychologist, Upstate	23.49%	\$	1,503
TBH, APP in patient, Upstate	23.49%	\$	25,839
TBH, CHW 1, Upstate	23.49%	\$	14,094
TBH, CHW 2, Upstate	23.49%	\$	14,094
Pediatrician, Midlands	23.49%	\$	21,612
Patient Services Rep, Midlands	23.49%	\$	9,557
Certified Medical Assistant, Midlands	23.49%	\$	11,555
Social Worker, Midlands	23.49%	\$	21,625
Nurse Practitioner, Midlands	23.49%	\$	29,814
RN/Nurse Navigator, Midlands	23.49%	\$	19,837
TBH, Adult Psychologist, Midlands	23.49%	\$	705
TBH, Pediatric Psychologist, Midlands	23.49%	\$	1,506
TBH, APP in patient, Midlands	23.49%	\$	28,188
TBH, Nurse, Midlands	23.49%	\$	18,792
TOTAL FRINGE		\$	350,496
TOTAL PERSONNEL		\$	1,842,595

SUBAWARD

USC - Peds Hem Onc Physician, Midlands	\$	157,405
TOTAL SUBAWARD	\$	157,405

TOTAL REQUESTED FUNDS \$ 2,000,000

May 5, 2026

The Honorable Bruce W. Bannister
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee
525 Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

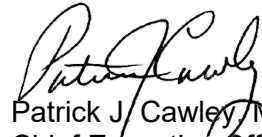
Dear Chairman Bannister,

I am writing to show support of Prisma Health's request for state funding. MUSC and MUSC Health have worked with Prisma Health on a contractual basis over several years, and these successful partnerships have benefited health outcomes for countless South Carolinians.

With past contractual partnerships, including their relationship with the South Carolina Telehealth Alliance which is headquartered on our campus and funded through MUSC's budget, Prisma Health has been fiscally responsible and has delivered on its goal to enhance access to affordable care for its patients.

Thank you for your consideration and I am available should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Patrick J. Cawley, M.D., MBA, MHM, FACHE
Chief Executive Officer, MUSC Health
Executive Vice President for Health Affairs, University

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T. Scott Moulder
City Administrator
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May 5, 2026

Representative Adam L. Duncan
SC House of Representatives
530A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Duncan:

We are sincerely grateful for the support our Local Delegation has provided to the City of Seneca over the years. Without your efforts our continued community improvements would be impossible, and our City would not have the opportunity to grow our tourism and economy.

The City of Seneca purchased the former Seneca Middle School property located on 4th Street in Seneca. The District has constructed a new facility and vacated the current school site in the summer of 2024. The City of Seneca has seen drastic growth in our Recreation programming participants and in order to accommodate the increased youth participants, we are forced with expanding our program space to include a new gym and recreation fields.

Our goal is to take the current publicly owned middle school and rehabilitate the property into a multi-discipline recreation complex that adjoins our current Shaver Recreation Complex. The location of the desired middle school is strategically located next to our current facility, which makes expansion and operational management extremely convenient and provides an ideal expansion of services opportunity. This property has served the families of our community since the 1960's, and we hope through the partnership between the School District of Oconee County and the State of South Carolina, we can transform this property into a first-class recreation facility that continues to serve the citizens of our community for many more decades to come.

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May 5, 2026
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We respectfully request financial support for the project be included in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. Your assistance with the project will allow us to transform this current publicly owned property into a first-class facility that will provide recreational sports, leisure, and health benefits to all members of Oconee County. We humbly request your support for a \$5.2 million budget grant to aid Seneca's efforts to provide these recreational improvements.

I have outlined a general budget summary below to provide better clarity of the work to be performed. Our hope is to complete these much-needed recreational improvements and expansions at Seneca Middle School over a two-year period with Phase 2 costing \$5,200,000.

E-Sports Complex/Youth Technology Center	\$1,000,000
Adult Programming/Community Programming	\$ 500,000
Restroom/Concession Construction	\$ 500,000
Playground Installation	\$1,000,000
Outdoor Pickleball Courts	\$ 350,000
Paved Parking	\$ 500,000
General Building Reconstruction	\$ 550,000
General Site Improvements	\$ 400,000
Field Construction/Lighting	\$ 400,000

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request, and should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 864-885-2721.

Sincerely I am,



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House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Alliance for Lowcountry Research, Education and Resilience

Requested Amount: \$ \$500,000

Recipient Entity: University of South Carolina Beaufort

The entity is a: ☒ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Dr. Al Panu Title/Position: USC Beaufort Cancellor

Phone Number: _____ Email: chancellor@uscb.edu

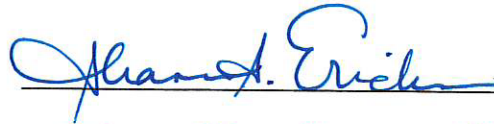
Entity Website: www.uscb.edu County Location: Beaufort

Intended Use of the Funds: Environment and higher education marine science and engineering
workforce viability study

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: USCB and SCDNR will build one of the states most effective science
to solutions collaborations uniting field research coastal remote sensing, modern data systems, policy translation
and education to protect South Carolina natural resources and strengthen the regions "blue economy"

Shannon S. Erickson

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

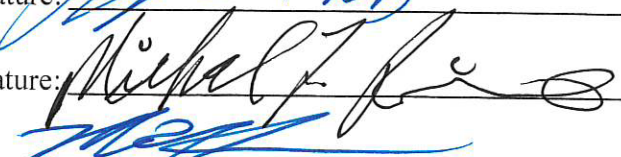


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Print Name: JEFF BRADLEY Signature: 

Print Name: Ben Herbberger MD Signature: 

Print Name: MICHAEL F. REVERS
Mark Smith Signature: 

Alliance for Lowcountry Research, Education & Resilience



*A Shared Vision for
South Carolina's Coast*



Protecting the coastal environment that defines the Lowcountry's culture, economy, and quality of life.

The Lowcountry's salt marshes, tidal creeks, and barrier islands form one of the most vibrant, biodiverse, and economically important coastal ecosystems in the United States. Yet this landscape faces increasing pressure from rapid development, climate change, and shifting land use. Beaufort County is home to nearly 50% of South Carolina's salt marshes and ~15% of the salt marshes on the east coast of the United States. The Port Royal Sound Estuary sustains most of this marshland and is the largest high-salinity estuary on the east coast, yet it is the least studied estuary in the state. To safeguard the coastal environment that defines the Lowcountry's culture, economy, and quality of life, the University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB) and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) propose a shared, future-focused partnership.

Together, USCB and SCDNR will build one of the state's most effective **science-to-solutions collaborations**—uniting field research, coastal remote sensing, modern data systems, policy translation, and education to protect South Carolina's natural resources and strengthen the region's "blue economy." Beaufort's proximity to both the ACE Basin and the Port Royal Sound, including the surrounding barrier islands, make it an ideal home for expanding SCDNR's footprint in the Lowcountry, providing local infrastructure to support established projects.

SCDNR Projects that Benefit

- SC Marine Turtle Conservation Program
- Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Network
- SC Estuarine and Coastal Assessment Program
- SC Oyster Recycling and Enhancement Program
- ACE Basin National Estuarine Research Reserve

Current and Proposed Joint Initiatives

The shared facility will support and expand major collaborative projects, including:

- Sea turtle monitoring of southern barrier islands
- Estuarine soundscape observatory network in the southeast (ESONS)
- Regional environmental monitoring sensor network with real-time dashboards
- Living shorelines accelerator with SCDNR, the SC Office of Resilience, SC Department of
- Environmental Services and SC Sea Grant
- Long-term bottlenose dolphin population assessments
- A "blue carbon" research laboratory to quantify and protect carbon-storing ecosystems like salt marshes
- Expansion of USCB's state certified Water Quality Lab to include microplastics, PFAS, and contaminants of emerging concern
- Aquaculture research collaboration with SCDNR's Waddell Mariculture Center
- USCB/SCDNR Dock on the Beaufort River
- Training SCDNR Law Enforcement in Marine Biology
- Marine Stranding Necropsy Lab
- Marine and coastal policy think tank translating data into policy solutions
- Enhanced Pritchards Island research and summer field programs
- Workforce development
- New academic programs (undergraduate & graduate)

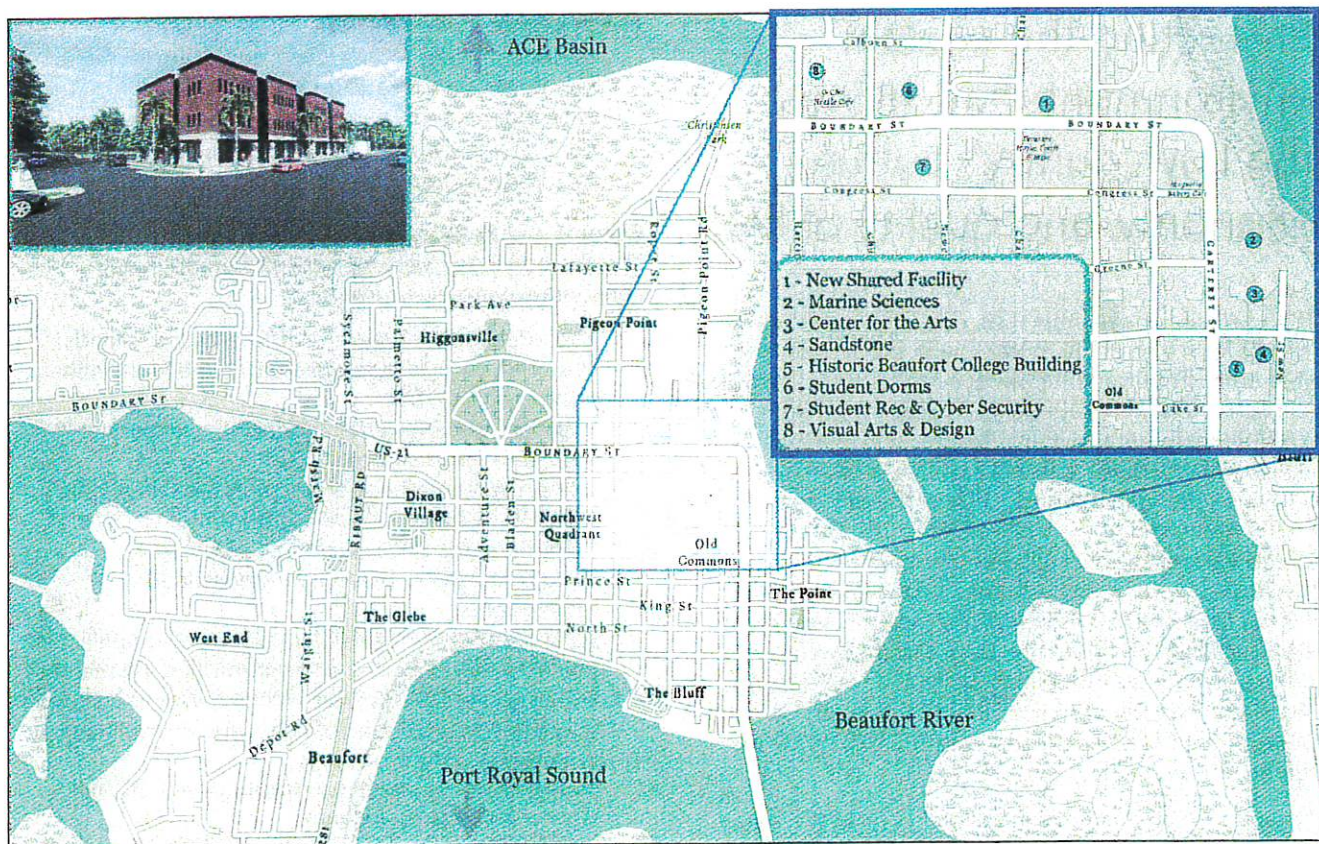
A Joint Facility in the Heart of the Lowcountry

USCB proposes the construction of a **30,000+ sq. ft. Alliance for Lowcountry Research, Education & Resilience** just northwest of its historic Beaufort campus, strategically located close to downtown Beaufort and overlooking the Beaufort River. This shared facility would house:

- SCDNR offices, research laboratories, and public-facing programs
- USCB's rapidly growing Marine Biology Program
- Joint instructional spaces, workforce development areas, and a community education center
- State-of-the-art research labs supporting marine science, biodiversity, water quality, and coastal engineering
- An energy-efficient, LEED certified design with an eco-friendly landscape honoring the natural habitat

A joint USCB-SCDNR facility will:

- Expand scientific capacity for both partners
 - Support South Carolina's coastal economy and natural resource management
 - Build a stronger workforce in conservation, marine science, and environmental engineering
 - Protect and preserve the Lowcountry's unique biodiversity
 - Provide essential, real-time data for decisionmakers
 - Serve as a scalable model for regional centers across the state
- Provide SCDNR with a vital presence in the southern Lowcountry & adjacent to:
 - The ACE Basin, St. Helena Sound
 - The Port Royal Sound
 - The May & New Rivers, Calibogue Sound
 - Coastal county waters in:
 - Beaufort
 - Jasper
 - Colleton
 - Southern Charleston



Why Now?

Beaufort and Jasper counties are among the fastest growing in the state. With population growth and development comes intensifying pressure on the estuaries, shorelines, fisheries, and waterways central to the Lowcountry's identity and economy. Yet current infrastructure, research capacity, and workforce pipelines are insufficient to meet the scale of emerging coastal challenges. Simultaneously, USCB's Marine Biology Program is experiencing immense growth and recognition, priming the Program to study and address the challenges coming to the Lowcountry.



Al M. Panu, Ph.D.
Chancellor

May 13, 2026

Representative Shannon Erickson
Chairman, House Education and Public Works Committee
429 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Erickson,

On behalf of the University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB), I write to respectfully request **\$500,000 in non-recurring funds** in the FY27 Ways and Means budget to support the architectural and engineering (A&E) design of a proposed joint facility between USCB and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR).

This request represents a strategic investment in advancing Natural Sciences education, applied research, and workforce development in the Lowcountry. The proposed facility will serve as a shared academic and operational space, featuring modern classrooms, teaching laboratories, research labs, and office space designed to support both instruction and real-world environmental problem-solving. Through this partnership, USCB students and faculty will work alongside SCDNR professionals on issues directly impacting South Carolina's coastal and natural resources.

The facility will significantly enhance USCB's Natural Sciences programs by expanding hands-on learning opportunities and strengthening the connection between classroom instruction and applied field research. Students will gain valuable experience in areas such as coastal ecology, marine science, environmental management, and conservation—fields that are critical to the state's economic and environmental future.

Equally important, this collaboration will provide direct benefits to the State of South Carolina by aligning higher education with agency needs. SCDNR will be able to leverage the facility to support research, monitoring, and outreach efforts, while also contributing to

the development of a highly trained workforce prepared to address the region's most pressing environmental challenges.

USCB is committed to fiscal responsibility and thoughtful project development. This request for A&E funding is a necessary first step in advancing the project toward implementation and will allow for detailed planning, cost validation, and partnership coordination. Importantly, this is a non-recurring investment that positions the State for future capital development without creating an immediate long-term operating obligation.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and your continued support of USCB and higher education in South Carolina. Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information would be helpful.

Sincerely,



Al M. Panu, Ph.D.
Chancellor
University of South Carolina Beaufort



City of Beaufort, South Carolina

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February 5, 2026

The Honorable Shannon S. Erickson
South Carolina House of Representatives, District 124
429 Blatt Bldg
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Erickson:

On behalf of the City of Beaufort, I respectfully submit this request for consideration of a FY 2026–2027 House Member Appropriation in the amount of \$10,000,000 to support the repair or replacement of the failing relieving platform at Henry C. Chambers Waterfront Park.

Henry C. Chambers Waterfront Park is one of Beaufort's most significant public assets, serving residents, visitors, and the regional economy. The relieving platform is a critical structural component of the park, providing public access, circulation, and support for waterfront amenities. In 2025, the City completed Phase 1A of a comprehensive engineering study of the park's waterfront structures. That study concluded that the existing relieving platform is overstressed, has experienced widespread structural deterioration, and is susceptible to pile buckling, creating an inherent public safety risk. As a result, the platform has been closed to public use.

The City is now advancing engineering, design, and permitting efforts to evaluate repair and replacement alternatives and to move toward construction of a safe, long-term solution. The requested state funds would be used exclusively for non-recurring, one-time capital expenses, including engineering, permitting, and construction activities directly associated with addressing the failing relieving platform. These funds would offset a portion of the significant costs required to restore safe public access and preserve this essential piece of waterfront infrastructure.

The public benefit of this investment is substantial. Repairing or replacing the relieving platform will address an identified safety hazard, protect public use of a heavily visited public park, and support Beaufort's tourism-driven economy. State participation will also help ensure that the project proceeds in a manner consistent with coastal resilience considerations and long-term infrastructure stewardship.

Proposed Project Timeline

- Project Start: FY 2026 – 2027 – Engineering design and permitting
- Project Completion: FY 2027–2029 – Construction and restoration of safe public access

The City of Beaufort appreciates your consideration of this request and your continued support of local infrastructure investments that protect public safety and enhance quality of life across South Carolina. Should you require any additional information or supporting documentation, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 843-525-7078 or smarshall@cityofbeaufort.org.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Scott M. Marshall".

Scott M. Marshall
City Manager

enclosure

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Port Royal Shrimp Dock Redevelopment

Requested Amount: \$ \$3,000,000

Recipient Entity: Town of Port Royal

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Van Willis Title/Position: Town Manager

Phone Number: _____ Email: vwillis@portroyal.org

Entity Website: www.portroyal.org County Location: Beaufort

Intended Use of the Funds: Reconstruction of both the shrimp/fishing dock and the processing facility to help the shrimpers/fishers flourish in South Carolina.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The state has set aside \$1,000,000 for this reconstruction
several years ago. Due to land ownership issues and permitting, the Town is now able to move
forward. The pricing has increased significantly since the state's commitment, so the Town is asking
for help with increased costs to help preserve the last publicly owned docks in South Carolina.

Shannon S. Erickson

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Sharon E. Eickes

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: JEFF BRADLEY

Signature: 

Print Name: Winter Hots

Signature: 10/15

Print Name: Herbstein

Signature: _____

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Town Manager

Brooke Plank-Buccola
Asst. Town Manager

Fire Chief
Tim Ogden

Police Chief
Jeffrey Meyers

March 17, 2026

The Honorable Shannon Erickson
429 Blatt Office Building
1105 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Potential Appropriation

Dear Shannon:

As you are aware, the Town has undertaken the reconstruction of both the shrimp/fishing dock and the processing facility. The State of South Carolina had set aside \$1,000,000 for the reconstruction in an appropriation several years ago. Due to land ownership issues and permitting, the Town is now prepared to move forward.

The Town spent more than \$65,000 addressing the previous abandoned, sunken, and derelict boats at the dock, which required a maritime lawyer and federal action. The Town also moved forward with demolition of the existing dock that was in desperate need of replacement at a cost of more than \$130,000. Those previous expenditures, combined with the \$600,000 the Town has in place, still leaves the Town in need of approximately \$2,000,000 to properly construct both facilities.

The Town recently secured Lot G, the location for the processing facility and the dock, through a property swap with Safe Harbor. The commitment of the Town, through both the \$600,000, expenditures for legal issues and demolition, and more than \$500,000 in land value secured through negotiation with Safe Harbor, signals the Town's dedication to the shrimping/fishing industry in northern Beaufort County.

I have attached the engineer's rendering of the reconstructed dock and the cost estimate for either a concrete or timber-built dock. I have also included a concept drawing for the processing facility. The pricing has increased significantly since the State's commitment, so the Town is requesting any assistance the State can provide. The Town intends to stand up the processing facility with the dock and contract a third-party with expertise in shrimping/fishing to operate both, with the hope of resurrecting the industry.

As one of the last publicly owned docks in South Carolina, the Town could be one of the last opportunities for shrimpers/fishers to flourish in South Carolina. Thank you for your continued support of the Town, and we look forward to any assistance that can be provided.

Sincerely,



Van Willis
Town Manager

Attachments

Cc: Mayor Kevin Phillips



MEMORANDUM

941 Houston Northcutt Blvd, Suite 201
Mount Pleasant, SC 29464
843.414.1040

To: Mr. Van Willis and Ms. Brooke Plank-Buccola
From: Kirby Marshall
CC: ATM File
Date: March 7, 2025
Re: Port Royal Shrimp Dock

Pursuant to our meeting on February 19, please see attached two Preliminary Estimates of Probable Construction Cost for the proposed Shrimp Dock redevelopment on Battery Creek. Both of these estimates are based on the Town's selected Shrimp Dock Redevelopment Concept plan (attached). The estimates vary in terms of the assumed material for the floating dock portion of the project.

- Estimate 1 assumes a concrete floating dock product. Total estimated project costs utilizing this product are **\$3.8M**.
- Estimate 2 assumes a heavy-duty timber floating dock product. Total estimated project costs utilizing this product are **\$2.9M**.

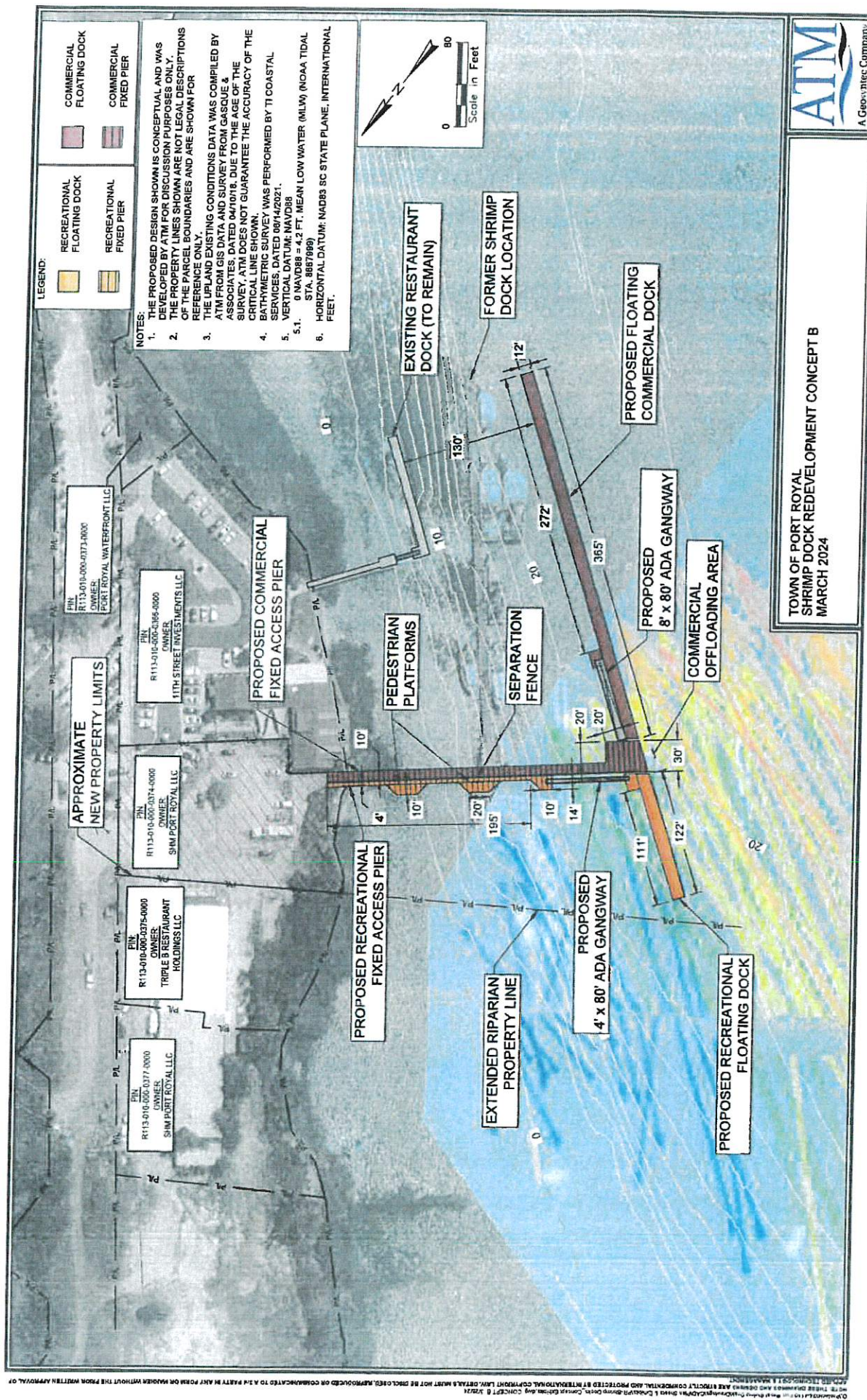
Other key assumptions are noted in each estimate.

After field review, you will see that we did not adjust/shift the access pier to the west (away from the restaurant). Initial review of site conditions suggest that the routing of the pier as shown (and where the previous dock tied into shore), while encroaching in the riparian offset, will be the least environmentally impactful and require less upland infrastructure improvements. Also, an encroachment waiver will have to be obtained from the restaurant to construct the floating commercial dock even if the access pier is shifted.

Memorandum to Mr. Van Willis and Ms. Brooke Plank-Buccola
March 7, 2025
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Upon review, please feel free to contact me to discuss.

Attachments



Port Royal Shrimp Dock

Port Royal, SC

Preliminary Estimate of Probable Construction Costs

6-Mar-25

Item	Unit	Number	Unit Cost	Item Cost	Notes
Preliminary:					
Contractor Mobilization, Bonding, Insurance	LS	1	% construction	\$201,783	Est. 7% of base construction cost
Additional Survey/Side Scan	LS	1	\$15,000	\$15,000	
Timber/Fixed Bior:					
Commercial Side	SF	3,785	\$220	\$832,700	Assume timber construction with hardwood or composite decking and handrails (IPE, Garapa, Trex, or similar)
Public Side	SF	1,611	\$220	\$354,420	Assume timber construction with hardwood decking and handrails (IPE, Garapa, Trex or similar)
Lighting Bior:					
Commercial Side	SF	4,555	\$200	\$911,000	Assume concrete floating dock with anchorage
Public Side	SF	1,666	\$200	\$333,200	Assume concrete floating dock with anchorage
Appurtenances:					
8"x80' Aluminum ADA Gangway	EA	1	\$100,000	\$100,000	
4"x80' Aluminum ADA Gangway	EA	1	\$65,000	\$65,000	
Fence Divider	LF	215	\$120	\$25,800	Assume timber or aluminum 3-ft. high
Pedestrian Benches	Allowance	1	\$7,500	\$7,500	Assume up to 4 benches on public side
Limited Slip Utilities	SLIP	14	\$12,000	\$168,000	Shore power, potable water, dock lighting
Fixed Pier Lighting	LS	1	\$25,000	\$25,000	Point to point lighting only
Fire Suppression Standpipe System	LF	350	\$150	\$52,500	On dock only; No upland routing; Assume proximity to fire hydrant; HDPE piping
Basic fire extinguishers per NFPA 303	EA	5	\$1,500	\$7,500	Assume HDPE enclosure with 10lb ABC extinguisher and life ring
Sub-Total				\$3,014,403	
Soft Costs (Permitting, design, construction phase services)	% Construction	15%		\$452,161	
Contingency	% Total Costs	10%		\$346,656	
Total				\$3,813,220	

Port Royal Shrimp Dock

Port Royal, SC

Preliminary Estimate of Probable Construction Costs

13-Mar-25

Item	Unit	Number	Unit Cost	Item Cost	Notes
Preliminaries					
Contractor Mobilization, Bonding, Insurance	LS	1	% construction		
Additional Survey/Side Scan	LS	1	\$15,000	\$15,236	Est. 7% of base construction cost
Timber Phase Items					
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Appurtenances					
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Sub-Total				\$2,348,756	
Soft Costs (Permitting, design, construction phase services)	% Construction	15%		\$352,313	
Contingency	% Total Costs	10%		\$270,107	
Total				\$2,971,177	



PORT ROYAL MIXED USE BUILDING
WATERFRONT LOT G AT 11TH STREET
PORT ROYAL, SC 29935
100% CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
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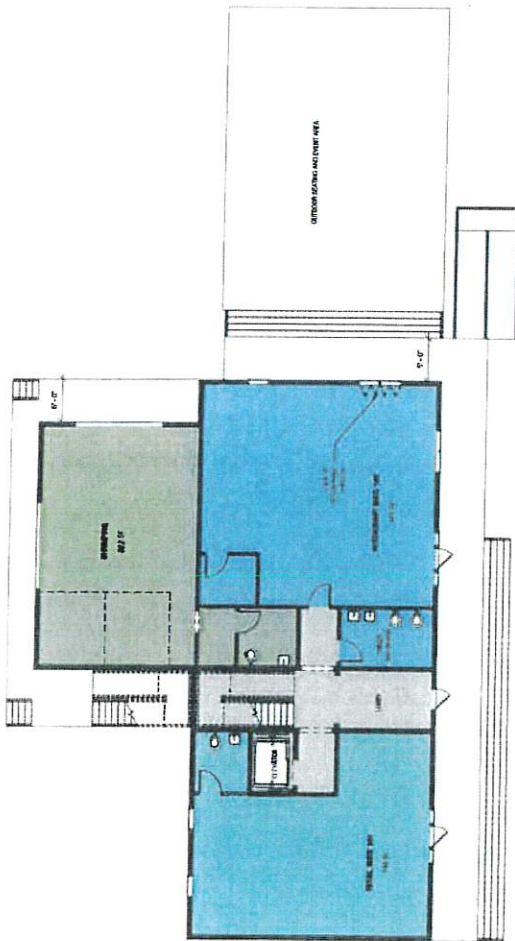
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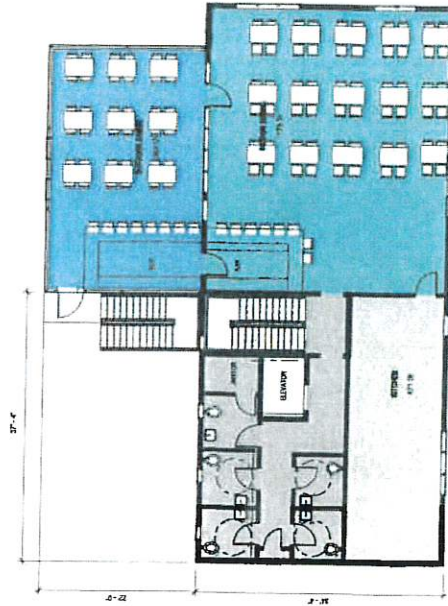
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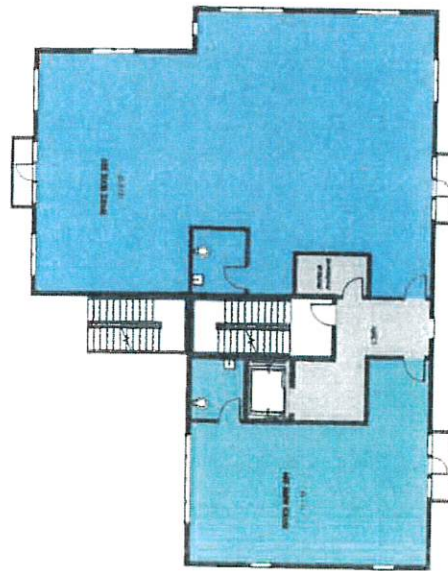
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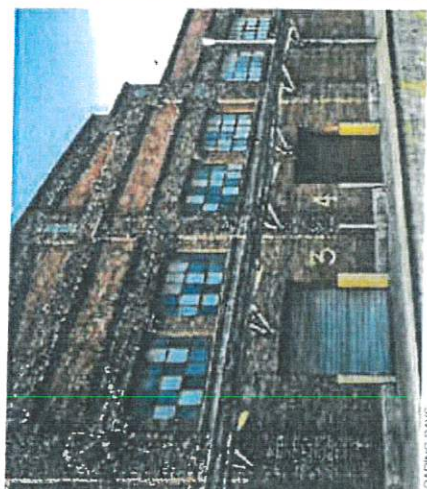
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CORRUGATED METAL WITH STEEL SUPPORT



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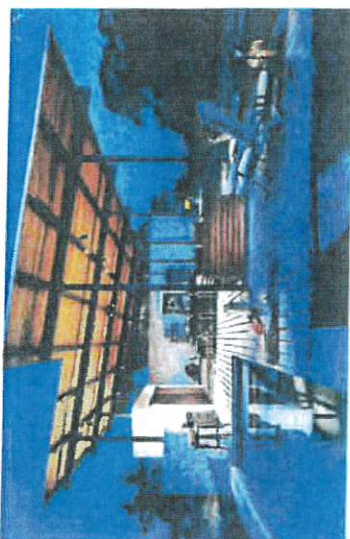
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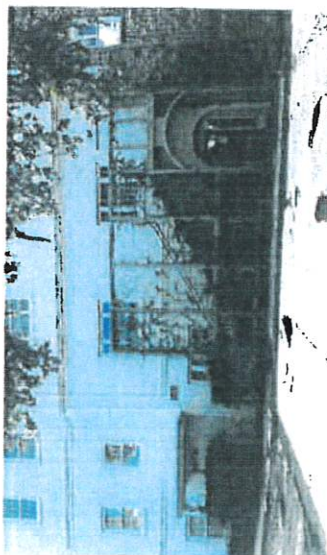
CORRUGATED METAL FACADE



SLIDING GLASS PANELS



EXPOSED STRUCTURE



"GREEN" SCREENING



CMU WITH FENESTRATION BETWEEN



STEEL STRUCTURAL SUPPORT

*O'Quinn Marine Construction, Inc.
95 Sheppard Road
Beaufort, SC 29907
Telephone: 843-522-3313
Fax: 843-522-3138*

PROPOSAL AND CONTRACT

August 14, 2023

Town of Port Royal
P.O. Drawer 9
Port Royal, SC 29935
ATT: Mr. Willis

RE: Shrimp Dock

O'Quinn Marine Construction, Inc. proposes to provide equipment, labor and management to completely remove and dispose of the existing shrimp dock located in Port Royal.

I. Scope of Work:

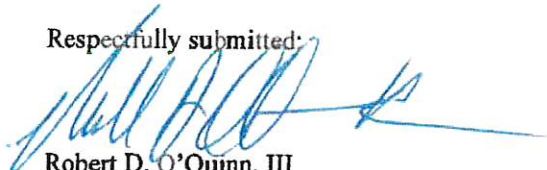
1. Specifically, to the east and west, the wooden dock, the concrete walkway and end deck area.
Cost: \$130,000.00

Included is: Construction placard from OCRM and all disposal fees.

Excluded are: Removal of any underwater structures and removal of electric services for others.

Total Project Cost: \$130,000.00

Respectfully submitted:



Robert D. O'Quinn, III
O'Quinn Marine Construction, Inc.

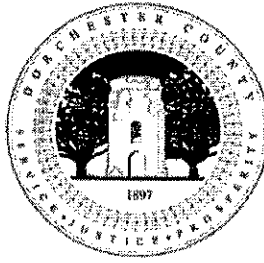
Acceptance: I hereby authorize the above costs and specifications herein:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Jason L. Ward
County Administrator

**OFFICE OF THE DORCHESTER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
201 JOHNSTON STREET
ST. GEORGE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29477**

February 13, 2026

The Honorable Greg Ford
SC House of Representatives
District 98
330D. Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 20201

Dear Representative Ford:

On behalf of Dorchester County, I write to request your support for the Eagle Creek Flood Control Project to be added to the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2027.

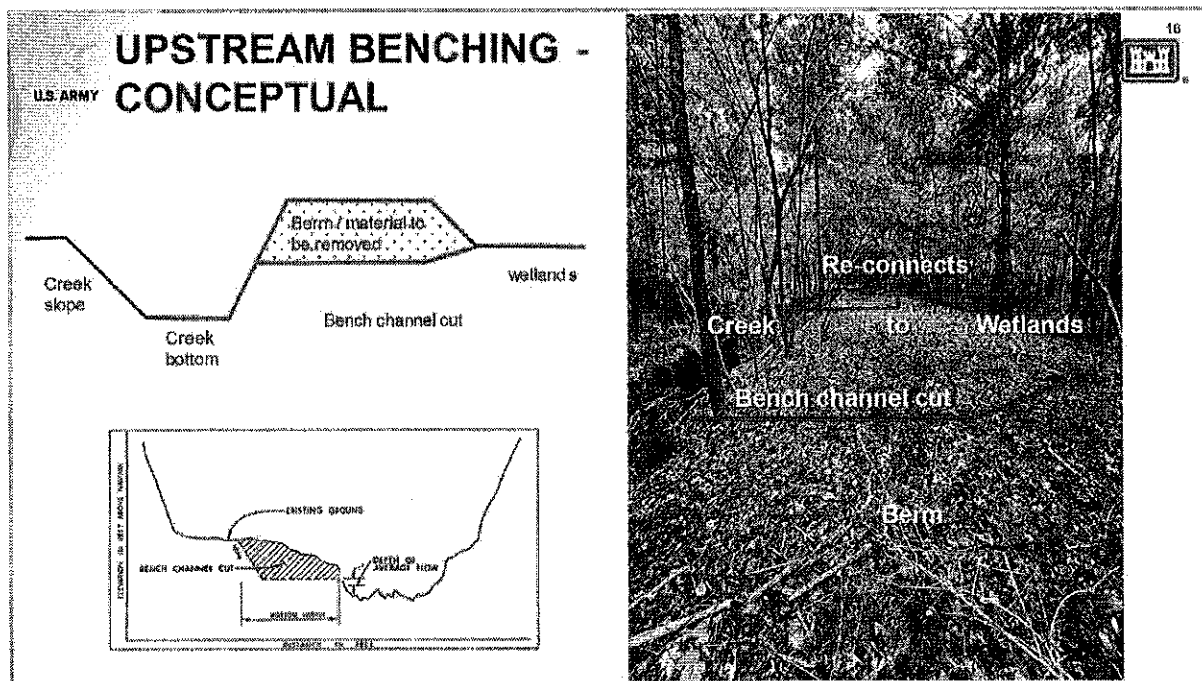
The funds will be used to complete construction of the Eagle Creek Flood Control Project in the Summerville/Ladson area near Wallace Ackerman Drive. The total project cost is \$1,050,000; \$300,000 of which has been spent on planning and design, leaving \$750,000 for construction unfunded.

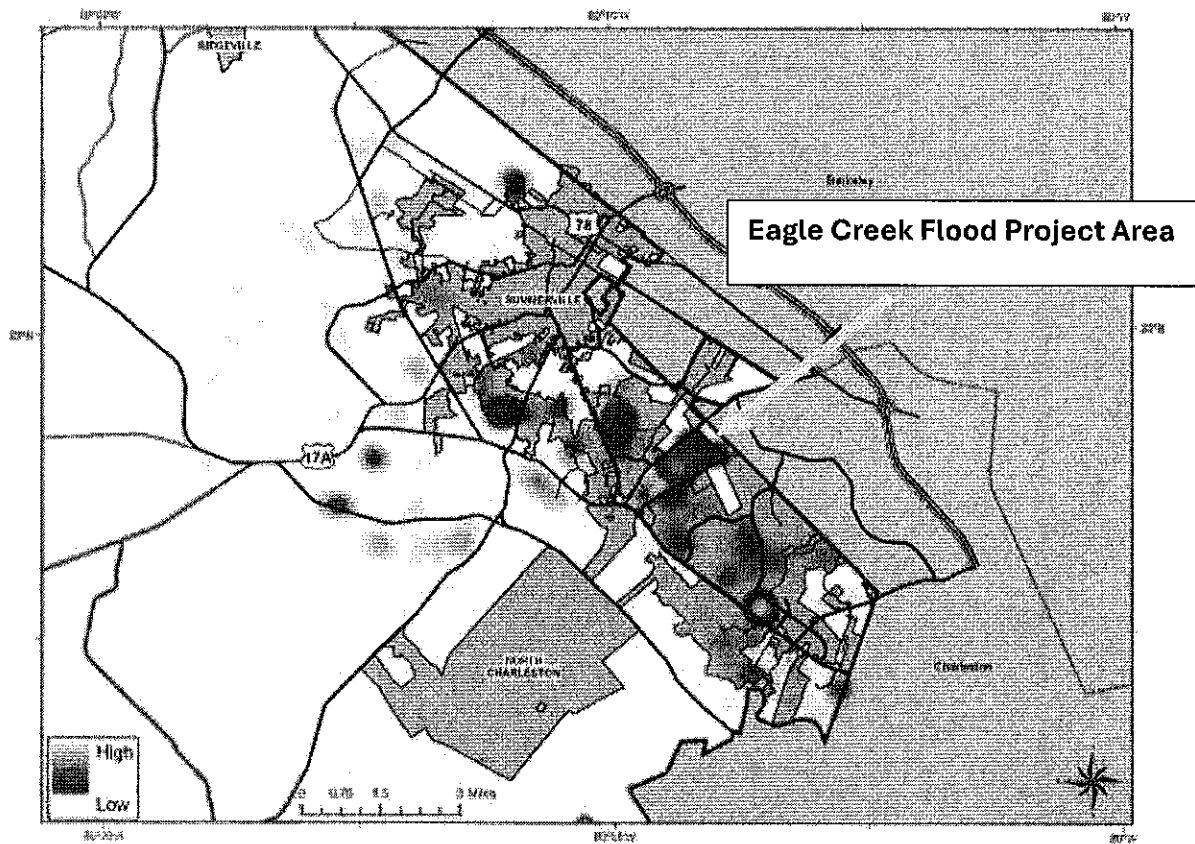
The US Army Corps of Engineers, in partnership with Dorchester County, completed a CAP 205 Flood Risk Management Study to reduce repetitive flooding in the areas surrounding Eagle Creek. Dorchester County is moving forward with design and permitting of an Upstream Benching alternative as recommended by the Flood Risk Management Study. The proposed improvements include the widening and deepening of the upstream benching channel which would reduce flooding by one to two feet in the Summerwood and Tranquil Estates neighborhoods, providing flood risk management to 46 residential structures within the 100-year floodplain. Benching allows water to spread out during high-flow events, reducing peak flow velocities and promoting floodplain connectivity, all of which help to mitigate downstream flooding. Several houses have flooded in this area since 2015, and the County previously worked with the state to purchase and remove three homes that experienced repetitive flood losses resulting in thousands of dollars in repairs.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this request for the Eagle Creek Flood Control Project.

Best regards,

Jason L. Ward, Administrator
Dorchester County





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Dorchester County Density of Repetitive Loss Claims



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THE TOWN OF Batesburg-Leesville

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

May 4, 2026

To Whom it May Concern,

The Town of Batesburg-Leesville is requesting consideration for a state appropriation towards the restoration of Haynes Auditorium in the South Carolina fiscal budget 2026-27. This property is located at 423 College Street in Batesburg-Leesville, SC, and is a part of the Leesville College Historic District, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Haynes Auditorium was the main building of Leesville College, which was an integral part of the original town of Leesville, SC. The building was built in the early 1880's and anchored Leesville College until its closing in 1911. It would later serve as a part of Lexington School District Three for nearly 75 years (1912-1984). After the school closed, the property was transferred to the Town of Leesville, which is now part of Batesburg-Leesville.

The auditorium has been an important part of our community's history and has served as a home for community theater, churches and various other activities. During the ownership of the town the exterior was restored along with the roof being replaced with a standing seam roof.

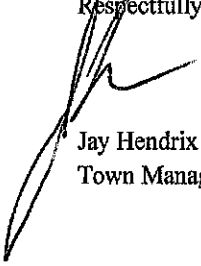
It is now time to begin the restoration of the interior. The building is dated and does not meet current building codes. In 2025 GMK and Associates conducted a building assessment. This assessment was completed in November 2025 and lays the groundwork for the process of restoring the building. Early estimates are that the costs will be approximately \$2,300,000.

The goal is to bring the building into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as upgrade the electrical, mechanical and fire alarm systems to bring them into current building code compliance as well. This will lead to a renaissance of community theater and other community activities within the walls of this nearly 150-year-old structure.

If awarded, the town would bid the project through South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO.gov). The goal would be for the project to be completed within one year of awarding, hopefully by the end of year 2027.

It is my hope that the South Carolina Legislature can help support this worthwhile endeavor as part of their appropriations in the 2026-27 budget.

Respectfully,



Jay Hendrix
Town Manager

**BATESBURG-LEESVILLE
HAYNES AUDITORIUM
EXISTING BUILDING ASSESSMENT**

NOVEMBER 5, 2025



A/E PROJECT # 25013.01

 **GMK**
ASSOCIATES, INC.

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Batesburg-Leesville Haynes Auditorium Rehabilitation
423 College Street
Batesburg – Leesville, South Carolina 29070

EXECUTIVE SUMAMRY

INTRODUCTION:

GMKA was retained by the Town of Batesburg-Leesville to evaluate the existing conditions of the Haynes Auditorium located at 423 College Street. This report evaluates the conditions of the existing plumbing, mechanical, and electrical systems, structural system, and roof system. The report also evaluates the condition of architectural elements of the building and any building code deficiencies present. This evaluation is limited in scope to nondestructive observations made from the ground, floor, or six-foot ladder. There are also recommendations made to provide direction for potential future renovations to the building to bring the building into compliance with building codes and standards.

The Haynes Auditorium is a two-story auditorium with 158 ground level seats and 76 balcony seats. The building was originally built around 1880 and served as a classroom building for Leesville College. The classroom building was built in the Victorian style with three stories and a large cupola. As with many buildings built in this era many changes have occurred to transform the building into what exists today. The third story and cupola were removed, and the interior was repurposed for use as a chapel. The building is now used as a multipurpose performance space with a stage, backstage dressing rooms, etc.



Haynes Auditorium: Prior to the removal of the third floor and cupola



Haynes Auditorium: Historic Photo of building after the removal of the third floor and cupola.

This report will assess the building in its current condition and make recommendations for proposed renovations that will modernize the building, make the building safer for occupants. The intent is to make recommendations for renovations that are budget friendly and retain the character of the building.

ASSESSMENT SUMMARY:

Over time all building components deteriorate and eventually fail. The correct selection of materials and systems can extend the life expectancy of components. Additionally, outstanding maintenance practices can extend the life expectancy of those materials and systems. During our inspections GMKA found that, although functional, the building needs refreshing in many ways. There appears to have been renovations in the building over the years and many of the building's original historic features have been modified. Additionally, there are signs of water infiltration through the metal roof covering. The roof will need to be inspected by an envelope consultant to make recommendations for repair or replacement. All finishes would need to be replaced. There appears to be no accommodations made for disabled individuals in the building as would be expected of a building of this age. The building is in need of upgrades to the fire egress system. A more thorough review of individual building components is provided in the body of the report.

It would appear that the existing domestic water and sanitary sewer system is functional. The main domestic water and sanitary sewer lines should be tested to confirm their functionality. The owner should have the waste piping video inspected and scoped as necessary. It is possible due to its age some of the sanitary sewer piping has failed. If so, it may be necessary to install a new sanitary sewer service to the building. As there is no indication of any failure at this time the cost associated with this work will not be covered under this report. Similarly, it appears that the domestic water service is functional and any new domestic water piping will be tied to the existing main service entrance.

The mechanical systems primarily provide heating and cooling. There are two existing packaged air handlers on grade that are beyond their life expectancy and should be replaced. There is currently no ventilation being introduced to the building, which is a violation of current codes and should be rectified by any mechanical renovation to the building. There are multiple options for HVAC systems for this building type. The mechanical engineer has recommended a variable refrigerant system, which allows multiple air handler units to operate from one condensing unit. This system provides flexibility and capacity to serve the building with varying levels of occupancy.

The electrical system, like all the other systems, is aged and beyond its life expectancy. Over time the systems will continue to fail with it becoming more difficult to find replacement parts. Additionally, the existing 120/240-volt single phase electrical system really isn't practical for a commercial building such as this. This voltage and phase require significantly more expensive infrastructure and limits the use of commercial HVAC equipment. For these reasons, it is recommended that a new 120/208, 3 - phase service be brought to the building at the location of the owner's choosing, if the current location isn't acceptable. The new service and main gear will be sized to support the power requirements for the existing building as well as any future renovations.

The building structure is in adequate condition and will only need to be addressed as necessary where new HVAC equipment is to be installed in the attic.

BUDGET:

Below is a brief summary of the major systems repairs and replacement costs. These are preliminary budget numbers. The goal is to ensure there are resources available in the budget to accommodate the full scope of work. As more detailed information becomes available these numbers should get honed into a tighter to what the expected cost of construction should be.

1. New Accessible Toilet Rooms - \$326,115
2. Fire Alarm Replacement - \$13,907
3. Full HVAC replacement - \$525,953

4. Electrical System Replacement - \$317,489

We feel comfortable that a full renovation of the project area as described in the recommended scope of work can be accomplished for ±\$2,041,000. If a full renovation is planned, we will do a detailed estimate of the scope of the work.

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN NARRATIVE

1. Codes

- a. 2021 International Building Code with SC modifications
- b. 2021 International Residential Code with SC modifications
- c. 2021 International Fire Code with SC modifications
- d. 2021 International Plumbing Code with SC modifications
- e. 2021 International Mechanical Code with SC modifications
- f. 2021 International Fuel Gas Code with SC modifications
- g. 2018 Existing Building Code with SC modifications
- h. 2020 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications
- i. 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (Energy Standard Act)

2. Code Analysis

Type of Construction: IIIB

Occupancy Classification: Assembly (A-1)

Allowable Height: 55 ft.

Allowable Stories: 2 Story

Allowable Building Area: 8,500 sq. ft.

Actual Building Height: 31 ft.

Gross Building Area: First floor – 3,764 sf, Second floor balcony – 1,181 sf

Occupant Load: 284 occupants

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width (Required): 56.8"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width Stairs (Total Required): 85.2"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width (2nd Floor Required): 15.2"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width Stairs (Total Required): 22.8"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width (Total Provided): 156.75"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width Stairs (Total Provided): 313.5"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width (2nd Floor Provided): 67.5"

Exit Capacity/ Egress Width Stairs (Total Provided): 79"

Fire Protection Ratings

Primary Structural Frame: 0 hour

Bearing Walls: 2 hour

Nonbearing Walls (Exterior): 0 hour

Nonbearing Walls (Corridor): 1 hour per

Nonbearing Walls (Vertical Circulation): 0 hour per 1019.3 Exception No. 1.

Floor Construction: 0 hour

Roof Construction: 0 hour

Required Plumbing Fixtures for Occupant Load: 2 toilets (men), 2 toilets (women), 1 lavatory (men), 1 lavatory (women), and 2 water coolers.

The International Existing Building Code dictates how the existing facility should be analyzed. The first step is to determine the scope of work, level of alteration and whether there will be a change of occupancy. The approach towards rehabilitation activities changes depending on these factors. The use of the building as a theater doesn't change. The next step in analyzing the building for code compliance is to determine the level of alteration. There are three levels of alteration with level III alteration triggering a requirement for the entire building to be brought up to current code. Since only minor alterations are planned to the physical building a level II alteration is appropriate, except where new systems are installed. All new plumbing, mechanical, fire alarm, and electrical systems must meet current code standards as they are altered to level III. Refer to each discipline's narratives for details on system requirements.

3. Architectural Assessment

- a. Means of Egress:
 - i. The balcony fixed seat aisle stairs.
 - 1. The width, depth and height of the aisle stairs are within compliance of the code.
 - 2. A handrail is provided. The handrail height and extensions are both deficient. As this is an existing condition, that will remain as is no work will be performed.
 - ii. The enclosed egress stair and exit discharge on south side of the building.
 - 1. The stair tread depths and heights are within compliance with the code.
 - 2. A guardrail is provided but the height doesn't meet code requirements. The baluster spacing is also deficient. As the guardrails are a character defining detail, the recommendation is to leave the guardrail as is.
 - 3. The stair is missing handrails. Handrails should be provided.
 - 4. The pair of 2'-6" wide exit discharge doors are not in compliance with the code. The code requires at least one leaf of the pair of doors be a minimum of 3'-0" wide. The doors are a character-defining feature of the building. The recommendation is to leave the doors as is.
 - 5. The interior pair of 2'-6" exit access doors to the egress stair aren't in compliance with the code. These doors should be replaced with a single 3'-6" door to match the existing 5 panel wood doors.
 - 6. There is no code compliant landing at the exit discharge doors. A code compliant landing should be provided at the doors. The grades in the area should be modified to allow for the new landing. The landing shall be at least 44" deep and the width of the doors.
 - iii. Exit discharge doors and stairs on the north, east and west sides of the building.
 - 1. There is no landing at the exit discharge doors. A code compliant landing should be provided at the doors. The grades in the area should be modified to allow for the new landing.
 - 2. The height and depth of the stairs are generally compliant with the code.
 - 3. The east stair is missing both guardrails and handrails. The east stair is over 30" in height. Due to the height a 42" guardrail should be provided. The handrails should be 2'-10" above the leading edge of the riser and shall have extensions at the top and bottom of the stair.
 - iv. First floor fixed seating aisles.
 - 1. The aisle widths are within compliance with the code.
 - v. The fire escape stairs on the north side of the building.
 - 1. The fire escape stairs aren't in compliance with the code and should be replaced.
 - 2. The second floor landing isn't at the same elevation on both sides of the door.
 - 3. The stair risers are open and should be closed.
 - 4. There is no handrail.
 - 5. The guardrail isn't the correct height and there aren't code compliant balusters.
 - 6. There isn't a landing at the bottom of the stair.
 - vi. Exit signs

1. Exit signs are provided at all appropriate locations except at the exit discharge door on the east side of the building.
2. Refer to electrical narrative for modification to the exit signage.
- vii. Emergency Lighting
 1. Emergency lighting is provided by combination exit sign/ emergency lights and appear to be in compliance with the code.
 2. Refer to electrical narrative for modification to the emergency lighting system.
- b. Interior Finishes and appurtenances:
 - i. Flooring
 1. The carpet in the lobby and portions of the auditorium is beyond its service life and should be replaced.
 2. The hardwood floors on the balcony, south exit stairs and backstage areas should be sanded and refinished.
 3. The painted stage flooring should be sanded and repainted to match the original.
- c. Exterior Finishes
 - i. The existing brick masonry is soiled, and the paint is thin in many locations and should be cleaned and refinished.
 - ii. The existing plaster finish is soiled, and the paint is thin in many locations and should be cleaned and refinished.
 - iii. The exterior plaster is in contact with the finish grade. The plaster should be cut back and provide with a base trim to prevent damage to the plaster and water infiltration.
- d. Historic Windows and Doors
 - i. Two of the most significant character defining components of historic buildings are their windows and doors. Special attention should be paid to ensure rehabilitation of the doors and windows is handled with care.
 - ii. It would appear that the 5-panel door is typical to this building.
 - iii. Many of the exterior doors have water damage that must be repaired. The interior doors have fared better but there are some inconsistent 6 panel doors.
 - iv. The historic windows have been boarded up to prevent light infiltration. It is recommended to remove the boards and install a permanent solution in the form of shades, curtains or blackout tinting.
 - v. Several of the sashes of the historic windows have been removed to provide openings for ductwork. New sashes are to be replicated to match the originals.
 - vi. Based on GMKA's casual observations the glazing compound appears to be in adequate condition and isn't in need of wholesale replacement. A historic window professional should assess each of the windows to determine to what extent the glazing compound should be replaced.
 - vii. The paint on the windows is in fair to poor condition. The old layers of paint should be removed back to a sound layer, and the windows should be primed and painted.
- e. Accessibility
 - i. The standard for historic buildings is that accessibility must be addressed to the extent possible without damaging or destroying historic elements of the building. The following deficiencies were noted.
 1. Less than 60% of the building's entrances are accessible. An accessible entrance should have a door a minimum of 36" wide. The entrance closest to the designated accessible parking doesn't have a 36" wide door.
 2. There is no accessible route onto the stage for disabled persons.
 3. There are no accessible toilet rooms.
 4. An elevator isn't required as indicated in section 1104.4 Exception No. 1
 5. There are no designated accessible seats.

6. The stairs aren't considered to be accessible. Accessible stairs must have handrails that meet the requirements of the code including graspability, extensions at the top and bottom of the stair. The tread depth and risers are acceptable.
7. The door hardware doesn't meet the requirements for graspability.

3. Scope Description:

- a. The project consists of the rehabilitation of the 4,942 square foot historic Haynes Auditorium. The renovation will include full mechanical, electrical and fire alarm replacements. The renovation will also include new floor and ceiling finishes throughout. The project will repair missing and damaged acoustic wall panels. All interior and exterior painted surfaces will be repainted. The project will replace the existing fire escape stair with a new code compliant stair. The renovation will provide 2 new accessible toilet rooms. New handrails will be provided at all exit stairs including both the interior and exterior exit stairs. There will be new landings provided at exterior exit stairs as needed. A new control room will be built to include access to the new attic mechanical platform. The building's thermal performance will be increased by adding spray foam insulation to the underside of the roof deck. Lastly, a new truss with motorized winch will be provided for theatrical lighting for the stage.

4. Specifications and Systems

- a. Demolition
 - i. Remove existing toilet rooms and janitor's closet from stair enclosure. Restore stairs as close as possible to its original design.
 - ii. Remove all flooring throughout the facility.
 - iii. Demolish all plywood panels from existing window openings. Demolish damage sashes where ductwork was installed into the building.
 - iv. Demolish existing fire stair at north elevation.
 - v. Demolish all adhered acoustical ceiling tile. Prepare substrate to receive new ceiling finish material.
 - vi. Demolish existing concrete as necessary to install new sanitary sewer lines.
- b. Concrete:
 - i. Install new foundations for new egress stair at the north face of the building.
 - ii. Install new concrete landing at base of new egress stair.
 - iii. Install new landings at all other egress stairs.
 - iv. Patch concrete at new toilet rooms.
- c. Metals
 - i. Install new handrails at all exit stairs.
 - ii. Install new code compliant fire stair at north elevation where original stair was located.
 - iii. Install new steel framing to support new HVAC equipment in the attic.
- d. Wood/Casework
 - i. Framing: There will be new rough carpentry framing to provide access to the new attic mechanical room.
 - ii. Casework: All casework is to be custom grade with high pressure laminate base cabinets and solid surface countertops.
- e. Thermal and Moisture Protection:
 - i. Roof: Install new minimum R-38 spray foam with intumescent coating underneath the deck in the attic.

- f. Doors, Windows and Openings
 - i. Doors: All painted doors should be sanded back to sound layer of paint and repainted to match existing colors.
 - ii. Windows: All painted window frames and sashes should be sanded back to a sound layer of paint and repainted to match existing colors.
- g. Finishes and Systems
 - i. Interior Framing and Gypsum Board: All new framed walls will be built of light gauge metal framing with painted and finished 5/8" gypsum board.
 - ii. Tile: Porcelain tile is to be installed on the floor and as a wainscot of the new toilet rooms.
 - iii. Resilient Flooring:
 - 1. LVT flooring is to be installed in the lobby, janitor's closet, storage room, control room and first floor of the exit stair.
 - 2. Carpet tiles shall be installed in the auditorium.
 - 3. The stage and back of house area shall be sanded as necessary and the floors are to receive an appropriate black floor coating.
 - iv. Hardwood Flooring
 - 1. Stairs/ Stage Support Spaces/ Balcony: Sand and refinish all existing hardwood floors.
 - v. Base:
 - 1. Porcelain tile base should be installed in toilet rooms where there is not wainscot planned.
 - 2. There shall be resilient base installed in all spaces where resilient flooring is to be installed.
 - 3. All painted wood base shall be sanded as necessary back to a stable layer of paint. The wood shall be prepped as necessary, primed and painted.
 - vi. Ceilings:
 - 1. Auditorium/ Stair/ Control Room: Patch existing substrate and framing as necessary. Install new direct applied acoustic ceiling panels to the existing substrate.
 - 2. Lobby/ Toilets/ Storage/ Stage Support Areas: Provide suspended grid system with acoustical tile to match existing height.
 - 3. Stage: Paint all ceilings in stage area flat black to match original.
 - vii. Paint:
 - 1. Walls
 - a. Stage: Prep, prime and paint brick masonry exterior walls and interior plaster walls.
 - b. Stage Support Spaces: Prep, prime and paint interior plaster finished partitions.
 - c. Auditorium/ Stair/ Lobby: Replace any damaged or mismatched acoustic panels. Prep, prime and paint all wall surfaces.
 - i. Remove existing wallpaper at wainscot height. Prep, prime and paint plaster/gypsum board finished wainscot.
 - d. Control Room/ Toilets/ Janitor's Closet/ Storage: Prime and paint new gypsum board surfaces.
 - 2. Exterior
 - a. Plaster
 - i. Using low pressure hoses and soft bristled brushes carefully clean all plaster surfaces. Ensure plaster detailing isn't damaged during cleaning and prep.
 - ii. The plaster finish has been damaged along base of the exterior walls. Cut plaster back to allow for the installation of a base trim and repair plaster to new base trim.
 - b. Wood trim (soffits, fascias, window trim, door trim, louvers):
 - i. Sand all wood components back to sound layer of paint.
 - ii. Prep, prime and paint trim using an appropriate paint system.

- c. Brick Masonry:
 - i. Prep, prime and paint brick masonry with a latex primer and 2 coats of acrylic latex paint.
- d. Steel Stairs:
 - i. Prime stairs with a rust inhibiting DTM primer. Apply two coats of DTM acrylic coating.
- e. East Exit Stair Landing
 - i. The wood flooring of the landing has rotted. It can be assumed that the underlying framing is in the same condition.
 - ii. The wood deck boards and framing should be replaced.
- 3. Specialties
 - a. Install new fire extinguishers in cabinets at each exit door on both the first floor and second floor balcony.
 - b. Install new cable mounted stage lighting truss with motorized winch with controller located at back of stage.

END

Batesburg Leesville – Hayne Auditorium Renovation Narrative
423 College Street
Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina 29070

PLUMBING ENGINEERING DESIGN NARRATIVE

1. Codes

- a. 2021 International Building Code with SC modifications
- b. 2021 International Plumbing Code with SC modifications
- c. 2021 International Mechanical Code with SC modifications
- d. 2021 International Fuel Gas Code with SC modifications
- e. 2020 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications

2. Scope Description

a. Sanitary Sewer/DWV Systems

- i. New sanitary sewer & sanitary vent piping systems shall be provided. Sanitary sewer shall connect to the site systems.
- ii. Fixtures that are being demolished shall be removed in their entirety. Sanitary waste lines shall be removed to just below the floor for floor mounted fixtures or capped in the walls for wall/counter mounted fixtures. Sanitary lines in the crawl space shall be demolished as necessary to accommodate the new plumbing layout. Sanitary vent lines shall be demolished from the fixture back to the main vent riser. If a wall containing a fixture vent riser is to remain, the drop in the wall shall be capped just above the wall with the remainder of the line being demolished back to the portion that is to remain in service.

b. Domestic Water Systems

- i. Fixtures that are being demolished shall be removed in their entirety. Existing domestic water lines (cold and hot water) shall be demolished. If a wall containing a water line is to remain, the stubout serving the fixture shall be capped inside the wall and the drop in the wall shall be capped just above the wall with the remainder of the line being demolished.
- ii. The existing water heater shall be demolished
- iii. Domestic Hot Water System:
 - 1. A new nominal 10-gallon, 2.5-kW water heater shall be provided. Hot water shall be stored and distributed at 140°F.
 - 2. A new 3/4" hot water main shall be provided to distribute hot water. The piping shall be routed in a loop.
 - 3. A fractional horsepower recirculation pump and hot water recirculation lines shall be provided to maintain the temperature of the hot water system.
 - 4. All fixtures shall be provided with appropriately listed ASSE point of use thermostatic mixing valves to limit the hot water discharge temperature to 110°F for sinks and lavatories and 120°F (adjustable) for the mop sinks.
- iv. Domestic Cold Water System:
 - 1. A new 3/4" domestic water service shall be provided. A SC DES approved backflow preventer and isolation valves shall be provided on the cold water line before it serves any fixtures.
 - 2. Cold water lines shall be routed to the fixtures and to the water heater.
- v. Pipe identification shall be provided on all new piping and added to the existing piping that is to remain.

c. Natural Gas Piping (if relocation or repair is required)

- i. The existing natural gas piping shall be modified as necessary to accommodate any new HVAC equipment. For each new unit, the following shall be provided:
 - 1. Isolation ball valve
 - 2. Dirt/drip leg
 - 3. Stainer
 - 4. Equipment/appliance regulator
 - 5. AGA listed flexible connection to the unit.

3. Specifications and Systems

- a. Insulation
 - i. Insulate all domestic water lines.
 - ii. Provide 1" thick pipe wrap, Owens Corning SSL II with ASJ Max or similar.
 - iii. Provide preformed PVC covers over fittings.
 - iv. Provide pretensioned pipe markers over insulation.
- b. Sanitary Sewer and Sanitary Vent:
 - i. PVC, Schedule, 40 Solid Wall, DWV pattern fittings. Pipe shall not be exposed to any supply or return air plenums.
- c. Sanitary Waste Piping Specialties
 - i. Cleanouts – metal floor type or wall cleanouts with coordinated cover plates.
 - ii. Exterior below grade cleanouts shall be encased in concrete per standard detail.
 - iii. Floor drain – cast iron, round nickel bronze grate. ProSet Trap Guards to be included.
 - iv. Floor sink – mechanical rooms and indirect waste. ProSet Trap Guards to be included.
- d. Domestic Water:
 - i. Peak estimated domestic water demand shall be calculated for total fixture load value.
 - ii. A hydrant flow test with peak and residual pressure readings shall be required to determine pressure design conditions.
 - iii. Copper tube, Type K below-grade. Polyethylene wrap.
 - iv. Copper tube, Type L above-grade. Mechanical pressed fittings shall be acceptable.
 - v. Isolation valves shall be provided at each fixture and piece of equipment.
 - vi. Distribution above ceiling or in crawlspace with isolation valves. Access doors are to be provided where necessary for access directly above hard ceilings.
- e. Domestic Water Piping Specialties
 - i. Double check valve backflow preventer, SC DES approved.
 - ii. Water hammer arresters – copper tube with piston
- f. Domestic Water Heater
 - i. Sized as mentioned above. Water shall be stored at 140°F.
 - ii. A fractional horsepower hot water recirculation pump shall be provided to maintain the temperature in the hot water loop.
 - iii. The water heater shall include isolation valves, thermal expansion tank, T&P valve and a vacuum relief valve.
 - iv. Point of use ASSE listed thermostatic mixing valves shall be provided on all sinks and lavatories to limit the hot water supply to 110°F. Appropriately listed ASSE thermostatic mixing valves shall be provided to limit the hot water discharge temperatures for other fixtures.
 - v. The water heater shall be wall mounted utilizing a Holdrite Quick Stand wall mounted water heater platform.

- vi. Provide Holdrite galvanized steel water heater restraints (two total).
- vii. Provide Holdrite Quick Strap water heater expansion tank mounting bracket.
- viii. Replace existing exterior hose bib with a freeze-proof wall hydrant.
- g. Natural Gas Piping (if relocation or repair is required)
 - 1. ASTM A53 Schedule 40 carbon steel pipe
 - 2. Viega Megapress G fittings and valves
- h. Plumbing Fixtures
 - i. Water Closet, Public
 - 1. Floor mounted, elongated rim toilet
 - 2. Open front seat with stainless steel check hinges, no lid
 - 3. 1.6 gpf, manual
 - 4. Flush tank style
 - 5. ADA complaint.
 - ii. Counter Mounted Sink, Public
 - 1. Single Bowl
 - a. Drop-in
 - b. Stainless Steel
 - c. ADA complaint.
 - 2. Faucet
 - a. Gooseneck
 - b. Manual, 0.5 gpm
 - c. ADA compliant wrist blade handles
 - d. ASSE 1070 listed thermostatic mixing valve
 - e. Faucet finish color is standard.
 - 3. 17 ga., chrome plated grid strainer w/offset tailpiece
 - 4. 17 ga., chrome plated, P-trap w/cleanout.
 - 5. Quarter-turn keystone and supplies.
 - 6. Truebro ADA pipe wrap on all exposed piping
 - iii. Wall Mounted Lavatory, Public
 - 1. Single Bowl
 - a. Wall-hung
 - b. Vitreous China
 - c. ADA complaint.
 - 2. Faucet
 - a. Manual, 0.5 gpm
 - b. ADA compliant wrist blade handles
 - c. ASSE 1070 listed thermostatic mixing valve
 - d. Faucet finish color is standard.
 - 3. 17 ga., chrome plated grid strainer w/offset tailpiece
 - 4. 17 ga., chrome plated, P-trap w/cleanout.
 - 5. Quarter-turn keystone and supplies.
 - 6. Truebro ADA pipe wrap on all exposed piping
 - 7. Floor mounted wall carrier.
 - iv. Water Coolers
 - 1. Bi-Level
 - 2. Bottle filler
 - 3. Stainless Steel

4. ADA complaint
5. Floor mounted carrier
- v. Mop Sink
 1. 24"X24"
 2. Molded stone
 3. Service sink faucet
 4. Hose & bracket
 5. Mop hanger
 6. Fiat MSBIDTG2424 Molded Stone Mop Basin To Go or equal
 7. Add:
 - a. Stainless steel wall guards
 - b. Stainless steel rim guards
- vi. Wall Hydrant
 1. Loose Key Style
 2. Vacuum Breaker
 3. Freezeproof
 4. Woodford Model 65 or equal
- vii. Floor Drains – floor drains shall be provided in the toilet rooms.
- viii. Sanitary system floor cleanouts shall be located away from high traffic areas.
- ix. Backflow preventers and vacuum breakers at domestic water connections to equipment and appliances that pose a hazard of contamination and cross-connection.
- x. Ball valves:
 1. Provide full port ball valves on the supplies to each plumbing fixture to allow for isolation & maintenance.

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Batesburg Leesville – Hayne Auditorium Renovation Narrative
423 College Street
Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina 29070

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN NARRATIVE

1. Codes

- a. 2021 International Building Code with SC modifications
- b. 2021 International Plumbing Code with SC modifications
- c. 2021 International Mechanical Code with SC modifications
- d. 2021 International Fuel Gas Code with SC modifications
- e. 2020 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications

2. Scope Description

a. Existing Systems

- i. The existing building is heated and cooled with (2) packaged units located on grade. Supply and return ducts are routed from the packaged unit through the existing windows. The duct is exposed and routed high the space.

b. Dedicated Outside Air System (DOAS)

- i. The ventilation air for the building will be treated with a dedicated outside air system. The unit shall be as split system arrangement with the air handler located in the attic and the condensing unit located on grade.
- ii. Each unit shall be factory fabricated, draw-through type unit. The units will each consist of mixing box with Merv 8 efficient pleated disposable pre-filters, electric pre-heat, DX coils, economizers, and direct drive fans. Access doors will be provided, as required, to allow access for maintenance and inspection.
- iii. Outside air shall be treated to a neutral temperature and humidity and delivered directly to each zone.
- iv. Outdoor condensing unit shall have condensing fans, condenser coils, and inverter compressor technology.
- v. Unit Capacities shall be:
 - 1. (1) – Indoor air handler at 1650 CFM
 - 2. (1) – Outdoor condensing unit shall be Daikin RXYQ or equal at a capacity of 10 tons.

c. Variable Refrigerant System

- i. The heating and cooling for the auditorium shall be provided through a modular type unit located in the attic. The unit shall be factory fabricated, draw-through type unit. The unit will each consist of mixing box with Merv 8 efficient pleated disposable pre-filters, electric pre-heat, DX coils, economizers, and direct drive fans. Access doors will be provided, as required, to allow access for maintenance and inspection
- ii. Air handlers for the Lobby, Stage and Dressing rooms shall be suspended from the structure. Supply and return duct shall distribute the airflow to each zone.
- iii. Outdoor condensing unit shall have condensing fans, condenser coils, and inverter compressor technology.

iv. Unit Capacities shall be:

1. (1) – Indoor air handler at 6500 CFM for the Auditorium
2. (1) – Indoor air handler at 1000 CFM for the Lobby
3. (1) – Indoor air handler at 1100 CFM for the Stage and Dressing Rooms
4. (1) – Outdoor condensing unit at 20 tons.

3. Specifications and Systems

i. Air Distribution

1. Supply diffusers shall be

- a. Aluminum construction, and shall consist of a seamless, one-piece, precision formed backpan that incorporates a round inlet collar of sufficient length for connecting rigid or flexible duct.
- b. The diffuser back pan shall be externally insulated with a molded heavy duty foil/scrim vapor barrier with an R-value of six. The insulation shall meet the requirements of UL 181 and NFPA 90A.

2. Return diffusers shall be:

- a. The return diffusers shall consist of a perforated air distribution face of no less than 51 percent free area, a heavy gauge steel back pan with round or square inlet collars as noted on the plans. The perforated face screen construction shall be aluminum. The perforated face shall be removable from the diffuser face and shall be hinged for ease of removal of the face screen for cleaning purposes.
- b. The diffuser back pan shall be externally insulated with a molded heavy duty foil/scrim vapor barrier with an R-value of six. The insulation shall meet the requirements of UL 181 and NFPA 90A.

ii. Ductwork

1. Galvanized Steel for Ducts: Hot-dipped galvanized steel sheet, ASTM A653/A653M FS Type B, with G60/Z180 coating
2. Supply ductwork from the VAV units to grille outlets will be low velocity rectangular ductwork.
3. All return air ductwork will be low velocity rectangular ductwork.
4. Sheet metal shall be constructed in accordance with the most current published SMACNA manuals.

iii. Duct Insulation

1. ASTM C553; flexible, noncombustible blanket.
2. Kraft paper with glass fiber yarn and bonded to aluminized film.
3. Moisture Vapor Permeability: 0.02 perm inch, when tested in accordance with ASTM E96/E96M.
4. Secure with pressure sensitive tape.
5. Schedule:
 - a. Supply and Return Ducts: Flexible Glass Fiber Insulation: 2" thick.

iv. Testing Adjusting and Balancing:

1. Certified T&B (AABC or NEBB), +/- 10% tolerance, all airside equipment.

v. Controls

1. The automatic temperature controls will consist of a direct digital control system (DDC).

Batesburg Leesville – Hayne Auditorium Renovation Narrative
423 College Street
Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina 29070

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN NARRATIVE

1. Codes

- a. 2021 International Building Code with SC modifications
- b. 2021 International Fire Code with SC modifications
- c. 2020 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications
- d. 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (Energy Standard Act)

2. Demolition / Existing Conditions

- a. The existing building appears to have an existing 120 / 240v., 1 phase, 3 wire overhead electrical service. Recommend this electrical service be upgraded to a 120/208v., 3 phase, 4 wire electrical service.
- b. This existing overhead electrical service will need to be removed and replaced with new. This work will need to be done to connect the existing and new renovations electrical loads; including HVAC, Plumbing, and Theatrical equipment. This can be discussed during the formal design.
- c. The existing electrical power distribution equipment and panels should be removed and replaced with new. This will be reviewed during the design process.
- d. Any metallic conduit within the existing building may be utilized for new work where applicable.

3. Manufacturers

- a. All equipment and material to be specified using three (3) manufacturers unless the Owner has other established standards.

4. Electrical Service and Distribution

- a. Provide new 120/208 volt, 3 phase, 4 wire 800 amp service to the building with main distribution panel.
- b. Distribution voltage for lighting and exterior lighting is 120 volt.
- c. Distribution voltage for Theatrical Lighting is 120/208 volt, 3-phase, 4 wire.
- d. Distribution voltage for receptacles is 120/208 volt, 3-phase, 4 wire.

- e. Any new feeders for switchboards, and panelboards rated 200 amp or greater (#250 kcmil or larger) may use aluminum conductors run in PVC (below grade), EMT (interior above grade), or GRC (exterior/exposed above grade). All other power conductors shall be as described below.
- f. All conductors other than those described above shall be copper conductors run in PVC (below grade), EMT (interior above grade), or GRC (exterior/exposed above grade), except that MC Cable may be used as indicated herein.
- g. Where approved, Metal-Clad (MC) Cable with copper conductors may be used in lieu of conduit for branch circuits run concealed in stud walls or above accessible lay-in ceilings, except that homeruns to panelboards to be run overhead in EMT. Branch circuits run exposed, above hard, or inaccessible ceilings, or in block or concrete walls shall be run in conduit.
- h. Conductors shall be 600 volt, THHN/THHW insulated wiring. All circuits to be provided with a separate, green insulated ground wire.
- i. Any new Power and Lighting branch circuit panels shall be commercial grade panelboards with thermal-magnetic bolt-on branch circuit breakers. Panelboards to be as manufactured by Square D, Eaton, or General Electric (ABB), or acceptable equivalent.
 - i. Panels to be fully rated, series rated panels will not be accepted.
 - ii. Full neutral
 - iii. Ground Bus
 - iv. Isolated ground bars where specified for computer loads
 - v. Surge Protective Devices at panels where specified.

5. Emergency Power

- a. Emergency life safety egress lighting to be provided via polycarbonate emergency battery lights with LED heads where practical. Where additional coverage dictates, lighting mini-inverters to be used.
- b. Exit lighting to be provided via polycarbonate LED exit lights with battery backup. Combination exit / emergency lighting units to be used where practical.

6. Lighting

- a. Interior lighting in office areas, instructional spaces, and common areas will be LED troffers. LED troffers to be similar to Williams LT series, Metalux 24CZ series, or Lithonia 2BLT4 series. 0-10 volt dimming to be provided in lighting fixtures.
- b. Standard switching to be provided in mechanical rooms, electrical rooms, data rooms, storage rooms, janitor's closets, and similar spaces.
- c. Specialty / decorative LED fixtures in Lobby Areas to be selected by architect via allowance.
- d. Exterior perimeter lighting to consist of LED wall mounted fixtures with integral photocell similar to Willimas VWPV or equivalent of Lumark, Cree, GE, or Lithonia.
- e. Automatic lighting controls in corridors, offices, work rooms, conference rooms, meeting rooms, and similar spaces to be provided via room occupancy sensors. Automatic lighting controls for exterior lighting to be provided via photocell and clock / schedule.

- f. 4000K color temperature to be specified to all interior and exterior lighting fixtures.
- g. Lighting to comply with applicable Energy Codes (ASHRAE 90.1 2007 / IECC 2009)

7. Theatrical Lighting and Equipment and Sound

- a. Existing Theatrical equipment, lighting, and dimming equipment will be removed and replaced with new. New Theatrical equipment consists basically the following, but not limited to:
 - i. ETC controller with dimmers for stage and auditorium areas
 - ii. Many different types of theatrical lighting fixtures
 - iii. SO cords for theatrical lighting fixture connections where needed.
 - iv. Main controller for dimmers with Computer monitors, and the like.
 - v. Sound system equipment complete with local microphones
 - vi. Control booth furniture where required
- b. Recommend retaining the services of a Theatrical Lighting Integrator / Installer / Consultant. Companies listed herein, but not limited to:
 - Barbizon Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
 - Productions Unlimited, Greer, SC

8. Power

- a. Tamper-Proof, Heavy-Duty receptacles to be provided, circuited with no more than eight (8) receptacles per circuit in general areas and no more than six (6) receptacles per circuit in offices, classrooms, and similar areas.
- b. Receptacles on dedicated circuits to be provided in work rooms and other areas for coffee maker, microwave, refrigerator, ice maker, copiers, printers, etc.
- c. Receptacle densities to be provided per codes as a minimum and coordinated with Owner's equipment in common areas. Computer and general-purpose receptacles to be provided as directed by the Owner or Owner's representative.
- d. Ground fault interrupting duplex (GFI) receptacles will be provided at locations within six (6) feet of water faucets, sinks, wash fountains, and outside locations, and as otherwise required by the 2020 NEC. Receptacles in the serving water coolers to be non-GFI receptacles with ground-fault protection provided via GFI circuit breakers feeding the receptacles.
- e. Convenience duplex receptacles will be provided for maintenance, mechanical, and electrical rooms.
- f. Power for HVAC and plumbing equipment to be provided per mechanical and plumbing drawings.
- g. Wiring device cover plates to be jumbo stainless steel.

9. Bi-Directional Amplifier (BDA) System [Maybe if local AHJ requires it]

- a. Provide a signal-boosting solution designed to enhance in-building radio frequency (RF) signal coverage for public safety radios.
- b. Provide connection to the building fire alarm system.

10. Fire Alarm System

- a. Provide new, voice evacuation, fire alarm system shall be provided as required to comply with NFPA-72 and the IFC. The fire alarm system will be furnished with battery packs per NFPA-72 to provide 24 hour-standby/5 minutes-alarm auxiliary power.
- b. Approved manufactures: Simplex, Notifier, Honeywell, Siemens, Eaton, or approved equal.
- c. The system shall be automatic/manual with limited smoke detection, heat detection, and CO detection.
- d. Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors as required where gas appliances and equipment will be utilized.
- e. All fire alarm wiring shall be in metallic conduit, minimum 3/4" trade size.

11. Communications System

- a. Communications Services to Facility will consist of, but not limited to, data, wireless access, campus sound for public address, and internet systems as required by the Owner. It is assumed that these services are currently available within the building. During the design portion of the work, this will be investigated to determine what is currently available.
- b. 4" x 4" x 2 1/8" outlet boxes with 1-gang ring to be provided for data and communications outlets. Cabling by others.
- c. Empty conduit run from data and communications outlets to cable tray or to data rooms to be provided for telephone and data wiring. Telephone and data outlet jacks, cabling, and related equipment to be provided by others.
- d. Empty conduits run to cable tray or to data rooms to be provided for security and CCTV wiring. Security and CCTV system wiring and equipment to be provided by others.
- e. Underground conduits to site service point for telephone and CATV as directed by the Owners IT personnel.
- f. 6 AWG – 3/4" metallic conduit bonded to building service ground at all plywoods.

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Haynes Auditorium - Batesburg - Leesville, South Carolina

Interior Renovations and Systems Upgrades

Schematic Opinion of Probable Cost

Existing Auditorium Renovations & MEP Upgrades

November 5, 2025

Interior Finishes	\$190,558
Upgrade HVAC Systems @ Auditorium	\$525,953
Upgrade Electrical Systems @ Auditorium	\$317,489
Upgrade Fire Alarm Systems @ Auditorium	\$13,907
Install new Accessible Toilet Rooms	\$326,115
Upgrade Exterior Envelope	\$211,779
Exterior Metal Exit Stairs	\$39,525
Misc. Repairs	\$29,350

Total Estimated Construction Costs:	\$1,654,676
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Third Party Inspections	\$10,000
Construction and Design Contingency (10%)	\$165,468
Construction Market Inflation to end of 2026.	\$99,281
Hazardous Materials Abatement Allowance	\$20,000
Design Fees (8%):	\$91,507

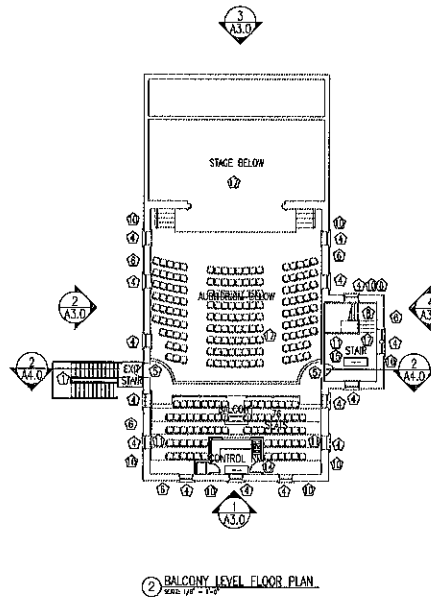
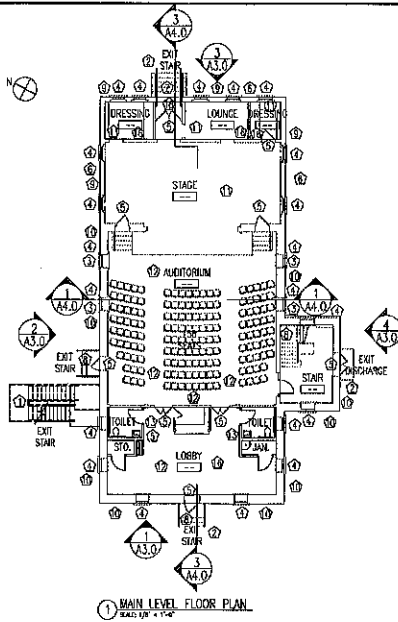
Total Indirect Costs:	\$386,255
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Total Project Costs:	\$2,040,931
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Theatrical Lighting and Sound Estimate	\$125,000
New Fixed Seating Estimate	\$120,000

Estimated A/V and Seating Costs:	\$245,000
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Not Included: Additional FF&E, Security Cameras, Access Control, Data Networking



- 1 REMOVE AND REPLACE EXIT STAIR WITH NEW CODE COMPLIANT STAIR.
- 2 REMOVE AND REPLACE LANDING AT BOTTOM OF STAIR WITH NEW CODE COMPLIANT LANDING.
- 3 REMOVE EXISTING HVAC DUCTWORK AT WINDOW. REPLICATE NEW WINDOW SASHES TO MATCH EXISTING AND INSTALL IN OPENING VACATED BY DUCTWORK DEMOLITION.
- 4 STRIP PAINT FROM WINDOW SASHES, FRAME, AND TRIM BACK TO SOUND LAYER OF PAINT. PRIME AND PAINT WINDOW.
- 5 STRIP PAINT FROM DOOR, FRAME, AND TRIM BACK TO SOUND LAYER OF PAINT. PRIME AND PAINT WINDOW.
- 6 STRIP PAINT FROM SOFFIT FASCIA AND TRIM BACK TO SOUND LAYER OF PAINT. PRIME AND PAINT WINDOW.
- 7 INSTALL NEW HANDRAIL ON BOTH SIDES OF EXIT STAIR.
- 8 INSTALL NEW HANDRAIL AND GUARDRAIL ON BOTH SIDES OF EXIT STAIR.
- 9 CLEAN EXTERIOR MASONRY WALL. PREP, PRIME AND PAINT EXTERIOR MASONRY.
- 10 CLEAN EXTERIOR PLASTER WALL. PREP, PRIME AND PAINT EXTERIOR PLASTER.
- 11 SAND WOOD FLOOR AND PREPARE FOR NEW CLEAR FINISH.
- 12 REMOVE EXISTING CARPET FLOOR FINISH AND PREPARE SLAB TO RECEIVE NEW FINISH.
- 13 INSTALL NEW ACCESSIBLE TOILET ROOMS.
- 14 INSTALL NEW CONTROL ROOM WITH SHIP'S LADDER TO ATTIC MECHANICAL PLATFORM.
- 15 PATCH WALLS WITH ACOUSTICAL WALL PANELS TO MATCH EXISTING. PRIME AND PAINT ALL INTERIOR WALL SURFACES.
- 16 INSTALL NEW SUSPENDED CEILING SYSTEM.
- 17 INSTALL NEW SURFACE MOUNTED ACOUSTICAL PANEL SYSTEM.
- 18 REMOVE AND REPLACE ROTTEN WOOD DECK BOARDS AND FRAMING.

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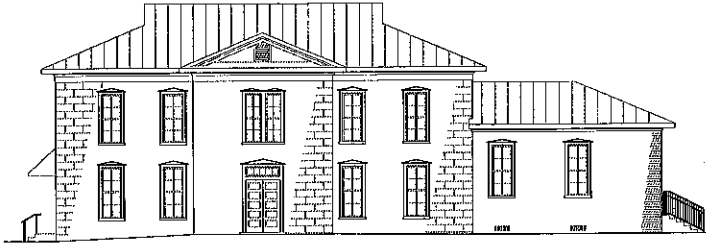
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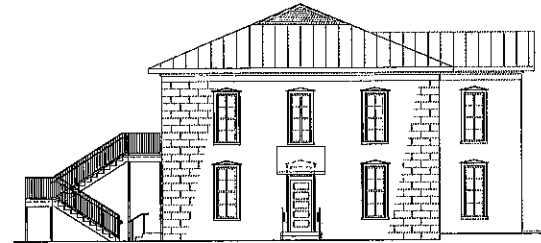
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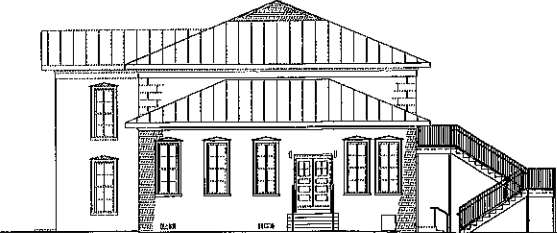
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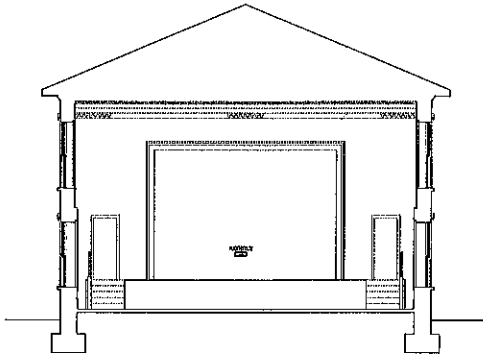
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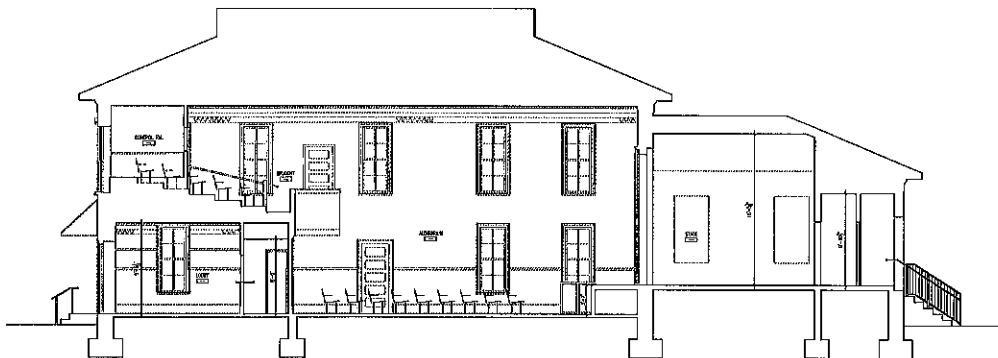
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ABBEVILLE COUNTY

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 23, 2026

Dear Senator Gambrell,

Abbeville County respectfully requests state financial support to assist with the critical renovation of the historic Abbeville County Courthouse. This structure is not only a functioning center of government operations but is also a significant landmark in South Carolina's architectural and cultural heritage located on the city square in Abbeville SC.

For decades, Abbeville County has worked diligently to maintain the historic courthouse and keep it operational despite aging infrastructure and limited resources. We have provided routine maintenance including utility repairs, mitigating moisture problems, and adapting office space to ensure the building remained functional for employees and the public. These efforts have allowed the courthouse to remain in use, but the building has now reached a point where routine maintenance is no longer sufficient. As noted, the county has already experienced lost office space due to poor air quality and visible mold/mildew, the most recent being the probation and parole offices that have been relocated to our county administrative complex. The structure's long-term integrity can no longer be preserved through incremental fixes alone. A comprehensive renovation is now essential to protect this historic asset and ensure its safe, sustainable use for future generations.

Abbeville County has taken deliberate steps to prepare for this project and to ensure responsible stewardship of public funds. We have conducted multiple assessments and analysis to determine the best course of action. We have acquired an engineering/architectural firm to complete hazard assessments and predesign requirements for phased renovation. Preliminary cost estimates place construction expenses between \$7.5 million and \$10 million, with an additional 8–10% required for architectural and engineering services. This cost would be a considerable burden on Abbeville County taxpayers for many years and stifle other capital projects that are greatly needed.

The Abbeville County Courthouse is a cornerstone of our community's identity. With state partnership, we can ensure that this historic structure remains safe, functional, and preserved for generations to come. We appreciate your consideration and welcome any opportunity to provide additional documentation or meet to discuss the project further.

Respectfully,

T. Brian Moon

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County Director, Abbeville County



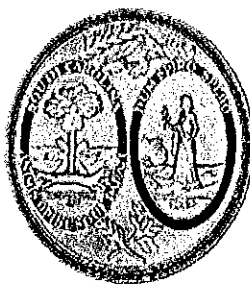
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ABBEVILLE COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT

ABBEVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

TIFFANI TYNER MITCHUM
CHIEF MAGISTRATE

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ABBEVILLE, SC 29620
864-446-6500 x 2437

The Honorable Craig Gagnon
AND
House Ways and Means Committee
436B Blatt Bldg.
Columbia 29201

BY EMAIL ONLY:
craiggagnon@schouse.gov

January 20, 2026

Dear Representative Gagnon and Esteemed Committee,

RE: Capital Funding Request for Courtroom Audio/Sound System Modernization

SUBMITTED BY:

Abbeville County Magistrate Court
Chief Judge Tiffani Tyner Mitchum
21 Old Calhoun Falls Road
Abbeville, SC 29620
864-446-6500 x 2437
tmitchum@abbevilcountysc.gov

1. Executive Summary

The Summary Court in Abbeville County requests **\$21,563.01** in non-recurring, state-appropriated funds for the immediate upgrade and replacement of the obsolete audio system in the courtroom used for Jury Trials, Bench Trials, Bond Court, Traffic Court, Criminal Court, and Civil Court. Our 20-year-old system is in critical condition, causing frequent interruptions, inaudible court records, and potential legal, safety, or administrative failures.

2. Project Justification & Need

- **Safety & Security:** The current system does not allow for clear voice amplification, which is critical for security in high-stakes hearings.

- **Operational Failures:** The current system frequently fails, requiring continuances or delays in court proceedings, wasting taxpayer time and resources.
- **Record Integrity:** The court records (transcripts/audio logs) are compromised by extremely poor audio quality, hindering appeals and ensuring, or failing to ensure, compliance with court rules.
- **Age of System:** The current technology is twenty (20) years old and parts are no longer manufactured.

3. Proposed Solution

This project involves the installation of a modern, digital audio system, including:

- Upgraded microphones for the judge, clerk, witness, and counsel tables.
- A new digital signal processor (DSP).
- High-fidelity ceiling speakers.
- ADA-compliant assistive listening devices.
- Integration capability with digital court recording software.

4. Project Budget (Estimate attached)

- *Quote received from Centurions Inc. Sound Systems and More, who were recommended by CCM, the County's computer consultant company. Centurions Inc. conducted a site visit in our courtroom and solicited input from judges and clerks. They viewed the entire courtroom space and gathered information about our requirements.*
- **Equipment:** \$17,815.90
- **Installation/Labor:** \$2,500.00
- **Training & Configuration:** included
- **S.C. sales tax:** \$1,247.11
- **Total Project Request: \$21,563.01**

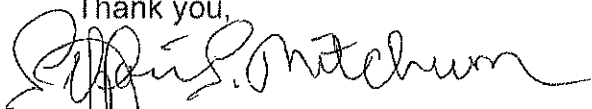
5. Implementation Timeline

- **Funding Provided:** January 2027
- **Vendor Procurement:** February 2027
- **Installation:** February 2027
- **Project Completion:** March 2027

6. Expected Impact

Completion of this project will ensure a reliable, efficient, legally compliant, and accessible courtroom, improving the overall administration of justice within Abbeville County and ensuring the safety of all court participants.

Thank you,



The Honorable T. T. Mitchum
Chief Magistrate, Abbeville
tmitchum@abbevillecountysc.gov

AUDIO - VIDEO PRESENTATION SYSTEM FOR:				OPTION # 1		
ABBEVILLE COUNTY MAGISTRATE OFFICE						
ABBEVILLE, SC						
3 JUNE 2025						
EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION	QTY	SUGGEST RETAIL EA	RETAIL TOTAL	COST EA	YOUR COST QTY TOTAL	
ALLEN HEATH CQ12T DIGITAL MIXER	1	\$1,124.99	\$1,124.99	\$899.99	\$899.99	
ALLEN HEATH CQ12T RACK EARS	1	\$99.99	\$99.99	\$79.99	\$79.99	
LEA CS-352 2X350 WATTS DSP DIGITAL POWER AMPLIFIER	1	\$1,746.00	\$1,746.00	\$1,222.20	\$1,222.20	
GATOR DESKTOP EQUIPMENT RACK	1	\$303.99	\$303.99	\$189.99	\$189.99	
ELECTRO-VOICE C8.2 8" CEILING SPEAKER	6	\$343.98	\$2,063.88	\$240.79	\$1,444.74	
GALAXY AUDIO MSPA5 POWERED HOT SPT SPEAKER	1	\$344.99	\$344.99	\$229.99	\$229.99	
LISTEN TECHNOLOGIES BASIC IDSP ADA ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM	1	\$1,230.00	\$1,230.00	\$1,099.00	\$1,099.00	
ALTO BTULTIMATE BLUE TOOTH RECEIVER	1	\$99.00	\$99.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	
EIKI EK500LU 5000 LUMENS LASER PROJECTOR	1	\$3,175.00	\$3,175.00	\$2,640.00	\$2,640.00	
EIKI 5GH WIRELESS CONFERENCE PROCESSOR UNIT	1	\$1,875.00	\$1,875.00	\$1,560.00	\$1,560.00	
EIKI CHAIRMAN WIRELESS MICROPHONE UNIT	1	\$755.00	\$755.00	\$630.00	\$630.00	
EIKI DELEGATE WIRELESS MICROPHONE UNIT	4	\$720.00	\$2,880.00	\$600.00	\$2,400.00	
EIKI RECHARGEABLE BATTERY PACK FOR WIRELESS MICS	5	\$78.00	\$390.00	\$65.00	\$325.00	
EIKI BATTERY CHARGING CASE	1	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$540.00	\$540.00	
KRAMER VP-440X 4K SCALER SWITCH	1	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,260.00	\$1,260.00	
KRAMER VM-4H2 1:2 4K HDMI DISTRIBUTION AMPLIFIER-SPLITTER	1	\$490.00	\$490.00	\$441.00	\$441.00	
KRAMER WP-789T WALL PLATE HDMI OVER UTP TRANSMITTER	1	\$410.00	\$410.00	\$369.00	\$369.00	
KRAMER TP-789R HDMI OVER UTP RECEIVER	1	\$395.00	\$395.00	\$355.50	\$355.50	
LG 32" FLAT PANEL COMPUTER MONITOR	2	\$358.00	\$716.00	\$214.80	\$429.60	
FURMAN M8X POWER STRIP/SURGE PROTECTOR	2	\$141.95	\$283.90	\$109.95	\$219.90	
CONNECTORS/SEISMIC CABLES/SAFETY MATERIALS	1	\$275.00	\$275.00	\$185.00	\$185.00	
WIRE/CABLES/CONNECTORS/MISC INSTALL MATERIALS (LOT PACKAGE)	1	\$1,698.00	\$1,698.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
EQUIPMENT SUBTOTAL			\$22,405.74		\$17,815.90	
SC SALES TAX			\$1,568.40		\$1,247.11	
SYSTEM SUBTOTAL			\$23,974.14		\$19,063.01	
INSTALLATION LABOR	1	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
SYSTEM TOTAL			\$27,474.14		\$21,563.01	
NOTES:				SUGG RETAIL	YOUR COST	
1. Quote prepared from notes taken during visit to site				VALUE		
2. Additional 110V, 20 Amp dedicated power circuits will be required for proper operation of system. Power to be provided by county representative.						
3. We are available to review quote and provide information concerning the equipment and how it will fit into the system.						
4. Hearing Assist System is required by ADA for all Sound System Installations						



House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Antreville VFD upgrades

Requested Amount: \$ 205,000

Recipient Entity: Antreville Vol. Fire Dept.

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☒ Other

If **Other**, please explain: Volunteer Fire Dept

Entity Contact: Rodney Lowe Title/Position: Asst. Chief

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Abbeville

Intended Use of the Funds: upgrade equipment a building

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Increase Public Safety of rural Abbeville
County

CRAIG GAGNON

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Craig Gagnon

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Antreville



Volunteer Fire Department

147 Hwy 184 W
Abbeville, SC 29620

February 6, 2026

Abbeville County Legislative Delegation
299 Noble Drive
Abbeville, SC 29620

Re: Request for funding

The Antreville Volunteer Fire Department consists of one main station and two substations protecting the largest land area in Abbeville County. The McGill and Diamond Hill substations protect the growing Lake Secession area that now has several multi-million dollar homes.

Two years ago, we have received an E-1 pumper. However, this vehicle is not equipped with all the gear necessary to put it into service.

Half of our turnout gear is obsolete.

Our current fire trucks lack the upgrades mandated by required standards.

Here is an estimate of the requests for our department:

Turnout gear (20 sets)	\$70,000
Upgrades to pumper truck	\$50,000
Equipment upgrades of current trucks	\$30,000
Maintenance on vehicles	\$25,000
Building upgrades	<u>\$35,000</u>
Total	\$210,000

Thank you for any assistance you could give us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodney Lowe".

Rodney Lowe, Assistant Chief

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**Abbeville County
Coroner's Office**



**C Brad Evans
Coroner**

Phone: (864) 366-8451 * Fax: (864) 366-6636 * E-mail:bevans@abbevillecountysc.com

January 30, 2026

Dear Representative Gagnon,

As Coroner of a small county, we need assistance at this time to obtain items for the Coroner's Office to help our Coroner be able to go to death calls as needed to be ethical and fall under all county insurance coverages. The existing vehicle has been passed down through multiple offices and is costing extensive maintenance expenses.

Upon your approval, I would request the following items to be purchased from the South Carolina State Budget and the vehicle would be acquired as soon as the funds become available.

ITEM: 1

- (1) Unmarked Chevrolet Vehicle, a Chevrolet Tahoe, at a price of approximately \$54,000.00. This is also to include upfitting this vehicle with lights, sirens, etc.. thus creating an emergency response vehicle. The amount for this item request is \$4,531.43. Which brings the total request to **\$58,531.43**

The requested item would be acquired and installed as soon as the funds became available.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Coroner Brad Evans

ICE

Palmetto Emergency Outfitters
LLC
858 Highway 72 East
Abbeville, SC 29620

palmettoemergencyoutfitters@gmail.
com
+1 (864) 447-7481



Bill to
Abbeville County Sheriffs Department
21 Old Calhoun Falls Rd
Abbeville, SC 29620 USA

Ship to
Abbeville County Sheriffs Department
21 Old Calhoun Falls Rd
Abbeville, SC 29620 USA

Invoice details

Invoice no.: 1238

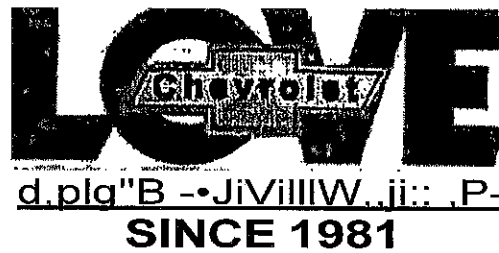
Terms: Net 30

Invoice date: 12/19/2024

Due date: 02/21/2025

#	Date	Product or service	SKU	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.		Q Flat Surface Mount	QFM-8101	BLUE/WHITE	6	\$99.00	\$594.00
2.		Fenlax QSM & FSM & LS Single L-Bracket	Q-4016		2	\$9.00	\$18.00
3.		Fenlax Fusion Interior Front Lightbar		With Custom Silverado 1500 brackets (2024)		\$649.00	\$649.00
4.		Fenlax Fusion 600	FS-0616	Color -BLUE		\$339.00	\$339.00
5.		Fenlax Stick Light Headliner Bracket	FN-4416		2	\$19.00	\$38.00
6.		Whelen HHS3200 Handheld Siren Controller	W-HHS3200		1	\$449.00	\$449.00
7.		Fenlax Triton 100W Speaker	S-2009			\$109.00	\$109.00
8.		Unlisted Product		Product not regularly bought or sold (HG2 Runner Board Lights BLUE/WHITE)		\$799.00	\$799.00
9.		Fenlax Quad Cannon	Q-2222	BLUE/WHITE	4	\$69.00	\$276.00
10.		Fenlax Cannon Surface Mount Bezel	H-3219		4	\$9.00	\$36.00
11.		Havis Charge Guard				\$89.99	\$89.99

ATTACHMENT A ,



LOVE CHEVROLET COMP.A.FJY

100 PARKRIDGE DR

Columbia, South Carolina 29212

DON LOCKHART LOVE CHEVROLET FLEET 803-51 5905

D 9CKHART.@LOVEAUTO.COM.

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2025 CHEVROLET TAHOE 9C1POLICE PURSUIT2M.iD

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PRICE INCLUDES SC,IMF FEE AND OMV TEMP TAGS

WHITE,BLACK, STERLING GRAY EXT9R/OR

EBONY INTERIOR/VINY

9C1PURSUIT PA'Cf()GE

HD BRAKES/ BREMBO CALIPERS FRONT

12.	Blue Sea Install Kit		Blue Sea 6 bank Fuse Block, Maxi R.Jse (30, 50, 60, or 80 Amp), 6 Terminal Buss bar, Maxi R.Jse Inline Harness		\$84.95	\$84.95
13.	Install	00028	Installation supplies	5	\$25.00	\$125.00
14.	Labor			21	\$32.00	\$672.00

Subtotal \$4,278.94

Sales tax \$252.49

Total **\$4,531.43**

Note to customer

Install of (4) Lights in the front grille of the vehicle, Install of interior visor lights, and install of high beam headlight flasher. Install of (1) light in each rear door side window for side coverage along with runner board lights in BLUE/WHITE. Install of a Fen'lex 600 stick in the rear window and install of (4) lights under the rear tailgate. All lights will be controlled on a Whelen hand held siren controller paired with a Triton speaker. AULights come with a 5 year warranty for any defects.

Quote Accepted Via Text on 12/19/24

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Rescue / Brush truck acquisition

Requested Amount: \$ 75,000.00

Recipient Entity: Grove Fire Department

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☒ Other

If **Other**, please explain: Volunteer Fire Dept

Entity Contact: Marty Watt Title/Position: Chief

Phone Number: _____ Email: mpwatt@wctel.net

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Anderson

Intended Use of the Funds: purchase fire equipment - Brush Truck

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: improve fire protection in southwestern

Anderson County

CRAIG A. GAGNON

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Grove Fire Department #18

1012 Brown Road

Iva SC 29655

The Grove Fire Department #18 is seeking funds to purchase a Rescue/Brush Vehicle for the purpose of extinguishing brush fires and performing rescue operations in rough terrain. We are presently seeking donations to help offset the purchase. Granting Grove Fire Department with the funding to purchase a Rescue/Brush vehicle will greatly enhance our fire and rescue service in Grove and the Starr-Iva areas of South Carolina. We would like to have this vehicle in operation by June 2025.

The Grove Fire Department is a community fire department made up of volunteers, which was established in 1967. At that time there were only 135 families served. Our department now provides fire protection to more than 250 families, five churches, five small businesses, more than 20,000 acres of forest/wildland and the Santee Cooper Natural Gas Power Plant. We receive funds from Anderson County Fire Department for air packs, fuel, internet, pagers, portable radios, power, turnout gear and other various safety equipment. The department depends on fund raisers and donations to help offset the costs of additional safety apparatuses, new vehicles and repair. We receive approximately \$36,000.00 annually through county funding, fund raisers and donations. This does not adequately provide funding for other necessary vehicles to provide emergency services to our areas.

Serving in a rural community, sound safety equipment is crucial. With over 20,000 acres in forest/wildland, which surrounds Lake Russell, Generostee Creek and several small branches, we have numerous calls to extinguish brush fires in very rough terrain. We also receive calls for rescue operations with hikers falling into ravens, missing persons and deer hunters falling from tree stands. A Rescue/Brush vehicle would be vital equipment in these incidents.

For this reason, we are seeking funding of \$75,000 to purchase a Rescue/Brush vehicle to improve our rescue and fire extinguishing services to our community, both permanent residents and visitors to our lake, creeks, and forest land. Our firefighters will be safer and more proficient in providing fire protection and rescue to our community because of this funding.

Thank you for your consideration.

Marty

Marty Watt

Chief

(864) 934-7535

mpwatt@wctel.net

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: FIRE EQUIPMENT / UPGRADES

Requested Amount: \$ 239,100

Recipient Entity: Monterey Volunteer FD

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☒ Other

If **Other**, please explain: Volunteer Fire Dept.

Entity Contact: Curtis Brown Title/Position: Chief

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Abbeville

Intended Use of the Funds: Purchase fire equipment and upgrades

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Increase fire protection in rural

Abbeville County

CRAIG GAGNON

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



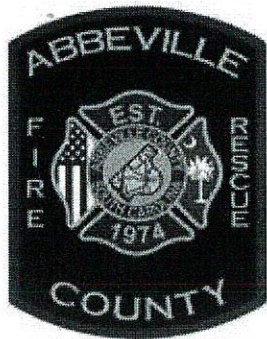
Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



Monterey Volunteer Fire Department
Station #9
1970 Monterey Road
Abbeville, SC 29620
864-446-2373
Monterey9@wctel.net

Representative Gagnon,

The Board of Trustees of Monterey Volunteer Fire Department is requesting your assistance in procuring funds from the state of South Carolina to help purchase equipment and building improvements. As you know, we serve a small and very rural community, and we have limited funds to properly serve our community. We would like to request funding for a new brush truck. We currently have a 1987 model truck that is beyond its limits. A new truck would be a great service to our community. We need to replace the 10 tires on our tanker to be in compliance with NFPA 1911 which mandates tires be replaced every seven (7) years.

We would like to make some structural improvements to the fire station. We would like to replace the roll-up panel doors with new insulated panel doors. We would also like to replace the current lights inside the fire station with LED lights to make our station more energy efficient. We would like to upgrade the floors in the truck bays to an anti-slip flooring. We would like to add a lighted station sign as well.

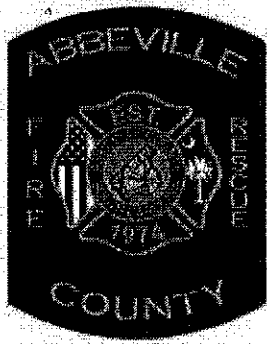
To better help serve our community during natural disasters and power outages, we would like to add a shower for the community to use. We also would like to get 10 emergency cots to use if members of our community need a safe place to stay during a disaster.

As our state Representative, we are requesting your assistance to help us at Monterey Volunteer Fire Department secure the funding for the following items to help us better serve our community here in Abbeville County. We will acquire the requested items as soon as funding is received.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Curtis Brown".

Curtis Brown, Chief, Station 9

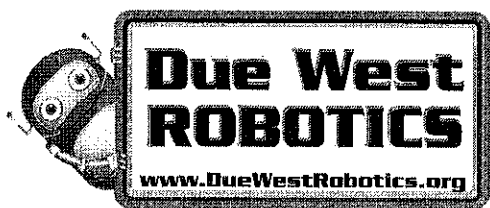


Monterey Volunteer Fire Department
Station #9
1970 Monterey Road
Abbeville, SC 29620
864-446-2373
Monterey9@wctel.net

Item	Quantity	Unit price per item	Total cost
Brush truck	1	\$100,000	\$100,000
Tires for tanker	10	\$550	\$5,500
Roll-up panel doors	5	\$9,800	\$49,000
Structural improvements	1	\$80,000	\$80,000
Emergency cots	10	\$150	\$1500
Led lights	20	\$155	\$3,100

\$ 239,100.00

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Due West Robotics

P.O. Box 66
Due West, SC 29639

Phone: 864-980-3119
charles.angel@duewestrobotics.org

Date: 02/07/2026

Representative Gagnon,

Due West Robotics provides Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) opportunities to k-12 students throughout the state of South Carolina. We are a South Carolina 501(c)3 non profit, helping to develop the future technical workforce leaders in our great state. We are requesting \$350,000 from the state to complete our fiscal needs to construct the Palmetto Innovation & Technology Center in Due West South Carolina. This contribution will allow us to complete construction and open the facility by the end of this year.

This will be a "first of its kind" building for the following

- House the only full Robotics Competition field in the state for all SC teams to practice on (Georgia has 4 sites that have proven to be a great benefit within their state)
- House Due West Robotics teams
- Provide much needed space for parking and community events
- Host official South Carolina robotics competitions
- Host STEM related conventions
- Host weekly/monthly STEM activities for families to participate in (50 mile radius)
- Host STEM activities for schools (private, public, and homeschools) to participate

We project that this building will be utilized by more than 10,000 residents per year by 2028. Included is an Economic Impact study done by Clemson University. The conservative cumulative impact on the 7 county region of \$7.7 million over the next 5 years.

Much like NASCAR, robotics teams have a "pit" where teams work on their robot during the season and during competitions. We plan to name this building The Palmetto Innovation and Technology Center (PIT for short). "Let's go to the PIT"

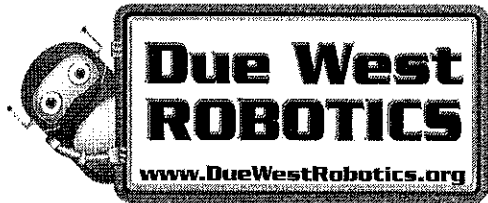
Sincerely,

Charles Angel

President of Due West Robotics

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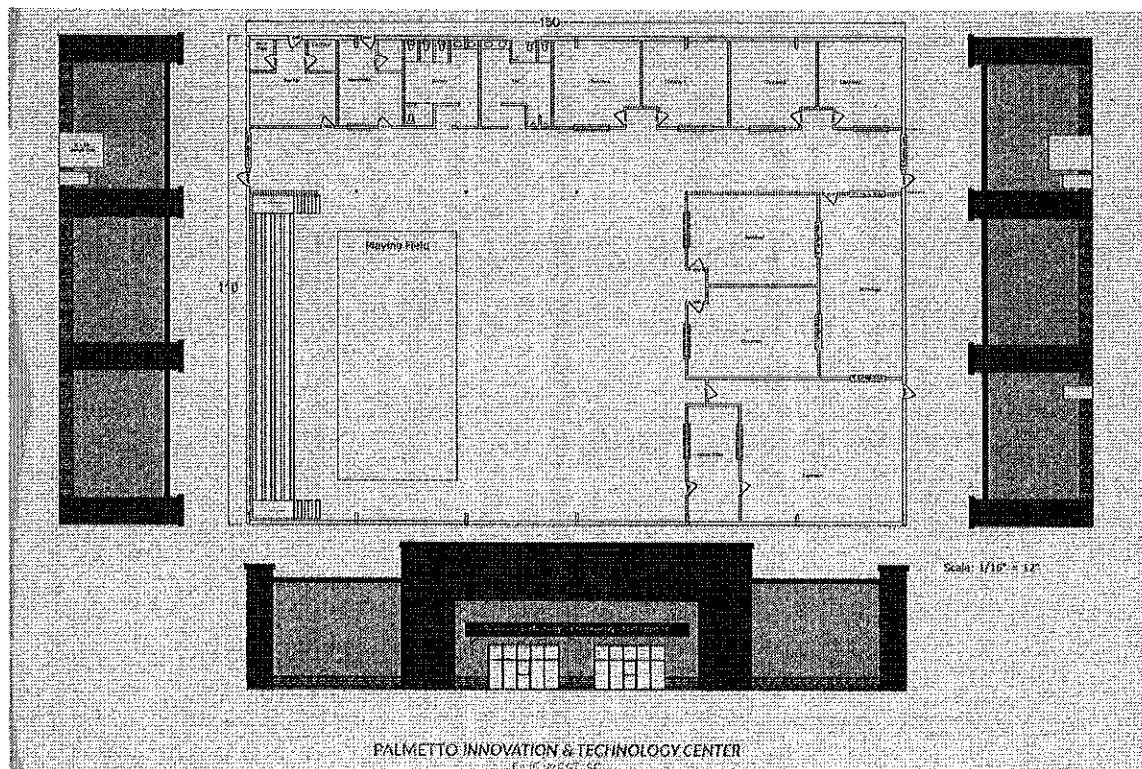
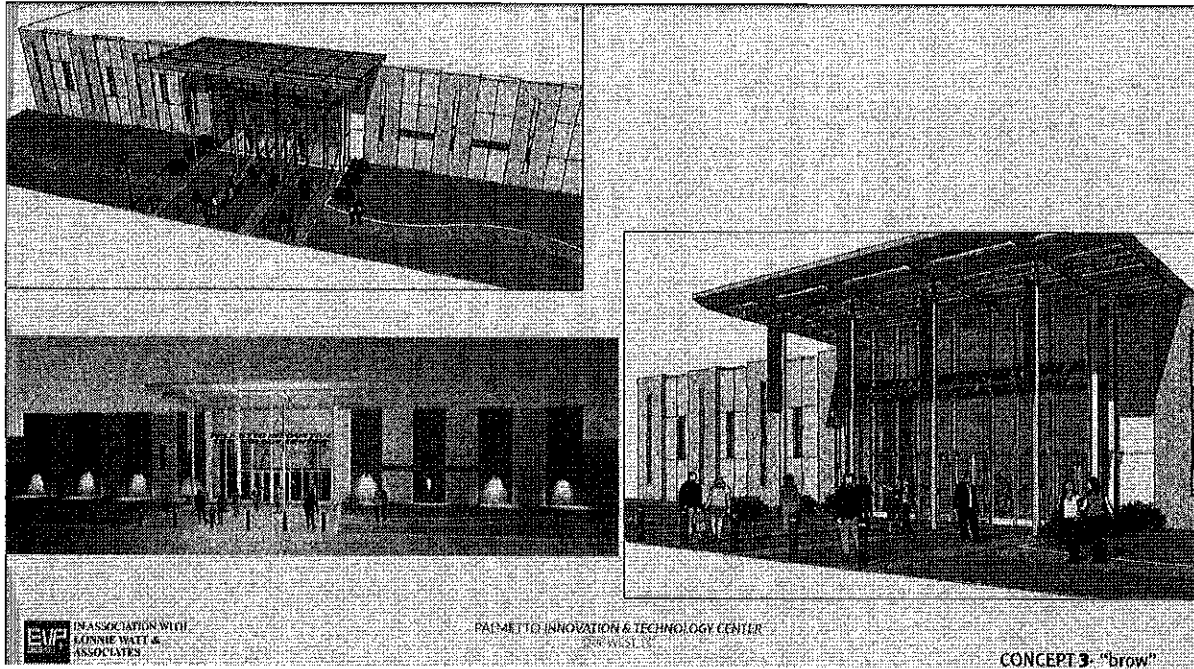
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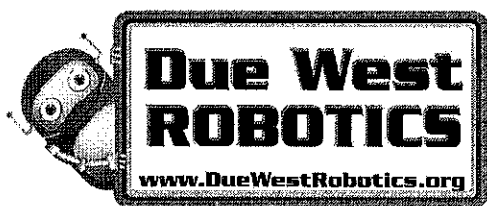
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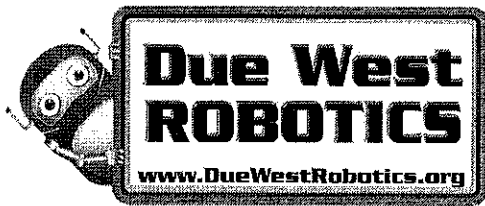
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Budget:

Architecture, Engineering and Permits	\$66,000 (Spent \$51,300)
Excavation & Concrete Floor	\$150,000
Steel Building	\$225,000
Insulation	\$50,000
Erection of Steel Building	\$125,000
Glass Entrance and Garage Doors	\$100,000
Garage Doors	\$18,000
HVAC	\$75,000
Plumbing	\$50,000
Electrical	\$50,000
Sprinkler System	\$125,000
Interior Walls	\$100,000
Excavation, Sidewalks, Landscaping, Pavement, Retaining pond	\$200,000
Building Exterior	\$150,000
Brow Overhang	\$75,000
A/V Equipment and Installation	\$25,000
Flooring	\$25,000
Gas line Installation	\$22,000
Bleachers	\$30,000
Tables and Chairs	\$12,000
Contingency and Possible FFE	\$100,000
Total	\$1,773,000

We have secured over 100 tradesmen to help with either free or greatly reduced labor. Without this help the cost would be over \$2,500,000. This is a 20,000 square foot facility.

We have over \$1,319,000 in a restricted account and pledges (pledges paid over a 3 year period)



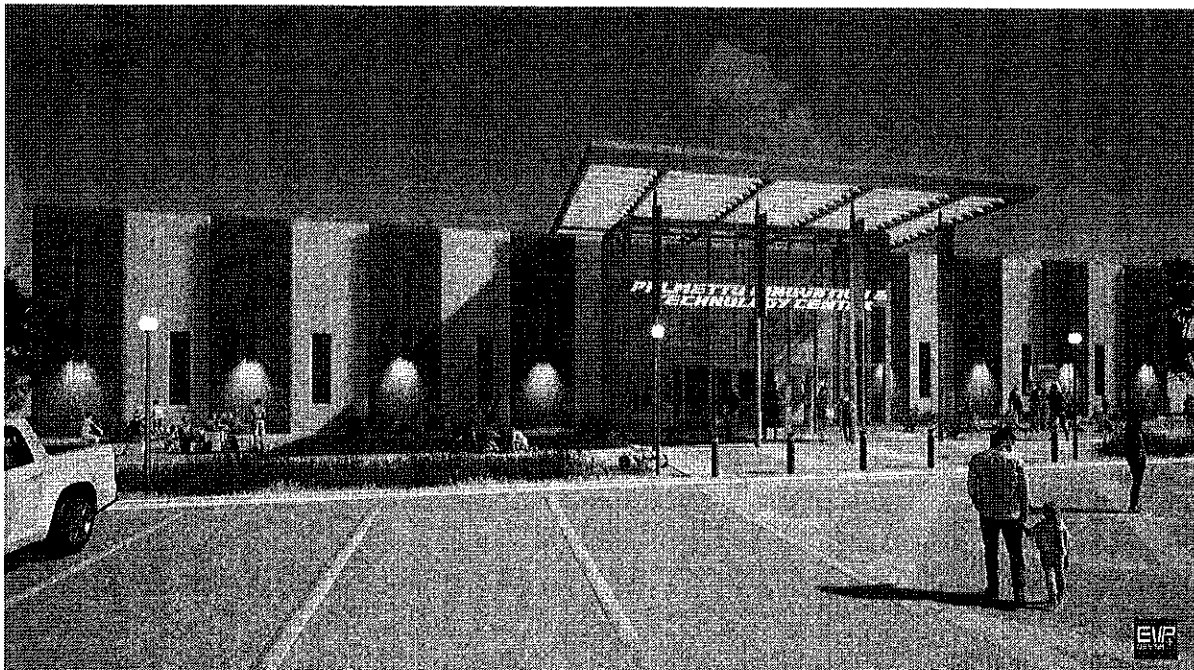
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Timeline

- **June 2025:** Groundbreaking / Construction began
- **January 2026:** Phase 1 Construction Complete
- **April 2026:** Complete Phase 2 Construction Complete
- **October, 2026:** Phase 3 and 4 Construction Complete
- **By November 2026:** Grand opening and building in use



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Due West Robotics

Economic Impact Analysis



Abbeville County, South Carolina
September 12, 2024

Robert T. Carey, Ph.D.
Clemson University Regional Economic Analysis Laboratory



Economic Impact

■ DIRECT EFFECTS

The immediate impact of the economic change, for example, people directly employed at the new Robotics facility.

■ INDIRECT EFFECTS

The impact on local first and second tier suppliers.

■ INDUCED EFFECTS

The impact created by consumer spending of additional wage income resulting from direct and indirect effects.

■ TOTAL IMPACT

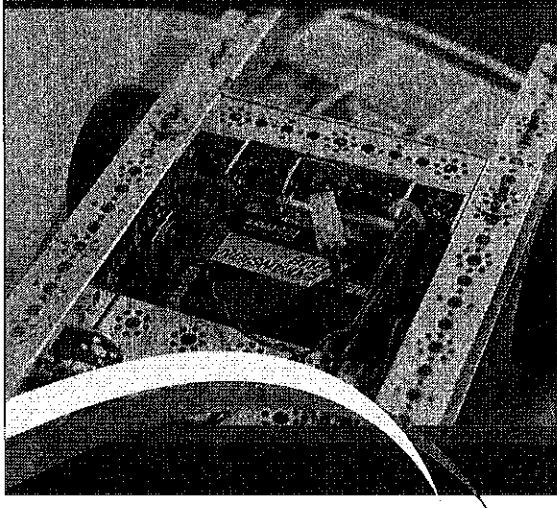
The sum of direct, indirect, and induced effects.

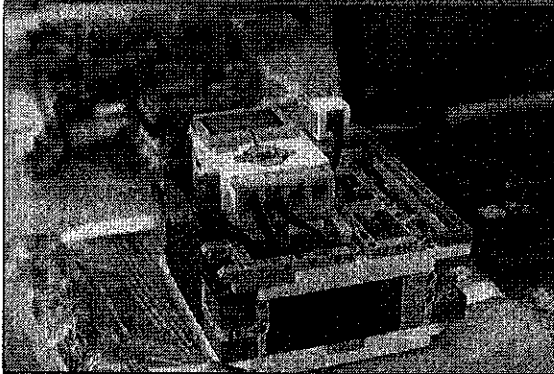
Due West Robotics provides facilities and equipment for young people from throughout the state to hone their science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) skills through hands-on experimentation and experience. This analysis estimates the economic and local fiscal impact that Due West Robotics has on Abbeville County and surrounding counties due to operational and capital spending, as well as spending by students and their families traveling to the Town of Due West to utilize the organization's facilities. Due West Robotics plans to construct a dedicated facility in 2025, which will increase its capacity to serve the state's youth. This study includes additional visitors, both local and from outside of the immediate region, associated with this new facility.

The model assumes that visitors from outside of Abbeville County will make purchases related to dining, retail, entertainment, and transportation while present, while visitors from outside of the immediate region surrounding Abbeville County are additionally assumed to lodge overnight, two persons per room. Visitor spending amounts per person are based upon data obtained from the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism.

Impacts are reported using the following metrics; all dollar amounts are stated in constant 2024 dollars to control for inflation.

- ⇒ Employment: the number of jobs or job equivalents created within the region through direct, indirect, and induced effects.
- ⇒ Total compensation: the impact on aggregated annual wage income (including benefits) for all workers in the region.
- ⇒ Output, or total sales: the impact on the dollar value of all goods and services produced within the region within a given year.
- ⇒ Net local government revenue: revenue impact from all revenue sources—including taxes, licensing, fees, and intergovernmental transfer—net of expenses. This value is aggregated for all local governments within Abbeville county, including county, municipal, and public school districts.





Sources of Economic & Fiscal Impact



Construction of the new facility



Normal operational expenditures by Due West Robotics



Spending by visitors to Due West Robotics' events

Total Impact Projections

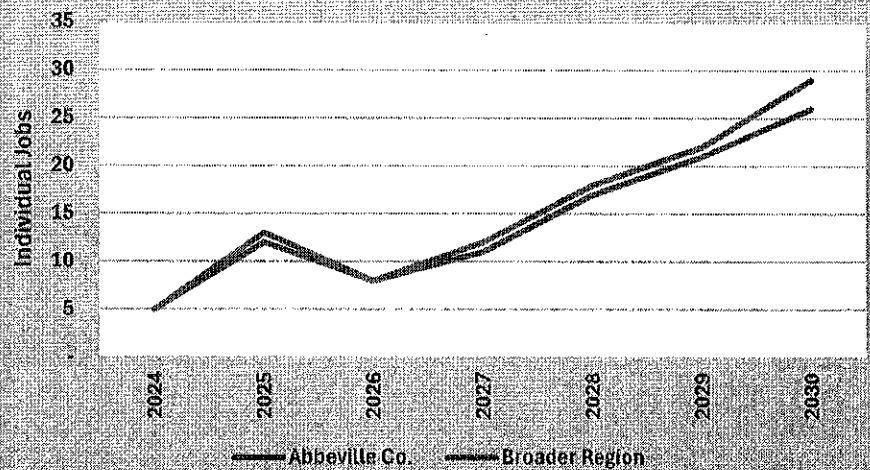
Abbeville County

- ⇒ 14 new jobs, averaged over study period (26 total jobs by 2030)
- ⇒ \$288,000 in annual compensation*
- ⇒ \$830,000 in annual output (or total sales)*
- ⇒ Cumulative impact on output of \$5.8 million (2024-2030)
- ⇒ Net local fiscal impact of \$80,400 annually, including \$6,800 annual hospitality tax (HTAX) revenue in City of Abbeville; and approximately \$1,000 of annual Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) revenue in the Town of Due West*
- ⇒ Cumulative net local fiscal impact of \$562,500 (2024-2030)

Seven-County Region + Anderson County ** (inclusive of Abbeville County)

- ⇒ 15 new jobs*
- ⇒ \$353,000 in annual compensation*
- ⇒ \$1.1 million in annual output*
- ⇒ Cumulative impact on output of \$7.7 million (2024-2030)

Estimated Total Employment Impact



* Annual impact averaged over study period.

** Seven-county region includes Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry, and Saluda counties.

Methodology:

This analysis utilized the REMI PI⁺ economic model and CU-REAL's Fiscal Impact Analysis Tool. REMI utilizes input-output (IO) modeling as well as computable general equilibrium (CGE) and econometric modeling to project a baseline of economic activity assuming no changes aside from normal economic growth. Changes to the economy can then be modeled in terms of departures from that baseline, including direct, indirect, and induced effects.

The REMI model is a "new economic geography" (NEG) model, taking into account trade flows between regions based upon availability of labor and natural resources and the efficacy of transporting goods and services to and from the region. The model can project economic impacts over multiple years, allowing for intertemporal effects, i.e., "spillover" effects from one year to the next.

Outputs from the REMI model are used with our Fiscal Impact Analysis Tool in order to project the net fiscal impact that the modeled economic changes will have on state and local governments (county, municipal, and public school districts) in the study region. The tool is calibrated using U.S. Census of Governments data to estimate changes in revenue and expenditures for state and local governments based upon changes in metrics generated by the REMI model.

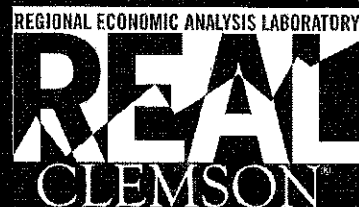
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**TECHNICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY REGIONAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS LABORATORY**

This Technical Services Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into as of the commencement date of the Term provided in Section 3 ("Effective Date") between Duc West Robotics, having a principal place of business at PO Box 66, Due West, SC 29639 ("Sponsor"), and Clemson University, an institution of higher education of the State of South Carolina having business offices at 230 Kappa Street, Suite 200, Clemson, South Carolina 29634 ("University"). Sponsor and University may be referred to individually as a "Party" or together as the "Parties."

1. BACKGROUND

- a) The Clemson University Regional Economic Analysis Laboratory ("CU-REAL") has the expertise and facilities to conduct economic and demographic forecasting to analyze the local, regional, and national impact of economic development, policy changes, and related events.
- b) Sponsor desires to have University perform certain Services as further described below that require CU-REAL's expertise and facilities.

2. SERVICES

- a) Sponsor desires to have University perform certain services in accordance with the statement of work described in Attachment A (the "Services") and performance of the Services is consistent, compatible and beneficial to the academic, research, and public service roles and mission of University as an institution of higher education.
- b) University will use reasonable efforts to perform the Services, subject to the terms herein and limitations of the consideration specified herein, under the direction and supervision of Dr. Robert T. Carey ("Technical Director") or his/her successor as mutually agreed to by the Parties.

3. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

This Agreement will commence on August 21, 2024 and continue through September 11, 2024 (the "Term"), unless the Services are completed earlier or this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Article 9. The Term may be extended by mutual written agreement of the Parties or unilaterally by University if the performance of Services is delayed because Sponsor fails to provide timely or complete data to the University as necessary for the performance of Services.

4. COMPENSATION

- a) As consideration for University's performance of the Services, Sponsor will pay to University the firm fixed price of \$2,000. Sponsor agrees to automatically make payments to University upon receipt of University invoices submitted in accordance with the following schedule:

- 50% upon execution of the Agreement;
- 50% within thirty (30) days after completion by University of the Services, or the expiration of

this Agreement, whichever event is later, unless the Agreement is terminated sooner in accordance with Section 9.

Sponsor understands and agrees that this is a “fixed price” agreement, meaning that University is under no obligation to provide Sponsor with any kind of financial reporting, supporting documentation, or justification of expenditures made in the performance of the Services as a condition of payment. Sponsor is not entitled to any refund of funds not spent if all Service commitments have been met. Sponsor further understands and agrees that any interim report and the final report may be withheld until after receipt of payment.

- b) University will submit invoices to Sponsor’s Financial Contact and/or Sponsor’s Technical Contact indicated in Attachment B. Sponsor will submit payments to University’s Financial Contact indicated in Attachment B. Checks should reference **CU-REAL**.
- c) Payment not received within 30 days of invoice will be deemed late and may be subject to collections and attorney’s fees. Failure to make payment within 30 days of invoice will be considered a material breach of this Agreement and University reserves the right to use all legal means available to collect its payment while withholding the final report or any other final deliverables until after receipt of payment.

5. REPORTS AND DATA

In accordance with the agreed upon schedule in Attachment A, University will submit to Sponsor’s Technical Contact interim and final reports generated in the performance of the Services, provided all payment milestones have been met. University will maintain ownership of all data collected, provided, or generated in the performance of the Services and hereby grants to Sponsor a fully-paid, royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use the data and reproduce, distribute, display, and prepare derivative works based upon the reports provided hereunder, subject to Section 7 of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to limit University’s rights to use any data, results, reports, or deliverables for any purposes, including publications.

6. CONFIDENTIALITY

- a) The Parties agree that during the course of this Agreement, a Party may disclose information which it considers confidential and/or proprietary information, not publicly announced or disclosed, required for the performance of the Services.
- b) All disclosed information, whether written, oral, or otherwise, will be presumed to be non-confidential unless information disclosed in tangible form (written or otherwise) is clearly marked as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “PROPRIETARY” prior to or at the time of disclosure; and information disclosed in intangible form is described as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “PROPRIETARY” prior to disclosure and is summarized in written form (which will include when, where, how and to whom the information was disclosed) that is marked “confidential” or “proprietary” and sent to receiving Party within 15 days of the intangible disclosure.
- c) Except with written consent of the disclosing Party, all properly identified confidential information disclosed under this Agreement will be maintained in confidence for a period of one (1) year from the date of termination or expiration of this Agreement and will be used solely in connection with the obligations undertaken in this Agreement. The Parties agree that the obligations imposed upon either Party will not apply to confidential information which:
 - i) is or becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the receiving Party in violation of this Agreement; or

- ii) was in the public domain at the time it was disclosed to the receiving Party; or
- iii) was known to the receiving Party at the time it was disclosed; or
- iv) is or was rightfully received from another without any breach of this Agreement; or
- v) is independently developed by the receiving Party as evidenced by written records; or
- vi) is approved for release by prior written authorization of the disclosing Party; or
- vii) is required by operation of law to be disclosed.

The Party seeking to establish such an exception has the burden of proving it with written documentation.

- d) Access to all Confidential Information will be restricted to those employees and persons in the receiving Party's immediate organization (excluding parent corporations, subsidiaries, etc.) having a need to know. Such employees or persons will be notified of the proprietary nature of such Confidential Information and will be required to acknowledge the need to treat such information in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- e) Receiving Party will maintain confidentiality of disclosed information and will use the same degree of care as it employs with its own Confidential Information, but in all events will use at least a reasonable degree of care. Disclosing Party's Confidential Information will not be disclosed to third parties without disclosing Party's written authorization.

7. USE OF NAMES

Statements or publications from Sponsor concerning this Agreement or the performance or results of the Services wherein the name of University is identified will not be made or released to any medium of public communication except with the prior, written consent of University's Authorized Official indicated in Attachment B.

8. WARRANTY/LIABILITY/INDEMNITY

- a) ANY AND ALL INFORMATION, RESULTS, REPORTS, DATA, MATERIALS, SERVICES, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPERTY AND RIGHTS GRANTED AND/OR PROVIDED BY UNIVERSITY PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT (INCLUDING THE DELIVERABLES), ARE GRANTED AND/OR PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" BASIS. UNIVERSITY MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO ANY MATTER, AND ALL SUCH WARRANTIES, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, UNIVERSITY DOES NOT MAKE ANY WARRANTY OF ANY KIND RELATING TO EXCLUSIVITY, INFORMATIONAL CONTENT, ERROR-FREE OPERATION, RESULTS TO BE OBTAINED FROM USE, FREEDOM FROM PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT AND/OR FREEDOM FROM THEFT OF TRADE SECRETS. SPONSOR IS PROHIBITED FROM MAKING ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY TO ANY THIRD PARTY ON BEHALF OF UNIVERSITY RELATING TO ANY MATTER, INCLUDING THE APPLICATION OF OR THE RESULTS TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE INFORMATION, RESULTS, REPORTS, DATA, MATERIALS, SERVICES, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPERTY OR RIGHTS (INCLUDING IN THE DELIVERABLES) GRANTED AND/OR PROVIDED BY UNIVERSITY PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.
- b) University will be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees, officers, and agents, when acting

within the scope of their employment, to the extent permitted under the South Carolina Tort Claims Act (S.C. Code Ann. Section 15-78-10 et seq.). Nothing in this Agreement however shall be construed as an express or implied waiver by University of any applicable governmental or sovereign immunity, as an express or implied acceptance by University of liabilities arising as a result of actions which lie in tort in excess of liabilities allowable under applicable state law, as a pledge of the full faith and credit of any state, or as the assumption by University of a debt, contract or liability of the Sponsor in violation of applicable law. University will not be liable for any indirect, consequential, special, or other damages suffered by others as a result of the use of project results, reports, data or deliverables regardless of the nature of the claim and even if advised of the possibility of such loss or damage. University's total liability will not exceed the total fees contemplated being paid by Sponsor to University under this Agreement.

- c) Sponsor will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless University, its trustees, officers, employees and agents from and against any liabilities, damages, or claims (including attorneys' fees) arising out of injury (including death) or property damage suffered by any person arising out of Sponsor's breach of its obligations hereunder, its acts or omissions, and the use or possession of any and all information, reports, data, materials, services, intellectual property and other property, and deliverables produced hereunder, excepting for any such liability, damages or claims (including attorneys' fees) resulting from negligence or willful malfeasance by University, its officers, employees and agents.

9. TERMINATION

Either Party may terminate performance under this Agreement at any time upon fifteen (15) days' written notice to the other Party's Contractual Contact. Termination of this Agreement by either Party for any reason will not affect the rights and obligations of the Parties that accrued prior to the effective date of termination. Sponsor will reimburse University for any and all costs and non-cancellable expenses (within the total fee set forth in Section 4(a)) incurred prior to the effective date of termination. Any provisions intended to survive termination of this Agreement will survive termination of this Agreement, including without limitation Sections 4(a), 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

10. EXPORT CONTROL REGULATIONS

Sponsor acknowledges that foreign (non-US) persons may be involved in the Services. Sponsor will notify University of Sponsor's intention to provide export controlled items, data, materials, and information. Sponsor will notify University's Export Control Officer in writing at exportcontrol@clemsont.edu with the applicable export control classifications under the Export Administration Regulations or the International Traffic in Arms Regulations. No export controlled information, items, data or materials subject to United States Export Control licensing will be provided to University without the prior written consent of the University's Export Control Officer and University reserves the right to decline receipt of any export controlled items, materials, data or information. Sponsor agrees to reimburse University for any and all costs associated with defending an export control violation directly resulting from or caused by Sponsor's failure to provide accurate or sufficient information regarding the classification of information, materials, or items provided by Sponsor under this Agreement or Sponsor's failure to obtain the express written consent of University's Export Control Officer prior to providing any such controlled items, materials data or information. Sponsor further agrees that it may receive any materials, results, reports, data, or other final deliverables from University without an export license and that it will not re-export said materials, results, reports, data, or other deliverables in contravention to all relevant United States Export Control Regulations.

11. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement will be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina. The University and this Agreement are subject to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (S.C. Code Ann.

§30-4-10 et. seq.).

12. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a) **Independent Contractor.** For purposes of this Agreement, the Parties are independent contractors and neither may be considered an agent or an employee of the other at any time or for any purpose. No joint venture, partnership or like relationship is created between the Parties by this Agreement.
- b) **Assignment.** Neither Party will assign or transfer any interest in this Agreement, or assign any claims for money due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the other Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, University may assign this Agreement or any of the rights or obligations hereunder, in its sole discretion, to another nonprofit entity dedicated exclusively to the support of University. Sponsor, upon written notice to University, may assign this Agreement to a successor in ownership of all or substantially all its business assets provided such successor agrees in writing to assume Sponsor's obligations under this Agreement and Sponsor remains jointly liable for all obligations incurred up to the date of assignment.
- c) **Notices.** Notices, invoices, communications, and payments delivered hereunder will be deemed made to the appropriate contact designated to receive such items on behalf of their respective Party at the addresses identified in Attachment B. Notice given pursuant to this Section will be effective as of the day of receipt of notice. Either Party may change its contact information by notice to the other Party.
- d) **Entire Agreement/Amendments/Severability.** This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between Sponsor and University with regard to the subject matter contained herein, and any previous discussion, negotiations, or agreements are superseded by this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held unenforceable or void, the remaining provisions will be enforced in accordance with their terms. Should processing of this Agreement require issuance of a purchase order or other contractual document, all terms and conditions of said document are hereby deleted in their entirety. For sake of clarity, even if Sponsor's purchase orders require the signature of the University, this Agreement will be the sole and exclusive agreement governing any transaction related to the subject matter of this Agreement. In the event of a conflict between or among the terms and provisions of the main body of this Agreement and Attachment A, the main body of this Agreement will control. Any modification, alteration or amendment to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by duly authorized representatives of each of the Parties hereto.

Now, therefore, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the Effective Date. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which, when executed and delivered by facsimile, email, other US mail, will have the force and effect of an original.

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

By: Tanju Karanfil
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Name: Tanju Karanfil, Ph.D.

Title: Sr. Vice President for Research,
Scholarship, and Creative Endeavors

Date: 8/30/2024

SPONSOR

By: 

Name: Lee Logan

Title: Treasurer

Date: August 16, 2024

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY APPROVAL REQUESTED

By:

By: 

Name: Robert T. Catey

Title: Senior Lecturer, Director of CU-REAL

Date: 8/16/24

House Member Appropriation Request Form

THIS DOCUMENT & SUPPORTING MATERIAL WILL BE PUBLIC

Project/Event Name: Robotics Education / STEM

Requested Amount: \$ 150,000

Recipient Entity: FIRST South Carolina

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Chris Cortez Title/Position: Program Delivery Partner

Phone Number: _____ Email: info@firstsouthcarolina.org

Entity Website: firstsouthcarolina.org County Location: Dorchester

Intended Use of the Funds: see attached

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: to promote STEM education and
workforce development

CRAIG GAGNON

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



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February 6, 2026

Representative Craig A. Gagnon

436B Blatt Bldg, Columbia, SC 29201

Subject: *FIRST* SC for FIRST Robotic programs

Dear Representative Gagnon,

On behalf of the Board and Program Delivery Partners for *FIRST* South Carolina, I am reaching out to express our thanks for your support in years past and to advocate for your continued support for *FIRST* programs in South Carolina in the upcoming budget.

FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) is a proven model for developing the next generation of engineers, innovators, and leaders. By engaging students in hands-on robotics competitions, *FIRST* fosters critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving skills that are essential for success in today's workforce while building positive core values through the ethos of Gracious Professionalism and Coopertition. Investing in *FIRST* not only enhances STEM education but directly contributes to South Carolina's economic growth by preparing students for high-demand careers in manufacturing, technology, and engineering straight out of high school. Students from *FIRST* SC teams actively participate in apprenticeship programs with leading companies such as Michelin, Bosch, and Boeing, among others

Impact Data on *FIRST* Robotics Participation

- *FIRST* participants are 2.6 times more likely to enroll in an engineering course in college.
- Female students in *FIRST* programs are three times more likely to pursue careers in STEM fields.
- 87% of *FIRST* alumni express increased workforce readiness.
- In South Carolina, over 600 *FIRST* teams actively engage students from elementary to high school, with many students earning scholarships to pursue STEM-related career opportunities.



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These funds will be utilized to bridges the gap by funding team grants, teacher training, mentor development, and regional competitions that bring STEM education for more South Carolina students. These funds will be used between July 1st till June 30, 2027.

FIRST SC believes that South Carolina students deserve every opportunity to develop the skills necessary to thrive in the modern workforce, and the *FIRST* programs plays a crucial role in preparing them for that future. *FIRST* South Carolina is focused on growing our talent and retaining those students in the talent pipeline for South Carolina businesses.
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Cortez".

Chris Cortez,
Program Delivery Partner
On behalf of the Board and Program Delivery Partners

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
FIRST Robotic Competition Program & Event Support	\$70,000.00	This will support the cost of events, symposiums, workshops, and team development support across the state 6 FRC Events, 50 FRC Teams, Mentor Development, 1 Symposium
FIRST Tech challenge Program & Event Support	\$15,000.00	This will support the cost of events, symposiums, workshops, and team development support across the state 8 FTC Events, 65 FTC Teams, Development, 1 Symposium
FIRST LEGO League Program & Event Support	\$10,000.00	This will support the cost of events, symposiums, workshops, and team development support across the state 250 FLL teams, 12 FLL Events, 3 Showcases, and educator professional development
Program Operational Support	\$55,000.00	This funding will cover the operational costs required for program delivery in South Carolina, including support for program delivery partners, professional development, storage and equipment, insurance, and other essential needs to ensure the successful implementation of <i>FIRST</i> programs.
Grand Total	\$150,000.00	



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ELLEN E. WEAVER
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

October 16, 2024

Dr. Patricia Hayner
For Inspiration & Recognition of Science & Technology SC
103 Ridge Way
Simpsonville, SC 29680-7027

Dear Dr. Hayner:

On behalf of the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE), I am pleased to inform you that For Inspiration & Recognition of Science & Technology SC has been awarded a Career Cluster Partnership grant to conduct activities in accordance with the approved application. This award is based on the continuation of our support for the Career Cluster Partnerships and to promote career and technology education students' activities.

Please carefully read the enclosed grant award notification (GAN) for all applicable conditions and regulations. This funding is authorized under the General Appropriations Act, 2024-25 S.C. Act 94, Proviso 1A.33, to provide direct grants to the private sector statewide trade association or education foundation providing nationally certified programs in career and technology education representing designated career clusters.

This notification serves as a reminder that you are required to abide by all assurances and terms and conditions as identified in the Request for Proposals and that you have agreed to abide by all assurances, terms and conditions, and certifications by signing the certification signature page submitted with your application.

Retain a copy of this award letter and GAN to file with the accompanying assurances and terms and conditions, program assurances, and certification forms.

Remember to follow all regulatory requirements related to this subaward.

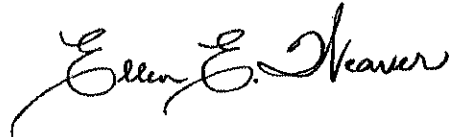
See the Scope of Work and/or Special Conditions section of the GAN for special budget instructions.

October 16, 2024

To accept this award, please have your organization's authorized representative (i.e., a person with signatory authority to enter the institution into this grant award/contract) sign and date the GAN and return it to Tiffany Dorsey at tdorsey@ed.sc.gov.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tiffany Dorsey as indicated above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ellen E. Weaver".

Ellen E. Weaver
State Superintendent

EEW/td

Enclosures

cc: Office of Finance SCDE

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Office of the Mayor

March 9, 2026

**The Honorable Kambrell Garvin
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina**

Dear Representative Garvin,

On behalf of the Town of Blythewood, I respectfully submit a request for \$2,000,000 in Community Investment Funding to design and construct a permanent, municipally owned Farmers Market Pavilion at Doko Meadows Park adjacent to Town Hall.

This project represents a strategic investment in public infrastructure that supports South Carolina agriculture, small business development, food access, agritourism, and community-centered economic growth.

Project Location and Community Importance

Doko Meadows Park is a 25-acre community park surrounding the historic Hoffman House, which serves as the Town of Blythewood's Town Hall. The park serves as the civic and cultural center of our community and includes:

- Walking trails and a lake
- Athletic and multipurpose fields
- A playground with restrooms and picnic areas
- Doko Manor, a 7,900-square-foot conference and event facility used for business meetings, weddings, banquets, and community events
- The Palmetto Citizens Amphitheater, a performance-ready outdoor amphitheater that has hosted numerous concerts and festivals since opening in 2017

The park is also home to the seasonal Blythewood Farmers Market, which currently operates outdoors from April through November.

Now celebrating its twelfth year, Doko Meadows Park has become the central gathering place for our town, hosting thousands of residents and visitors annually for concerts, festivals, farmers markets,

family reunions, and civic events. As Blythewood continues to grow, the park is experiencing substantial increases in visitors and tourism activity.

Impact of Regional Growth

The Town of Blythewood is one of the fastest growing municipalities in South Carolina and serves as the epicenter of growth in northeast Richland County. The arrival of Scout Motors and its supplier network is expected to bring thousands of new residents, workers, and families to our region in the coming years.

This rapid economic expansion will significantly increase demand for community spaces that support quality of life, local agriculture, and small business entrepreneurship. A permanent farmers market facility at Doko Meadows Park will help ensure that growth strengthens local farms, food producers, and small businesses rather than displacing them.

Alignment with South Carolina Agricultural Priorities

South Carolina has long supported farmers markets as a critical component of:

- Supporting local agriculture and family farms
- Strengthening farm-to-consumer supply chains
- Expanding access to fresh, healthy foods
- Promoting agritourism and rural economic development

The proposed Farmers Market Pavilion directly supports these statewide priorities by providing permanent infrastructure where local farmers and producers can sell directly to consumers, increasing both visibility and profitability for South Carolina agriculture.

Demonstrated Market Impact

The Blythewood Farmers Market has operated successfully for 12 years as a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization led by Market Manager Michaela Barno and supported by a volunteer board. Despite operating only three hours per week, the market demonstrates strong participation and economic activity:

- 30 markets per season
- 400 average weekly shoppers
- 32 small businesses participating each week
- \$3,450 spent during each 3-hour market
- Over \$100,000 in seasonal vendor revenue
- \$2,000 annually in SNAP customer sales
- 457 children enrolled in the POP (Power of Produce) Club
- \$770 distributed directly to children for fresh food purchases (30% increase year-over-year)
- 7,600 Facebook followers
- 2,000 Instagram followers
- 800 monthly website visitors
- 1,600 e-newsletter subscribers

Each market night also includes children's educational programming sponsored by Prisma Health, live music, and food trucks, creating a vibrant and family-friendly community environment.

Municipal Ownership and Public Infrastructure

The proposed Farmers Market Pavilion will be:

- Owned and maintained by the Town of Blythewood
- Located within Doko Meadows Park adjacent to Town Hall
- Designed as a permanent covered structure with supporting utilities
- Operated in partnership with the Blythewood Farmers Market nonprofit

This facility will expand vendor capacity, improve accessibility, and allow the market to operate more frequently throughout the year while also serving as a multi-use space for festivals, concerts, and community gatherings.

Responsible Fiscal Structure

The Town of Blythewood operates as a zero-millage municipality, meaning we do not levy property taxes on our residents. Town services and operations are funded primarily through:

- Hospitality taxes
- Accommodations taxes
- Business license revenue

Because of this responsible fiscal model, strategic partnerships with the State of South Carolina are essential to help fund public infrastructure projects that serve the broader region.

Proposed Use of State Funds

The requested \$2,000,000 appropriation will support:

- Site preparation and grading within Doko Meadows Park
- Construction of a covered farmers market pavilion
- Electrical, water, and lighting infrastructure
- ADA-compliant accessibility improvements
- Vendor support facilities and storage
- Restroom facilities
- Parking and landscaping enhancements

Economic and Community Return

With permanent infrastructure, the Blythewood Farmers Market will have the capacity to:

- Expand vendor participation and sales
- Increase operating days and seasonal events
- Support additional SNAP and youth nutrition programs

- Strengthen agritourism in the Midlands region
- Serve the growing population associated with the Scout Motors development

This investment will support local farmers, strengthen small businesses, and enhance the civic and economic vitality of our rapidly growing community.

Representative Garvin, we respectfully request your support in securing this \$2,000,000 state appropriation to construct a permanent Farmers Market Pavilion at Doko Meadows Park.

Thank you for your continued leadership and commitment to the communities of Richland County and the State of South Carolina.

Respectfully



Sloan J. Griffin III
Mayor, Town of Blythewood, SC



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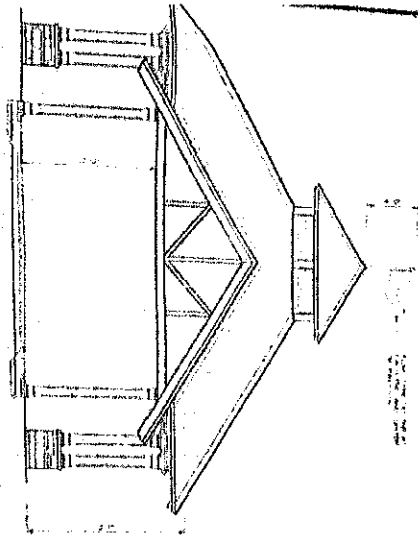
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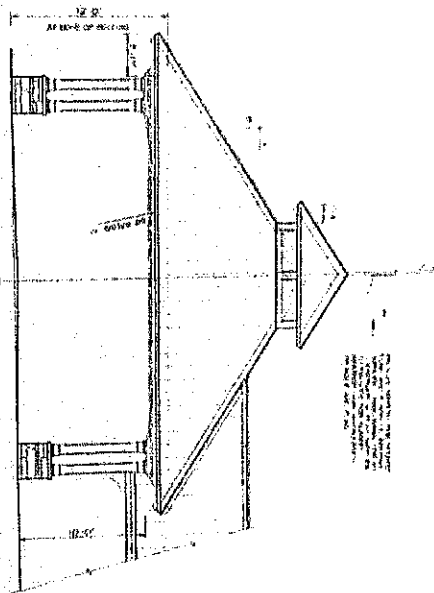
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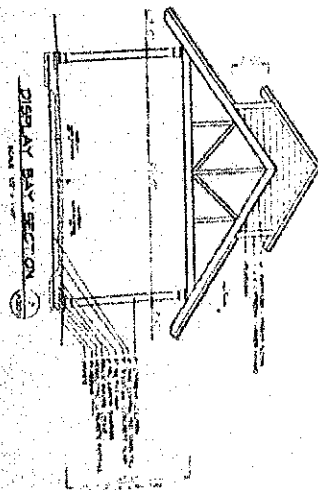
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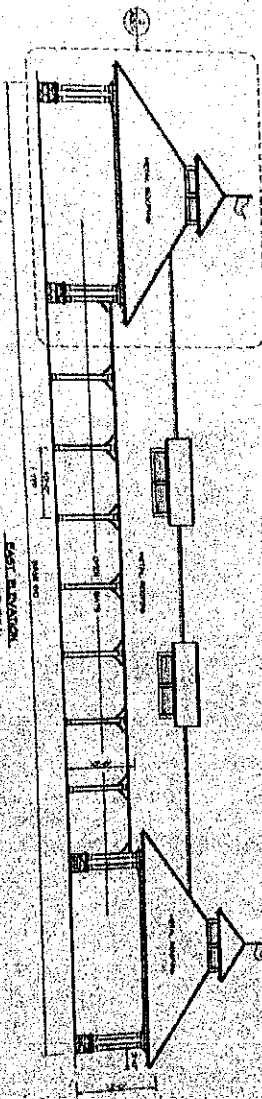
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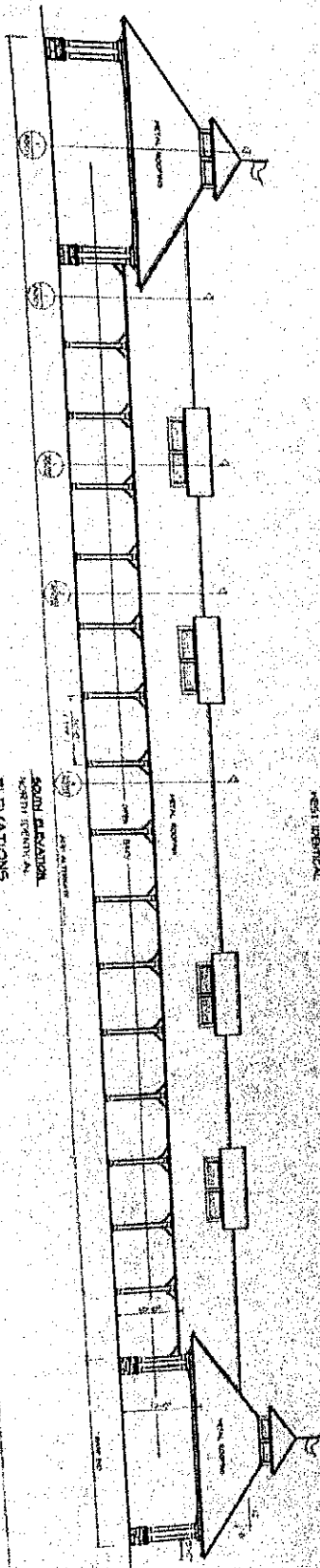
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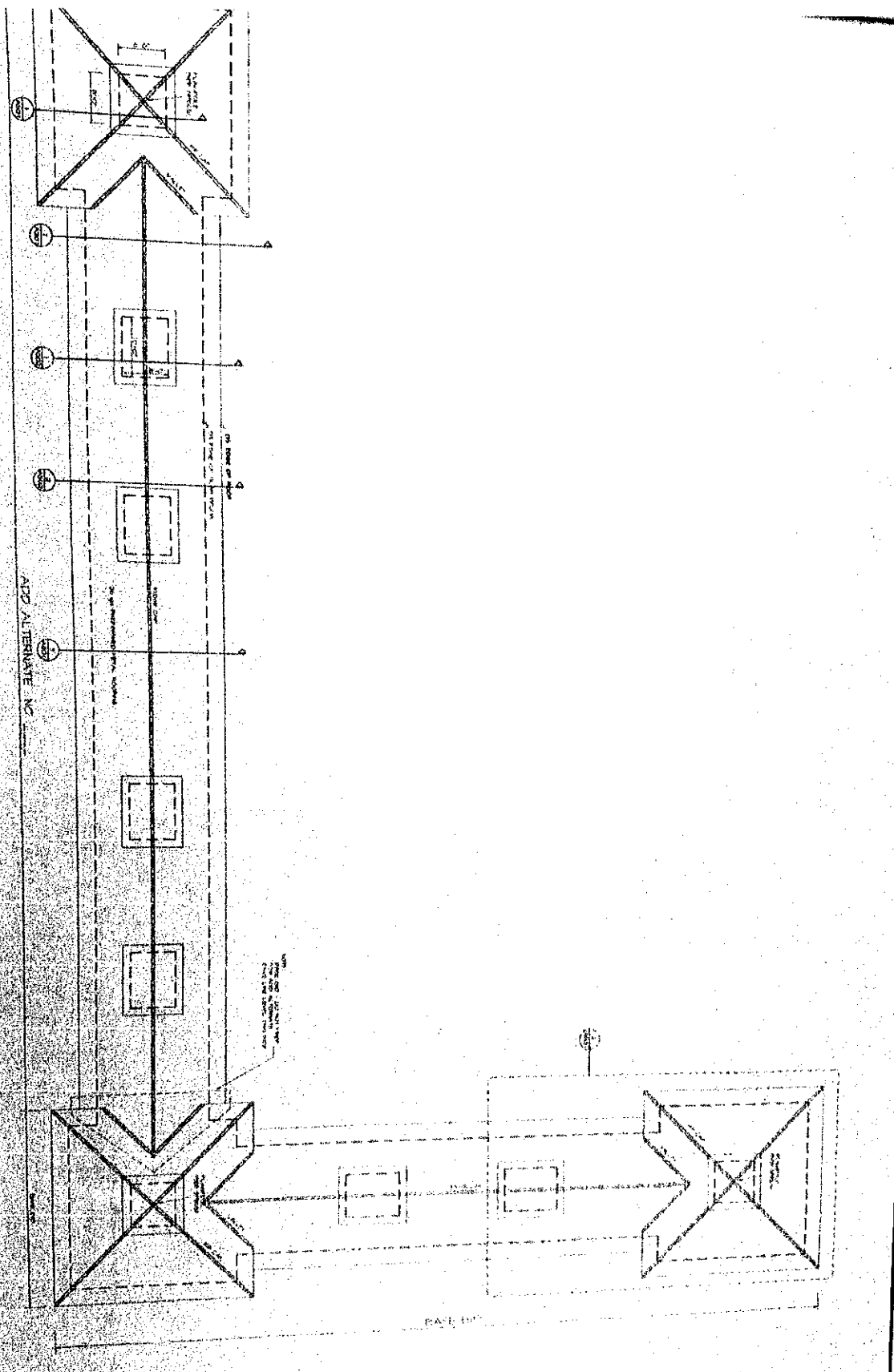


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ELEVATIONS
OPEN AIR PAVILION
TOWN OF BLYTHEWOOD PARK
BLYTHEWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA

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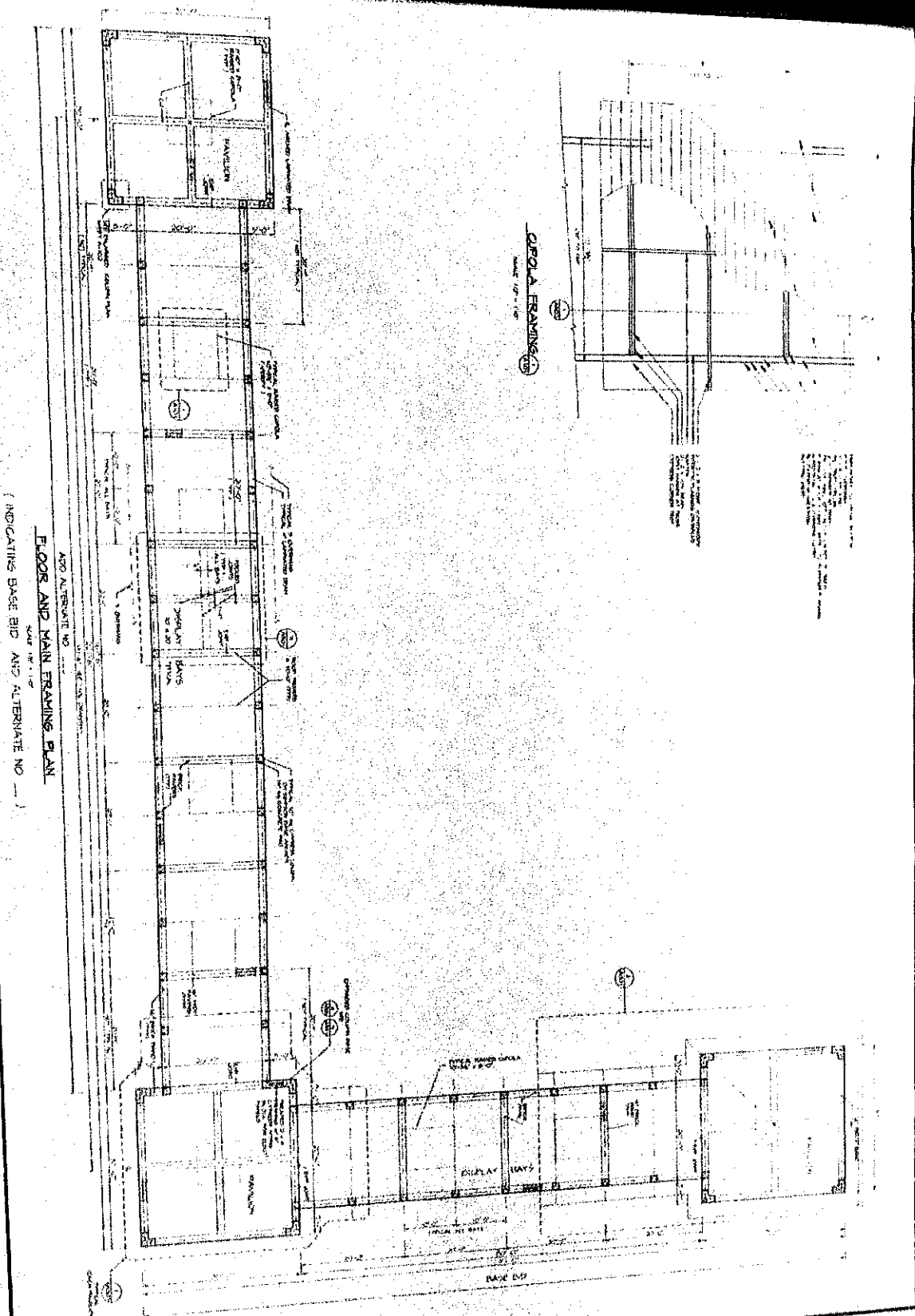
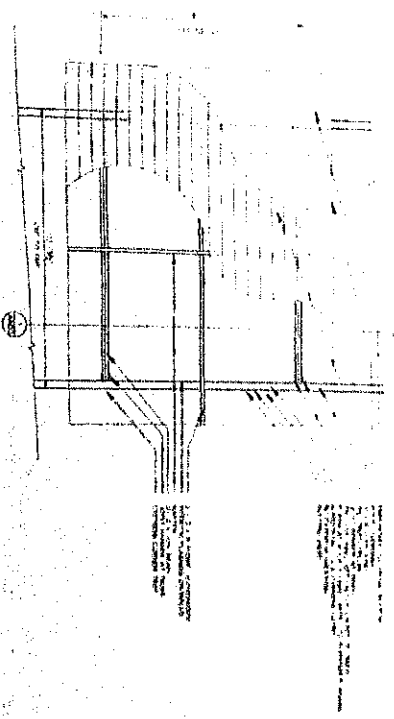
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TOWN OF BLYTHEWOOD PARK
BLYTHEWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Project/Event Name: Public Safety Campus

Requested Amount: \$8,000,000

Recipient Entity: Town of Summerville, SC

Is the entity a: ___state agency, X local government, _____ non-profit, or _____ other?

If **other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Frank Neal

Title/Position: Director of Community & Economic Dev.

Contact Phone Number: 843-851-4208

Email Address: fneal@summervillesc.gov

Entity Website: www.summervillesc.gov

County Location: Dorchester, Berkley, & Charleston

Summary of Intended Use of the Funds: The requested \$8,000,000 investment will fund critical systems needed to ensure the Public Safety Campus will remain operational during future hurricanes, severe weather events, and extended power outages. The base facility of \$54 million will be fully funded locally, the state investment of \$8,000,000 will go towards specific enhancements making this a regional emergency asset with Infrastructure and utility protection, backup power and energy resilience. These enhancements will ensure our First Responders can serve the entire region during disasters, not just Summerville. It's the difference between a building and a disaster-resilient command center.

Justification of Request/ Public Benefit: Without state funding, the facility will be constructed to standard code rather than hardened for future storms. That means during hurricanes, when the region is needing us most, Summerville's First Responders risk losing operational capacity. The \$8M state investment will protect the entire \$62M investment and ensures regional public safety service continuity. Through mutual aid agreements, Summerville first responders serve approximately 200,000 additional residents across Dorchester, Berkeley and Charleston County. During emergencies, we're responding to calls throughout three districts. This facility will ensure all capabilities will remain available during the worst conditions.

Rep. Gil Gatch

Primary House Sponsor - Print Name

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TOWN *of* SUMMERVILLE, SC

January 21, 2026

The Honorable Gil Gatch

Member, South Carolina House of Representatives

District 94

310B Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: Public Safety Project

Rep. Gatch:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit Community Investment Grant request for the Public Safety Campus Project on behalf of the Town of Summerville. This project has been discussed for many years and we are excited to move this project ahead.

The Town has hired an engineering firm to lead this project. A preliminary design has been completed, and we are ready to break ground. The Town has projected a timeline of completion by the end of 2027. The requested funds will be used for community lifelines and facility enhancement, backup power and energy resilience, and infrastructure and utility protection.

We are excited about the next steps to bring this important project to fruition for the citizens of Summerville.

Thank you for your continued support on this important project and for all that you do for the Town of Summerville.

Sincerely,

Russ Touchberry

Mayor

200 South Main Street, Summerville, SC 29483
843-871-6000 www.SummervilleSC.gov

SUMMERVILLE PUBLIC SAFETY CAMPUS

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Town of Summerville is requesting Community Investment Grant Funds in the amount of \$8,000,000 to develop a unified Public Safety Campus, a transformative investment for community resilience, regional coordination, and emergency preparedness. The facility will serve not only Summerville's population of over **54,000 residents**, but also a broader **regional population of approximately 250,000** drawing from neighboring jurisdictions known as the Charleston tri-county area. This new campus will house the Town's Fire Department Headquarters, Police Department Headquarters, 911 Communications Center, and Municipal Court within one secure and operationally integrated facility. The project will not only modernize critical public safety infrastructure but also set a new regional standard for emergency response collaboration, citizen service, and continuity of government operations during state of emergency or natural disaster events.

Current facilities serving these functions are fragmented, outdated, and inadequate to continue meeting Summerville's growing demands. The new Public Safety Campus will consolidate services into one hardened, storm-resistant structure designed for continuous operations with built in redundancies including backup power, modern communication systems, and secure public access, allowing uninterrupted response during hurricanes, flooding, civil disturbance, or large-scale public health emergencies.

The new campus will be centrally located and provide access to regional evacuation efforts, by serving as an emergency operations hub, not just for Summerville but also for neighboring jurisdictions that the town has through existing mutual aid agreements. The facility will provide shared use spaces for training, command, and coordination, enabling public safety personnel to operate within structures designed to serve higher volume of emergency operations. The campus will also support and host regional drills, multi-agency exercises, and specialized public safety programs for youth and at-risk populations.

The design will include:

- A dedicated apparatus bay and administrative offices for fire services
- Secure evidence storage, booking, and interview rooms for police services
- A hardened 911 call and dispatch center with NextGen 911 capabilities
- A modern Municipal Courtroom with secure holding and circulation zones
- Integrated community meeting space for emergency preparedness outreach and community engagement

This investment will directly support the Town's disaster response capability, reduce response times, and significantly improve public safety outcomes, especially for vulnerable residents living in a rapid growing area of Summerville. It will also incorporate green infrastructure elements such as stormwater mitigation and energy efficiency measures, positioning the town to be resilient and future ready to serve a regional population of approximately 200,000 civilians.

The budget narrative below will provide a breakdown of the estimated costs for each component of the above referenced project, including construction, engineering, and management expenses. The line-item highlights the allocation of funds and justifies the budgetary decisions made for the project. A preliminary cost estimate was developed by a licensed general contractor supporting the Town of Summerville as the subject matter expert for this application.

A. Four-Layer Power Resilience Strategy (\$3,550,000)

South Carolina's hurricane vulnerability demands unprecedented power reliability for emergency services. The state investment enables a comprehensive four-layer approach:

Layer 1: Underground Utility Protection (\$800,000)

- Burial of 2 miles of overhead power lines at \$400,000 per mile
- Eliminates 90% of storm-related outages caused by fallen trees and wind damage
- Protects primary power infrastructure serving the facility and surrounding area
- Includes excavation, trenching, conduit installation, and restoration

Layer 2: Rooftop Solar Generation (\$936,000)

- Police & Court Building: 60,000 sq ft at \$12.00 per sq ft (\$720,000)
- Fire Station: 18,000 sq ft at \$12.00 per sq ft (\$216,000)

- Provides sustainable daytime power generation
- Reduces operational costs during normal operations
- Continues generating during grid outages when integrated with battery storage

Layer 3: Battery Storage System (\$350,000)

- Large-scale battery storage for energy captured from solar array
- Provides 24/7 power availability from solar generation
- Stores energy for nighttime and cloudy conditions
- Enables seamless transition between power sources
- Extended capacity for emergency operations

Layer 4: Backup Generators (\$250,000)

- Two permanent standby generators (\$125,000 each)
- Final redundancy layer for extended emergencies
- Multi-day fuel capacity
- Automatic activation if all other systems fail

Microgrid Integration & Management (\$1,214,000)

- Intelligent control system managing all four power layers
- Automatic selection of most reliable and efficient power source
- Enables facility to "island" from main grid during emergencies
- Seamless transition between utility power, solar, batteries, and generators
- Load management and distribution optimization
- **Result: Facility can operate independently for 72+ hours minimum**

B. Structural Hardening & Critical Infrastructure (\$4,450,000)

Enhanced Building Envelope (\$1,025,000)

- Roof hardening: 78,000 sq ft reinforcement with uplift resistance
- Window protection: Storm shutters for 150 windows
- Fire-resistant materials: 25,000 sq ft of critical operational areas only
- Exterior structural reinforcement for Category 4+ hurricane winds
- Reinforced doors and secure access points

Hardened 911 Communications Center (\$2,250,000)

- Construction of critical command center: 4,500 sq ft at \$500 per sq ft
- Reinforced concrete construction with blast and wind resistance
- Redundant HVAC and backup cooling systems
- Raised flooring for communications infrastructure
- Security access and environmental controls
- Acoustic treatments for optimal operations
- Direct connection to backup power systems

FEMA-Compliant Emergency Operations Center & Safe Rooms (\$900,000)

- Hardened EOC and support spaces: 1,800 sq ft at \$500 per sq ft
- ICC-500 compliant safe room construction
- Serves dual purpose: command center and shelter
- Reinforced concrete walls (8-inch minimum thickness)
- Impact-resistant doors and hardware
- Independent HVAC and power systems
- Emergency supplies and restroom facilities
- Capacity: 50+ occupants for extended duration
- Protection for first responders and vulnerable populations

IT Redundancy & Data Protection (\$225,000)

- Hardened server room construction
- Redundant server infrastructure and off-site data replication
- Uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems
- Environmental monitoring and controls
- Fire suppression systems (FM-200 or equivalent)
- Secure access control

Emergency Communications (\$50,000)

- Two outdoor warning sirens (\$25,000 each)

- Mass notification capability
- Integration with county emergency management

Flood mitigation and stormwater management are incorporated into the base facility design and funded through local capital resources in accordance with applicable floodplain, stormwater, and building code requirements.

TOTAL \$8,000,000.00

2027 Community Investment Grant request

200 S. Main Street
Summerville, SC 29483
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SUMMERVILLE
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**Community Investment Grant
Critical Public Safety Infrastructure Project
2027 Request**

**Town of Summerville, South Carolina
The Honorable Russ Touchberry, Mayor**

Town of Summerville Public Safety Campus
300 W. 2nd North Street Summerville, SC 29483
80.1761758°W 33.0239947°N

Summerville's public safety infrastructure has failed to keep pace with the community's growth. Current facilities were designed for a significantly smaller population and cannot support modern operational requirements or projected service demands.

Police Department Capacity Crisis:

- Current staffing levels are nearly three times the facility's designed capacity
- Investigative units operate in repurposed spaces unsuitable for law enforcement activities
- Evidence storage has been relocated offsite due to space constraints
- Facility lacks adequate meeting rooms, forcing operations to external locations

Municipal Court Inadequacies:

- Court operations remain housed in Old Town Hall, a facility designated as temporary housing
- Current conditions do not meet modern judicial operational standards
- Space limitations compromise court efficiency and public accessibility

Fire Department Constraints:

- Existing stations serve 97 full-time firefighters and 19 volunteers
- Facilities were not designed to accommodate current apparatus or equipment standards
- Building infrastructure does not support projected 25-year operational needs

Operational Impact: These deficiencies create measurable operational inefficiencies, compromise service delivery, impact personnel recruitment and retention, and fail to support the department's ability to effectively serve a population of 53,000 residents generating near 94,000 calls for service a year. Furthermore, first responders are not just serving Summerville, but a regional population of 250,000+ through mutual aid partnerships.

Project Solution: The proposed Public Safety Campus will consolidate operations into modern, code-compliant facilities designed to current public safety standards. The campus will provide adequate workspace, proper evidence and equipment storage, integrated communication systems, and capacity to support projected growth through 2050. This investment will eliminate ongoing facility deficiencies, improve operational coordination, and establish infrastructure resilient to future natural hazards.

The project will span approximately 91,971 square feet and include a three-story Police Headquarters and Courts facility, a two-story Fire & Rescue Department Headquarters, a fleet service and kennel building, a parking deck, and additional surface parking. The campus will be centrally located with direct access to regional evacuation routes and surrounded by key growth corridors, making this a flagship facility and becoming an emergency operations hub for Summerville and the neighboring jurisdictions.

This landmark project will also incorporate shared-use space for training, command, and coordination from within as well as enable Summerville to host regional drills, multi-agency exercises, and specialized public safety programs for youth and at-risk populations.

The design will include:

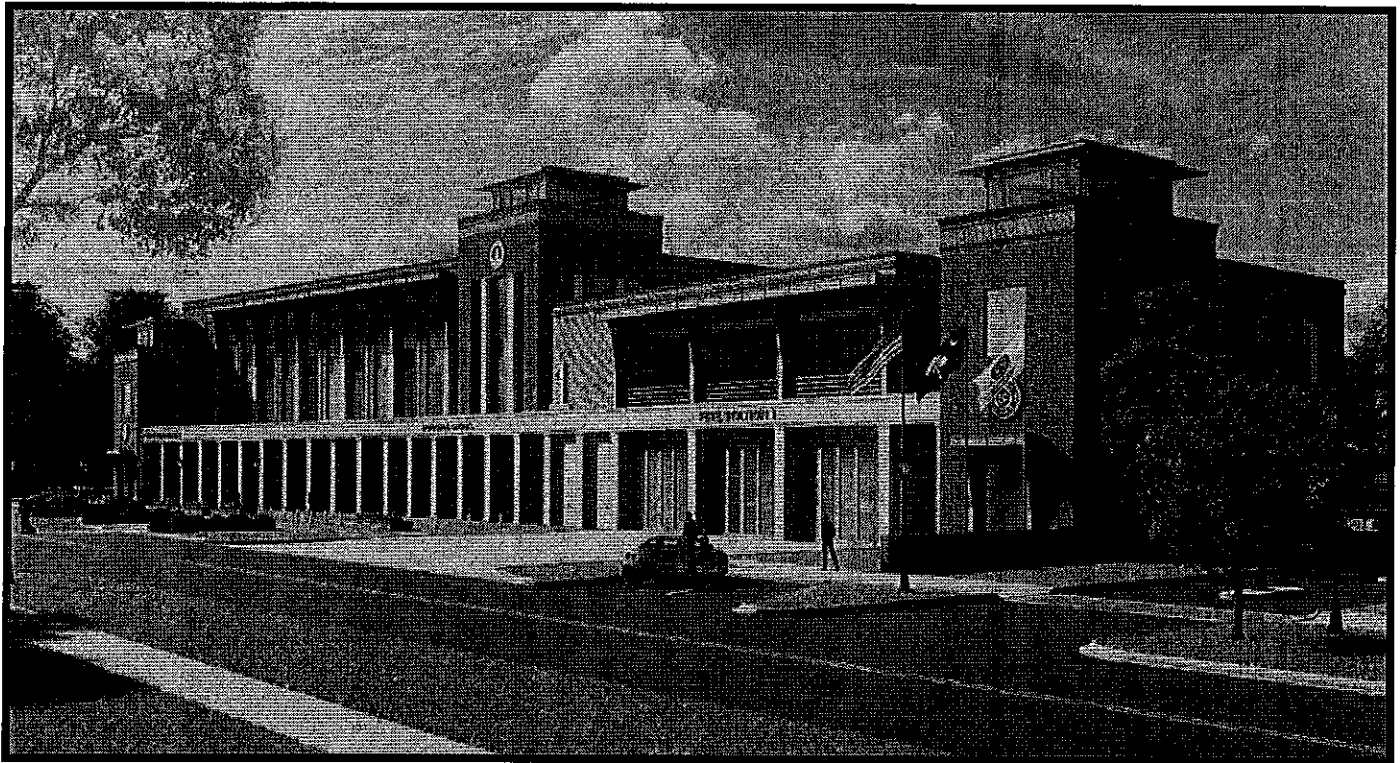
- a dedicated apparatus bay and administrative offices for Summerville Fire & Rescue personnel
- a secure evidence storage space, as well as space for booking and case interviews for the town's investigative unit
- a hardened 911 call and dispatch center with NextGen 911 capabilities, providing resilient and secure infrastructure, ensuring uninterrupted emergency communication
- a modern Municipal Courtroom with secure holding and circulation zones
- an integrated community meeting space for emergency preparedness outreach and future town engagement events

Summerville's Public Safety Campus will represent a bold rethinking of how our municipality will deliver essential service, stronger resilience during the next hazard event, efficiency, and public value. Rather than simply replacing aging infrastructure, town leadership reimaged the Public Safety Campus as an integrated, community-facing, and technologically advanced function of local government. It will bring together fire, police, communications, and municipal court into one purpose-built facility that will be designed for seamless coordination, real-time decision-making, and shared resources. This integration alone signifies innovation for a region where public safety functions are often siloed.

The facility will also be constructed to withstand a changing risk environment shaped by more frequent and severe storms, emerging cyber threats, and continued predictions of regional population growth.

The facility will also serve as a critical lifeline during regional emergencies. By incorporating resilient infrastructure such as storm-resistant construction, redundant power systems, and modern communications technology the campus ensures uninterrupted operations during hurricanes, floods, or other hazard events. This continuity of operations will directly benefit residents, especially vulnerable populations that are disproportionately impacted by disasters.

Beyond emergency response, the campus is designed to promote civic access and engagement. Public meeting areas and shared training spaces will be used for youth outreach programs, community preparedness workshops, and regional public safety events. These efforts will help build relationships between first responders and the public, reduce barriers to access, and increase public awareness and trust.



PROJECT FINANCING & FUNDING STRATEGY

The Summerville Public Safety Campus represents a \$62 million capital investment in critical infrastructure designed to ensure continuity of emergency services during and after natural disaster events. The following financial structure demonstrates the Town's substantial local commitment while seeking strategic state partnership for enhanced power resilience and critical infrastructure.

Total Project Cost: \$62,000,000.00

Proposed Funding Stack:

State Community Investment Grant (Requested): \$8,000,000 (12.9%)

- Investment from FY 2026 - 2027 South Carolina State Budget
- Designated specifically to a four-layer power resilience strategy and structural hardening
- Non-recurring capital appropriation for hazard resilience infrastructure

Local Funding Sources: \$54,000,000 (87.1%)

- Town of Summerville Bond Fund: \$42M
- Capital Reserve Fund: \$2M
- TIF Funds: \$10M

Total Investment Requested: \$8,000,000.00	
LAYER 1: UNDERGROUND UTILITY PROTECTION	\$800,000.00
LAYER 2: ROOFTOP SOLAR GENERATION	\$936,000.00
LAYER 3: BATTERY STORAGE SYSTEM	\$350,000.00
LAYER 4: BACKUP GENERATORS	\$250,000.00
MICROGRID INTEGRATION & MANAGEMENT	\$1,214,000.00
ENHANCED BUILDING ENVELOPE	\$1,025,000.00
HARDENED 911 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	\$2,250,000.00
FEMA- COMPLIANT EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER & SAFE ROOMS	\$900,000.00
IT REDUNDANCY & DATA PROTECTION	\$225,000.00
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	\$50,000.00

State Investment Purpose:
Storm Resilience & Emergency Power

The requested \$8,000,000 investment will fund critical systems needed to ensure the Public Safety Campus will remain operational during hurricanes, severe weather events, and extended power outages. This funding will cover enhanced structural hardening to withstand Category 4+ hurricanes, emergency power systems with extended fuel capacity, and utility resilience infrastructure. Most importantly, these improvements will enable Summerville's first responders to maintain uninterrupted service not only to the towns 53,000 residents but also to approximately 200,000 additional residents in surrounding jurisdictions through mutual aid agreements. During natural disasters, when regional emergency services are most critical, this hardened facility will serve as a vital operational hub for the broader Lowcountry community.

Enhanced Structural Hardening:

- Reinforced building envelope to withstand Category 4+ hurricane wind loads
- Impact-resistant glazing systems exceeding baseline code requirements
- Hardened roof systems designed for 150+ mph wind resistance
- Flood-resistant construction with elevated critical systems
- Storm-rated exterior doors and emergency access points

Emergency Power & Utility Resilience:

- Whole-facility emergency generator system with multiple day fuel capacity
- Automatic transfer switches for seamless power transition
- Redundant fuel storage with protected fill stations
- Uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems for critical communications
- Solar panel array with battery storage for supplemental emergency power
- Elevated and hardened electrical distribution systems

Communications & Operational Continuity:

- Hardened communications tower and equipment
- Redundant internet and radio communication pathways
- Emergency operations center with backup systems
- Satellite communication backup capability
- Protected server rooms with environmental controls

The new Public Safety Campus will provide the Town with the physical capacity to expand its workforce in line with community growth and service demands. The existing facilities are well beyond their designed occupancy and cannot accommodate additional staff. By consolidating and modernizing operations in a larger, purpose-built facility, the Town will finally have the space to recruit and house an estimated **80 new police, fire, court, and support personnel over time**. This expansion will strengthen emergency response, improve community services, and ensure that staffing levels keep pace with Summerville's rapid growth.



For questions please contact
Frank Neal, Director of Community &
Economic Development
fneal@summervillesc.gov
843.851.4200



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Project/Event Name: McCormick County Airport Capital Improvement Plan

Requested Amount: \$ 1,500,000

Recipient Entity: McCormick County SC

The entity is a: State Agency, ☒ Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Mark Warner Title/Position: Director of Econ. Comm. Dev.

Phone Number: _____ Email: M.WARNER@MCCORMICKCOUNTYSC.ORG

Entity Website: mccormickcounty.sc.org County Location: McCormick SC

Intended Use of the Funds: Capital Improvements to Airport listed in Brochure w/assessments & Overhotten (Section 2, Plan

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: To develop critical infrastructure for a safe & functional general aviation airport.
* Ref. Overhotten & Brochure

Daniel Gibson

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Daniel Gibson

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

SC HD 12

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



These projects serve multiple, interconnected purposes: develops the critical infrastructure for a safe and functional local general aviation airport, which in turn creates a local aviation community and educational opportunities for community youth, all while supporting regional businesses and the County's economic development strategy.

This request is for \$1,500,000 to support these projects which will provide critical airport infrastructure to support regional economic development. McCormick County will continue to work with SC Aeronautics for additional support as well, and continue to provide local resources as required for matching funds. ***To date, McCormick County has provided \$322,618 in local matching funds for the economic development initiatives at the McCormick County Airport.***

The funds will be used by McCormick County within McCormick County and the state of South Carolina. The use of state funds will help to enhance airport safety while creating a fully functioning public-use airport in an area of the state evaluated and recognized by the SCAC as in need of such a facility. Our modernized airport in McCormick will support businesses and attract new tourism activity to the area and be an essential driver for the economy, support the local and regional community, and create new business opportunities.

Attached please find the planning and programming documents for the 10-year Airport Capital Improvement Program, the executive summary from the 2022 planning report, the most recent airport safety data inspection conducted by the SCAC, and a photo summary of the grading project.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of McCormick County and please contact Mark with any questions on this request. We are pleased to welcome you to our airport anytime either of you or your staff would like a tour.

Respectfully,

James Upchurch,
County Administrator

Mark H. Warner,
Director of Economic & Community
Development

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Project/Event Name: McCormick County Sheriff's Dept

Requested Amount: \$ 447,700

Recipient Entity: McCormick County Sheriff's Dept

The entity is a: State Agency, ☒ Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Sheriff Paul Cox Title/Position: Sheriff

Phone Number: _____ Email: ccox@mccormickcounty.sc.gov

Entity Website: mccormickcounty.sc.gov County Location: _____

Intended Use of the Funds: Equipment Described in Request Packet
Briefing & Synopses

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Justification & Prevention
Needs Enclosed Packet

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name



Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Daniel Gibson SC HD 12

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



**OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
McCORMICK COUNTY, SC
CHADWICK W. COX**

**McCormick County Sheriff's Office Public Safety
Enhancement Project**

McCormick County Sheriff's Office
FY2026 Community Project Funding Request
Executive Summary

The McCormick County Sheriff's Office respectfully submits the **McCormick County Sheriff's Office Public Safety Enhancement Project** for consideration under FY2026 Community Project Funding. This initiative seeks ~~federal~~ ^{STATE} support to acquire essential law-enforcement equipment necessary to enhance deputy safety, elevate operational readiness, and strengthen public safety across McCormick County, South Carolina. As a rural agency with limited local revenue, many of our existing tools are outdated, beyond their recommended service life, or no longer aligned with modern safety standards. ~~Federal~~ ^{STATE} investment is critical to ensure our deputies are equipped with reliable, effective resources when responding to emergencies and high-risk situations.

This project encompasses eleven priority equipment items that directly support our mission to safeguard the residents of McCormick County. These targeted investments will modernize core components of our operations, improve our ability to de-escalate and manage critical incidents, and reduce risk to both deputies and the public. The total funding requested for this project is **\$447,700.00**, and each item represents a cost-effective, strategically selected enhancement that will contribute to a safer, better-prepared law-enforcement agency. We appreciate your consideration of this request and your continued support for public safety in our community.



SHERIFF CHAD W. COX

P.O. BOX 1236, 211 W. Augusta St. EXT., McCormick, SC 29835
Phone: (864) 465-2520

Attached you will find detailed documentation outlining the scope of the project, the proposed budget, and the anticipated benefits to public safety. Your sponsorship and support for this request will have a transformative impact on our ability to serve McCormick County with professionalism and efficiency. Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to supporting law enforcement agencies in rural communities. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information or clarification regarding this request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chad W. Cox".

Chad W. Cox
McCormick County Sheriff
211 W. Augusta Street EXT
McCormick, SC 29835
(864) 550-0645



SHERIFF CHAD W. COX

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December 2nd, 2025

Daniel Gibson
S.C. House of Representatives
District 12 (Greenwood and McCormick Counties)
314-D Platt Building
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 212-6814

Dear Representative Gibson,

I am submitting this correspondence as an official request for ^{state}~~federal~~ appropriations to support the McCormick County Sheriff's Office Public Safety Enhancement Project. This project is designed to address critical deficiencies in our operational capacity by replacing outdated, unreliable, and unsafe equipment that currently hinders our ability to protect and serve the residents of McCormick County.

McCormick County ranks among the most economically challenged counties in South Carolina, with limited local resources available to sustain modern law enforcement operations. Our current operating budget, as allocated by the County Council, has remained static for consecutive years and will not increase for the upcoming fiscal cycle. This reality leaves no room for essential upgrades or technological improvements, despite the growing demands placed on our deputies.

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for safeguarding approximately 379 square miles of rural terrain, including major transportation corridors. Unfortunately, many of our vehicles, communication systems, and protective gear have exceeded their recommended service life, posing safety concerns for both deputies and the public.

The requested funding will be directed toward the acquisition of modern patrol vehicles, advanced communication systems, and officer safety equipment that meet current law enforcement standards. These upgrades will enhance operational readiness, reduce response times, and ensure deputies are equipped to manage emergencies effectively across our rural and dispersed communities.

Justification and Operational Need

The McCormick County Sheriff's Office faces significant operational challenges that require updated and reliable law-enforcement equipment to ensure the safety of our deputies and the public. McCormick County is a largely rural area in western South Carolina, covering approximately 379 square miles with a population of just over 10,000 residents. Our deputies are responsible for patrolling vast, sparsely populated areas, which often include remote roads, farmland, wooded regions, and residential areas where backup can be many minutes away. The county's terrain and dispersed population create unique demands on law enforcement, requiring officers to be fully equipped to respond effectively to emergencies and high-risk situations.

Several major roadways traverse McCormick County, including U.S. Highway 378, U.S. Highway 221, and South Carolina Highway 28, which serve as vital corridors for local traffic, regional commerce, and tourism. These routes experience significant travel by both local and through traffic, increasing the likelihood of high-speed incidents, traffic accidents, and other emergencies requiring timely and effective law-enforcement response. Deputies must be prepared to manage incidents along these major thoroughfares as well as on smaller county roads that often lack lighting, cellular coverage, or immediate backup.

Despite these operational demands, the McCormick County Sheriff's Office operates with limited local funding. The county's modest tax base constrains our ability to replace outdated equipment, upgrade technology, or acquire specialized tools needed to meet modern law-enforcement standards. Many of our current resources are well beyond their recommended service life, and some are no longer compatible with contemporary safety protocols. This creates both reliability concerns and safety risks, especially when deputies respond to high-risk situations such as traffic stops, domestic incidents, or emergencies on remote roadways.

Federal support through FY2026 Community Project Funding is therefore critical to address these gaps. By acquiring updated and essential law-enforcement equipment, the Sheriff's Office will enhance deputy safety, improve operational readiness, and strengthen our ability to serve and protect the residents of McCormick County. This funding will ensure that deputies are equipped to safely and effectively handle emergencies, manage incidents along major and minor roadways, and operate in a rural environment where timely and reliable response is essential for public safety.

It is important to note that the Sheriff's Office will not receive any additional funds for its 2026 budget. The office will only receive the same amount allocated in 2025, leaving no room for critical equipment upgrades or technology improvements. This funding limitation underscores the urgent need for supplemental federal support to ensure deputies have the tools necessary to perform their duties safely and effectively.

Itemized Requests



Item 1: TASER 7 Units (22 units)

Description: Modern conducted-energy weapons (CEWs), non-lethal alternatives to firearms, used to safely subdue uncooperative or dangerous individuals.

Operational Benefit: Provides deputies with a safe, effective method to gain compliance, reduce use-of-force incidents, and minimize risk of physical injury for officers and the public.

Justification: These units will replace obsolete or out-of-service devices, ensuring reliability and compliance with modern safety standards.

Estimated Cost: ~\$54,200 (at approximately \$2,464 per unit)



Item 2: Rapid I.D. Devices (2 units)

Description: Handheld fingerprint scanning/identification devices used in the field to instantly check criminal databases, verify identities, or confirm warrants.

Operational Benefit: Accelerates suspect identification, reduces time needed for processing in the field, improves accuracy, and supports safer, more informed decision-making by deputies.

Justification: Current field identification methods are insufficient; modern scanning devices will significantly improve operational efficiency and investigative capability.

Estimated Cost: ~\$14,000 (assumes ~\$7,000 per unit — typical for quality law-enforcement fingerprint scanners; actual cost will vary based on vendor and software license)



Item 3: Stop Stick Tire-Deflation Devices (2 sets)

Description: Deployable tire-deflation tools used to safely end high-speed vehicle pursuits by immobilizing a suspect's vehicle.

Operational Benefit: Enhances public safety by reducing the risk of high-speed chases on county and state highways, helps bring fleeing vehicles to a controlled stop.

Justification: Existing kits are insufficient in number; additional Stop Sticks will ensure

deputies have needed tools during pursuits or traffic stops.

Estimated Cost: ~\$500 (estimate ~\$250 per set)



Item 4: Latent Fingerprinting Kits (20 kits)

Description: Crime-scene fingerprint collection kits used to gather latent prints from surfaces, evidence, or crime scenes.

Operational Benefit: Improves investigative capacity, supports evidence collection, and increases likelihood of identifying suspects in property, violent, or drug-related crimes.

Justification: Current resources are limited, outdated and worn out due to previous assigned users; an expanded supply ensures timely, proper processing of crime scenes without delay.

Estimated Cost: ~\$2,000 (approx. \$100 per kit)



Item 5: Animal Control 178MS Package Projector (1 unit)

Description: Portable projector system used for animal-control operations, public awareness events, or training and outreach.

Operational Benefit: Enhances animal-control capacity and community outreach, aids in public education, training, or emergency animal operations.

Justification: This tool fills a gap in animal-control operations for the county, where no current system exists.

Estimated Cost: ~\$1,500 (approximate for projector packages of this type)



Item 6: Motorola XPR 7550e Two-Way Radios (10 units)

Description: Portable UHF digital radios for deputy communication, data, and coordination in the field.

Operational Benefit: Enhances real-time communication among deputies, improves response coordination, ensures connectivity across rural or remote areas, and strengthens safety/protocol compliance.

Justification: Existing radios are outdated and insufficient in number; investing in modern radios supports efficient, reliable communication across county patrols where radio service is already unreliable.

Estimated Cost: ~\$10,000 (assuming approx. \$1,000 per radio)



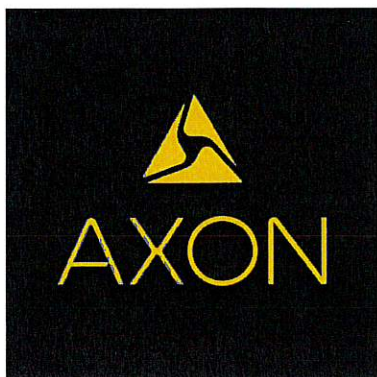
Item 7: Motorola Batteries (for radios) (10 units)

Description: Spare or replacement batteries for the Motorola XPR 7550e radios.

Operational Benefit: Ensures radios remain operational during long shifts or multiple deployments, avoids downtime due to battery failure, and increases reliability in emergencies.

Justification: With additional radios acquired, corresponding battery kits are necessary to maintain readiness and continuous operations.

Estimated Cost: ~\$1,000 (estimate about \$100 per battery pack/accessory)



Item 8: New Body Camera System (System + 25 body-worn cameras)

Description: Modern body-worn camera (BWC) system including docking/charging station, server or cloud integration (if needed), and 25 durable cameras for patrol officers.

Operational Benefit: Provides accountability, transparency, and evidence capture during stops, arrests, and critical incidents; improves community trust and officer accountability.

Justification: Current cameras and system are outdated; a new system ensures compliance with modern standards and improved record-keeping.

Estimated Cost: ~\$25,000–\$40,000 (estimating \$800–\$1,200 per camera plus infrastructure costs)



Item 9: 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility (4 units)

Description: Fully equipped patrol SUVs built on the 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility platform — configured for law-enforcement use.

Operational Benefit: Provides dependable, modern patrol vehicles equipped for law-enforcement duties, improves response capability across rural and highway

environments, ensures officer mobility and safety.

Justification: Current fleet is aging and inadequate for county's geographical demands; these vehicles will improve patrol coverage, reliability, and officer safety.

Estimated Cost: ~\$220,000 (approx. \$55,000 per unit based on 2025 models)

Item 10: 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe Fully Equipped K-9 Vehicle (1 unit)



Description: Dedicated K-9 patrol vehicle built on the 2025 Chevy Tahoe platform — outfitted for K-9 transport and law-enforcement operations.

Operational Benefit: Enhances K-9 unit capability for patrol, search & rescue, drug enforcement, and support operations — improving flexibility and response options.

Justification: A dedicated vehicle ensures safe transport and deployment of K-9 units, helps sustain canine welfare, and enhances department capabilities in specialized operations.

Estimated Cost: ~\$60,000 (approximate based on outfitted Tahoe police-package vehicle)

Item 11: License Plate Recognition (LPR) Cameras (2 units + yearly subscription)



Description: Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR/LPR) camera system for vehicle identification, suspect tracking, and stolen vehicle detection — including cameras and software subscription.

Operational Benefit: Supports investigative and patrol operations — assists in identifying stolen vehicles, locating wanted persons, improving traffic enforcement and public safety on major roadways.

Justification: The rural nature of our county and major thoroughfares increase the need for modern LPR tools to assist with crime prevention and efficient patrol operations.

Estimated Cost: ~\$15,000 (mid-to-high-end LPR systems can range \$5,000–\$10,000 per camera plus installation and annual software or subscription cost)

Item 12: Dog Kennels (6 kennels, 10 ft × 10 ft each)



Description: Outdoor kennels sized 10' × 10', designed to temporarily house stray or loose dogs captured within McCormick County.

Operational Benefit: Provides secure, safe, and humane temporary housing for stray animals when the county's Humane Society facilities are at full capacity. Ensures deputies can manage animal control incidents promptly without leaving animals unattended or at risk.

Justification: McCormick County experiences periods where the Humane Society cannot immediately accommodate additional animals. These kennels allow the Sheriff's Office to safely capture and shelter stray dogs until proper placement, reducing risk to the

public and protecting animal welfare.

Estimated Cost: ~\$30,000 (approx. \$5,000 per kennel, including installation)

Item 13: High-Output Duty Flashlights (50 units)



Description: Rugged, law-enforcement-grade duty flashlights for patrol deputies, usable in traffic stops, search operations, nighttime patrols, and emergency situations.

Operational Benefit: Enhances officer safety, visibility, and ability to perform duties effectively in low-light conditions; provides a reliable, durable lighting tool for patrol, search, and emergency response.

Justification: Existing flashlights are worn out, insufficient in number, and not up to modern standards; providing each deputy with a high-output flashlight improves readiness, visibility, and safety.

Estimated Cost: ~\$4,500 (assuming ~\$90 per flashlight)

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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Pink House- Neighborhood Resource Center

Requested Amount: \$ \$135,000.00

Recipient Entity: Non-Profit Organization

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, x Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Rev. Christian King Title/Position: Board Chair/Founder

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Charleston

Intended Use of the Funds: Funds will stabilize the building structure, complete essential system upgrades,
and bring the facility into compliance with safety standards—protecting both the public and personnel.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The Ardmore- Sherwood community utilizes the building for
a variety of educational purposes such as after school program, food bank, and also an on-site educational
garden to expand access to fresh food while providing hands-on learning in nutrition, sustainability, and
workforce readiness.

Wendell Grilliard

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Wendell Grilliard

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Required for Consideration:

1. An official request letter on the requesting entity's letterhead signed by an executive officer or administrator that includes a timeline specifying the dates for start and completion of the project or program.
2. Supporting documentation including but not limited to a detailed description of the project or program, a project or program budget, and the intended use and benefit of state funds for the project or program.
3. Verification that the recipient entity and the use of funds are within the state of South Carolina.
4. The signature of a member of the S.C. House of Representatives.

Disclaimer: Only non-recurring, one-time funds will be considered; recurring expenses (e.g., salaries) are not eligible.

Seventh Day Baptist Community Development Education Services
DBA: Pink House Neighborhood Resource Center
1551 Mulberry Street • Charleston, SC 29407
Office: 843-556-3486



March 30, 2026

Rep. Wendell Gilliard

Reference: House Member Appropriation Request Form

Project Name: Preserving a Community Anchor: The PINK HOUSE Structural Restoration and Neighborhood Alignment Project

Requested Amount: \$135,000.00

Recipient Entity: Seventh Day Baptist Community Development DBA The Pink House is a 501(c)3 Non-profit, registered and in good standing with the South Carolina Secretary of State Office.

Recipient Entity Contact: Reverend Christian King

Contact Phone Number:

Website: Following a recent cybersecurity incident, our website is being fully rebuilt with enhanced security measures to ensure long-term stability and protection. We anticipate relaunch shortly.

County: Charleston

Intended Use of Funds:

1. Structural Stabilization & Subfloor System Repairs – \$52,000 (Floor joists, subfloor replacement, structural reinforcement)
2. Wall, Ceiling & Drywall Restoration – \$14,000 (Repair of fractures caused by structural failure)
3. Crawl Space Moisture Barrier Insulation – \$11,000 (Moisture barrier installation, insulation, environmental protection)
4. Plumbing & Bathroom Upgrades – \$10,000 (Essential fixture replacement and code compliance)
5. Electrical & Security System Improvements – \$9,000 (Safety upgrades, wiring, basic security enhancements)
6. Window Replacement; Energy Efficiency Upgrades – \$9,000 (Replacement of failing windows)
7. Interior Finishes (Flooring, Trim, Paint) – \$12,000 (Finish flooring, trim, and targeted interior/exterior paint refresh)
8. Site Clean-Up, Demolition; Disposal – \$6,000 (Removal of damaged materials and prep work)
9. Community Garden & Outdoor Learning Space Development – \$12,000 (Raised beds, soil, irrigation, tools, educational signage, seating, and initial planting)

This investment will produce measurable food yield and hands-on education opportunities in the first growing cycle.

Seventh Day Baptist Community Development Education Services

DBA: Pink House Neighborhood Resource Center



1551 Mulberry Street • Charleston, SC 29407

Office: 843-556-3486

Schedule: Project Timeline (8 weeks):

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Removal and storage of items for Construction

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Bathroom Demolition

Week 3 Carpentry- Structural Flooring and Wall
Restoration

Windows Removal and Installation

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Plumbing Repairs and Installation

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Insulation in Crawlspace

Flooring Installation

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Carpentry)

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Justification of Use/Public Benefit: This request seeks state appropriations to address critical structural and safety deficiencies at the PINK HOUSE Neighborhood Resource Center, a trusted community lifeline serving residents of the Ardmore-Sherwood Forest neighborhood and surrounding areas. The facility provides consistent, accessible support to families, seniors, and youth who rely on it daily for essential resources and connection.

State investment will ensure the continued operation of a high-impact, cost-effective hub offering 24/7 access to food assistance, youth and senior programming, and community-based support. The PINK HOUSE fills critical gaps in food access, educational enrichment, and neighborhood stability for underserved populations.

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Rev. Christian King

Executive Director

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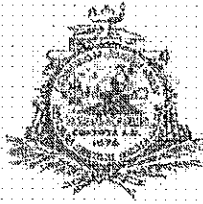
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Executive Director



City of Charleston

WILLIAM S. COGSWELL, JR.

MAYOR

April 22, 2026

Re: Appropriation Request for the Pink House – Neighborhood Resource Center

Dear Representative Gilliard,

On behalf of the City of Charleston, serving as fiscal agent for the Pink House – Neighborhood Resource Center, we respectfully submit this appropriation request to support critical improvements to the facility.

The requested funds will be used to stabilize the building's structure, complete essential system upgrades, and bring the facility into full compliance with applicable safety standards.

The Pink House serves as a vital hub for the Ardmore–Sherwood community. The facility supports a range of educational and community-focused initiatives, including after-school programming, a food bank, and an on-site educational garden. These programs expand access to fresh food while providing hands-on learning opportunities in nutrition, sustainability, and workforce readiness.

Additionally, in accordance with state requirements for nonprofit funding eligibility, the City of Charleston serves as a governmental partner to the Pink House – Neighborhood Resource Center in support of its public service mission. This partnership reflects an ongoing commitment to delivering meaningful, community-based programs that benefit residents.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and your continued support of community initiatives that improve quality of life for Charleston residents.

Sincerely,

William S. Cogswell, Jr.

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Tourism Development Initiative: Bringing Tourism Dollars to Rural and Urban Communities

Requested Amount \$ 100,000

Recipient Entity: SC African- American Tourism Council

The entity is a: State Agency____, Local Government____ Non-Profit X, or Other

If **Other** please explain:

Entity Contact: Kwadjo Campbell

Title/Position: President

Phone Number:

Email:

Entity Website: www.aatcouncil.org

County Location: Greenville & Charleston

Intended Use of the Funds: The requested \$100,000 investment will support the development and implementation of a comprehensive African-American Tourism Program led by the SC African-American Tourism Council, a statewide nonprofit dedicated to expanding cultural tourism and economic opportunity.

African-American tourism represents one of the fastest-growing visitor segments in the United States, yet South Carolina has not fully realized its potential to attract, engage, and retain this audience. This initiative will directly address that gap by strengthening tourism promotion, developing culturally relevant tourism products, and increasing statewide coordination among tourism stakeholders.

Funds will be used for the following programmatic activities:

- Development of a statewide African-American tourism marketing and branding campaign
- Creation and enhancement of heritage tourism assets, including curated cultural experiences, events, and site activation
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- Stimulate local economies by increasing tourism-related revenue for small businesses, hospitality providers, and cultural institutions
- Promote inclusive economic development by supporting minority-owned businesses and heritage-based entrepreneurship
- Strengthen South Carolina's competitive position as a premier cultural tourism destination
- Preserve and elevate African-American history and culture as a core component of the state's identity and visitor experience

Importantly, this is a one-time investment in program development and infrastructure that will create long-term, self-sustaining economic impact through increased visitation and private-sector engagement.

By investing in this initiative, the State of South Carolina will unlock a high-growth tourism market, drive equitable economic development, and ensure that the full story of South Carolina is told, preserved, and experienced by visitors from across the nation and around the world.

Rep. Wendell Gilliard

Primary House Sponsor - Print Name

Wendell Gilliard

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Primary House Sponsor - Signature

Wendell Gilliard

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**AFRICAN AMERICAN
TOURISM COUNCIL**

Supporting Budget

Project Budget – \$100,000 Allocation

1. Tourism Marketing & Promotion – \$30,000

- Branding development and campaign design
- Digital marketing (social media, targeted ads, content creation)
- Website enhancements and tourism asset mapping

2. Cultural Tourism Product Development – \$25,000

- Development of heritage tourism experiences and itineraries
- Site activation and interpretive materials
- Event programming support (festivals, tours, cultural activations)

3. Regional Tourism Summits & Convenings – \$20,000

- Venue, logistics, and production costs (4 regional summits)
- Speaker stipends and materials
- Community engagement and outreach

4. Technical Assistance & Capacity Building – \$15,000

- Small business training workshops
- Tourism readiness programs
- One-on-one technical assistance for operators

5. Digital Tools & Resource Development – \$10,000

- Online tourism directory and interactive guides
- Resource toolkit for communities and businesses
- Data collection and reporting infrastructure

Total: \$100,000



AFRICAN AMERICAN TOURISM COUNCIL

SC African-American Tourism Council

Charleston & Greenville

www.aatcouncil.org

Date: April 6, 2026

The Honorable Wendell Gilliard

South Carolina House of Representatives District 111

Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Gilliard,

On behalf of the SC African-American Tourism Council (SCAATC), I respectfully submit this request for a **\$100,000 legislative appropriation** to support the **Tourism Development Initiative: Bringing Tourism Dollars to Rural and Urban Communities**.

SCAATC is a statewide nonprofit organization committed to expanding African-American tourism as a driver of economic growth, cultural preservation, and community development across South Carolina. This initiative is designed to strategically position South Carolina to capture a larger share of one of the fastest-growing tourism markets in the nation.

The requested funds will support a one-time investment in program development and infrastructure, including tourism promotion, product development, stakeholder engagement, and capacity building across key regions of the state.

Project Timeline

- **Start Date:** July 1, 2026
- **Planning & Program Development:** July – September 2026
- **Program Implementation (Marketing, Events, Training):** October 2026 – May 2027
- **Evaluation & Reporting:** June 2027

Project Scope

This initiative will:

- Develop and launch a statewide African-American tourism marketing campaign
- Support the creation and enhancement of cultural tourism assets and experiences
- Convene regional tourism summits in the Lowcountry, Midlands, Upstate, and Pee Dee
- Provide technical assistance to small businesses and community-based tourism operators
- Develop digital tools and resources to increase visibility and accessibility of tourism assets

Public Impact

This investment will generate measurable economic and community benefits by increasing tourism visitation, supporting small and minority-owned businesses, and strengthening South Carolina's cultural tourism infrastructure. It will also ensure that African-American history and heritage remain a central and accessible part of the state's tourism economy.

SCAATC confirms that all funds will be utilized within the State of South Carolina and in compliance with all applicable requirements for non-recurring appropriations.

We appreciate your leadership and continued support of initiatives that strengthen our communities and economy. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you need additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Kwadjo Campbell

President

SC African-American Tourism Council

kwadjoc@gmail.com

864-270-3784



South Carolina

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African-American Tourism Council

Public Id: P68416

Larry Campbell , CEO

25 GOLDSMITH ST

GREENVILLE, SC 29609-4588

Status: Registered. Information from this organization's annual financial report is listed below.

The following financial information has been provided to the Secretary of State's Office by the above named organization. The Secretary of State's Office has not independently verified this financial information. If a charity has recently registered with the Secretary of State's Office for the first time, there may not be any financial data available. Below are figures for the organization's fiscal year **1/1/2024 - 12/31/2024**.

Financial Report

TOTAL REVENUE:	\$73,093.68
PROGRAM EXPENSES:	\$42,037.98
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$83,249.48
NET ASSETS:	\$38,516.78
FUNDRAISER COSTS:	\$0.00

Financial Report File



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2024 Revised Annual Financial Report for a Charitable Organization.pdf

Next Report: 01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025 Due Date: 05/15/2026

According to the financial information filed with this office, this organization devoted **50.5%** of its total expenses to program services during the year reported.

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COLLEGE OF
CHARLESTON

Date: April 24, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter confirms that the College of Charleston has maintained a programmatic partnership with the South Carolina African-American Tourism Council for over ten (10) years, during which time the College has supported the organization in the planning and execution of the annual South Carolina African-American Tourism Conference, a public-facing initiative that advances tourism development and economic impact across South Carolina; this history reflects the organization's established record of delivering services in partnership with a public institution.

Sincerely,

Paul Patrick
Chief of Staff and Interim Executive Vice President of Business Affairs/CFO
College of Charleston

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Project/Event Name: Town of Cameron - Fire Department SCBA's

Requested Amount: \$ \$96,000

Recipient Entity: Town of Cameron

Is the entity a: State Agency, ☒ Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: David Summers Title/Position: Mayor

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: dsummers@cfevans.com

Entity Website: Facebook - Town of Cameron County Location: Calhoun

Intended Use of the Funds: These funds will be used to purchase 8 new Self Contained

Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Units for our dedicated volunteer Fire Department.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Our fire fighters put themselves in harms way
frequently to protect our residents. As a small town with limited resources purchasing SCBA's
that cost between \$11,000 and \$12,000 is difficult. Our department is currently in need of 8
new units. This equipment will protect our firefighters when they enter burning structures in
search and rescue operations.

Serry N. Gowan, Jr.

Primary House Sponsor - Print Name

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Primary House Sponsor - Signature

Senator Signature: [Signature] Print Name: J. H. Zeil

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Project/Event Name: Town of Cameron - License Plate Reading (LPR) Cameras - 4

Recipient Entity: Town of Cameron

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Intended Use of the Funds: The Town recently installed 4 LPR Cameras for police use. These
funds would cover the costs of operating the cameras for the first 3 years.

Jerry N. Gowan, Jr.

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Senator Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Jeff Zell

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



Town of Cameron
P.O. Box 672
204 Boyce Lawton Drive
Cameron, SC 29030

April 13, 2026

Re: Funding Request for Municipal Projects and Public Safety Initiatives

Dear Honorable members,

On behalf of the Town of Cameron, we respectfully submit the following funding requests to support critical public safety, community improvement, and infrastructure enhancement initiatives. Each request has been carefully evaluated to address pressing needs within our community and to improve the quality of life for our residents.

1. Fire Department SCBA Units – \$96,000

The Town of Cameron is requesting funding to purchase eight (8) new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units for our volunteer fire department. These units are essential life-saving equipment that protect firefighters as they enter hazardous, smoke-filled environments during fire suppression and rescue operations.

Due to the high cost of SCBA units, typically ranging between \$11,000 and \$12,000 each, our small town with limited financial resources is unable to fully meet this need independently. Providing updated and reliable equipment is critical to ensuring the safety of our firefighters as they risk their lives to protect our community.

2. Pickleball Court Fence Painting – \$20,000

Funding is requested to repair and paint the fencing surrounding the Town's pickleball courts. Currently, the chain-link fencing is rusted and detracts from the appearance of the facility.

The Town recently invested in resurfacing both the tennis and pickleball courts, including new court paint, nets, and LED lighting. These upgrades have significantly increased usage and community engagement. However, due to budget limitations, the fencing was not addressed. Painting and coating the fencing will enhance the overall appearance of the facility, further supporting its role as a central gathering space that promotes recreation, wellness, and community interaction.

3. License Plate Recognition (LPR) Camera Operations – \$36,260

The Town is requesting funding to cover the operational costs for four (4) License Plate Recognition (LPR) cameras over a three-year period. These cameras have already been installed and are actively supporting law enforcement efforts.

As a small municipality with a police force consisting of one officer, these cameras serve as a critical force multiplier by providing continuous, 24/7 monitoring. They also integrate with a broader statewide network, assisting in criminal investigations and vehicle tracking efforts. By year four, the Town plans to incorporate these operational costs into its annual budget. This investment will significantly enhance public safety, deter criminal activity, and provide valuable support to both local and county law enforcement agencies.

4. Abandoned Property and Lot Cleanup - \$100,000

The Town of Cameron is requesting funding to address the cleanup and removal of dilapidated and abandoned homes and lots. While the Town has made progress using its own limited funds, additional resources are needed to improve an estimated eight (8) to ten (10) additional properties.

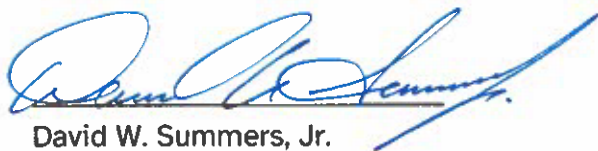
Many of these properties are owned by individuals who lack the financial means to maintain or clear them. As a result, they often become public nuisances, attracting debris, vermin, and posing safety risks to surrounding residents. Cleaning and restoring these lots will improve neighborhood safety, enhance property values, and increase the potential for future residential development. These revitalized spaces will become more attractive and marketable to prospective homeowners and investors.

Total Funding Requested: \$252,260

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of these requests and your continued support of small municipalities working to enhance public safety and community well-being.

Please feel free to contact our office should you require any additional information.

Respectfully submitted,



David W. Summers, Jr.

Mayor

Town of Cameron



Felicia Ellis

Clerk/Treasurer

Town of Cameron

803-823-2145

Fellis@TownofCameronSC.gov

Town@TownofCameronSC.gov

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Requested Amount: \$ 250,000.00

Recipient Entity: TOWN OF NORTH

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, X Non-Profit, or _____ Other?

If Other, please explain:

Entity Contact: JEFF WASHINGTON Title/Position: MAYOR

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Entity Website: townofnorth.sc.gov County Location: ORANGEBURG

Intended Use of the Funds: Extend/update basketball court; Restructure deteriorating sidewalks; Pavilion Beautification-restripe/repave parking lot; Town Hall restripe/repave parking lot; Drew-Owen Park-update/beautify sidewalks and public gathering areas; Add caution lights to Five Points Intersection-Camelia St. & Cromer Ave., North, South Carolina; Establish a Wi-Fi Café on Town Owned property to bring additional revenue to the Town of North for self-sustainability;

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Promoting resident participation of Town Events and outdoor recreation whilst increasing public safety and improving Town outlook/presentation.

Jerry Giovan

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature(s):

Additional House Sponsors:

Print Name: Lonnie Hosey

Signature:

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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EXTEND/UPDATE BASKETBALL COURTS

The Town of North's current basketball court is worn and old. It is necessary to update the existing court and extend it to include a bigger basketball court area or add a second basketball court of similar size. By doing so, the youth of North can have a safe and clean space to play, not to mention that last year, North Middle High School basketball team made it to the Championships for the first time in a long time.

RESTRUCTURE DETERIORATING SIDEWALKS

The Town of North's sidewalks have deteriorated so much that they now blend into the roadways. This causes a danger to all residents who need to walk from one place to another within the Town and dissuade the public from walking freely to enjoy the beauty of North and exercising to promote personal, physical and mental health. Upon restructuring the Town's sidewalks, we would like to add flowerpots for beauty and classic light posts for presence and safety.

TOWN PAVILION BEAUTIFICATION

The Town of North's Pavilion is a centralized Town Owned Property, frequently used for Town Events and available to the public for personal and charitable causes. Unfortunately, the Pavilion is also worn to the extent that the pavement and striping are no longer clearly visible for use and the lighting is outdated. The restrooms require remodeling as there are constant issues with usability and concerns of safety, due to multiple break-ins and the fact that CSX Railroad abuts the Pavilion, resident safety is of major importance.

TOWN HALL PARKING LOT

The Town of North's Town Hall building is also the Town of North's Police Department and North Municipal Court. With the establishment of new businesses in North coupled with current and pending annexations increasing the Town's boundary, there is a higher population of residents and passersby for which we lack enough parking space for the increase in human population. In addition to this, the current parking lot for Town Hall, North Police Department and North Municipal Court is worn and requires immediate repaving and restriping. It would be in the Town's best interest to expand the current parking area, but we need an extended area to be paved and striped, in addition to updating the current parking area.

DREW-OWEN PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Town of North's Drew-Owen Park is used for residents and their families. Personal and charitable events are held here along with the Town's Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. It is necessary to update the sidewalk structures for the safety of our residents and to expand the restrooms, as they were originally built for single person use. In support of the expansion of the Town's boundary and increased human population, the restrooms need to be able to accommodate three stalls for both, male and female genders.



Town of North
PO Box 399
9305 North Road
North, SC 29112

REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR PROJECT: TOWN OF NORTH 2026 IMPROVEMENTS

MARCH 27, 2026

SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Member Appropriations Budget Request
223 BLATT BLDG - 1105 PENDLETON ST.
COLUMBIA, SC 29201

Esteemed House Member Appropriations Committee:

I officially request funding from the House Member Appropriations Budget for the Town of North 2026 Improvements project. This request is for \$250,000.00 for the following sub-categories of the complete project:

EXTENDED/UPDATED BASKETBALL COURT:

Start / End dates: 10 to 16 weeks (planning/permitting-30 days)

Program Budget: \$15,000.00 - \$122,000.00 (new construction)

\$8,000.00 - \$20,000.00 (resurfacing)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our youth with a safe and clean recreational space

RESTRUCTURING OF DETERIORATING SIDEWALKS:

Start / End dates: 33 to 42 business days / up to 28 days for non-private residential
(planning/permitting-30 days)

Program Budget: \$18,000.00 - \$52,000.00 (removing/hauling away old concrete, adding
mat of rebar for structural integrity and support, pour and finish concrete plus cure time)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with the common privilege of walking on the street, exercising and increasing blood flow, promoting healthy physical and mental health goals

TOWN PAVILION BEAUTIFICATION:

Start / End dates: 44 to 58 business days / up to 28 days for non-private residential (planning/permitting=30 days)

Program Budget: \$18,000.00 - \$42,000.00 (resurfacing)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with a centralized space for public and personal gatherings to use while emphasizing safety and accessibility

TOWN HALL PARKING LOT:

Start / End dates: 44 to 58 business days (planning/permitting=30 days)

Program Budget: \$18,000.00 - \$42,000.00 (resurfacing)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with sufficient parking space for increased resident population for Town Hall, North Police Department and North Municipal Court

DREW OWEN PARK IMPROVEMENTS:

Start / End dates: 33 to 42 business days (planning/permitting=30 days)

Program Budget: \$18,000.00 - \$52,000.00 (removing/hauling away old concrete, adding mat of rebar for structural integrity and support, pour and finish concrete plus cure time)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with sufficient parking space for increased resident population for Town Hall, North Police Department and North Municipal Court

ADDING CAUTION LIGHT/SIGNAL to FIVE POINTS CROSSING:

Start / End dates: 6 months - 2 years (planning/permitting=30 days)

Program Budget: \$55,000.00 - \$205,000.00 (dependent upon method: roadway signs/traffic control; install/modify pedestrian signal; speed management)

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with peace and safety in this area and reducing traffic violations and potential harm to residents

ESTABLISH WIRELESS CAFE on TOWN OWNED PROPERTY:

Start / End dates: 6 months - 2 years - waiting list period for government use/funding
(planning/permitting=30 days)

Program Budget: \$48,000.00 - \$125,000.00 (town owned property reduces real estate costs to zero, but allots for remodeling costs of existing structure(s))

Intended Use/Benefit: Providing our residents with a safe social space to gather whilst increasing visibility and use of Town's small businesses and services and bringing in Town revenue to assist for future self sustainability

Very Truly Yours,



JEFF WASHINGTON, MAYOR of North, South Carolina

Jeffwashington1956@gmail.com

803-730-2362

House Member Appropriation Request Form
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Project/Event Name: Law Enforcement RMS, Cybersecurity, and Police Equipment Modernization

Requested Amount: \$ 175,000

Recipient Entity: Town of North

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Mayor Jeff Washington

Title/Position: Mayor

Phone Number: _____

Email: Mayor@townofnorth-sc.gov

Entity Website: townofnorth.sc.gov

County Location: Orangeburg County

Intended Use of the Funds: The Town of North Police Department seeks funding to modernize its Records Management System (RMS), strengthen cybersecurity protections, and replace aging police equipment. Current systems limit real-time information sharing, expose the agency to cybersecurity risks, and hinder operational efficiency. This project will implement a secure, integrated technology platform and provide updated equipment to support data-driven policing, improve officer safety, and enhance service delivery to the community.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Funding this initiative will directly support officer safety, data security, and community trust by equipping Town of North Police Department with the tools necessary to meet modern policing demands. This investment ensures a secure, efficient, and accountable public safety infrastructure that benefits both law enforcement personnel and the citizens they serve.

Jerry Giovan

Primary House Sponsor — Print Name

[Signature]

Primary House Sponsor — Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Lorrie Hosey Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



North Police Department

Paul L. Shirer

Chief of Police

P.O. 399/9305 North Road North, S.C. 29112

Phone: 803-247-5801 Fax: 803-247-3351

**The Honorable Representative Jerry N. Govan, Jr.
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina**

Dear Representative Govan,

On behalf of the Town of North Police Department and the citizens we serve, I respectfully request your support for a state appropriation to fund our **Law Enforcement RMS, Cybersecurity, and Police Equipment Modernization Project.**

This request seeks funding in the amount of **\$175,000** to upgrade the department's Records Management System (RMS), strengthen cybersecurity protections, and replace aging and outdated police equipment essential to daily law enforcement operations.

The North Police Department currently operates with systems and equipment that no longer meet the demands of modern policing. Officers face limitations in accessing real-time information, while existing technology presents increasing cybersecurity risks to sensitive criminal justice data. These challenges impact not only operational efficiency, but also officer safety and the department's ability to effectively serve the community.

This project will provide a secure, modern, and integrated technology platform that will:

- Improve officer safety through replacing reliability-challenged equipment and real-time data access
- Strengthen cybersecurity and protect sensitive information
- Increase efficiency in reporting, records management, and service to community
- Enhance transparency and accountability

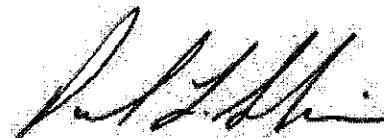
This request is not for expansion, but for essential modernization. Without this investment, the department will continue to face rising maintenance costs, increased risk of system failure, and potential liability associated with outdated and vulnerable systems.

The Town of North is committed to supporting this initiative and sustaining these improvements long-term through local funding for maintenance, training, and system upkeep. However, state assistance is critical to make this necessary upgrade possible.

I respectfully ask for your consideration and support of this request during the appropriations process. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this project with you further or provide any additional information your office may need.

Thank you for your continued support of public safety and the citizens of our community.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul L. Shirer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "P" and "S".

Chief of Police

Paul L Shirer



North Police Department

Paul L. Shirer

Chief of Police

P.O. 399/9305 North Road North, S.C. 29112

Phone: 803-247-5801 Fax: 803-247-3351

APPROPRIATION REQUEST SUMMARY

Project Title

Law Enforcement RMS, Cybersecurity, and Police Equipment Modernization

Total Request

\$175,000

Department Size

- 5 Sworn Officers
 - 5 Patrol Vehicles
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BUDGET BREAKDOWN

Category	Cost
RMS Software (Cloud-Based, CJIS-Compliant)	\$21,000
Implementation & Data Migration	\$15,000
Cybersecurity (Firewall, Endpoint, MFA, Backup)	\$20,000
Vehicle / MDT / Equipment & Upfit	\$82,000
Office Computers / Patrol MDT's (8 Units)	\$24,000
Networking / Setup	\$5,000
Training & Support	\$8,000
TOTAL REQUEST	\$175,000

COST JUSTIFICATION

The requested funding of **\$175,000** represents a practical and cost-effective investment in essential public safety infrastructure for a small municipal police department.

The North Police Department currently operates with aging technology that increases maintenance costs, reduces efficiency, and exposes the agency to cybersecurity risks. Continuing to rely on outdated systems will result in higher long-term expenses due to emergency repairs, system failures, and potential data security incidents.

This project provides:

- **Improved officer safety** through replacing reliability-challenged equipment and real-time access to critical data
- **Reduced administrative workload**, allowing officers to spend more time in the field
- **Lower long-term IT costs** by replacing outdated systems with reliable technology
- **Protection against cybersecurity threats**, reducing liability and risk
- **Compliance with CJIS security standards**, ensuring eligibility for future funding

This funding approach prioritizes complete system modernization rather than piecemeal upgrades, which are less effective and more costly over time.

Failure to fund this project will likely result in increased costs, reduced operational effectiveness, and elevated risk exposure.



North Police Department

Paul L. Shirer

Chief of Police

P.O. 399/9305 North Road North, S.C. 29112

Phone: 803-247-5801 Fax: 803-247-3351

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

North Police Department -- Funding Request: \$175,000

Purpose:

Upgrade RMS, cybersecurity, and police equipment

Why It Matters:

- Outdated systems impact officer safety
- Cybersecurity risks threaten sensitive data
- Equipment failures reduce efficiency

What This Funding Provides:

- Modern, secure RMS system
- Cybersecurity protection upgrades
- Reliable in-car and office technology

Impact:

- Faster response and reporting
- Increased officer safety
- Reduced long-term costs

Total Request

\$175,000

Department Size

5 Patrol Vehicles

5 Sworn Officers

Town of North

Katrina Davis

From: Jerry Govan <govanforsc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2026 12:00 AM
To: Katrina Davis
Subject: Fwd: TOWN OF NORTH - House Member Appropriation Request Form
Attachments: 2026.03.27 North Police Department 2026 Improvements LETTER.pdf; 2026.03.27 Town of North 2026 Improvements LETTER.pdf

Print out request

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From: <admin@townofnorth-sc.gov>
Date: Mon, Mar 30, 2026 at 10:28 AM
Subject: TOWN OF NORTH - House Member Appropriation Request Form
To: <GOVANFORSC@gmail.com>

HELLO Mr. GOVAN,

Could you please provide me with your mailing address?

Kind Regards,

Lisa Moreno/Town Clerk

TOWN OF NORTH

9305 North Rd./P.O. Box 399

North, SC 29112

803-247-2101

lmoreno@townofnorth-sc.gov

Mon., Tues., & Thurs.: 8:30AM – 5:00PM

Weds. & Fri.: 8:30AM – 1:00PM

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: New Horry County Fire Station - Enterprise/Bay Road

Requested Amount: \$ 5,000,000

Recipient Entity: Horry County Government

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Elizabeth Tranter Title/Position: Director, Community Development & Grants

Phone Number: _____ Email: tranter.elizabeth@horrycountysc.gov

Entity Website: <http://www.horrycountysc.gov> County Location: Horry County

Intended Use of the Funds: Land acquisition and new construction of a fire station to serve an ISO

Class 10 rated area in unincorporated Horry County.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Horry County is experiencing significant population growth, with

75% of the County's population living in unincorporated areas of the county. The highest call volumes for

public safety occur in the south end of Horry County. The proposed project would provide a new fire station

in the south end of Horry County in the Enterprise/Bay Road area, which is currently rated as ISO Class 10.

Val Guest

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Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR



Horry County
PO Box 1236
Conway, SC 29528
Phone: (843) 915-5020

April 17, 2026

The Honorable Heather Ammons Crawford
Post Office Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211-1867

Re: New Horry County Fire Station – Enterprise/Bay Road

Dear Representative Crawford:

Please accept this letter as confirmation of Horry County's support for a new Horry County Fire Station to be located in the Enterprise/Bay Road area of unincorporated Horry County. The requested \$5,000,000 would provide resources for acquisition of land and construction of a new fire station to serve an area that is currently rated ISO Class 10. This request does not include the equipment, licensed response vehicles, or personnel required for new station operations. Those investments would be made by Horry County.

As the population of Horry County continues to grow, the need for additional fire rescue infrastructure continues to grow. The South Strand area receives the highest volume of public safety calls, yet an ISO Class 10 area remains in the vicinity of Enterprise and Bay Road. The residents in this area, therefore, are at risk due to reduced fire protection. Moreover, properties in Class 10 areas often face higher insurance premiums or difficulty obtaining coverage, as insurers view them as high risk. The proposed new fire station would address this need, leading to faster deployment of personnel for the citizens we serve.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact me if you need more information or if you have any questions regarding the County's support for this important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barry Spivey".
Barry Spivey
Horry County Administrator

New Horry County Fire Station – Enterprise/Bay Road

The work to be performed will include pre-engineered steel structures, slab on grade floor and spread footing foundations. The exterior consists of masonry, brick, EIFS, and metal siding with prefinished aluminum windows, metal roof, interior CMU and metal stud partitions with painted gypsum board finish, suspended acoustical and gypsum board ceiling systems, poured epoxy and LVP flooring and other various finishes. The facility shall be provided with a fire suppression system throughout. The facility will be connected to public water and sewer. Work also includes structural, plumbing, fire sprinkler mechanical, electrical, civil and landscaping.

Horry County recently bid a project for a new fire station similar to that which is currently proposed. The current construction contract value for the similar project totals \$3,971,086.03, and the total budget is \$4,949,400. This project will also require land acquisition.

This request does not include the equipment, licensed response vehicles, or personnel required for new station operations. Those investments would be made by Horry County.

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Project/Event Name: FIREBOAT_____

Requested Amount: \$ 650,000.00_____

Recipient Entity: Newport Volunteer Fire Department via Newport Fire Tax Board_____

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, xx___ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Peter MacVean_____ Title/Position: Chair, Newport Fire Tax Board_____

Phone Number:

Email:

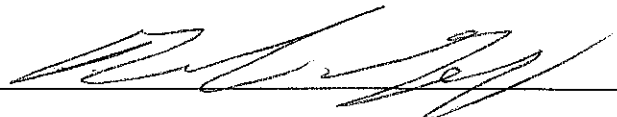
Entity Website: None_____ County Location: York County, SC__

Intended Use of the Funds: Purchase Fire Boat for Newport Volunteer Fire Department _____

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Newport VFD is responsible for several miles of Lake Wylie frontage. There are three other departments that front the lake. Fire suppression water must come from the lake. The York County Sheriff relies on Newport VFD and its boats to assist in Search and Rescue operations. There is one existing boat that can carry a stretcher. The rescued individual will be exposed to the elements and water. The new boat will provide. The new boat will provide climate controlled interior space for EMTs or Paramedics to work. It is intended that all Fire Departments with lake frontage will be asked to provide staff. Additional information is attached.

Brandon Guffey

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Print Name: Thomas E. Pope Signature: TE Pope

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Data Newport VFD (NVFD) Fire Boat Justification

Attached is a two page depiction of a Fireboat that meets the needs of the NVFD. There are additional manufacturers. The Newport Fire Tax Board and the NVFD will issue a Request for Proposals to obtain the best price for a boat that meets the needs of the Newport VFD.

While Lake Wylie is situated in two states, there is no delineation that restricts boats to the state of registration. North Carolina lists 10-15,000 boats within Lake Wylie's area. They predict 1 to 3000 boats on the lake depending on the weekend. South Carolina, in 2022 had 22,000 boats registered within the Lake Wylie area. Boats on the lake during weekends will mirror that of North Carolina, 1-3000.

All fire services on Lake Wylie and the surrounding area operate on a mutual aid basis. This includes the Charlotte FD. At the present time in South Carolina only the NVFD has a boat that even approximates a usable option. This boat is well past its operational life and is kept in service because there is no other option. There is no provision on this boat for EMTs or Paramedics to provide aid. NVFD's boat is staffed BY Certified EMTs.

Lake Wylie is 32 miles long, it has 325 miles of shoreline, 227 of that is in York County.

The NVFD has two of four of the most used boat ramps on the lake.

At anytime there is a search and rescue operation on the lake, the NVFD is called upon to assist with its boat. This call is made regardless of the state in which the need arises.

York County has numerous homes directly on the lake. With minor exceptions, all residences operate on well water. Wells cannot produce an adequate supply of water for firefighting purposes (1500-2000 Gallons per minute). The purchased boat will be able to provide that as well as supply land based trucks with water.

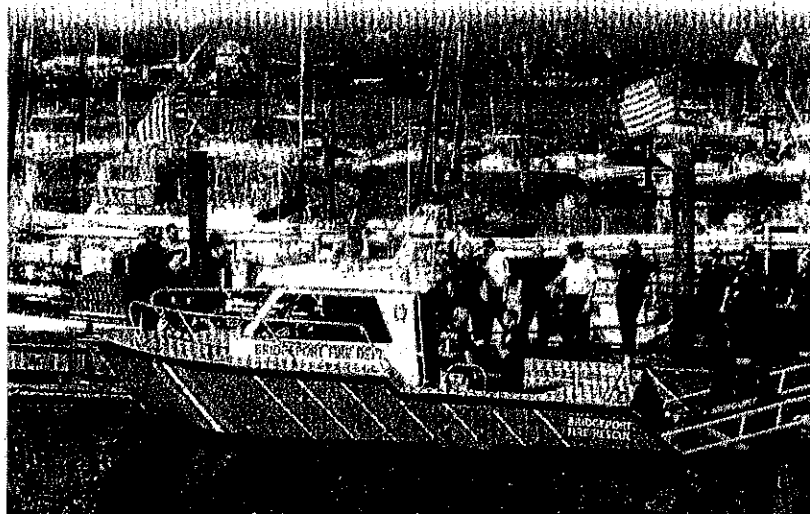
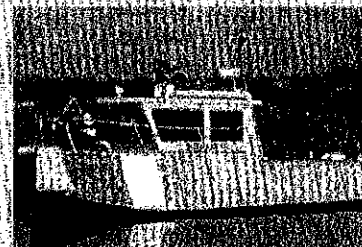
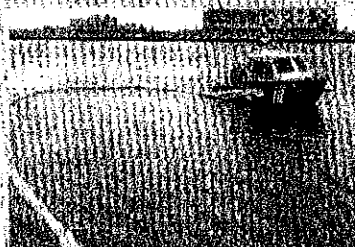
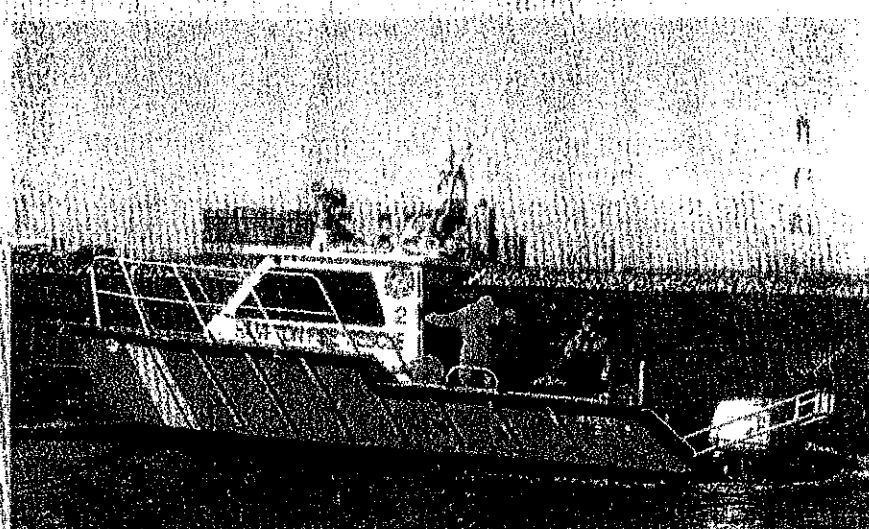
The Newport Fire Tax Board and the NVFD will work with all departments that front the lake to train staff to operate the boat that will always be captained by a NVFD Firefighter:

FireBrand 28

HIGH IMPACT AT A LOW COST

The FireBrand 28 derives its name from branding iron because of its simplicity and positive impression it leaves. The FireBrand 28 is a deep V hull platform. The flush fore deck with 18" wide walk-around side decks and flat deck above the cuddy provides forward work space outside and lots of storage inside. The cabin has a bench for passengers with integrated storage and a fold down navigator's seat to create a flat surface to accommodate a back board. The cuddy has dedicated EMS, fire equipment and SCBA storage. The 1250 GPM rated firefighting pump and gasoline pump engine are located in a pump engine box. The sea chest is integrated into the hull extension between the outboard motor brackets for easy access to the strainer for cleaning and inspection. The monitor is located on top of the cabin roof and is operated from a dedicated console within the cabin. Two 2.5" capped discharges are mounted in the cockpit. Twin gasoline outboards can propel the boat to speeds of 40 knots for fast emergency response. Rugged guards provide additional protection for the outboard engines. A hinged dive door with an integrated ladder provides easy access for diving crew deployment and patient recovery.

L.O.A.	33'5"
B.O.A.	10'6"
Draft	18"
Pump	1250 GPM
Discharges	1 monitor; 2 discharges
Propulsion	Twin outboards
Pump Engine	6 cylinder gas



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FireBrand 28

FIRE FIGHTING SYSTEMS

- Single Darley fire pump producing 1500 GPM
- Roof mounted, remote operated 1250 GPM monitor
- 2½" valved NST capped discharges
- All fire controls and gauges at dedicated console

EMS SUPPORT

- Heated patient care area with primary patient care berth
- Dedicated EMS equipment storage with AC outlet for chargers
- SCBA storage panel

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

- Shore power 1x30 amp
- DC (12V) breakers - 16
- AC (110V) breakers - 3
- DC outlets - 2
- AC outlets - 2
- Corrosion meter
- Cabin, scene & spot lights
- NAV lights
- Battery charger

ELECTRONICS

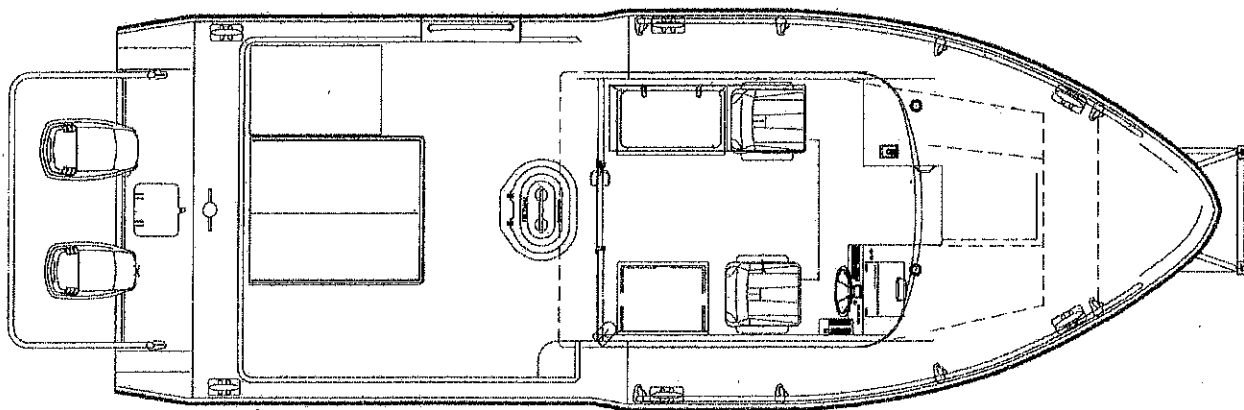
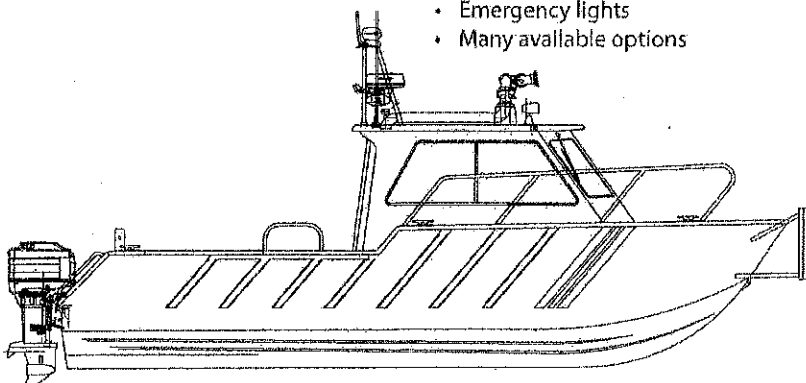
- VHF
- GPS, radar, chart plotter w/depth
- Compass
- Hailer/fog horn
- Siren/PA
- Emergency lights
- Many available options

STANDARDS

- Meets NFPA 1925 pumping for Type 'V'
- Meets OSHA Db rating
- USCG CFR 46
- USCG interior flame retardant rating
- American Boat & Yacht Council
- American Bureau of Shipping Welding Standards

OTHER FEATURES

- Chart table
- Crew seating
- Non skid 18" side decks
- Safety railings with harness brackets
- Anchor locker
- Hinged dive door
- 4 watertight compartments
- Rubber sound matting
- Finished interior
- Flat or tread plate aluminum decking
- Tinted side windows, clear windshields
- 2 multi-speed wipers
- 40,000 BTU cabin heater w/defrost
- Hinged mast w/radar arch
- Push knee
- Access to all piping and valves
- Deck hose storage lockers



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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Rock Hill Schools Applied Technology Center Program Enhancement Project

Requested Amount: \$ 1,000,000

Recipient Entity: Rock Hill School District

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, _____ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, X Other

If **Other**, please explain: Public School District

Entity Contact: Dr. Deborah Elder Title/Position: Superintendent

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Entity Website: rock-hill.k12.sc.us County Location: York County, South Carolina

Intended Use of the Funds: This \$1,000,000 appropriation request seeks equipment and industry recognized certifications to support existing career pathways, develop new pathways, and thoughtfully integrate Artificial Intelligence at the Applied Technology Center programs. State-of-the-art labs will address critical labor shortages in South Carolina. By aligning with the South Carolina Priority Occupations and the federal America's Talent Strategy: Building the Workforce for the Golden Age, this project provides an industry-driven pipeline for our state's most essential sectors.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This investment will modernize existing programs, launch new high-demand pathways, and integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into our career and technical education programs to ensure we remain competitive in a rapidly evolving economy.

Mr. Brandon Guffey

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: TR Ligon

Print Name: HEATH SESSIONS

Print Name: TE Pope
John R. King

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____



386 E. Black Street
P.O. Drawer 10072
Rock Hill, SC 29731

T: (803) 981-1000
F: (803) 981-1094
www.rockhillschools.org

South Carolina House Member Appropriation Request: February 6, 2026
Project Title: Rock Hill Schools Applied Technology Center Program Enhancement Project
Total Funding Request: \$1,000,000

Dear Representative Guffey,

Rock Hill School District respectfully submits a \$1,000,000 appropriation request to transform its Applied Technology Center programs into modern AI-integrated learning centers that provides industry recognized certifications. This investment will create a workforce pipeline, equipping students with the skills necessary to sustain and grow the state's most vital industries. Our initiative aligns directly with the South Carolina Coordinating Council for Workforce Development and SC Department of Employment Workforce priority occupations, specifically targeting occupations in Health Sciences, Skilled Trades, Public Safety, Logistics, and Manufacturing.

The proposed budget reflects equipment and certifications costs from July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027.

Sector	Description	Estimated Cost
Health Sciences	AI powered high and mid-fidelity simulation manikins, AI integrated virtual reality simulators, ultrasound trainer, dental phantom head workstations, smart hospital bed, venipuncture phlebotomy arms, health record simulator, 911 Simulator, AED trainers, certifications: OHSA 10, Stop the Bleed, Certified Nursing Aide, Basic Life Support, Emergency Medical Technician, National Health Science Certificate	\$300,000
Skilled Trades: HVAC/Plumbing	Lab diagnostic equipment, AI integrated troubleshooting simulators with adaptive technology, mini split heat pumps, central air conditioner, thermal imaging cameras, brazing stations, press fit systems, student go bag tool kits, certifications: OSHA 10, EPA Section 608	\$150,000
Public Safety: Firefighter	Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) training units, forcible entry props, digital fire panels, thermal imaging cameras, rescue manikins, certifications: First Aid/CPR/AED, OSHA 10, National Incident Management System	\$200,000
Logistics	Warehouse management software, industrial barcode scanners, thermal printers, safety gear, drones for inventory, AI simulator for warehouse design layout, scenario modeling and safety training, certifications: OSHA 10, Forklift Certified Logistics Associate and Technician	\$120,000

Sector	Description	Estimated Cost
Manufacturing	Mechatronics core electronics stations, motion control system trainers, programable logistic control trainers, AI trained VR simulators for pneumatic pick and place systems, certifications: OSHA 10, Snap-on/NC3: Precision Measurement Multimeter	\$150,000
Facility Retrofit	Electrical upgrades for high-draw machinery	\$80,000
TOTAL		\$1,000,000

We appreciate your consideration of this investment in South Carolina's future-ready workforce.
Kind Regards,



Dr. Deborah Elder
Superintendent

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Berea Fire District Headquarters and Training Facility replacement

Requested Amount: \$ \$8 million

Recipient Entity: Berea Public Service District

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, Non-Profit, or X Other

If Other, please explain: Special Purpose District

Entity Contact: Gary Brock Title/Position: Fire Chief

Phone Number: Email: gbrock@bereafire.com

Entity Website: County Location: Greenville

Intended Use of the Funds: Two-phase capital construction project to replace Headquarters station and the live fire training structure at the training facility.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: Due to the age of the structure, ongoing structural issues and growth. The current Headquarters facility has serviced the community for nearly six decades and the training facility for nearly twenty years. The goal is to continue to provide safe, adequate and professional living quarters, as well as a compliant training facility for the future.

Patrick B. Haddon

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Patrick B. Haddon

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

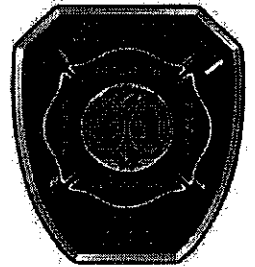
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7401 WHITE HORSE ROAD
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Gary J. Brock

The Honorable Patrick Haddon
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Representative Haddon,

I am writing on behalf of the Berea Fire District to respectfully request state appropriations to support a two-phase capital construction project that is critical to the continued safety, preparedness, and resilience of our community and surrounding jurisdictions.

Phase One of this project includes the construction of a new Berea Fire Department Headquarters (Station 8) and the replacement of the live fire training structure located at our training facility (Station 9). Our current headquarters was constructed in 1971 and has served the Berea community well for nearly six decades. However, due to the age of the structure, ongoing issues related to structural integrity, plumbing, and core building systems have made continued repairs no longer feasible or fiscally responsible. While the department has diligently managed maintenance and interim repairs, the facility has reached the end of its functional lifespan.

Additionally, as the Berea community has grown and diversified, so has our fire department workforce. The current station layout no longer adequately supports a modern, diverse staffing model. Renovations have been required to accommodate female firefighters, and existing sleeping quarters do not provide appropriate privacy for personnel. A new headquarters is essential to ensure we can house and support a diverse workforce while continuing to provide high-quality emergency services to the community for decades to come.

Through prudent financial management by the District Commission and department administration, the Berea Fire District has already taken significant steps to reduce the overall financial burden of this project. The district has successfully purchased land adjacent to the current headquarters, thereby reducing land acquisition costs and the total funding required for the new station.

Phase Two of the project involves replacing our existing live fire training structure, which is approximately twenty years old. While this facility has been instrumental in allowing our personnel to maintain essential skills, live fire training structures experience extreme conditions due to repeated fire exposure and must eventually be replaced to remain safe and compliant. The time has come to responsibly replace this facility.

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The training complex at Station 9 serves not only the Berea Fire District, but also neighboring departments including Duncan Chapel, North Greenville, and Travelers Rest Fire Departments. These agencies regularly utilize the facility for training, including automatic aid exercises required by the Insurance Services Office (ISO). This collaborative training ensures consistent, coordinated emergency response across our region, benefiting all participating communities.

In addition, the facility plays a vital role in workforce development. The Berea Fire District hosts multiple training events annually for the Enoree Career Center, providing high school students pursuing fire service careers with a safe, professional environment to develop their skills. We also host the annual South Carolina Fire Academy (SCFA) skills evaluation for Enoree Career Center students seeking Firefighter I and Firefighter II certification through the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC). This program ensures that local students graduate high school workforce-ready, strengthening the future of the fire service and enhancing public safety throughout our region.

The anticipated project timeline is approximately May 2026 through November 2027. Securing state appropriations for this project would accomplish three critical objectives: it would reduce the financial burden and potential tax impact on local citizens; ensure that our firefighters have safe, adequate, and professional living quarters; and provide the next generation of firefighters with modern, compliant training facilities that meet applicable standards, including those established by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Thank you for your continued support of public safety and your consideration of this request. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this project further or provide any additional information you may require.

Respectfully,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Gary J. Brock". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with prominent loops and flourishes.

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Requested Amount: \$ 718,000

The entity is a: State Agency, X Local Government, Non-Profit, or Other

Phone Number: _____ Email: sheriff@hamptoncountysc.org

Intended Use of the Funds: Vehicle replacement and officer safety equipment replacement.

William Hager

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



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February 22, 2025

"Dear Honorable Representative Hager,

On behalf of the Hampton County Sheriff's Office, I would like to express my deepest appreciation for your unwavering support of law enforcement and public safety initiatives. As Sheriff of Hampton County, I am reaching out with an urgent request for critical funding that will directly impact the safety and well-being of our deputies and the residents we serve.

Urgent Request for Funding to Address Critical Law Enforcement Needs

In June 2024, the Hampton County Sheriff's Office faced a drastic budget cut of \$864,000, a reduction that has significantly hindered our ability to effectively serve and protect the community. This cut came at a time when our department was already operating with limited resources, and the financial strain has severely impacted our operations. As a result, we now face increased challenges in meeting the growing demands of law enforcement and public safety.

Hampton County, which covers over 560 square miles and is home to roughly 18,122 residents, presents unique challenges in terms of law enforcement. A significant portion of our population lives in rural, hard-to-reach areas, which makes ensuring a timely response to incidents increasingly difficult. Additionally, Hampton County is situated along the heavily trafficked Interstate 95 corridor, which sees millions of vehicles annually, adding to the complexity of maintaining public safety in the area. With this increased volume of traffic, we are dealing with greater risks related to accidents, criminal activity, and public safety issues, all of which place a greater burden on our already underfunded department.

Despite making use of all available grants with no match requirements, the financial shortfall continues to threaten our ability to adequately protect our citizens and support our deputies. The current budget limitations have resulted in slower emergency response times, worn-out equipment, and an overburdened staff. These conditions not only jeopardize the safety of our officers but also place our residents at greater risk.

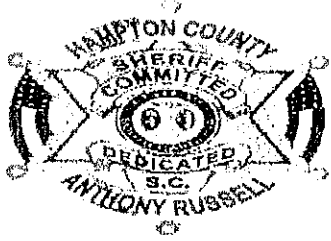
We are reaching a critical point where the lack of resources is beginning to impact the quality of law enforcement services we provide. Our vehicles are unreliable, equipment is outdated, and our officers are experiencing fatigue due to the strain of managing an increased workload. If these challenges are not addressed soon, the risk to both public and officer safety will continue to rise.

Funding Needs and Justification

1. Bulletproof Vests for Deputies

The safety of our deputies is paramount. Many of our current bulletproof vests are well beyond their recommended service life. These vests, worn daily, have endured significant wear and tear, compromising their effectiveness. A bulletproof vest is the final line of defense against potentially life-threatening injuries, and

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relying on outdated gear puts our deputies at great risk. We request funding to replace these vests and ensure that every deputy is equipped with high-quality, properly fitted vests that meet the latest safety standards.

2. Vehicle Fleet Expansion

Our patrol vehicles are in critical need of replacement. The current fleet is burdened with high mileage and ongoing mechanical issues, which place our deputies at risk. In several incidents, vehicle failures have occurred at critical moments:

- **Active Gunfire Incident:** A deputy responding to an active gunfire situation was left stranded when his patrol vehicle unexpectedly failed to start. In a life-threatening scenario where immediate action was critical, this mechanical failure put the deputy's life at extreme risk and left him exposed to potential danger. Had circumstances escalated further, this could have resulted in a tragic outcome.
- **Victim Transport Breakdown:** At 4:00 a.m., a deputy transporting a victim of criminal sexual conduct to a medical facility experienced a vehicle breakdown on a desolate stretch of road. Stranded in the dark, the deputy and the victim were forced to wait for a tow truck, leaving them in an unsafe and vulnerable situation in an already distressing circumstance.
- **Delayed Emergency Response:** A deputy en route to a high-priority traffic accident—where multiple vehicles and injuries were reported—experienced an engine failure. Unable to reach the scene in a timely manner, the response was delayed, leaving victims without critical law enforcement assistance at a crucial moment.
- **Failed Suspect Apprehension:** A deputy was dispatched to assist in apprehending a suspect in a neighboring jurisdiction. However, the patrol vehicle suffered a mechanical failure en route, forcing the deputy to delay his response. This delay may have given the suspect additional time to evade capture, directly impacting public safety.
- **Domestic Dispute Incident:** A deputy was responding to a report of a domestic dispute in a remote part of the county when the vehicle's transmission failed. Stranded in an isolated area, the deputy was left vulnerable and unable to reach the scene, delaying law enforcement intervention in what could have been a volatile and dangerous situation.

These incidents are unacceptable, and continuing to rely on outdated, unreliable vehicles puts our deputies and the community at risk—particularly in life-threatening situations. Our officers need dependable equipment to perform their duties with confidence, and the safety of our community depends on our ability to respond promptly to emergencies. To address this critical issue, we are requesting funding for 10 fully equipped, reliable

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patrol vehicles that will ensure our deputies can respond swiftly and safely, without the ongoing threat of mechanical failures that compromise their ability to protect and serve.

Additionally, the safety of our deputies must be prioritized. Many of our current bulletproof vests are well beyond their recommended service life, compromising the safety of our officers. Bulletproof vests are essential protective gear, and worn-out vests put our deputies in immediate danger. We request funding to replace 18 outdated bulletproof vests, ensuring that each deputy has the proper protection they need to serve and protect our community.

These two critical investments—reliable patrol vehicles and up-to-date bulletproof vests—will significantly enhance our department's capacity to respond to emergencies, reduce officer fatigue, and ensure the safety of both our deputies and the citizens we serve.

Impact of Funding on Public Safety

The requested funding of \$718,000 will directly address these critical needs:

- **Officer Protection:** The safety of our deputies is the cornerstone of effective law enforcement. As public servants who are often placed in high-risk situations, our deputies are on the front lines, facing significant dangers every day. Hampton County has seen increasing threats, not just in terms of violent crimes but also in the rising challenges that come with unpredictable situations such as active shooter incidents, drug-related confrontations, and domestic violence calls. Our deputies are constantly exposed to these risks, which makes providing them with the proper protective gear a matter of paramount importance.
- **Crime prevention and swift intervention** are at the forefront of our efforts to keep Hampton County safe. Increased patrol visibility is a proven deterrent to criminal activity. By expanding our fleet of reliable, fully equipped patrol units, we can increase our presence in high-crime areas, neighborhoods, and along critical corridors like Interstate 95, which has seen increased criminal activity tied to trafficking and thefts. The ability to move quickly and respond to calls in a timely manner is essential to preventing crime from escalating and ensuring offenders are apprehended before they can flee or harm others.
- **Public Safety and Crime Reduction:** Hampton County continues to face significant challenges in maintaining public safety and effectively reducing crime. As law enforcement in the region, we are experiencing increased pressure from rising crime rates and evolving threats. With a limited capacity due to outdated resources and an underfunded department, our ability to proactively address criminal activities has been severely hindered.
- **Faster Emergency Response Times:** The ability to respond quickly to emergencies is paramount in protecting lives and ensuring public safety. Our current fleet's mechanical issues and aging vehicles have caused significant delays during critical situations. With new, reliable patrol vehicles, our deputies will be able to respond faster to emergencies, including traffic accidents, domestic violence calls, and active crime scenes. Quicker responses will help mitigate the severity of incidents, decrease the likelihood of injuries, and ensure that we can take swift action in preventing or stopping crimes in progress. Reliable vehicles will enhance our overall operational efficiency, ensuring that we are present when our community needs us the most, at the most critical moments.
- **Highway Safety:** Interstate 95 is a major thoroughfare that continues to see rising traffic volumes and construction activity. Increasing our patrol capabilities along this corridor will significantly enhance traffic safety, reduce accidents, and better address the growing traffic risks. This funding will ensure that we have the resources to patrol this critical highway more effectively, especially as new construction begins in the area.

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• Requested Support

We are seeking \$718,000 in funding for:

- 10 fully equipped patrol units at \$55,000 each (\$550,000)
- Equipment for these units at \$15,000 each (\$150,000)
- Replacement of 18 outdated bulletproof vests at \$1,000 each (\$18,000)

The total requested funding is \$718,000. This investment is not merely a financial figure; it represents a critical step toward safeguarding both the men and women who serve in law enforcement and the community members they protect. By securing this funding, we will be able to provide our deputies with the tools they need to respond effectively to life-threatening situations, ensure their personal safety, and enhance their ability to serve the public with confidence. These investments—whether in new protective equipment, modernized vehicles, or essential gear—are an investment in the safety and future of Hampton County.

When our deputies are properly equipped, they are better prepared to handle the complex and dangerous nature of their work. This funding will allow for faster and more effective responses to emergencies, a stronger, more visible law enforcement presence, and safer conditions for both deputies and citizens. Ultimately, this funding ensures that the Hampton County Sheriff's Office will continue to fulfill its mission of protecting life, property, and ensuring justice, with deputies who have the resources they need to do their jobs effectively and safely.

In short, the \$718,000 investment will provide immediate, tangible improvements in both officer protection and public safety, resulting in a stronger, more resilient community. Thank you for considering this vital funding request, which will make a lasting impact on the safety of our deputies and the citizens of Hampton County.

Conclusion

Honorable Representative Hager, as the primary law enforcement agency in Hampton County, we are counting on your leadership and support to secure these vital resources. Our community, including local citizens, businesses, and the growing number of travelers on Interstate 95, depends on a fully equipped and capable law enforcement agency to ensure their safety. Hampton County is uniquely positioned along this critical interstate corridor, making it a high-traffic area with increased safety risks due to rising commercial and residential development. The Sheriff's Office is facing mounting pressure to address these challenges, particularly with the increasing volume of traffic, criminal activities, and public safety demands that we experience each day.

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With your assistance, we can provide our deputies with the necessary tools to protect and serve with greater effectiveness, ensuring we continue to meet the public safety needs of our citizens and the hundreds of thousands of travelers who pass through our county every year.

While our request for funding last year was unsuccessful, we are hopeful that, with your continued support, we can secure the necessary resources this year. By working together, and combining state funding with a shared commitment to public safety, we can continue to serve and protect Hampton County.

Hampton County is home to over 18,122 residents, many of whom live in rural areas where law enforcement response times are already stretched thin. We also serve as a gateway for travelers on Interstate 95, which sees more than 1.5 million vehicles pass through our area annually. With our growing population and the heavy toll of traffic, the demand for increased patrols, fast emergency responses, and public safety measures has never been more critical.

Your support in securing funding for our deputies and operations will ensure that they are better equipped to handle these increasing challenges—ultimately improving public safety for all. With enhanced officer protection and a more modern vehicle fleet, we will be better prepared to respond to emergencies, reduce crime rates, and prevent tragic incidents that can occur when law enforcement is not properly equipped.

Furthermore, if this funding request is granted, we respectfully request that these funds be safeguarded from any reallocation or redirection by the Hampton County government. The allocated funds should be deposited directly into the Hampton County Treasury and earmarked exclusively for the Hampton County Sheriff's Office to purchase the requested patrol vehicles and bulletproof vests. Ensuring these resources are used solely for their intended purpose will directly enhance public safety and provide our deputies with the essential equipment needed to effectively protect and serve our community.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and leadership on this critical matter. Your support is not just an investment in law enforcement, it is an investment in the safety and well-being of every resident, business, and visitor in Hampton County, including yourself as a valued member of this community. With your help, we can ensure that our deputies have the essential tools they need to protect and serve us all.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Anthony Russell
Hampton County Sheriff's Office

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February 11, 2026

Representative Bill Hager
432D Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

Please accept this request from the Town of Hampton Fire Department:

I am writing on behalf of the Hampton Fire Department to respectfully request hardship funding in the amount of \$180,000.00 for the replacement of our cascade and fill station equipment—equipment that is absolutely essential to our ability to protect lives and property in our community. The funding requested would be used to purchase a new cascade and fill station system to replace two machines that are more than 20 years old. These machines are not simply pieces of equipment; they are a critical lifeline for our firefighters. They are required to fill the SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) air cylinders that firefighters depend on to safely enter burning structures, perform rescues, and operate in immediately dangerous and life-threatening environments.

This is necessary equipment for our Fire Department to be able to safely serve and protect our community.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Brown
Mayor

Sincerely,

Dylan Brabham
Fire Chief

Grant Funding Request Packet

Cascade & Fill Station Replacement Project

Executive Summary

The Hampton Fire Department is seeking funding to replace an aging SCBA cascade and fill station system that has exceeded its service life. The current equipment, over two decades old, is increasingly unreliable and no longer supported by readily available replacement parts.

The total cost for the replacement system is **\$180,072.76 (installation included)**.

This project will:

- Ensure uninterrupted SCBA air supply for emergency operations
 - Improve firefighter safety in IDLH environments
 - Restore reliable emergency response capability
 - Reduce repair costs and equipment downtime
 - Provide compliant, modern equipment that meets current safety standards
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Department Profile

Department Name: Hampton Fire Department

Service Area: Town of Hampton

Population Served: Approximately 2,700

Annual Call Volume: Approximately 120 calls per year

Type of Department: Combination Fire Department

Staffing Model: Career staffing Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM; all other response times are volunteer-based

Stations: One station

The department provides fire suppression, rescue services, emergency medical response, fire prevention, and disaster response for residents, businesses, and visitors within our municipality.

Statement of Need

Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) systems are life-sustaining equipment required for firefighters to operate safely in smoke-filled and toxic environments. Without a functioning cascade and fill station, SCBA cylinders cannot be refilled, effectively halting interior firefighting and rescue operations.

- Reduced equipment failures and service interruptions
 - Faster and safer emergency response
 - Long-term operational sustainability
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Sustainability

The department is committed to maintaining the new system through:

- Annual preventative maintenance contracts
- Manufacturer-recommended service schedules
- Budgeted operational support for long-term upkeep
- Ongoing training for personnel

This investment will provide a projected service life of 20+ years.

Attachments (To Include with Submission)

- Vendor Quote(s)
 - Equipment Specifications
 - Photographs of Existing Equipment
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Incident Photo Documentation

The following photographs illustrate the range of emergency operations requiring dependable SCBA air supply and pneumatic equipment supported by the cascade and fill station systems. Each of these incidents depends on a continuous supply of filled SCBA cylinders to allow firefighters to safely operate in hazardous atmospheres, rotate crews during prolonged events, and power pneumatic rescue tools. Without the ability to reliably fill cylinders, these operations would be delayed or halted, directly impacting firefighter safety, rescue effectiveness, and overall incident outcomes.



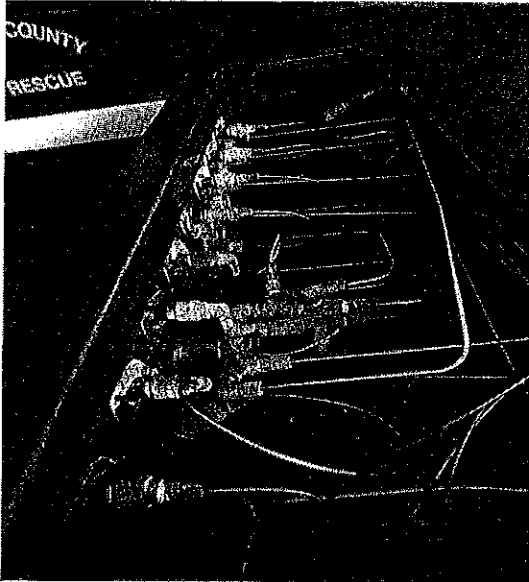
Training with pneumatic lifting airbags powered by SCBA cylinders.



Rescue scenario shows stabilization and lifting operations supported by air systems.

Current Equipment Condition

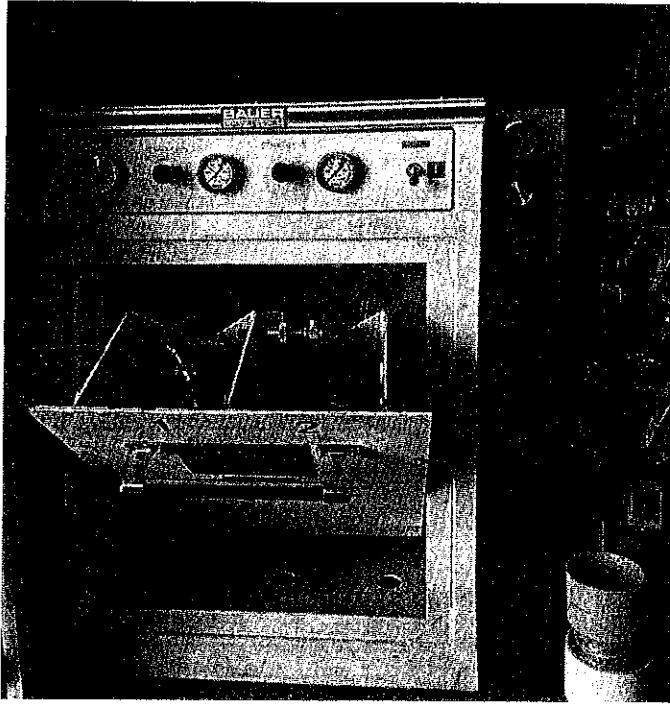
The following photographs document the department's existing cascade and fill station systems currently in service. These images demonstrate the age, wear, corrosion, and outdated design of equipment that is now 25–35 years old. The condition of these systems reflects the increasing difficulty in maintaining reliability, sourcing replacement parts, and ensuring safe operation for personnel.



Corrosion and wear visible on original high-pressure plumbing and fittings.



Primary fill station currently in service, showing outdated components and configuration.



Older containment-style fill station on Rescue 5, now 25 years old and beyond its intended service life.

Vendor Support & Parts Availability Challenges

The screenshots below document correspondence and quotations from the service vendor responsible for maintaining our system. These materials illustrate the growing difficulty in locating replacement components and rebuilding kits due to the age of the equipment and limited manufacturer support.



(877) 637-3473

Quote

Quote # QT2003319
 Date 11/16/2025
 Expires 12/01/2025
 Sales Rep Cone, Travis
 PO # Repairs
 Shipping Method FedEx Ground
 Customer HAMPTON FIRE DEPT (SC)
 Customer # C36916

Bill To
 HAMPTON FIRE DEPT
 C/O TOWN OF HAMPTON
 608 1ST ST W
 HAMPTON SC 29924-3504

Ship To
 ATTN: ERIN GIRARDI
 HAMPTON FIRE DEPT
 608 2ND STREET WEST
 HAMPTON SC 29924
 United States

Item	Qty	Unit Price	Amount
Compressor Service Call	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
REPAIR KIT FOR 907 UNLOADER	2	\$57.75	\$115.50
Compressor Service Labor	4	\$125.00	\$500.00
Priority Valve 6930 psi inlet, adjustable outlet	1	\$95.50	\$95.50
Subtotal			\$705.94
Shipping Cost			\$0.00
Tax Total			\$14.63
Total			\$720.57

Rebuild kits to rebuild dump system and for the diagnosis of the system
 Contact: C36916 HAMPTON FIRE DEPT (SC) : Dylan Brabham (803) 842-0533

This Quotation is subject to any applicable sales tax and shipping and handling charges that may apply. Tax and shipping charges are considered estimated and will be recalculated at the time of shipment to ensure they take into account the most current information.
 All returns must be processed within 30 days of receipt and require a return authorization number and are subject to a restocking fee.
 Custom orders are not returnable. Effective tax rate will be applicable at the time of invoice.

Service quotation identifying specialized repair kits and components required to keep the aging compressor operational.



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Quote

Quote # QT1999699
Date 11/05/2025
Expires 11/20/2025
Sales Rep Cone, Travis
PO # Compressor
Shipping Method FedEx Ground
Customer HAMPTON FIRE DEPT (SC)
Customer # C36916

Bill To
HAMPTON FIRE DEPT
C/O TOWN OF HAMPTON
608 1ST ST W
HAMPTON SC 29924-3504

Ship To
ATTN: ERIN GIRARDI
HAMPTON FIRE DEPT
600 2ND STREET WEST
HAMPTON SC 29924
United States

Item	Alt. Item #	Units	Description	QTY	Unit Price	Amount
Compressor Install			Site survey, install, operate, leak test, train & perform air sample with written report.	1	\$2,750.00	\$2,750.00
RSF-3321A001			Fill Model: RevolveAir Fill Station + Base: Attached Storage + Fill Panel: Stationary W/ Auto Cascade + Aux Low Pressure: None + Aux High Pressure: Auxiliary High Pressure + Cascade Panel: 4 Bank Auto Cascade + Options: CGA Adapter	1	\$29,575.00	\$29,575.00
8BA711 7000			ASME 7500 with Valves and Fittings L-Forged end AB-Spun End Color SX3922 Gray	4	\$5,954.00	\$23,816.00
RSC-05035101			Compressor Model: Revolve Air 5 Stage + Pressure: 7000 PSI / 483 BAR + HP: 20 HP + Voltage: 20 HP 208-230 Volt/ 3 Phase/ 60Hz + Controller: CO Monitor w/Calibration Kit + Language: English + Options: Include 25ft Supply Hose Supply hose length depends on distance between compressor and Fill station	1	\$60,321.00	\$60,321.00
RSS-00A40000A			Cylinder Size: 7500 PSI + Rack: None + Plumbing: 4 Bank Auto Cascade + Hose Qty: None + Hose Length: None	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
RSF-42210401			Fill Model: RevolveAir Fill Station + Base: Mobile + Fill Panel: Stationary W/ Manual Cascade + Aux Low Pressure: None + Aux High Pressure: Auxiliary High Pressure + Cascade Panel: 4 Bank Manual + Options: CGA Adapter	1	\$25,330.00	\$25,330.00
8BA711 7000			ASME 7500 with Valves and Fittings L-Forged end AB-Spun End Color SX3922 Gray	4	\$5,954.00	\$23,816.00
EZ-P-BHL-350			PURE FLOW SERIES HIGH PRESSURE REEL 50', 6000 PSI, WALL MOUNT BRACKET, SPRING REWIND, HOSE GUIDE WITH ROLLERS (ADJUSTABLE), #4 JIC MALE INLET, FILL HOSE ASSEMBLY. 25' LONG, 1/4" NPT M INLET, WITH SHUT-OFF VALVE, BLEEDER VALVE, GAUGE AND HAND TIGHT NUT AND NIPPLE.	1	\$675.00	\$675.00
FH-347-N-100			FILL HOSE ASSEMBLY. 100' LONG, 1/4" NPT M INLET, each WITH SHUT-OFF VALVE, BLEEDER VALVE, GAUGE AND HAND TIGHT NUT AND NIPPLE.	1	\$1,035.00	\$1,035.00



QT1999699

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Project/Event Name: City of Loris - Downtown Redevelopment Project

Requested Amount: \$ 1,500,000.⁰⁰

Recipient Entity: City of Loris

The entity is a: ☐ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Angel Neighbours Title/Position: City Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: aneighbours@cityofloris.org

Entity Website: https://cityofloris.sc.gov County Location: Horry

Intended Use of the Funds: See Attached

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: See Attached

Kevin Harder

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Kevin J. Harder

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

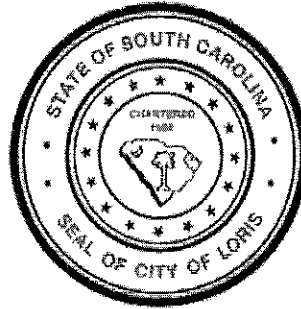
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February 11, 2026

Kevin Hardee, Representative
District Number 105
404C Blatt Building
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Re: Downtown Street Scape Project

Dear Representative Hardee:

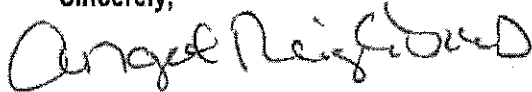
The Economic and Downtown Development Master Plan study completed by Bolton and Menk, Inc. in 2024, for the City has identified three Phases to increasing the tax base, lowering the building vacancy rate in downtown, and preserving the historic character of the community. As a part of Phase I the City intends to re-develop downtown through a comprehensive street scape re-alignment plan to identify better parking, replace sidewalks, install underground wiring, upgrade the water and sewer lines, and traffic lights. The project will also include the removal of some trees, enhancement of the green spaces downtown, and improving the street lighting downtown. The City also feels Phase I will enable us to control and direct where growth potential could best be served for our citizens and Horry County. The total proposed budget for this project is \$5.8 million. We have already secured \$3.1 million from Santee Cooper and submitted some documentation to the Horry County Transportation Committee (CTC) for \$750,000. The City will commit \$500,000, with a request from the State for \$1.5 million.

The City of Loris is committed to developing this Economic and Downtown Development Master Plan to address the current needs of the downtown, increase investment opportunities, and provide for potential re-developmental projects to sustain our future. The City also understands that this plan and study can provide us a pathway to plan and designate where development could best be utilized for our downtown area and community.

The City of Loris is in the process of joining the Main Street SC and Main Street American programs. Phase I of this study and plan will be our foundation for the future of the City. It will enable us to rebrand our City to take advantage of the extensive growth and development of Horry County.

If I can provide you with any additional information or answer any questions concerning these requests, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Angel Neighbours,
City Administrator

Cc: City Council

John Zilinsky – City Attorney

Proposed Budget Items:

- 1) Engineering and Design – July 6, 2026, to October 31, 2026
- 2) Site Preparation – August 1, 2026, to November 21, 2026
- 3) Permitting- August 20, 2026- November 26, 2026
- 4) Bidding- December 5, 2026-January 5, 2027
- 5) Construction – January 20, 2027, to July 15, 2027
- 6) Final Inspection- July- August 2027
- 7) Dedication – August or September 2027

Total Proposed Budget Revenue:

- 1) Santee Cooper (Underground Facilities Franchise Fund)- \$3,100,000.00 (See attached)
- 2) Horry County Transportation Committee (CTC)- \$750,000.00
- 3) City of Loris - \$500,000.00
- 4) South Carolina State Request- \$1,500,000.00

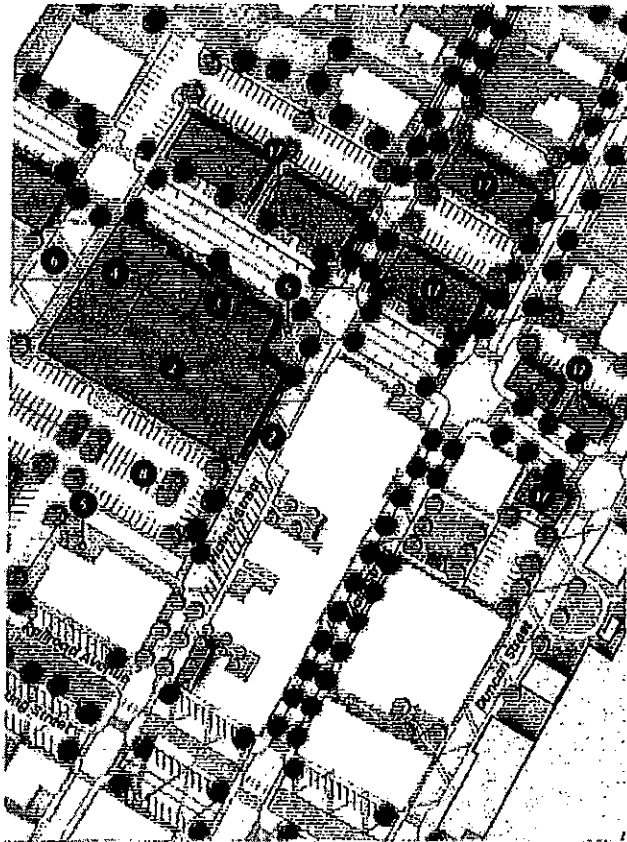
Total Budget: \$5,850,00.00

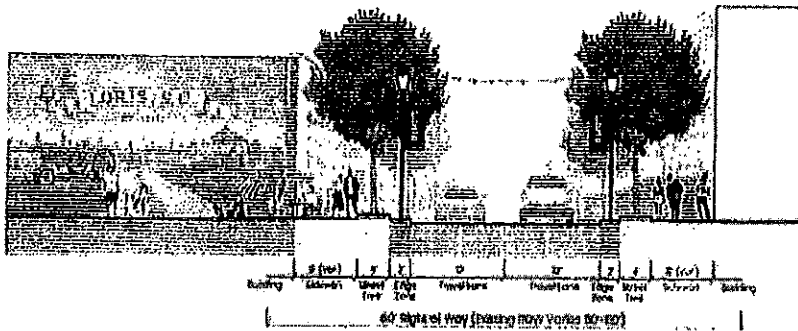
City of Loris-Downtown Redevelopment Project

Over the past two years, the City of Loris and the staff of Bolton & Menk, a planning, landscape architecture, and engineering firm, have collaborated to create a shared vision for the revitalization and redevelopment of Downtown Loris. This effort resulted from an extensive public engagement process that included input from elected officials, residents, downtown business owners, and stakeholders. The study, titled "Loris Economic and Downtown Master Plan," was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Loris City Council on June 1, 2024.

The Economic and Downtown Master Plan has outlined several enhancements for the downtown core, including streetscape renovations and an underground utility conversion. The primary areas for these streetscape improvements are US 701, Walnut Street, Railroad Avenue, Duncan Street, and the section of Main Street within these boundaries.

We are requesting \$1,500,000 from the State of South Carolina to support the development of essential streetscape improvements and the associated underground utility conversion. The proposed enhancements involve converting all overhead utilities to underground, which will increase reliability, particularly after storm events, and enhance the aesthetic appeal of the downtown core. This project will create an attractive, inviting space with a clearly defined pedestrian area.





The proposed streetscape improvements may include, but are not limited to: ensuring all sidewalks and building entrances meet current ADA accessibility requirements, enhancing and widening sidewalks, improved intersection pedestrian crosswalks, bicycle lanes, upgrading streetscape lighting, creating pocket parks, consolidating parking, landscaping with street trees, implementing railroad-pedestrian crossing safety features, installing irrigation systems, adding way-finding signage, and making façade improvements.

The goal is to create a safe and vibrant downtown where local businesses can thrive and where people and businesses feel welcomed. The improvements will better encourage all forms of transportation including walking, biking, and vehicular usage.

Proposed Budget Items:

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- 4) South Carolina State Request- \$1,500,000.00

Total Budget: \$5,850,00.00



sanjee cooper

City of Loris - Underground Facilities Franchise Fund

Fund Balance Brought Forward as of June 30, 2024:

Approved by City 07/01/2002

\$2,960,007.76

Franchise Fees Billed	City Contribution	Current Month Interest	Less: Expenses	City Balance	City Balance Interest	Jul-Dec 2024 Fund Contribution
Jul-24	\$26,113.75	@ 40% =	\$10,445.88	\$13.31		
Sub-total	\$28,113.75		\$10,445.88	\$13.31	\$0.00	\$1,476,300.61
Aug-24	\$23,525.62	@ 40% =	\$9,410.41	\$11.99		
Sub-total	\$23,525.62		\$9,410.41	\$11.99	\$0.00	\$1,485,711.02
Sep-24	\$22,269.40	@ 40% =	\$8,908.01	\$10.98		
Sub-total	\$22,269.40		\$8,908.01	\$10.98	\$0.00	\$1,494,619.03
Oct-24	\$18,005.81	@ 40% =	\$7,202.57	\$9.18		
Sub-total	\$18,005.81		\$7,202.57	\$9.18	\$0.00	\$1,501,821.60
Nov-24	\$15,656.38	@ 40% =	\$6,262.75	\$7.72		
Sub-total	\$15,656.38		\$6,262.75	\$7.72	\$0.00	\$1,508,084.35
Dec-24	\$20,138.12	@ 40% =	\$8,055.90	\$10.26		
Sub-total	\$20,138.12		\$8,055.90	\$10.26	\$0.00	\$1,516,140.25
Total	\$125,709.08		\$50,385.82	\$63.44	\$0.00	\$11,256.85

Sanjee Cooper Matching Fund Deposit for the period of Jul-Dec 2024:

\$50,385.52

Reconciliation Adjustment

\$0.00

Total Fund Contribution as of December 31, 2024:

\$3,071,899.09

Expenditures

Project Number
112889
Loris Streetscape Ph 6
Note: Expenditures are for Jul 1 through Dec 31, 2024

Fund Expenditures as of December 31, 2024:

\$0.00

Total Fund Balance as of December 31, 2024:

\$3,071,899.09

The interest rate applied as defined for Retail Customer Deposits as of Nov 1, 2017 = 1.5%

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April 23, 2026

Representative Kevin Hardee
404C Blatt Bldg.
Columbia 29201

Re: Loris Recreation Center

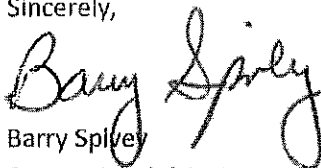
Dear Representative Hardee,

Thank you for your interest in the establishment of a recreation center in the Loris area of Horry County. Such facilities often serve as an integral building block to the success of the athletic programs and quality of life in Horry County. The County is currently reviewing site options for the location of the facility. Horry County envisions that the Recreation Center will consist of approximately 22,700 square foot multi-use gymnasium, fitness center, multi-purpose rooms and walking track. The estimated investment in the new recreation center and renovation to the current ballfields, scorers tower, and concession is an estimated investment of \$14.5 million. A walking track, multi-use field, pickleball courts, and basketball court are outdoor amenities conceptualized for the site.

Your investment of \$5,000,000 in support of the expansion will help make this project come to fruition and enhance recreation offerings in the Loris area.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with our request. Please feel free to contact myself at 843-915-6501(spiveyvb@horrycountysc.gov) or David Gilreath at 843-915-6938 (gilreath@horrycountysc.gov).

Sincerely,


Barry Spivey
County Administrator

CC: Johnny Gardner, Chairman of County Council
Danny Hardee, County Council District 10
David Gilreath, Assistant County Administrator

Loris Recreation Center

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PO/Contract

	Budget	Number	Amount	Actual	Encumbrance	Balance
Preconstruction Phase						
Construction Documents						
1.1 PMH Croft	600,000.00					600,000.00
1.8 OPC/Miscellaneous	50,000.00					50,000.00
1.9 Project Management	5,000.00					5,000.00
Utility Work	10,000.00					10,000.00
Wetlands Work - Brigman	10,000.00					10,000.00
Subtotal	675,000.00					675,000.00
New Structure						
Land						
Site Work - Onsite	750,000.00					750,000.00
Fields	1,000,000.00					1,000,000.00
Field Lighting	2,000,000.00					2,000,000.00
Courts	600,000.00					600,000.00
Court Lighting	400,000.00					400,000.00
Site Work - Offsite	250,000.00					250,000.00
Building						
Site Work - Offsite	7,500,000.00					7,500,000.00
FF&E - Unallocated	100,000.00					100,000.00
FF&E Package	150,000.00					150,000.00
Trash Compactor						
IT - Owner Furnished - Unallocated						
Switches	134,000.00					134,000.00
Wireless	20,000.00					20,000.00
Cameras	10,000.00					10,000.00
PDU's	10,000.00					10,000.00
Phones	5,000.00					5,000.00
Misc. Cables	1,000.00					1,000.00
Displays	20,000.00					20,000.00
Owner Costs - Unallocated						
	200,000.00					200,000.00
OPC/Miscellaneous						
	35,000.00					35,000.00
Contingency - Unallocated						
	500,000.00					500,000.00
Subtotal	13,685,000.00					13,685,000.00
Total Spending	14,360,000.00					14,360,000.00
Funding						
Cash						
Bonds						
Total Funding						

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Fire Resilient for Horry County Soil and Water Conservation District

Requested Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Recipient Entity: Horry County Soil and Water Conservation District

Is the entity a: ☒ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Nina Warren Title/Position: District Manager

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: nina.warren@sc.nacdnet.net

Entity Website: NA County Location: Horry County

Intended Use of the Funds: Installation and Upgrades of Firebreaks along the McDowell Tract in Horry County

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: This site houses multiple endangered species for which fire is used to increase the species as well as reduction of fuel load to decrease wildfires. This site is part of managed carolina bays with the purpose of improving native ecology.

Kevin J. Hardee

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

Kevin J. Hardee

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

HORRY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Room 125
Conway SC 29526

Telephone (843) 365-8732 Ext. 244
Fax (855) 565-9484
email: nina.warren@sc.nacdnet.net

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February 11, 2026

Hon. Kevin Hardee
404C Blatt Building
Columbia SC 29201

Dear Honorable Kevin Hardee,

Horry Soil and Water Conservation District would like to request financial assistance for a \$15,000 project at the McDowell tract near Loris. The Horry Soil and Water Conservation District is organized with Section 48-9-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. The Conservation District has been working over the last 30 years to assist in the management of one of the Carolina Bays systems called "the McDowell" tract located off Bonnie Bay Road in Loris, South Carolina. Over the years we have provided funding for numerous management practices with wildlife habitat being our goal.

This tract is comprised of tax map 0590001045 and is owned by the Horry County Conservation Foundation. The site is 447.17 acres. This project would consist of upgrading and the installation of new firebreaks for approximately 60 hours of equipment work. This site houses multiple endangered species for which fire is used to increase the species as well as reduction of fuel load to decrease wildfires. This site is part of two managed Carolina bays with the purpose of improving native ecology.

This site provides for a native ecosystem supporting unique plants and animals including Red-Cockaded Woodpecker, Venus Flytrap, Spotted Turtle, Monarch Butterfly, and Northern bobwhite. Black bears are known to inhabit the sites and will benefit from improved plant diversity. Conditions will be improved for Federal ARS Spotted Turtle and Wire leaf Dropseed as well as SCDNR tracked Pine Barrens Gentian, Savanna Indigo bush and 3 species of Pitcher Plants. The greatest benefits of projects will be for imperiled plants, and for Monarch butterflies, American bumble bees, and Southern Plains Bumble Bees with the initiation of prescribed burning. The site is not open to the public for public use however, the site is used for training and education as well as a wildlife preserve. This project would take approximately one week beginning August 18, 2026.

We would like to Thank you for your efforts and support of conservation in Horry County.

Sincerely,



Shane Willoughby

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Fire Resilient for Horry Soil & Water Conservation District
McDowell upgrades and installation of firebreaks

Cost Estimator

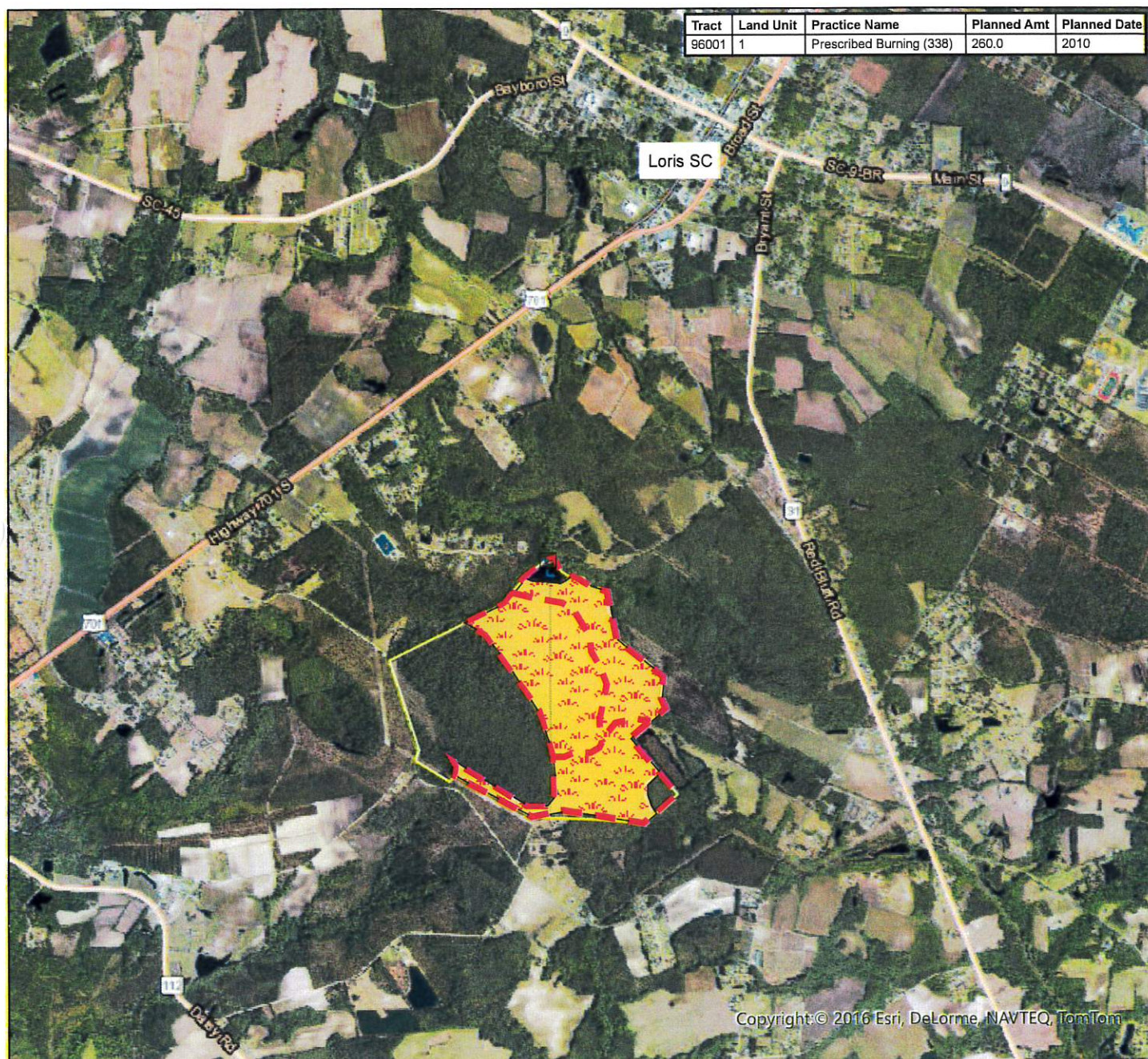
Practice:	Practice Name	Componet	Amount	Estimated Cost	Estimate
394	Firebreak	Bare Soil, Light Equipment	5250	\$0.26	\$ 1,365.00
338	Prescribed Burning	Level Terrain, Volatile or Woody Fuel	220	\$62.60	\$ 13,772.00
EST TOTAL					\$ 15,137.00

Conservation Plan Map

Client(s): Horry County Conservation Foundation Inc
Horry County, South Carolina

CONWAY SERVICE CENTER
HORRY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Land Units: Tract 96001, Fields 1



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| Conservation Practice Points | Conservation Practice Polygons |
| Structure for Water Control (587) | Prescribed Burning (338) |
| Conservation Practice Lines | Practice Schedule PLUs |
| Firebreak (394) | |



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February 25, 2026

The Honorable Chris Hart
South Carolina State House
432B Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: City of Columbia Neighborhood Revitalization Programs—Fairwold/College Place

Dear Representative Hart,

The City of Columbia appreciates the partnership with the State of South Carolina demonstrated through funding allocations to support critical projects in the Capital City. Such support has allowed us to advance projects that contribute to the quality of life for the citizens of South Carolina.

Please accept this letter as a formal request for funding of the referenced project as outlined in the attached documentation. Let us know if you have any questions or would like to meet to discuss further.

The City appreciates the consideration of this request and the ongoing support of the State of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Teresa Wilson".

Teresa Wilson
City Manager
Columbia, South Carolina

Fairwold / College Place Housing Assistance Program “HAP”

Housing Assistance Program (HAP) Overview

The Fairwold/ College Place Housing Assistance Program was developed to aid qualified homeowners with financial assistance for the use of the preservation of aging housing stock in Columbia Neighborhoods. The program is for single-family (one-unit) owner occupied residences only. The program is a tiered program divided into five different categories to cover the various stages of disrepair that can be unique to an individual home. Each program category within “HAP” is funded separately using available funding sources as budgeted by the City of Columbia each fiscal year. These individual programs are available to homeowners on a “first come, first qualified, first serve” basis, as funding is available. If an applicant/homeowner has utilized any previous federal and/or City funded rehabilitation program, the conditions of funding for each program must have been satisfied in their entirety, to include any occupancy time limits. Otherwise, the applicant does not qualify for any of HAP assistance.

Program Categories Within HAP

HAP Consists of improvements in the following areas: the Weatherization Program (WP), the Major System Repair Replacement Program (MSRRP), the Minor Repair Program (-MRP), the Major Repair Program (+MRP) and Re-build Program (RBP).

Overview and Delivery

The Weatherization Program (WP), the Major System Repair Replacement Program (MSRRP), the Minor Repair Program (-MRP) and the Major (+MRP) provide up to \$50,000 for qualified energy saving items to LMI owner- occupied households. The Re-Build Program(RBP) will provide up to \$200,000 for demolition of existing home and construction of new home on the existing site for qualified owner-occupied LMI households. The International Property Maintenance Code and Existing Residential Building Code requirements applies to all activities. In all cases, sufficient federal and non-federal resources must be available to complete weatherization, lead-based paint hazards, code items and applicable HUD funding standards. The homeowner is responsible for all costs related to relocation as is required due to construction activities; all work shall address decent, safe, and sanitary conditions as defined by applicable funding source.

Program Performance Period

Program Performance Period is July 2026 to July 2027.

Program Budget Amount

Program budget amount \$1,500,000.00.

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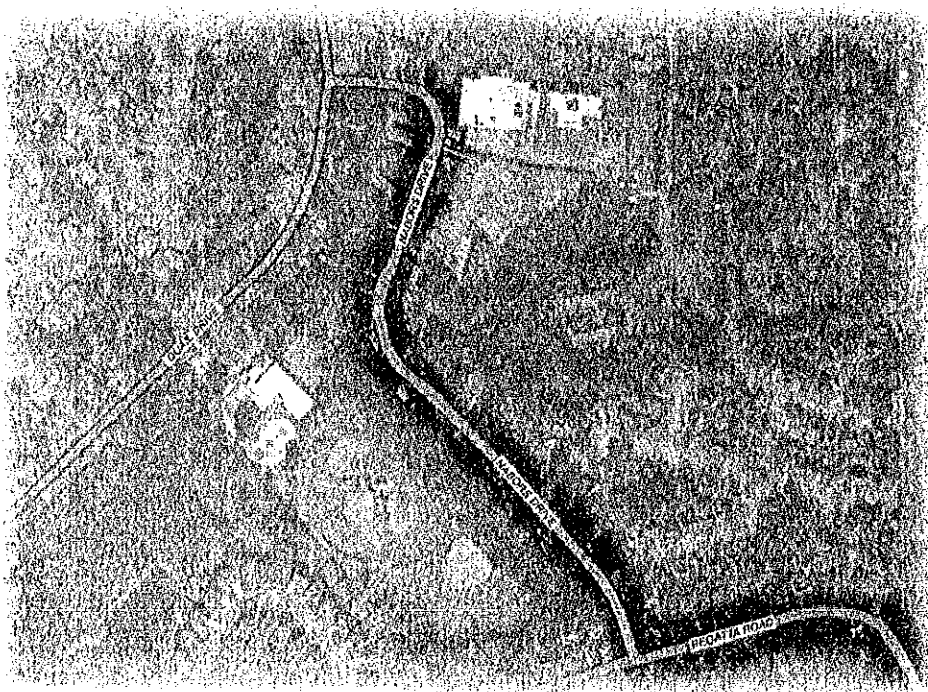
NABORS DRIVE SIDEWALK FUNDING REQUEST

Requestor: Town of James Island, South Carolina
Contact: Mayor Brook Lyon (blyon@jamesislandsc.us)
Project Name: Nabors Drive Sidewalk

Though efforts by the Town of James Island, the City of Charleston and Charleston County pedestrian connectivity has gradually been increasing on James Island. There are existing sidewalks on Harbor View Road, Fort Johnson Road, portions of Dills Bluff Road, and Regatta Road. Construction of a sidewalk on one side of Nabors Drive would greatly increase the pedestrian connectivity between neighborhoods, schools, parks, government services and retail centers on the island.

Project Description

The Town of James Island proposes to construct 1,250 linear feet of 5-foot wide ADA accessible sidewalk along one side of Nabors Drive that will provide pedestrian connectivity between Regatta Road and Quail Drive. The project includes piping roadside ditches where necessary to accommodate the proposed sidewalk.



Need for the Project

Multi-Jurisdictional – Nabors drive is multi-jurisdictional with properties incorporated in the Town of James Island, the City of Charleston and unincorporated Charleston County.

Existing Conditions – Nabors Drive right-of-way varies but is 50 feet wide for most of its length. The roadside drainage system includes ditches, swales, some existing piping and culverts for driveway access. Some of the ditches are several feet deep and restrict pedestrian activity outside of the paved road. Nabors Drive collects traffic from several neighborhoods including Lawton Bluff, Lawton Harbor, Harbor Woods, Harbor Woods I, Harbor Woods II Bayfield Manor, Ashcroft Hall and Ashwood. The Town of James Island previous constructed speed humps on Nabor Drive yet pedestrian and vehicular conflict is still precarious. Sidewalks along Nabors Drive could result in an alternative for short vehicular trips.

Project Budget

CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATE				DATE PREPARED February 16, 2026	SHEET NO. 1
PROJECT James Island Sidewalk - Nabors Drive		BASIS FOR ESTIMATE ☐ Code A (No design completed) ☒ Code B (Preliminary design) ☐ Code C (Final design) ☐ Other (Specify) _____			
LOCATION From Regatta Road to Shopping Center Drive					
ENGINEER Laura S. Cabiness, PE					
DRAWING Preliminary		ESTIMATOR L. Cabiness			CHECKED BY
SUMMARY	QUANTITY		LABOR & MATERIAL		TOTAL COST
	No. Units	Unit Meas.	Per Unit	Total	
Mobilization	1	LS	75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Traffic Control	1	LS	45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Fill of Low Areas	1,200	CY	30.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
Orange Pipe Parallel to Road	1,200	LF	120.00	\$ 144,000.00	\$ 144,000.00
RIP-RAP	50	TONS	125.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 6,250.00
Sidewalk	1,300	SY	90.00	\$ 117,000.00	\$ 117,000.00
Storm Structures	8	EA	7,500.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Site Restoration	1	LS	50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Crosswalks	5	LS	7,500.00	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00
Detectable Warnings	120	SF	75.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
SUBTOTAL					\$ 579,750.00
15% Contingency					\$ 86,962.50
10% Engr & Admin					\$ 66,671.25
TOTAL COMBINED COST					\$ 733,383.75

Town of James Island has completed a survey of Nabors Drive and a preliminary engineering design. The project budget for completing construction documents, permitting and construction is approximately \$733,000. The Town of James Island has budgeted \$235,000 and has been awarded \$230,000 in funding through the Charleston County Transportation Committee. The gap funding needed to complete the project is **\$268,000**. The town intends to proceed with design and permitting so that construction can begin when the funding is approved.

House Member Appropriation Request Form

Project/Event Name: James Island Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation

Requested Amount: \$ \$1,000,000

Recipient Entity: James Island Public Service District (JIPSD)

The entity is a: _____ State Agency, ☒ Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Ashley Kellahan Title/Position: District Manager

Phone Number: _____ Email: kellahana@jipsd.org

Entity Website: www.jipsd.org County Location: Charleston

Intended Use of the Funds: JIPSD recently completed a comprehensive Pump Station Flood Hazard Evaluation Report that summarizes the evaluations of each station. 31 stations were identified as having deficiencies. The total cost to bring these facilities up to Charleston County flood elevation compliance is approximately \$4.1 million. JIPSD seeks funding to help cover the cost of rehabilitating the most critical facilities. With funding, JIPSD will implement structural hardening, electrical component elevation, waterproofing, and other resiliency upgrades of our pump stations to ensure continuous wastewater service during and after storm and high-water events.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The District currently operates 68 Wastewater Pump stations on one of SC's larger and more populated barrier islands, serving approximately 18,000 residents. Many of these critical facilities are in low-lying areas vulnerable to inundations during storm events. This area is highly susceptible to flooding, storm surge, and the increasing frequency of severe weather events due to hurricanes and rising sea levels. Our wastewater infrastructure is vital to the health, safety, and the environmental integrity of our community. Past hurricanes and seasonal flooding have repeatedly compromised these stations, resulting in service disruptions, environmental risks such as sanitary sewer overflows and significant recovery costs.

THOMAS F. HARTNETT, JR

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

[Signature]

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: Spencer Wetmore Signature: [Signature]

House Member Appropriation Request Form

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

The Honorable Thomas F. Hartnett
416A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

February 10, 2026

Dear Representative Hartnett:

Please find below a summary of our James Island Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation Project (Project).

The James Island Public Service District (District) currently operates 68 Wastewater Pump stations on one of our state's larger and more populated barrier islands, serving approximately 18,000 residents. Many of these critical facilities are in low-lying areas that are vulnerable to inundations during storm events. This region of our state is highly susceptible to flooding, storm surge, and the increasing frequency of severe weather events due to hurricanes and rising sea levels. Our wastewater infrastructure is vital to the health, safety, and the environmental integrity of our sea island community. Past hurricanes and seasonal flooding have repeatedly compromised these stations, resulting in service disruptions, environmental risks such as sanitary sewer overflows and significant recovery costs.

The District has recently completed a comprehensive Pump Station Flood Hazard Evaluation Report that summarizes evaluations of each station. A total of 31 stations were identified as having deficiencies. The total cost to bring these facilities up to Charleston County flood elevation compliance is approximately \$4.1 million. The District is seeking funding assistance to help cover the cost of rehabilitating *the most critical facilities*. *Focusing on the most critical facilities will cost approximately \$1,000,000.*

We have completed the preliminary engineering and design work for the Project. We will be able to begin the project within 120 days of receipt of funds. Completion of the Project will be within 15 months of the start date of the Project.

Thank you for consideration of this request. We welcome the opportunity to discuss how this project can contribute to the broader goals of resilience, sustainability, and community protection in the South Carolina Lowcountry.

Best regards,



Ashley Kellahan, District Manager

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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Security Enhancements + Trainings for the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Offices + Courtrooms

Requested Amount: \$ 453,128.00

Recipient Entity: 4th Circuit Solicitor's Office

Is the entity a: ☒ State Agency, ☐ Local Government, ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Paul M. Burch, Jr. Title/Position: Solicitor

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: mikeburch@Solicitor4.com

Entity Website: www.solicitor4.com County Location: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, + Marlboro

Intended Use of the Funds: For the improvement of security measures at the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Offices + Courtrooms.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The role of our office in serving justice + maintaining public order requires a secure environment for investigators, prosecutors, staff, + the public.

Jackie Hayes

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

[Signature]

Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____



HENDRICK CHEVROLET

New 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 LTZ

VIN: 2GCUKGED6T1140594
Stock: T40594



Hendrick Chevrolet

100 Parkridge Dr
Columbia, SC 29212
(803) 794-9000

Exterior: Sterling Gray Metallic
Interior: Gideon/Very Dark Atmosphere, Perforated leather-appointed front outboard seating positions
Engine: 5.3L EcoTec3 V8 engine

Drivetrain: Four Wheel Drive
Transmission: Automatic

Fuel Efficiency: 15 CITY / 19 HWY

Vehicle Details:

- Deep-tinted glass
 - Provides added protection from sun and glare
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 17" full-size spare steel wheel with Black finish
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Tailgate and bed rail protection caps
- Cargo tie-downs
 - 12-fixed rated at 500 lbs. per corner
- Cab-mounted cargo area lamps
 - With switch in switch bank left of the steering wheel
 - Illuminates the cargo bed area
 - LED lighting on Crew Cab and Double Cab models, Incandescent on Regular Cab models
- Rear wheelhouse liners
 - Help protect your truck's rear wheelhouse area from damage caused by dirt, rocks, mud, road salt and the weather
 - May require additional optional equipment
- CornerStep rear bumper
 - Helps make it easier to get into and out of the pickup bed
 - Located at each end of the rear bumper
 - Textured step pads to help provide secure footing
- IntelliBeam
- Rainsense automatic wipers
 - Turn on automatically when sensors detect varying degrees of precipitation on the windshield
- Perimeter Lighting
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Heated, power, driver-side auto-dimming, power-folding outside mirrors
 - Puddle lamps
 - Perimeter lighting
 - Memory setting
- Cargo bed LED lighting
 - Provides light to find cargo in the bed
 - Rear pillar lamps
- Chrome mirror caps
 - May require additional optional equipment
- LED fog lamps
 - Help minimize glare in adverse driving conditions
- LED tail lamps
 - LED taillamps with LED stop lights and animation
 - Incandescent reverse light
- Chrome front bumper
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Spare tire carrier lock
 - Helps keep spare tire secure
 - Utilizes the same key as the door and ignition
- Chrome door handles
- 20" Sterling Silver wheels
- Wheels, 20" x 9" (50.8 cm x 22.9 cm) Sterling Silver painted Aluminum (STD)
- Chrome rear bumper
 - With integrated CornerSteps
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 17" 255/80R17SL all-season, blackwall spare tire

- At speeds above 25 mph, can automatically turn vehicle's high beams on and off according to surrounding traffic conditions¹
- May require additional optional equipment
- Tire, spare 255/80R17SL all-season, blackwall
- Tailgate with EZ Lift assist, power lock & release
 - Hitch area lighting
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Power sunroof
 - Opens over the first row at the push of a button
 - Retracts into the roof
 - Offers tilt and slide features with express-open and -close
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Chevytec spray-on bedliner
 - Provides a Black, textured, non-skid surface that helps protect the bed and minimizes cargo shifting
 - Covers the bed interior surface below side rails, front bed top rail, gauge hole plugs and tie-downs
 - Chemically bonded, the sprayed-on liner permanently bonds to the truck bed, providing a watertight seal
 - Includes Chevrolet logo
 - High Country models include High Country logo
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 20" 275/60R20SL all-terrain, blackwall tires
- Multi-Flex Tailgate
 - Six function tailgate design to help improve loading, unloading and access the cargo box
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Carpeted floor covering
 - Color-keyed to match the interior
- Heated steering wheel
 - With the press of a button the steering wheel quickly heats up to provide additional comfort on a cold day
 - Certain vehicles will not be equipped with Heated Steering Wheel. Vehicles will be eligible for later dealer retrofit to enable functionality. Contact a dealer for details or check the window label for the features on a specific vehicle
- Up-level rear seat with storage package
 - 60/40 Full-length folding bench seat
 - Seatback storage on left and right side
 - Center fold out armrest with 2 cupholders
 - Underseat storage (full cab width)
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 120-volt box-mounted power outlet
 - 3-prong auxiliary household-style outlet
 - Located in the pickup bed
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Steering column lock
 - Most vehicles built on or after 4-4-2022 are not equipped with Steering Column Lock. Contact a dealer for details on a specific vehicle
- Power tilt and telescoping steering column
 - Allows the driver to adjust the steering wheel up or down, and the steering column forward or back
 - Use the driver memory to save and recall memory settings
 - Provides extra comfort when entering or exiting the vehicle
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Remote Start
 - Start your vehicle remotely and step into a comfortably warmed or cooled vehicle, depending on the weather and your preset preferences
 - Locks doors and turns on parking lamps while the engine is running
 - Activates the climate control system
- USB ports
 - (2) Charge ports located on rear of console¹
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Rear air vents
 - Provides cabin comfort for rear occupants
- Driver memory
 - Recalls 2 driver presets for 10-way power seat and outside mirrors
- Power windows
 - Front passenger with express-up/down
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Power windows
 - Driver with express-up/down
- USB ports

- (2) Data/charge ports located inside center console¹
- May require additional optional equipment
- Theft-deterrent unauthorized entry system
 - Sounds the horn and flashes the turn signals when someone attempts to open the vehicle without the proper key or remote transmitter
 - Helps deter unauthorized entry, helping to protect your vehicle
- 10-way power driver seat with power lumbar
 - Moves the seat forward and back, and up and down
 - Tilt the seat cushion and seatbacks
- Assist handles
 - Front A-pillar mounted for Driver and Passenger
 - Rear B-pillar mounted
- Dual-zone automatic climate control
 - Automatically maintains the selected temperatures for both the driver and front passenger
 - Allows individual climate settings for both driver and front passenger
 - Driver and front passenger can choose a temperature up to 30 degrees difference
- 10-way power front passenger seat
 - Forward and back
 - Up and down
 - Tilt seat cushion back and upright
 - Recline seatback up and down
 - Includes 2-way power lumbar
- Front rubberized-vinyl floor mats
 - Helps protect your interior from road debris and the elements
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Compass
 - Located in instrument cluster
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 120-volt power outlet
 - 3-prong auxiliary household-style outlet
 - Located on the instrument panel
 - Makes it convenient for powering laptops, phone chargers and other electronic devices
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Outside temperature display
 - Located in infotainment display
- Power door locks
 - Programmable
 - Allows you to lock and unlock doors easily whether it's from the driver or front passenger seat or from outside using the key fob
- 12.3" diagonal color Driver Information Center
 - Includes driver personalization, warning messages and vehicle information
 - Allows drivers to personalize vehicle features, including warning messages and vehicle information
- Steering-wheel mounted controls
 - Allow the driver to easily operate the audio system and phone interface controls
- Keyless Open and Start
 - With the Keyless Entry fob in your possession, conveniently locks and unlocks your car's doors without having to use the key fob
 - With the vehicle in Park or Neutral, press the brake pedal and then press the engine start/stop button to start the engine; the green indicator on the button will illuminate
 - Shift to Park and press the engine start/stop button to turn off the engine
- Wireless Charging
 - Uses induction technology for portable electronic devices¹
 - Convenient charging location at the front of the center console
 - Device may require optional case for phones that are compatible
 - Customers can charge their smartphones while they drive without connecting to any cables
 - Beginning October 26, 2022 through November 20, 2022, certain vehicles will not be equipped with Wireless Charging. Contact a dealer for details or check the window label for the features on a specific vehicle
 - May require additional optional equipment
- USB ports
 - (2) Data/charge ports located on instrument panel¹
- Inside rearview auto-dimming mirror
 - Automatically dims the inside rearview mirror when it senses bright light from behind
 - When headlamp glare is no longer detected, the mirror returns to its normal state
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Front bucket seats
 - Includes center console
 - May require additional optional equipment

- Seats, front bucket with center console (STD) (Includes (EPH) Electronic Transmission Range Selector (console mounted). Deleted when (RG7) Fleet LTZ Base Content Delete is ordered.)
- Rear rubberized-vinyl floor mats
 - Helps protect your interior from road debris and the elements
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Ventilated driver and front passenger seats
 - Separate buttons on the climate control panel allow you to choose from 3 levels of fan circulation
 - Individually controlled
 - Cooling feature includes both seatbacks and cushions
 - Certain vehicles built on or after November 15, 2021 will not be equipped with ventilated driver and front passenger seats
- Universal Home Remote
 - 3-channel programmable
 - Conveniently activates compatible devices such as garage door openers, security systems, and home automation devices from inside your vehicle
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Heated rear outboard seats
 - At the touch of a button you can warm the cushions
 - Provide comfort in cold weather for passengers in the rear outboard seating positions
 - Passengers can manage heat settings with their own controls
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Wireless Apple CarPlay/Wireless Android Auto capability for compatible phones
 - Apple CarPlay vehicle user interface is a product of Apple and its terms and privacy statements apply. Requires compatible iPhone and data plan rates apply. Apple CarPlay is a trademark of Apple Inc. Siri, iPhone and Apple Music are trademarks for Apple Inc, registered in the U.S. and other countries.
 - Vehicle user interface is a product of Google and its terms and privacy statements apply. To use Android Auto on your car display, you'll need an Android phone running Android 6 or higher, an active data plan, and the Android Auto app. Google, Android and Android Auto are trademarks of Google LLC.
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Power windows with rear express-down
- Wrapped steering wheel
- Front center console
 - Includes reconfigurable feature with cupholders, cell phone storage, power cord management, file holder capacity, removable storage tray and Wireless Charging¹
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Rear window defogger
 - Helps to keep your rear view clear of fog or frost
 - Utilizes a warming grid to help remove fog or frost from the rear window
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Heated driver and front outboard passenger seats
 - Separate buttons on the climate control panel allow you to choose from 3 levels of warmth
 - At the touch of a button you can warm the cushions and seatbacks with multilevel temperature control
 - Individually controlled
 - Seats can be programmed to automatically warm up when it's cold out
- Adaptive Cruise Control
 - Automatically follows a detected vehicle ahead at a driver-selected following gap¹
 - If no vehicle is detected in your path, works like regular cruise control
 - You can always override the feature and take control
- Power sliding rear window with rear defogger
 - Helps to keep your rear view clear of fog or frost
 - Utilizes a warming grid to remove fog or frost from the rear window
 - The window switch is conveniently located in the overhead console for easy 1-touch operation
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Front and rear all-weather floor liners with Z71 logo
 - Feature a textured, anti-slip pattern that helps trap debris and water while providing optimum carpet coverage
 - Provides coverage for front and rear
 - Includes Z71 logo on front liners
 - Replaces factory floor mats
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Wi-Fi® Hotspot capable
 - Terms and limitations apply. See onstar.com or dealer for details.
 - May require additional optional equipment
- SiriusXM with 360L Trial Subscription
 - With your trial subscription, new GM vehicles equipped with SiriusXM with 360L advance in-car technology will bring you closer to your favorite stars, artists, creators, hosts and athletes¹
 - SiriusXM with 360L transforms your ride with our most extensive and personalized radio experience on the road that lets you enjoy ad-free music, talk and news, live sports, comedy, podcasts and more
 - Experience SiriusXM wherever you go in your vehicle and on the SiriusXM app with

personalization features to make discovering your perfect entertainment easier than ever before

- 13.4" diagonal Chevrolet Infotainment 3 Premium System with Google built-in
 - 13.4" diagonal Chevrolet Infotainment 3 Premium System with Google built-in, includes multi-touch display, AM/FM/SiriusXM¹ radio capable
 - Bluetooth^{®2} streaming audio for music and select phones
 - Wireless Apple CarPlay™ capability for compatible phones³
 - Wireless Android Auto™ capability for compatible phones⁴
 - Customize and manage entertainment and vehicle feature settings through the 13.4" diagonal touch-screen display
 - Use, control and manage select smartphone apps through the Infotainment system
 - Voice-activated technology for phone

- External engine oil cooler
 - Heavy-duty air-to-oil cooler
 - Helps prevent possible engine oil breakdown under heavy loads
 - May require additional optional equipment

- Electronic Transmission Range Selector
 - Console mounted
 - Includes steering column paddle shifters
 - May require additional optional equipment

- 4-wheel antilock disc brakes
 - Help reduce wheel lockup and maintain steering control during hard braking on most slippery surfaces
 - Duralife brake rotors have better resistance to corrosion to increase rotor life, minimize brake pulsation, and improve aesthetic appearance
 - Brake system features a corrosion-fighting process called "Ferritic Nitro Carburizing" which can double rotor life expectancy and reduce or minimize rust

- Durable
 - Roll-formed high-strength steel

- Bose Premium Sound System

- 7-speakers with Richbass® woofer
- Bose is renowned for expert sound engineering and high-quality audio and with premium speakers positioned throughout the cabin, you'll get rich, concert-like sound
- May require additional optional equipment

- Audio system, Chevrolet Infotainment 3 Premium system with Google built-in compatibility (select service plan required, terms and limitations apply) including navigation capability, 13.4" diagonal HD color touchscreen, includes multi-touch display, AM/FM stereo, Bluetooth streaming audio for music and most phones; featuring Wireless Apple CarPlay and Wireless Android Auto capability for compatible phones, advanced voice recognition, in-vehicle apps, personalized profiles for infotainment and vehicle settings (STD)

- Bluetooth®
 - Pair your compatible mobile phone to your vehicle's infotainment system¹
 - Place and receive hands-free phone calls
 - Store your phone's contact list in the system to place an outgoing call quickly using the touch-screen display or voice command system
 - With streaming audio capability, you can listen to files stored on your phone or Bluetooth digital media device

- Automatic Stop/Start
 - At complete stops, when drivers keep their foot on the brake pedal, and under certain conditions, the engine shuts off
 - When drivers remove their foot from the brake, the engine automatically restarts
 - Under certain circumstances, the engine will not shut off at a complete stop

- External auxiliary transmission oil cooler
 - Heavy-duty air-to-oil cooler
 - Helps provides optimal transmission performance even when operating under a heavy load or towing a trailer
 - May require additional optional equipment

- High-Capacity Suspension Package
 - May require additional optional equipment

- 7,100 lbs. GVWR
 - When properly equipped; includes weight of vehicle, passengers, cargo and equipment
 - May require additional optional equipment

- GVWR, 7100 lbs. (3221 kg) (STD) (Requires Crew Cab 4WD model with (L84) 5.3L EcoTec3 V8 engine or (L87) 6.2L EcoTec3 V8 engine without (NHT) Max Trailering Package.)

- Brake pad wear indicator

- 10-speed automatic transmission with Electronic Precision shift and front bucket seats

- Included with 5.3L V8 Engine or 6.2L V8 Engine
- Electronically controlled transmission with overdrive and Driver Shift Control
- Tow/Haul mode reduces shift cycling for better control and improved cooling when towing or hauling heavy loads
- Powertrain Grade Braking
 - Automatically uses the engine and transmission to slow the truck to

- maintain desired speeds when driving downhill
 - Reduces brake wear and increases vehicle control
 - Cruise Grade Braking
 - Downshifts automatically to slow the truck as it drives downhill if it exceeds the cruise set speed by a certain amount
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Automatic locking rear differential
 - When the differential senses a significant difference in wheel speed, it locks to turn both rear wheels in unison for added traction
 - The Eaton® Locker senses a difference in wheel speed of approximately 100 rpm
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Heavy-duty 730 cold-cranking amps battery
 - 80 Amp-hr
 - Maintenance-free with rundown protection and retained accessory power
- Fully boxed frame
 - Hydroformed front section
 - High-strength steel
- 5.3L EcoTec3 V8 engine
 - 355 hp [265 kW] @ 5600 rpm
 - 383 lb-ft of torque [518 Nm] @ 4100 rpm
 - Paired with a 10-speed automatic transmission
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Heavy-Duty Air Filter
 - Thick construction helps to trap more dirt before it can enter the air intake
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Hill Descent Control
 - Uses antilock braking to help provide a smooth, controlled descent
 - Helps driver maintain control of the vehicle without depressing the brake pedal
 - Activates by pushing a button on the instrument panel
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Transmission, 10-speed automatic with Electronic Transmission Range Selector, (ETRS), electronically controlled with overdrive, tow/haul mode and steering column paddle shifters. Includes Cruise Grade Braking and Powertrain Grade Braking (STD)
- 3.23 rear axle ratio
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Rear axle, 3.23 ratio
- Push Button Start
- Electric Power Steering
 - Electric, rack-mounted with variable assist
 - Increases or decreases the amount of assist depending on the steering wheel angle
 - The system delivers great on-center precision and confident performance at higher speeds
 - Steering assist is greater during low-speed maneuvers, such as parking
- 170-amp alternator
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Capless fuel fill
 - Prevents paint scratches that can result from a tethered fuel cap
 - Creates a tight seal around the fuel-pump nozzle when the nozzle is fully inserted
- Black recovery hooks
 - Two front frame-mounted¹
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Engine, 5.3L EcoTec3 V8 (355 hp [265 kW] @ 5600 rpm, 383 lb-ft of torque [518 Nm] @ 4100 rpm); featuring available Dynamic Fuel Management that enables the engine to operate in 17 different patterns between 2 and 8 cylinders, depending on demand, to optimize power delivery and efficiency (STD)
- Integrated trailer brake controller
 - Integrated with the antilock brake system (ABS)
 - Helps provide measured brake force signaling to electric-controlled trailer brake systems
 - Trailer gain and output are displayed in the Driver Information Center
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Dual-outlet exhaust
 - Polished outlets
 - Integrated into rear bumper
 - Aluminized stainless-steel muffler and tailpipes
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Skid plates
 - Help protect the front underbody, oil pan, differential case and transfer case
 - May require additional optional equipment
- 2-speed Autotrac Transfer Case
 - 2WD HI mode
 - Vehicle operates in 2-wheel drive
 - In this mode the transfer case & front driveline hardware are disengaged to improve fuel economy
 - Suitable for routine driving on all road surfaces
 - 4WD Auto mode
 - 4WD Auto enables the transfer-case to provide the performance benefits of a full time active AWD system

- The 4WD Auto controls automatically adjust torque in response to parameters such as driver inputs, wheel slip control, vehicle dynamic state (understeer/oversteer)
 - Ideal for wet or wintry conditions, but can be used on any road surface. Suitable for light off road usage
 - 4WD HI mode
 - Transfer case engages front driveline and power is transferred to both the front & rear axles
 - In 4WD HI the transfer case clutch maintains higher preemptive torque levels for increased traction vs 4WD Auto
 - Suitable for use on slippery road surfaces or off-road conditions such as deep sand, snow or rough terrain
 - 4WD LO mode
 - In 4WD Low the transfer case clutch maintains a high preemptive coupling torque to maximize traction and improve wheel control when climbing or descending steep grades or obstacles
 - Suitable for off road usage, steep terrain, deep snow or sand
 - Ideal for off road driving to maximize low speed traction and increase control on steep grades
 - Neutral
 - ONLY used for towing vehicle (Dinghy tow capability)- allows vehicle to roll freely
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Inside/Rear Trailer Camera Input
 - Includes trailer viewing software
 - May require additional optional equipment
 - Forward Collision Alert
 - Warns you if it detects a potential collision with a detected vehicle you're following so you can take action¹
 - Can also provide a tailgating alert if you're following a vehicle much too closely
 - StabiliTrak, electronic stability control system with traction control
 - Automatically helps enhance control, particularly during emergency maneuvers, by adjusting the brakes and engine torque to help you stay on your intended path
 - Activates when vehicle sensors detect a difference between the driver's intended path and the direction the vehicle is actually travelling
 - Includes Traction Control that detects wheel slippage and applies brake pressure and/or reduces engine power to help the driver maintain control when accelerating on wet or snow-covered roads
 - Trailer Side Blind Zone Alert
 - Provides visual side-mirror alerts when a moving vehicle is detected in a side blind zone that is extended to trailer lengths¹
 - 6 airbags
 - Dual-stage frontal airbags for driver and front outboard passenger¹
 - Seat-mounted side-impact airbags for driver and front outboard passenger¹
 - Head-curtain airbags for outboard seating positions¹
 - Includes front outboard Passenger Sensing System for frontal outboard passenger airbag and illuminates a status light that indicates whether the airbag is on or off¹
 - Buckle to Drive
 - Helps remind the driver to buckle their seat belt before driving by preventing the vehicle from being shifted out of PARK temporarily when the driver's seat belt is not buckled
 - The feature also reminds the front passenger to buckle up, if equipped
 - In-vehicle Trailering App
 - Checklist¹
 - Trailer light sequencing
 - Trailer maintenance reminders
 - Trailer security alerts
 - Trailer mileage
 - Tow/haul reminder
 - Trailer electrical diagnostics
 - Includes trailer tire pressure monitoring alert ONLY when trailer tire pressure monitor system is factory ordered and sensors are installed
 - May require additional optional equipment
 - Front Pedestrian Braking
 - At speeds between 5 and 50 mph, can help you avoid or reduce the severity of a collision with a pedestrian it detects directly in front of you¹
 - Provides pedestrian alerts and can automatically provide hard emergency braking or enhance driver's hard braking
 - Limited nighttime and low visibility performance
 - Teen Driver
 - Helps encourage safe driving habits for teens by providing an in-vehicle report card¹
 - Activates certain safety systems, if equipped, when a Teen Driver-designated key fob is used
 - Mutes the radio until the front-seat occupants fasten their seat belts
 - Rear Cross Traffic Braking
 - When In Reverse, alerts you or automatically provides hard emergency braking to prevent a collision with detected vehicles crossing behind you¹
 - May require additional optional equipment
 - Hitch View
 - Shows a close-up view of the trailer hitch¹
 - In Reverse, the view can be used to line up your hitch to your trailer
 - When driving, the view can be used to check your trailer hitch

- Includes Brake Assist that senses how hard and fast a driver hits the brake pedal and gives extra braking assistance, if required
 - Includes Trailer Sway Control
 - Hill Start Assist
- Shifting to Park automatically engages the Electric Parking Brake (if equipped)
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Front and Rear Park Assist
 - Provides alerts of nearby detected vehicles and objects in front of or behind your vehicle¹
 - These can help you park and avoid collisions
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Hitch Guidance
 - When In Reverse, displays a centered guideline on the Rear Vision Camera view¹
 - Can help you line up the hitch to your trailer
 - When driving, lets you check the trailer using Rear Vision Camera view
 - May require additional optional equipment
- Rear Seat Reminder
 - Helps to remind the driver to check the back seat(s) before leaving the vehicle¹
 - Activates when rear doors are opened and closed up to 10 minutes before or anytime while your vehicle is on
 - Under certain conditions, once the vehicle is switched off, designed to sound audible chimes and display a visual message within the driver display
 - Activates only once each time the vehicle is turned on and off, and would require re-activation on a second trip
- Tire Pressure Monitoring System with Tire Fill Alert
 - Monitors the pressure in each tire and alerts you if there is a low-pressure condition in one or more of the tires¹
 - Provides visual and audible alerts outside the vehicle when inflating an under inflated tire to the recommended tire pressure
 - Properly inflate tires to help optimize your vehicle's ride, handling and efficiency
- Safety Alert Seat
 - Uses left-, right- or both-side driver seat vibration pulses to help you detect and identify the direction of potential crashes¹
 - You can also switch to beeping crash avoidance alerts
- Lane Keep Assist with Lane Departure Warning
 - Uses a brief steering wheel turn to alert you when it detects you are unintentionally drifting out of your lane lines¹
 - System alerts do not occur if you're using your turn signal, or it detects you may be intentionally leaving your lane
 - You may receive additional Lane Departure Warning alerts if needed
- Following Distance Indicator
 - Displays the following time in seconds between your vehicle and a detected vehicle in front of you¹
 - Designed to help you maintain a safe following distance
- OnStar[®] services capable
 - See onstar.com for details and limitations. Services vary by model. Service plan required.
- Daytime Running Lamps
 - Includes automatic exterior lamp control
- Rear Seat Belt Indicator warning
- OnStar Basics
 - Drive confidently with core OnStar services including¹
 - Remote commands
 - Built-in voice assistance
 - Real-time traffic and navigation
 - Automatic Crash Response
- Automatic Emergency Braking
 - Can help you avoid or reduce the severity of a collision with a detected vehicle you're following using camera technology¹
 - Can automatically provide hard emergency braking or enhance your hard braking
 - Works at speeds between 5 and 50 mph
- Rear Pedestrian Alert
 - When you're In Reverse, alerts you to detected pedestrians directly behind your vehicle¹
 - Limited nighttime and low visibility performance
- HD Surround Vision
 - Provides selectable digital camera views of the area around your vehicle¹
 - Can help you park or avoid vehicles and objects¹
 - You can also display a guideline to show where your vehicle is heading¹
 - Tailgate must be in the raised position for the HD Rear Vision Camera to operate properly
 - Includes 2 Trailer Camera Provisions
 - Requires Auxiliary Trailer Camera if one of the following camera views is desired: Transparent

Trailer, Rear Trailer View, Picture-in-Picture or
Inside Trailer View

MSRP \$67,190
Hendrick New Year Savings -\$2,500
Customer Cash -\$3,250
Bonus Cash -\$1,500
Hendrick Price \$59,940

Other Offers You May Qualify For

Trade Assistance -\$1,250

Disclaimer:

\$225.00 Closing Fee is not included in advertised price. The Closing Fee is a charge that is permitted but not required by law.

All prices exclude all taxes, tag, title, registration fees and government fees. Out of state buyers are responsible for all taxes and government fees and title/registration fees in the state where the vehicle will be registered. All prices include all manufacturer to dealer incentives, which the dealer retains unless otherwise specifically provided. Dealer not responsible for errors and omissions; all offers subject to change without notice; please confirm listings with dealer.

All vehicles may not be physically located at this dealership but may be available for delivery through this location. Transportation charges may apply. Please contact the dealership for more specific information. All vehicles are subject to prior sale.

Billing Address:
16TH CIRCUIT SOLICITOR'S
OFFICE
207 W Main Street
Chesterfield , SC 29709
US

Shipping Address:
4th Solicitors Office
207 W Main Street
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Summary:

Any sales transaction resulting from Motorola's quote is based on and subject to the applicable Motorola Standard Terms and Conditions, notwithstanding terms and conditions on purchase orders or other Customer ordering documents. Motorola Standard Terms and Conditions are found at www.motorolasolutions.com/product-terms.

Line #	Item Number	Description	Qty	List Price	Sale Price	Ext. Sale Price
	APX™ N50	APX N50				
1	H25UCF9PW6AN	PORTABLE RADIO APX N50 7/800 MODEL 2	6	\$3,496.00	\$2,517.12	\$15,102.72
1a	Q387CB	ADD: MULTICAST VOTING SCAN	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1b	QA00982AH	ADD: SITE SELECTABLE ALERT FOR P25 TRUNKING	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1c	QA03399AK	ADD: ENHANCED DATA	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1d	QA08853AA	ADD: CPS ENABLEMENT*	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1e	QA08715AA	ADD: BASIC VOICE CONTROL	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1f	QA00580BA	ADD: TDMA OPERATION	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1g	G996AU	ADD: PROGRAMMING OVER P25 (OTAP)	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1h	QA09001AM	ADD: WIFI CAPABILITY	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1i	QA09007AD	ADD: OUT OF THE BOX WIFI PROVISIONING	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1j	BD00032AA	ADD: ESSENTIAL CORE BUNDLE	6	\$2,401.00	\$1,728.72	\$10,372.32
1k	QA09113AA	ADD: BASELINE RELEASE SW	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



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Line #	Item Number	Description	Qty	List Price	Sale Price	Ext. Sale Price
1l	QA02756AB	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: 3600 OR 9600 TRUNKING BAUD SINGLE SYSTEM	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1m	BD00035AB	ADD: ADVANCED SECURITY BUNDLE	6	\$1,277.00	\$919.44	\$5,516.64
1n	H02BC	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: TACTICAL RADIO STW-STUN/ KILL	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1o	H797DW	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: DVP-XL ENCRYPTION AND ADP	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1p	QA07680AA	ADD: MULTI SYSTEM OTAR	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1q	Q498BN	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: ASTRO 25 OTAR W/ MULTIKEY	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1r	Q15AK	ADD: AES/DES-XL/DES-OFB ENCRYPTION AND ADP	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1s	BD00033AA	ADD: ESSENTIAL SECURITY BUNDLE	6	\$667.00	\$480.24	\$2,881.44
1t	QA01767BL	ADD: P25 LINK LAYER AUTHENTICATION	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1u	QA05100AA	EHN: STD 1 YR WARRANTY APPLIES	6	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2	PMMN4140A	PORTABLE RSM RM760, IP68, 3.5MM JACK, LARGE	6	\$140.00	\$105.00	\$630.00
3	PMPN4820A	CHARGER, DESKTOP SINGLE UNIT IMPRES 2 RAPID, US	6	\$91.71	\$68.78	\$412.68
4	PMNN4813B	PORTABLE RADIO BATTERY IMPRES 2 LI-ION IP68 2850T	6	\$196.35	\$147.26	\$883.56

Grand Total **\$35,799.36(USD)**

Notes:

- Additional information is required for one or more items on the quote for an order.

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The Parties hereby enter into this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

Motorola Solutions, Inc.

Customer

By: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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- Unless otherwise noted, this quote excludes sales tax or other applicable taxes (such as Goods and Services Tax, sales tax, Value Added Tax and other taxes of a similar nature). Any tax the customer is subject to will be added to invoices.



APX N50 Portable Radio Solution Description

OVERVIEW

The APX N50 offers affordable, next generation communications for without compromising P25 interoperability or voice and data quality. It offers a durable design with “pick-up-and-go” functionality, optimizing ease-of-use and focused communications in almost all environments.

DURABLE AND EASY TO USE

The APX N50 enhances operations with a front display with an upgraded user interface for better readability and loud and clear audio for reliable, everyday use. Additionally, it offers extended battery life, a shorter antenna, and Bluetooth compatibility with audio accessories, promoting efficient communications between first responders.

Adaptive Audio

For first responders in loud environments, the APX N50 offers adaptive audio that enhances voice quality and minimizes background noise. The APX N50 includes two High Dynamic Range (HDR) microphones with high overload point pickup that reproduces voice with clarity and reduces audio clipping and distortion, even when shouting. The radio has custom speakers that use noise cancellation technology to amplify loud and clear audio, and help make every syllable intelligible.

An enhanced audio engine dynamically adjusts the N50 in any environment by using algorithms to filter out unpredictable background noise and wind while using multiple microphones to track voice from every angle, allowing first responders to speak into the radio without compromising voice quality. Additional environmentally aware audio features receive volume leveling and noise sensing volume control—the radio will automatically adjust for loud or soft talkers and the changing ambient noise levels. These features allow first responders to keep their eyes forward and remain focused on situations as they unfold.

Essential and Secure P25 Communications

The APX N50 is certified compliant with P25 standards and supports digital and analog trunking, FDMA and TDMA, and Integrated Voice and Data. All P25 communications over the N50 are safe and secure—it offers software and hardware encryption, single- and multi key encryption, and P25 Authentication, protecting communications during daily operations.

Reliable Connectivity

Using the APX N50 lets first responders stay connected across disparate networks. It is equipped with Wi-Fi®, Bluetooth®, and GPS features, bringing future-ready applications, services, and best-in-class connectivity to everyday use. APX N50 radios support 7/800 MHz frequency bands across radio systems, with minimal intervention by the radio user.



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SmartConnect over Wi-Fi

SmartConnect is a subscription service that allows first responders to access critical intelligence no matter where the mission takes them. When P25 networks are unavailable, the APX N50 will maintain functionality and voice quality by automatically switching to an available broadband network, enabling connectivity outside of radio system coverage. Voice information and signals between radios and control are encrypted, ensuring that all transmissions are secure.

The APX N50 can use SmartConnect when directly connected to Wi-Fi hotspots, through an in-vehicle LTE modem, or over a satellite connection. Additionally, the radio will indicate to users when SmartConnect is active by displaying a blue bar on-screen.

Managing and Provisioning Devices

APX N50 can be programmed in two ways: one-at-a-time through Customer Programming Service ("CPS") or through a combination of CPS and batch programming over Wi-Fi available with the radio management ("RM") software.

CPS is a proprietary, Windows-based application, used to configure APX subscriber radios in offline situations that include provisioning, networking, and monitoring tools that provide greater awareness and faster radio management. The CPS application offers drag-and-drop, clone-wizard, and basic import/export functions that allow the addition of new software and feature enhancements. APX N radios can be programmed one-at-a-time on a local PC, via secure USB port connection, with TLS-PSK based encryption. Once loaded, subscriber radios are read and edited, and codeplugs and templates can be saved and duplicated to program other fleet radios.

Batch Programming is available through the RM software for simultaneous programming and upgrading throughout the radio fleet. With Batch Programming, up to 16 radios can be programmed at once over a Wi-Fi connection. This reduces programming time and ensures that the radio fleet is always up-to-date and ready-to-use in the field.



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Invoice

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Invoice to:

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207 West Main Street
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Email: Charlottewatson@solicitor4.com

Invoice Number: INV000747

Issue Date: 10/04/2025

Due Date: 10/03/2025

Item	Amount (USD)
[Circuit Solicitors' Office Personnel] 2025 South Carolina Solicitors' Annual Conference, 10/05/2025	\$300
Total	\$300
Amount Paid	0
Total Due	\$300

Payment Options

Pay by Check

The payment form, which may be found on this website under the Documents tab, should be used to submit your registration fees (payable to the South Carolina Solicitors' Association). Fees may be submitted at any time (including prior to the online individual registrant registration) by sending the payment form and a check to the following address:

South Carolina Solicitors' Association
Attn.: 2025 Annual Conference
Post Office Box 11251
Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1251

Policy

To receive a refund for a cancelled Conference registration, a cancellation notice must be emailed to training@cpc.sc.gov no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on September 10, 2025. Because of commitments required by the hotel under the Association's contract, no refunds will be given by the Association for cancellations received after that time.

M&E breakdowns for continental U.S. (CONUS)

M&IE total	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidental expenses	First and last day of travel
\$68	\$16	\$19	\$28	\$5	\$51.00
\$74	\$18	\$20	\$31	\$5	\$55.50
\$80	\$20	\$22	\$33	\$5	\$60.00
\$86	\$22	\$23	\$36	\$5	\$64.50
\$92	\$23	\$26	\$38	\$5	\$69.00

For M&IE rates greater than \$265, allocate 15%, 25%, and 40% of the total to breakfast, lunch, and dinner, respectively. The remainder is the incidental expense allowance.

M&IE rate (\$)	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals
1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1
2	0	0	1	1
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	1	1	1
5	1	1	2	1
6	1	2	2	1
7	1	2	3	1
8	1	2	3	2
9	1	2	4	2
10	2	2	4	2
11	2	3	4	2

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To: The South Carolina House Ways and Means Committee
Columbia, South Carolina

From: Paul M. Burch, Jr.
4th Circuit Solicitor

Date: January 13, 2026

Re: Funding Request for Security Enhancements and Trainings

I respectfully request consideration of a House Member Appropriation to support critical security enhancements and professional training for the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Offices and their courtrooms. The Solicitor's Office plays a vital role in the administration of justice, and ensuring the safety of employees, the judiciary, victims, witnesses, and the public is essential to maintaining effective court operations.

This appropriation would be used to address identified security needs and operational gaps, including the following:

1. Vehicles

Vehicles are necessary to allow investigators and prosecutors to safely and efficiently travel throughout the circuit for investigations, court appearances, compliance checks, and supervision-related duties. Reliable transportation ensures timely response and supports overall safety.

2. Secure Radio Systems

Encrypted radio systems, such as the APX N50, provide secure, real-time communication between investigators and dispatch. These systems are critical during emergency situations and potential threats to courtrooms or Solicitor's Office facilities.

3. Emergency Vehicle Equipment (Blue Lights)

Blue lights are required for emergency response and traffic control, allowing investigators to safely navigate traffic and respond quickly to urgent or potentially dangerous situations.

4. Firearms and Safety Equipment

Firearms and associated safety equipment are necessary to protect investigators, prosecutors, staff, and the public in the event of a violent incident. High-risk and high-profile court proceedings require enhanced security readiness.

5. Mobile Technology – Laptops

Laptops installed in vehicles allow investigators and prosecutors to access criminal databases, case files, and reporting systems in real time. This technology improves efficiency, accuracy, and documentation while operating in the field.

6. Mobile Technology – Tablets

Tablets provide portable access to warrants, criminal histories, and case-related data. They are also used to capture photographic and video evidence at crime scenes or during investigations, allowing immediate digital submission.

7. Cell Phones

Department-issued cell phones ensure reliable communication among investigators and with partner agencies, prosecutors, and staff. They also allow investigators to receive emergency alerts, coordinate responses, and communicate with witnesses and other stakeholders during critical incidents.

8. Training and Professional Development

Funding is requested to support overnight and extended training essential to courtroom security and prosecutorial effectiveness. This includes attendance at the NDAA (Homicide) Conference, the Solicitor's Conference, and NCIC Training. These courses ensure compliance with legal standards, strengthen investigative skills, and enhance security protocols necessary for safe and effective court operations for both investigators and prosecutors.

This House Member Appropriation will directly support public safety, enhance courtroom security, and ensure the continued effective operation of the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Offices. The requested funding represents a responsible investment in the protection of personnel, the public, and the integrity of the judicial process.

I respectfully request the Budget Committee's favorable consideration of this appropriation. I am available to provide additional information as needed. Thank you for your consideration and continued support of the judicial system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul M. Burch Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul M. Burch, Jr., Solicitor

Protection for investigators and prosecutors working to ensure safety in environments like courtrooms and solicitor's offices involves a combination of resources to maintain security while allowing them to carry out their duties effectively. Below are a few key components when it comes to serving and protecting.

- **Vehicles:** Vehicles allow investigators and prosecutors to quickly travel to different areas of the jurisdiction to handle various situations, such as investigations, routine and random house checks, employment checks, court, and community service checks.
- **Secure Radio Systems:** Investigators use encrypted radios such as the APX N50, for secure, real-time communication with dispatches and other officers. These radios allow for quick response in emergency situations, such as a potential threat to the courtroom or solicitor's office.
- **Blue Lights:** Emergency response vehicles are often equipped with blue lights to indicate an investigator's presence in situations that demand urgent attention or to clear traffic. Blue lights help signal the importance of the situation to civilians, ensuring that they allow investigators to move with urgency.
- **Firearms:** Investigators and prosecutors may be armed to defend themselves and others in case of a violent threat. Courtrooms, especially in high-profile or sensitive cases, may require investigators and prosecutors to be heavily armed or to work with specialized security teams.
- **Laptops:** Laptops in vehicles allow investigators and prosecutors to access criminal databases, case files, and other essential records in real time. Investigators and prosecutors use laptops to file reports, submit evidence, and maintain records of ongoing investigations. Laptops also provide communication channels for investigators, allowing them to send and receive messages and updates from other investigators.
- **Tablets:** Tablets are lightweight and portable, enabling investigators and prosecutors to access information quickly while on the go without needing a laptop or desktop. Tablets allow investigators and prosecutors to look up warrants, criminal records, and other important data from anywhere. Tablets are also useful for taking photos or recording videos at crime scenes or during investigations, providing immediate evidence that can be submitted digitally.
- **Cell Phones:** Cell phones provide instant communication between investigators, prosecutors, staff, and other agencies. They allow them to stay in touch with one another during critical situations. Investigators can receive emergency alerts and updates from dispatch or other agencies. Cell phones are also used for contacting witnesses, victims, or other law enforcement partners.

- **Training and Professional Development:** Funding supports overnight and extended training critical to courtroom security and prosecutorial effectiveness, including the NDAA (Homicide) Conference, the Solicitor's Conference, and NCIC Training. These trainings ensure compliance with legal standards, enhance investigative and safety skills, and strengthen security protocols necessary to protect investigators, prosecutors, court personnel, and the public.

Together, these resources provide a multifaceted approach to ensuring the safety of law enforcement officers and the individuals they are protecting, including courtroom personnel, legal teams, solicitors' office employees, and the public.

Security Enhancements & Trainings for the 4th Circuit
Solicitor's Offices & Courtrooms

Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
Vehicles	\$60,000.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$360,000.00
Secure Radio System (APX N50 Portables)	\$35,800.00	1 (Quote Received for System of 6)	\$35,800.00
Emergency Vehicle Equipment (Blue Lights)	\$1,800.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$10,800.00
Firearms & Safety Equipment	\$800.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$4,800.00
Mobile Technology (Laptops)	\$1,000.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$6,000.00
Mobile Technology (iPads/Tablets)	\$800.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$4,800.00
Cell Phones (iPhones/Phones)	\$800.00	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$4,800.00
Training & Professional Development (NDAA Homicide Conference)	\$450.00 (Airfare) \$68.00 x 4 days = \$272.00 per person (Food) \$165.00 x 4 nights = \$660.00 per person (Lodging) \$995.00 (Registration)	4 Investigators 2 Prosecutors	\$2,700.00 (Airfare) \$1,632.00 (Food) \$3,960.00 (Lodging) \$5,970.00 (Registration)
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Training & Professional Development (NCIC Training)	\$125.00 (Mileage) \$68.00 x 2 days = \$136.00 per person (Food) \$200.00 x 2 nights = \$400.00 per person (Lodging)	4 Investigators	\$500.00 (Mileage) \$544.00 (Food) \$1,600.00 (Lodging)

Total Cost \$453,128.00

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Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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The Honorable Jackie Hayes
South Carolina House of Representatives
District 55

Subject: Request for Support and Appropriation for Critical City of Dillon Equipment and Facility Improvements

Representative Hayes,

I hope you are doing well. I am writing to respectfully request your support in securing funding for several essential capital needs within the City of Dillon. These investments are critical to maintaining reliable public services, strengthening public safety, revitalizing our downtown, and improving recreational opportunities for our residents.

The following items represent urgent priorities across multiple departments:

Public Works & Sanitation Equipment

1. Vactor Truck – Water & Sewer Division

The current Vactor truck has exceeded its service life and is no longer reliable for sewer line maintenance or stormwater management. A replacement is necessary to prevent blockages, reduce emergency repairs, and maintain regulatory compliance.

Cost: \$500,000

✓ 2. Garbage Truck – Sanitation Division

A new garbage truck is needed to ensure consistent waste collection and reduce downtime caused by frequent mechanical failures in the aging fleet.

✓ Cost: \$410,000

Garbage

1.2 million

3. Dump Truck – Public Works Division

A dump truck is essential for road maintenance, debris removal, storm cleanup, and infrastructure projects.

Cost: \$275,000

4. Downtown Demolition of Unsafe Properties

Several structures in the downtown area have been deemed unsafe and pose risks to public safety and economic development. Funding is needed to demolish these properties and prepare the sites for revitalization efforts.

✓ Cost: \$100,000

780,000

Public Safety Equipment

5. Police Vehicles – Police Department

The Police Department requires four new patrol vehicles to replace aging units that have surpassed safe operational mileage. Updated vehicles will improve officer safety, reduce maintenance costs, and ensure reliable emergency response.

Cost: \$70,000 each × 4 = \$280,000

680,000

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Fire & Rescue Services

6. Fire Department Training Facility

A dedicated training facility is needed to support firefighter readiness, provide realistic training environments, and meet state and national certification standards.

Cost: \$300,000

Recreation Department Improvements

7. Recreation Facility Fencing

400,000

Upgrades to fencing at recreation facilities are necessary to improve safety, protect fields, and support youth and adult programming.

Cost: \$200,000

8. Golf Course Fairways and Tees Improvements

The city-owned golf course requires improvements to fairways and tee boxes to enhance playability, increase tourism, and improve revenue potential.

Cost: \$300,000

Total Funding Requested

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Vactor Truck	\$500,000
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Downtown Demolition of Unsafe Properties	\$100,000
Police Vehicles (4)	\$280,000
Fire Training Facility	\$300,000
Recreation Fencing	\$200,000
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Cost: \$70,000 each × 4 = \$280,000

680,000

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Fire & Rescue Services

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Recreation Department Improvements

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Respectfully,

Burt Rogers
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The Honorable Jackie Hayes
South Carolina House of Representatives
District 55

Subject: Request for Support and Appropriation for Critical City of Dillon Equipment and Facility Improvements

Representative Hayes,

I hope you are doing well. I am writing to respectfully request your support in securing funding for several essential capital needs within the City of Dillon. These investments are critical to maintaining reliable public services, strengthening public safety, revitalizing our downtown, and improving recreational opportunities for our residents.

The following items represent urgent priorities across multiple departments:

Public Works & Sanitation Equipment

1. Vactor Truck – Water & Sewer Division

The current Vactor truck has exceeded its service life and is no longer reliable for sewer line maintenance or stormwater management. A replacement is necessary to prevent blockages, reduce emergency repairs, and maintain regulatory compliance.

Cost: \$500,000

✓ 2. Garbage Truck – Sanitation Division

A new garbage truck is needed to ensure consistent waste collection and reduce downtime caused by frequent mechanical failures in the aging fleet.

✓ Cost: \$410,000

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3. Dump Truck – Public Works Division

A dump truck is essential for road maintenance, debris removal, storm cleanup, and infrastructure projects.

Cost: \$275,000

4. Downtown Demolition of Unsafe Properties

Several structures in the downtown area have been deemed unsafe and pose risks to public safety and economic development. Funding is needed to demolish these properties and prepare the sites for revitalization efforts.

✓ Cost: \$100,000

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House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: New Dillon County Emergency Center Upfitting

Requested Amount: \$ 1,500,000

Recipient Entity: Dillon County

This entity is a: State Agency X Local Government Non-Profit, or Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Tim Harper Title/Position: County Administrator

Phone Number: _____ Email: tharper@dilloncountysc.org

Entity Website: dilloncountysc.org County Location: Dillon

Intended Use of Funds: Dillon County Council would like to request assistance in the upfitting and purchasing equipment for the new Emergency Center.

Justification of Request/Public Benefit: We are currently constructing a new combination EOC/E911/Fire station near on County property located next to Harbor Freight. This will not only help them but also help the citizens by having emergency services closer to them and the other industries located in that area. We are asking for \$1,500,000 for this project. These funds along with a combination of local, private from industries and federal funds will allow this project to be completed. The funds will be used to purchase technology equipment, E-911 consoles and equipment along with other technology equipment for the new Emergency Operations Center. We will also have to equip the new fire station and EMS base at the facility.

Jackie Hayes
Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


Primary House Sponsor – Signature

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Office of Dillon County Administration

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Phone (843)774-1401
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February 3, 2026

The Honorable Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes
333C Blatt Building
Columbia SC 29201

RE: Dillon County Funds Request

Dear Representative Hayes,

Dillon county is humbly asking for your consideration in funding projects that the County needs to help us grow and service the citizens that we have now and in the future.

New Emergency Headquarters Upfitting: Dillon County Council would like to request assistance in the upfitting and purchasing of equipment for the new Emergency Center.

We are currently constructing a new combination EOC/E911/EMS Base/Fire station near the intersection of Hwy. 34 and Interstate 95 on County property located next to Harbor Freight. This area is one of the fastest growing areas of Dillon County including several industries (Harbor Freight, Arclin, Wyman Gordon), commercial, and a new Middle School. This will not only help them but also help the citizens by having emergency services closer to them and the other industries located in that area. We are asking for \$1,500,000 for this project. These funds along with a combination of local, private from industries and federal funds will allow this project to be completed. The funds will be used to purchase technology equipment, E-911 consoles and equipment along with other technology equipment for the new Emergency Operations Center. We will also have to equip the new fire station and EMS base at the facility.

Items will include:

Computers and technology equipment in the Emergency Operations Center, training rooms, and conference rooms.

E-911 Consoles and equipment for the E-911 Center.

Generators for the facility.

Air ventilation system for the fire station bay.

Air filling station for SCBA equipment.

Furnishing for the facility to include offices, training, conference rooms and sleeping areas for EMS and Fire.

Thank you for your considerations of all or some of these projects and if you should need any more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

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Tim Harper
County Administrator

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$ 225,000.00

Recipient Entity: Dillon County

The entity is a: State Agency, Local Government, ☒ Non-Profit, or Other

If Other, please explain:

Entity Contact: Cliff Arnette Title/Position: Chief Operating Officer

Phone Number: Email:

Entity Website: County Location: Dillon

Intended Use of the Funds: The funds will be used to purchase new equipment to replace older equipment and add equipment to rescue trucks that need equipment to provide emergency services to save lives. The funds will be used to purchase new equipment to improve and better serve our country

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: The extrication equipment is used to remove injured individuals from vehicles that are involved in accidents with entrapment, industrial type accident/incidents involving machinery with entrapment and any other type entrapment that would require extrication. The swift water rescue boat will be used for water rescues in an emergency situation and especially useful in flooding events. The need for a swift water rescue boat is a needed resource since Hurricane Matthew in 2016, Hurricane Florence in 2018, and Tropical Storm Debby in 2029 when we received major flood waters in Dillon County. Radio communications to improve response communications between dispatch and rescue members.

James May
Primary House Sponsor – Print Name

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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Additional House Sponsors

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Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew, Inc.
Post Office Box 1025
Dillon, South Carolina 29536

January 30, 2026

Representative Jackie E. Hayes, House District 55
240 Bermuda Road
Dillon, South Carolina 29536

Dear Representative Hayes,

I am writing requesting funding for Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew in the amount of \$225,000.00. The Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew is requesting funds for new equipment to continue to provide emergency services and support to our local emergency service partners and to the citizens of Dillon County. The Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew is a nonprofit, fully volunteer organization that provides extrication services and other support functions for Dillon County EMS for the citizens, businesses, and tourist of Dillon County. The Dillon Rescue and First Aid Crew has been a vital part of the emergency response in Dillon County over the years. The funding will have a huge impact for the organization to better serve and continue to provide our services. The funding request is for extrication equipment; (to include but not limited to) spreaders, cutters, rams, and struts, extrication gear; helmets, gloves, mobile radio equipment, scene lights, extra batteries, charging stations, mounting brackets, and accessories for equipment, swift water rescue boat with motor and trailer to include but not limited to paddles, life safety vest, head gear, suits and any other safety equipment for the safe operation of the boat and personnel, radio communication upgrades; mobile radios, portable

radios and pagers to communicate with dispatch, rescue members, and multi-agency communication within the county and surrounding areas.

The listed equipment are estimates only.

\$32,000.00 for Hurst Combi Tool (2)

\$30,000.00 for Cutter Tool (2)

\$32,000.00 for Spreader Tool (2)

\$18,000.00 for Ram (2)

\$5,000.00 for Batteries

\$2,800.00 for Rescue Tool Battery Chargers

\$12,000.00 Struts (Vehicle Stabilization Equipment)

\$3,000.00 Extrication gloves

\$5,000.00 Portable Scene Lighting

\$50,000.00 Mobile Radio Communications and Pagers

\$10,000.00 Extrication Suit

\$25,200.00 Swift Water Rescue Boat with motor, and trailer and safety equipment.

Thank you for your consideration for this funding request and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Cliff Arnette

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Dillon County EMS

Requested Amount: \$ 366,500

Recipient Entity: Dillon County

This entity is a: State Agency X Local Government Non-Profit, or Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Daniel Moody Title/Position: Emergency Services Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: dilloncountysc.org County Location: Dillon

Intended Use of Funds: Dillon County EMS is requesting 366,500 dollars in funding for supplies and equipment.

Justification of Request/Public Benefit: We are looking to replace our aging Quick Response Vehicle. This vehicle is staffed by our EMS Captain daily and is used 24 hours per day. This vehicle is also where we store our unit of blood. This vehicle responds to all major incidents throughout Dillon County. We are also requesting an enclosed trailer that we will store our technical rescue equipment in. Technical rescue equipment is often large and bulky and is not easily stored in vehicles. We would also like to purchase some additional technical rescue equipment to compliment what we already have. We are also looking to purchase a mobile command center trailer. This unit would be climate controlled. We would use this mobile command centers for events such as races, sporting events, street festivals, hazmat situations, and in the event one of our stationary locations became uninhabitable. We had the need for this type of unit when our 911 center and EOC flooded. We would also use this funding to equip this command center with radios and other IT equipment. A swift water boat/trailer would be purchased for use until other resources could arrive in situations where we face flooding events. The remaining funds would be used to purchase portable multi-band radios so that we have interoperability with other agencies, vhf radios for our daily operations, ballistic vest for when we respond to violent scenes, and two LUCAS devices for our spare ambulances. We greatly appreciate all of your assistance to the community, and we look forward to working alongside you to improve the quality of life in Dillon County.

Jackie Hayes
Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


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Dillon County

P.O. BOX 349
DILLON, SOUTH CAROLINA 29536
TELEPHONE: 843-841-8824
FAX: 843-841-8830

Daniel W. Moody
101 E. Main St
Dillon, SC 29536

January 29, 2026

Representative Jackie Hayes
240 Bermuda Rd
Dillon, SC 29536

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Dillon Co. Emergency Services Director

EMS

QRV for Supervisor	\$75,000
Trailer for Technical Rescue	\$25,000
24' Command/Office trailer	\$85,000
Radio's and IT for command trailer	\$20,000
Technical Rescue equipment	\$40,000
Swift Water Boat	\$15,000
Portable Radio's/Triband	\$50,000
LUCAS Device(2)	\$40,000
	350,000

House Member Appropriation Request Form

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Project/Event Name: Dillon County Fire Service

Requested Amount: \$ 600,000

Recipient Entity: Dillon County

This entity is a: ☐ State Agency ☒ Local Government ☐ Non-Profit, or ☐ Other

If Other, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: Daniel Moody Title/Position: Emergency Services Director

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Entity Website: dilloncountysc.org County Location: Dillon

Intended Use of Funds: Dillon County Fire Service is requesting \$600,000 in funding for supplies and equipment.

Justification of Request/Public Benefit: The Dillon County Fire service is requesting 600,000 dollars in funding for supplies and equipment. Dillon County is currently looking to acquire a ladder truck soon. We will have to purchase all the equipment for this piece of apparatus. The ladder truck will increase our response capabilities and allow us to serve the community better. The ladder truck should also help to lower our area's ISO rating. A reduced ISO rating will lessen the burden on homeowners and hopefully help recruit new industries to the area. We will also be able to replace old and antiquated equipment that is currently in service on other apparatuses. Other equipment we would purchase and place throughout our existing fire stations include extrication equipment, saws, hose, nozzles, portable ground monitors, gas monitors, thermal imaging camera, positive pressure fans, radio equipment, SCBAs, gear extractors, and hand tools. We greatly appreciate all of your assistance to the community, and we look forward to working alongside you to improve the quality of life in Dillon County.

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January 29, 2026

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Dillon Co. Emergency Services Director

Dillon County Fire Service Request

Station One

Ladder Truck Supplies	Cost
Combi-Tool	\$12,000
SCBA (6)	\$51,000
Handlights (4)	\$10,000
Portable Scene lights (1)	\$900
TICs (1)	\$6,500
Blitz Fire Monitor	\$5,500
5" hose	\$15,000
3" hose	\$10,000
2.5" hose	\$4,000
1.75" hose	\$7,500
Nozzles	\$10,000
Hose appliances	\$7,500
Gas Monitor	\$3,500
Hand tools	\$5,000
PPV fan	\$7,000
Mobile radio	\$2,500
K12 gas	\$2,000
K12 battery	\$2,000
Chainsaw gas	\$1,500
Chainsaw battery	\$1,500
Water extinguisher	\$250
20lb ABC extinguisher	\$250
Foam PROpak	\$1,200
Foam (4)	\$500
Rope Rescue	\$10,000
Stokes Basket	\$1,000
	\$178,100

Other additional equipment needs

Blitz Fire Monitors (4)	\$22,000
TICs (4)	\$26,000
Rescue Tools	\$65,000
	\$113,000

Dillon County Fire Service Request

Station 2

	Cost
TICs (2)	\$13,000
Radios (5 portable)	\$10,000
PPV Fan	\$7,000
	\$30,000

Dillon County Fire Service Request

Station 3

	Cost
TICs (3)	\$19,500
SCBA Mask and Cylinders	\$8,500
Blitz Fire Monitors (2)	\$11,000
Gear Extractor	\$10,000
Rescue Tools	\$70,000
Gas Monitor	\$3,500
PPV Fan (2)	14,000
	136,500

Dillon County Fire Service Request

Station Four

	Cost
Gear Extractor	\$10,000
3" hose	\$25,000
1.75" hose	\$10,000
SCBAs(4)	\$34,000
TICs(2)	\$13,000
Blitz Fire Monitors (2)	\$11,000
	\$103,000

Dillon County Fire Service Request

Station Nine

	Cost
K-12 Saw	3500
PPV Fan (2)	\$14,000
Blitz Fire Monitors (2)	\$11,000
TICs (2)	\$13,000
	\$41,500

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Requested Amount: \$ 294,100

Recipient Entity: Dillon County Sheriff's Office

Is the entity a: _____ State Agency, X Local Government, _____ Non-Profit, or _____ Other?

If **Other**, please explain: _____

Entity Contact: William L. Jackson Title/Position: Lieutenant

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email Address: ljackson@dillonsheriff.org

Entity Website: _____ County Location: Dillon

Intended Use of the Funds: To purchase equipment for the Dillon County Sheriff's Office.

Justification of Request / Public Benefit: To purchase equipment for the Dillon County Sheriff's Office and to provide Deputies with the adequate equipment to safely do their job while providing safety to the Citizens of Dillon County.

Stewart Hays

Primary House Sponsor – Print Name


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Primary House Sponsor – Signature

Senator Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Additional House Sponsors

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

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DILLON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
James L. Hamilton, Sheriff

To: SC Representative Jackie Hayes
240 Bermuda Road
Dillon, SC 29536

February 1, 2026

Dear Representative Hayes:

I am writing this letter requesting State funds to help support the Dillon County Sheriff's Office with the purchase of much needed equipment. The additional equipment is much needed to do the daily functions of the Dillon County Sheriff's Office. This is to include Violent Crime and Drugs.

The County of Dillon is located in the Northeastern section of South Carolina. Dillon County Borders the North Carolina state lines as the first County one enters, if traveling I-95 from North Carolina. This major interstate (I-95) runs through Dillon County and connects various cities with the popular tourist attraction of the South Carolina coast. Other major highways in Dillon County are Highway 301 and SC Highway 9. Travel on these highways is heavily prevalent year-round. Dillon County has 404.84 square miles and an estimated population of 32,062.

Poverty is very high among families which causes violence, abuse, and neglect among adults, as well as youth. Violent crime and narcotics are a major problem in Dillon County. Interstate 95 runs through Dillon County and has been considered the half way point between New York and Miami. New York, Atlanta, and New Jersey are referred to as source cities for narcotics, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). Transportation. Transportation of these drugs, as well as illegally obtained firearms, are transported from these three cities on I-95 through Dillon County. The demand for illegal drugs remains high and the quantities seized are a small percentage of the total volume that enters the United States. It has been learned through the DEA and US Customs that drug cartels are using South Carolina's extensive coastlines, numerous rural air strips, and abundant interstate highways to import large drug shipments to major cities for sale and distribution. Dillon County also borders Robeson County, NC where violent crime is very high and often spills over into Dillon County.

For the past several years, according to the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED), Dillon County has ranked number one in violent crime per capita in the State of South Carolina. Violent crimes continue to rise annually in Dillon County.

In 2024, Dillon County had 5 murders, 15 robberies and 94 aggravated assaults. In 2025, violent crime continued; We had 3 murders, 10 robberies and 103 aggravated assaults.

The Dillon County Sheriff's Office is in desperate need for additional funding for Law Enforcement. We are in need of monies for the Sheriff's Office to purchase equipment for officers to do their jobs on a daily basis.

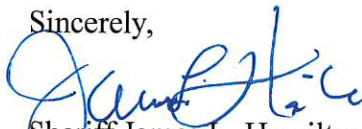
This money will be used to buy two vehicles, mobile and portable radios, Laptop and Desktop Computers, and Officer's daily equipment. We will also purchase an enclosed trailer to transport our recently purchased RTV's.

We are in desperate need of more funding for our law enforcement. The money will allow the Dillon County Sheriff's Office the opportunity to better equip our officers with the proper equipment they need to safely do their daily job.

This money will be used between July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

Any help in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Sheriff James L. Hamilton
Dillon County Sheriff's Office



William L. Jackson
Project Director

Equipment Needed for Dillon County Sheriff's Office
February 1, 2026

Number Needed	Item	Cost Each	Total Cost
1	Enclosed Trailer (For Atv's)	\$20,000	\$20,000
10	Mobile Radios	\$8,000	\$80,000
7	Portable Radios	\$7,500	\$52,500
	Drug Test Kits	\$3,000	3,000
	Ammunition	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Narcotics Equipment	\$10,000	\$10,000
2	Vehicles	\$50,000	\$100,000
8	Laptops	\$1,700	\$13,600
5	Desktop Computers	\$2,000	\$10,000
TOTAL			\$294,100