



Charleston County Greenbelt Program

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New Greenbelt Website Boasts Conservation Efforts

The public can see information on the 20,569 acres of protected land in Charleston County

Residents now have an easy way to learn about and see pictures of greenspace that has been protected through Charleston County Government's Greenbelt Program. The website, www.smallchangeforbigchange.org, is a source for all information on the Greenbelt Program, which is funded by a portion of the Transportation Sales Tax.

The Charleston County Greenbelt Program website includes:

- Up-to-date facts on the program; for example, as of September 2012:
 - 20,569 acres of land has been protected in Charleston County
 - \$78.4 million in funding has been awarded toward the protection of land
 - \$16.6 million remains for future conservation efforts
- A monthly spotlight on one of the projects
- A scrolling "what's new" section highlighting upcoming meetings and funding cycle dates
- [Status of projects](#)
- In-depth information on all [Greenbelt projects](#) including a separate page for [public access projects](#).
- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- A "[Resources](#)" page for links to:
 - The [Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan](#), which set a goal to protect 40,000 acres through six greenbelt system components: rural lands; the Francis Marion National Forest; Lowcountry wetlands; urban lands; Parks and Recreation Commission parklands; and greenway corridors.
 - County [ordinances](#) relating to the Greenbelt Program
 - [Presentations](#)
 - All [annual reports](#)
 - The 2006 [Mark Clark Community Impact Assessment](#)
- Greenbelt board and committee duties and lists of members
 - [Greenbelt Advisory Board](#)
 - [Greenbelt Bank Board](#)
 - [Urban Grants Review Committee](#)
- [Contact information](#)

The Transportation Sales Tax was approved in a county-wide referendum in Nov. 2004 and is expected to raise \$1.3 billion over 25 years for [greenspace acquisition](#) and [road projects including mass transit](#). Of the \$1.3 billion, \$221 million is designated for the [Greenbelt Program](#).

For more information on the Charleston County Greenbelt Program, visit www.smallchangeforbigchange.org.

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