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State gives Beaufort County kudos for transparency

HIGHLIGHTS

South Carolina Comptroller General Richard Eckstrom recently acknowledged county website

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The data found within the Financial Transparency site is updated weekly. Anyone with access to the internet can sort, search, analyze, and download the County's financial information. Users can review total spending to date, examine how funds are appropriated by department, see which vendors receive payments in a given year, or research spending for any area of the County, including non-tax dollar expenditures. Interactive charts and graphs allow for easy analysis of the data and give meaning and clarity to those numbers.

The Office of the Comptroller General likewise maintains the [South Carolina Fiscal Transparency Website](#) for state government, which contains the expenditures for all state agencies and features links to the transparency portals of many local governments, school districts, colleges and universities across South Carolina. A link to [Beaufort County's financial transparency website](#) is also included.