LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

December 3–4, 2026
The AC Hotel, Greenville

Agenda

Thursday, December 3, 2026

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Registration – Reedy Hall Foyer, First Floor**

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Mobile Workshop: Tour Greenville County's State-of-the-Art Emergency Operations Center**

When disaster strikes, the right space and technology can make all the difference. Join the Greenville County Emergency Management Leadership Team for an exclusive tour of Greenville County's Emergency Operations Center, which opened in spring 2024. Attendees will get an inside look at the innovative technology, strategic design and operational capabilities that support coordinated emergency response efforts.

Learn how the facility was put to work during recent emergency events, including Hurricane Helene, the joint response with Pickens County to the Table Rock Complex Fire, and the 2026 Winter Storm. During this session, you will discover how workspace design and technology can strengthen preparedness, communication and decision-making when it matters most.

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Reception – Jasmine Hall, Rooftop**

Friday, December 4, 2026

9:30 – 11:00 a.m. **Registration – Reedy Hall Foyer, First Floor**

10:00 a.m. **General Session – Reedy Hall I & II, First Floor**

Presiding..... **Cecil M. Thornton Jr., *SCAC President***
Calhoun County Council Vice Chairman

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

10:05 a.m. **Legislative Panel Discussion**..... **Members of the SC General Assembly**

11:00 a.m. **The Data Center Development Playbook: Planning, Zoning and Legal Strategies**

Jonathan Buono, AICP
Director of Planning and Development Services
York County

Sean Scoopmire, AICP
Senior Planning Associate
White, Smith, Cousino

11:40 a.m. **Revitalizing Communities Through Tax Credits: South Carolina's Redevelopment Incentives**

Matthew Zackon
Chief Strategy Officer
Tax Credit Marketplace

12:00 p.m. **SCAC Policy Steering Committee Reports:**

Presiding

W. Brian Carnes
Chairman, SCAC Legislative Committee
Lancaster County Council Chairman

County Government and Intergovernmental Relations

W. Brian Carnes, *Chairman*
Lancaster County Council Chairman

Land Use, Natural Resources and Transportation

Charles T. Edens, *Chairman*
Sumter County Council

Public Safety, Corrections and Judicial

Julie J. Armstrong, *Chairwoman*
Charleston County Clerk of Court

Revenue, Finance and Economic Development

Jason P. Phillips, *Chairman*
Anderson County Treasurer

12:30 p.m. **Luncheon Buffet – Jasmine Hall, Rooftop**

1:30 p.m. **Policy Steering Committee Reports Continued (if necessary)**

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