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- Be open-minded
- Tap into county resources
 - rules of procedure, purchasing, council expenditures
 - council minutes
 - budget
 - strategic plan
- Seek to understand council and staff roles and responsibilities






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Governing Body

CAMPAIGN TRAIL

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Council's Job Description



- ▶ Representation – building and sustaining linkages with stakeholders
- ▶ Policy leadership – setting direction; establishing policy; making decisions; working with CAO



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Council's Job Description



- ▶ Policy leadership –
 - ▶ Role/perspective of elected officials – focus on what citizens need and expect from county; charting the course for the county
 - ▶ Role/perspective of staff – technical expertise in policy areas; provide recommendations and advice
 - ▶ Setting direction; establishing policy; making decisions; working with the CAO
 - ▶ Complimentary roles that help the county be successful when expectations are clearly communicated

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Council's Job Description

- ▶ Representation – building and sustaining linkages with stakeholders
- ▶ Policy leadership – setting direction; establishing policy; making decisions; working with County Administrator
- ▶ Accountability – monitoring organizational performance



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Important Agencies & Officials

- ▶ Other Countywide Elected Officials
- ▶ Local & Federal Legislative Delegation*
- ▶ Municipalities
- ▶ School Districts
- ▶ Special Purpose Districts
- ▶ Councils of Government



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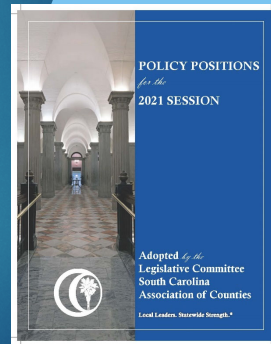
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SCAC Advocates for County Government

- ▶ Legislative Advocacy
 - ▶ Policy Development Process
 - ▶ Legislative Alerts, Friday Reports
- ▶ Legal Advocacy
 - ▶ Amicus Briefs
 - ▶ Technical Bulletins
 - ▶ Draft Resolutions
 - ▶ Legal Research



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SCAC Promotes Education & Collaboration



- ▶ Institute of Government for County Officials
- ▶ Orientation for Newly-Elected Council Members



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SCAC Promotes Education & Collaboration

- ▶ Local Government Attorneys' Institute
- ▶ E-learning
- ▶ Collaborative Learning – award programs

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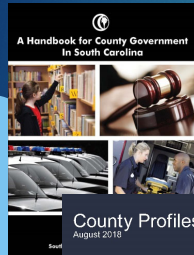
- Research and technical assistance
- Online research resources
- Online discussion forums
- Updates on state regulations
- Career Center



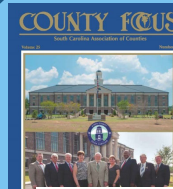
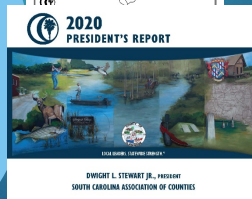
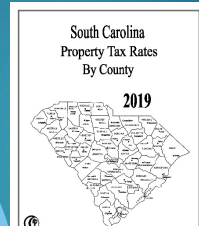
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► Research and Publications



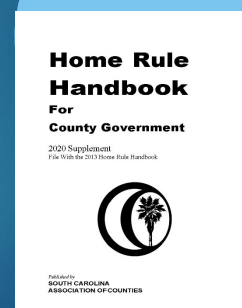
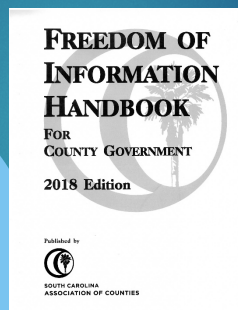
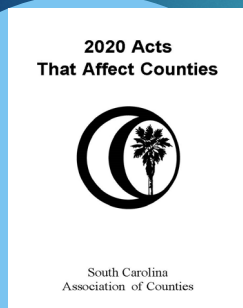
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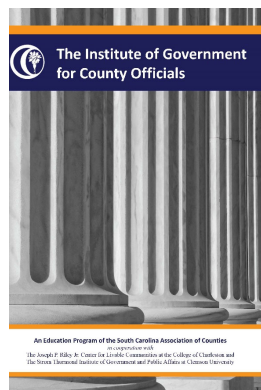
SCAC Enhances County Safety & Financial Resources

- ▶ Insurance & Financial Service Programs
 - ▶ S.C. Counties Workers' Compensation Trust
 - ▶ S.C. Counties Property & Liability Trust
 - ▶ OPEB Trust Program
 - ▶ Setoff Debt Collection Program



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Tapping Into SCAC Resources



- ▶ Institute of Government for County Officials
- ▶ E-learning
- ▶ Friday Reports
- ▶ What's New E-mails
- ▶ Online Publications
- ▶ J. Mitchell Graham/Barrett Lawrimore Memorial Awards Video Library

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Welcome to the

SCAC

Member Portal

- Update contact information
- Register for conferences, meetings, and Institute classes
- Download Institute transcripts
- Clerk to Council typically registers council members
- Contact Jennifer Haworth, SCAC Member Services Coordinator, at jhaworth@scac.sc or (800) 922-6081 for login information



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