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# ANNUAL REPORT 2023





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## MISSION STATEMENT

To lead the advancement  
of economic growth and  
shared prosperity in  
Charleston County.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR



### Dear Esteemed Colleagues and Friends,

As we reflect on the accomplishments of 2023, it is with immense pride and gratitude that we also celebrate the 30th anniversary of Charleston County Economic Development (CCED). Although you have likely heard it before, there is a compelling story worth repeating. It involves how the Charleston community lost the Charleston Naval Base and the decisive action that Charleston County Council, our neighboring counties, municipalities, and area business leaders took in earnest to begin diversifying the area economy.

The magnitude of the work that has occurred with Charleston County economic development efforts since 1993 was not truly understood until Dr. Joey Von Nessen (Darla Moore School of Business, University of South Carolina) studied this subject in 2022. What CCED's economic impact study revealed is genuinely astounding. Among the findings, we facilitated the creation of 39,000 jobs, leveraged \$6.9 Billion in capital investment, and created a \$179 billion overall economic impact over the past thirty years. By 2022, the annual economic impact had surged to \$18.2 billion, constituting 25% of the county's Gross Domestic Product. CCED's collaboration with new and expanding companies also accounted for an impressive 27% of all new jobs created in Charleston County over the past three decades! In 2023 alone, our narrative unfolded further as we partnered with fourteen companies, creating nearly 1,000 additional jobs to surpass the 40,000 jobs created since the department's inception.

Across the span of three decades, our mission to diversify the economy has triumphed. Thriving careers in aerospace and automotive manufacturing, cybersecurity, information technology, logistics, and life sciences now define our region. Beyond the substantial investment and job creation, our journey has woven a tapestry of innovation, resilience, and community prosperity. In 2023, this continued through the collective efforts of CCED, the business community, K-12 schools, Trident Technical College, higher education institutions, and various economic development allies.

As we commence the next 30 years of progress, I extend my heartfelt appreciation for your unwavering support. Together, we will make history again in 2024 and beyond!




J. Steven Dykes  
*Executive Director*



### 2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS

*Chair* - Herbert Ravenel Sass, III  
*Vice Chair* - Jenny Costa Honeycutt

- Joe Boykin
- Henry E. Darby
- Larry Kobrovsky
- Kylon Jerome Middleton
- C. Brantley Moody
- Teddie E. Pryor, Sr.
- Robert L. Wehrman

*County Administrator* – Bill L. Tuten

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Established in 1993 in response to the closure of the Charleston Naval Complex, Charleston County Economic Development (CCED) has played a pivotal role in reshaping Charleston County's economic landscape over the past three decades. Focused on fostering a modern and diversified 21st-century economy, CCED has concentrated its efforts on recruiting new businesses, promoting the growth of existing industries, and enhancing the overall business climate in the county. In the aftermath of the closure, which accounted for over 20 percent of the county's economy, CCED's initiatives have resulted in more than \$7 billion in capital investment and the creation of approximately 40,000 new jobs. Notably, Charleston County has consistently ranked among South Carolina's fastest-growing counties in terms of job creation, personal income, and industry diversity, showcasing the department's enduring impact on the region's economic success.



## SIGNIFICANT MILESTONES

In the dynamic landscape from 1993-2023, our strategic focus has been on key industry sectors: Aerospace, Automotive, Defense, Information Technology, Life Sciences, and Logistics. This deliberate diversification empowers us to remain agile and responsive to the evolving needs of our companies as they drive innovation. As the county's economic landscape undergoes transformation, we pivot in tandem, positioning ourselves for growth.



### 30-YEAR PROGRESS



New Jobs:

# 40,000



Capital Investment:

# \$7 Billion



**We eagerly anticipate embracing the county's continuous expansion and take pride in achieving a remarkable milestone – \$7 billion in capital investment and the creation of 40,000 jobs. This success is a testament to our adaptability and commitment to growth and success in the face of change.**

## Charleston County's Economic Odyssey

Charleston County's economic voyage in 2023 has been nothing short of stellar. Boeing, our aerospace cornerstone, has notched an impressive 945 net orders, marking its most successful year for new plane deals since 2014. Our skies aren't the only thing expanding—groundbreaking initiatives are advancing the future of cargo transport across the Lowcountry. The Navy Base Intermodal Facility with South Carolina Ports Authority is taking form, backed by a robust \$400 million investment from the State. Simultaneously, the Wando Welch Terminal is gearing up for an inner-harbor barge operation, optimizing container transportation between terminals.

Palmetto Railways secured a game-changing grant of up to \$4,170,000 for zero-emission locomotives and advanced charging tech—a testament to the commitment to sustainable freight solutions.

Charleston International Airport (CHS) reached unprecedented milestones in 2023. The airport welcomed nearly 5.7 million travelers through November, eclipsing the previous annual record of 5.32 million in 2022. During the Thanksgiving period, a remarkable 11% surge in traffic set a one-day record with 11,094 departing travelers. Looking ahead, anticipation builds for 2024 as Air Canada introduces international flights to Toronto in late March, marking another milestone for CHS.



South Carolina emerges as a talent magnet, ranking #4 in total net migration. The Charleston-North Charleston MSA job market thrives, boasting 10 out of the last 12 months in the top 3 U.S. metros for job growth rates. The annual labor force surge of 22,000 (↑5.3%) signals our region's unmatched strength in talent supply. Even with this rapid growth, our unemployment rates stand as benchmarks—Charleston County at 2.4% (lowest in the state), and the Charleston-North Charleston MSA at 2.5% (lowest among major SC metros).

**As we sail into 2024,  
Charleston County remains  
a beacon of economic  
prowess, resilience, and  
shared success. Cheers to  
another year of prosperity!**



## 2023 ANNOUNCEMENTS



New Jobs:  
**932**



Capital Investment:  
**\$94 Million**



New Payroll:  
**\$77 Million**

### EXPANDED in Charleston County



Innovative software company



Global logistics leader



Governmental engineering company



Global industrial equipment manufacturer



Freight transportation and supply chain service provider



Full-service construction firm



Pharmacy business intelligence software company



Architectural millworks company

### NEW to Charleston County



One of the largest turfgrass producers in the Southeast



Leading digital technology solutions company



Manufacturer and provider of innovative fleet upfit solutions



Manufacturer of security screening systems



Digital technology service provider



Leading 3PL provider



## COMPANY CELEBRATIONS



**Congratulations to these Charleston County Companies that celebrated a Grand Opening in 2023!**

- A. Patten Seed
- B. Harbor Entrepreneur Center
- C. Neal Brothers Charleston, Inc.
- D. Defense Engineering Services, LLC
- E. Ranger Design
- F. Elbit Systems of America
- G. Charleston Digital Corridor Learning Center

## BUSINESS CONCIERGE PROGRAM



Our Business Concierge Team collaborates seamlessly with our network of allies to furnish resources and tools, enabling every company to achieve its maximum potential. We are here to facilitate business expansions, assist workforce development, and foster collaboration among suppliers and industries. Our commitment is reflected in providing businesses with comprehensive 360° support, a service integral to operating successfully in Charleston County



## Workforce Development

In 2023, we elevated our commitment to a comprehensive workforce development strategy, directing our efforts towards expanding our workforce resource toolbox. The goal is to effectively address both current and future industry needs, enabling us to establish robust systems and partnerships. Among our key collaborators are organizations such as the Charleston County School District, higher education institutions, SC Works, readySC, and various other state and community-based workforce entities.

Our collaboration with the Charleston County School District and the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce resulted in a Tri-County Career Fair, featuring over 100 employers and providing valuable career exposure to more than 1,000 8th-12th grade students. Additionally, in partnership with SC Works, we organized a county-specific job fair during our workforce development month in September.

In response to facility closures and workforce displacement, we actively participated in *rapid response* efforts to re-employ affected workers. Furthermore, we facilitated curriculum development meetings between industries and higher education, fostering a seamless alignment between educational programs and industry needs.

Moreover, we continued partnering with Tri-County initiatives like STEMersion as part of our ongoing commitment to fostering a skilled and dynamic workforce. Through these collaborative endeavors, we strive to enhance workforce development in our community and propel sustainable growth in our industries.



## Business Expansion Facilitation

Our business concierge team played a pivotal role in facilitating business expansions across all our targeted industry verticals, spanning every corner of Charleston County. Notably, capital investment in manufacturing and logistics remains robust, showcasing a sustained upward trajectory. Concurrently, we've witnessed steady growth in our life sciences and technology sectors.

Looking ahead, we foresee ongoing investments in key sectors, particularly defense, technology, and life sciences. Charleston County remains committed to providing support for these high-demand industries, fostering an environment conducive to continued growth and achievements.



## BUSINESS CONCIERGE PROGRAM

### Networking & Collaboration

With a dedicated focus on fostering strong partnerships and connections within the business community, this team plays a pivotal part in creating a vibrant ecosystem for local businesses to thrive. Through commitment to networking beyond just the community, the business development team actively promotes a culture of cooperation, ensuring that businesses, both large and small, can tap into a wealth of resources and expertise, ultimately contributing to the overall success of the region.

- Palmetto Commerce Parkway/Navy Yard Breakfast
- Events at the Harbor Entrepreneur Center and the Charleston Digital Corridor
- Assist in planning the Supplier Fair at Elbit Systems of America
- Trade Export Training Series
- Lowcountry Manufacturers Council Dinner

### Entrepreneurial Assistance

We recognize that a robust entrepreneurial network serves not only as a magnet for new enterprises and skilled individuals but also as a catalyst for enhanced economic prosperity across the entire citizenry. CCED has diligently fortified its collaborations with esteemed organizations, including the Charleston Digital Corridor, DIG SOUTH, Harbor Entrepreneur Center, Lowcountry Local First, and South Carolina Research Authority. Our concerted efforts aim to cultivate a sustainable entrepreneurial culture that fuels present growth and paves the way for future innovation and advancement.



Amalie Oil Co.



Venture Aerobearings, LLC

### Business Visitation

In 2023, we augmented our business development team with a new member, Dayton Ward, and successfully conducted over 260 visits with established companies. Our paramount focus remains on the meticulous cultivation and sustenance of existing industries in Charleston County. This is epitomized by our robust visitation program, which serves as a vital means to stay attuned to the dynamic pulse of industry trends.



## 2023 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

Alongside the International Economic Development Council, Charleston County celebrated National Economic Development Week on May 8-12, 2023.

In Charleston County, this dedicated week serves as a reminder of the enduring importance of collaboration, innovation, and sustained effort in building a vibrant and resilient community. It amplifies the voice of economic development advocates, celebrates the successes of local businesses, and reinforces the commitment to creating an environment where well-being and opportunity are accessible to all.



#EconDevWeek

#### HIGHLIGHTS:

- A standout achievement was our team's visit to 30 businesses, expressing gratitude for their operations and the positive impact they make in Charleston County
- Economic Development Week Job Fair featuring 10 employers and over 100+ job seekers
- Elbit Systems of America Ribbon Cutting
- Economic Development Week resolution by Charleston County Council



Cummins Turbo Technologies



Smithey Ironware Co.



Low Country Case and Millwork



Daye North America

# COMMUNITY BUILDERS

Sustainability principles, covering aspects related to ecological and social well-being in addition to community engagement, are crucial in shaping a company's long-term objectives and commitment to social responsibility. Functioning as a facilitator of genuine growth and development, Charleston County Economic Development is dedicated to elevating community success and promoting economic growth. Our office serves as a catalyst for local businesses and organizations, offering support and guidance to help them achieve their sustainability objectives.



## Vocational Rehabilitation

The South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department works every day with individuals with disabilities who are trying to gain or retain employment. They come from all walks of life and Vocational Rehabilitation's individualized services help put them on a path to independence. The organization also works with students that have disabilities to help them navigate the challenges faced at school and help them prepare for life after graduation.

**“All of the work at Voc Rehab is focused on helping individuals with disabilities gain competitive, integrated employment. We aim to shatter stereotypes by embracing the belief that *disability* does not mean *inability*, just a *different ability*.”**

*– Thomas Sandifer, Business Development Specialist*



## Turn90

Turn90 creates an opportunity for success after prison, where one doesn't currently exist. Men recently released from prison work in Turn90's businesses and are provided supportive services during the workday. The immersive experience combines daily classes, peer mentorship, social work support, and paid employment. Turn90 invests deeply in a person's emotional, social, behavioral, and financial security, giving them the skills to manage life differently, a pathway to legal employment, and an offramp from the incarceration cycle. Since inception, hundreds have enrolled. 78% of graduates remain arrest-free, and 89% remain employed for 90 days or more. Turn90 provided transitional work and support to over 100 men leaving prison last year.



## SOCIAL LEADERSHIP



### IronLink Logistics

IronLink Logistics is a third-party logistics and warehousing company operating in four states and seven communities nationwide. In each of these communities, IronLink strives to make a positive impact on the young people in the community. They aim to be

a beneficial addition to each city called home. After opening its newest South Carolina facility in Ladson, they quickly became part of an amazing youth sports organization by sponsoring The Lowcountry “Dream Team” Youth Baseball Team for their 2023 season. The company provided training equipment and funds for training a team of dedicated young athletes on their way to a third Championship title.

**“We want to do our part to make sure that local kids are provided with positive organized activities that help guide them to be productive members of their own community as they grow.”**

– David Dembitzer, CEO



### TIGHITCO Inc.

During the season of Thanksgiving, TIGHITCO demonstrated its philanthropic commitment by making a generous donation to the Lowcountry Food Bank. Furthermore, in the spirit of holiday benevolence, TIGHITCO not only contributed financially but also engaged its employees, who volunteered alongside their families to support Toys for Tots, thereby exemplifying a holistic dedication to community success.



**What are companies in Charleston County doing to address core issues in line with their corporate responsibilities through the areas of environment, ethics, philanthropy, and the economy?**



### Striped Pig Distillery and Ghost Monkey Brewery

Striped Pig Distillery and Ghost Monkey Brewery, under owner Pixie Paula Dezzutti’s innovative leadership, have introduced a Sip & Share, give-back business model,

merging her passions for Community Celebration, Spirits, and Philanthropy in a nationwide campaign. Local Choice Spirits contributes \$2 per bottle of their award-winning brands to the corresponding entity when purchased by various establishments. Identifiable by distinctive stickers and table tents, these premium spirits encourage patrons to maximize their charitable contributions. The Sip & Share platform, fostering a program for everyday celebrations and community fundraisers, has raised more than \$100,000 for local charities. With over a decade in the industry, Pixie expands beyond premium spirits into beer and wine, with Ghost Monkey Brewery seamlessly joining her portfolio. A notable figure in a male-dominated industry, Pixie is part of the 1% of woman-owned distilleries and addresses gender disparities as one of the few female brewery owners.



### Heirloom Cloud Corporation

Heirloom stands as a social leader by pioneering a transformative approach to inclusivity and innovation. Specializing in digitizing America’s cherished memories, the company

champions neurodiversity to ensure the highest quality preservation. The unique cognitive strengths of Heirloom’s neurodiverse employees play a key role in meticulously transferring old video tapes, photo albums, and even DVDs to the secure cloud.

**“We all enjoy delivering a product that lasts for generations, but it’s how we do it that makes me most proud. Our growing neurodiverse workforce is Heirloom’s secret sauce. I’m thankful we get to build a different kind of information technology company, right here in Charleston County!”**

– Geoff Weber, Founder

# CHARLESTON COUNTY INDUSTRY IMPACT AWARDS

**Acknowledging the positive influence of our Existing Industry remains integral to solidifying Charleston County's standing as a preferred destination with a conducive business environment. The companies nominated in 2023 showcased noteworthy achievements, encompassing capital investment, job creation, community engagement, innovation, human resource support, sales growth, and environmental stewardship. We take pride in all the nominations and extend our congratulations to the four selected companies in their respective categories.**

## ■ SMALL (1-100 EMPLOYEES)



For the past 15 years, Firefly Distillery has been a vital force in Charleston County, leaving an enduring mark on the micro-distilling industry, local tourism, and the community at large. Renowned as the birthplace of the world's first Sweet Tea Vodka, Firefly offers a diverse range of spirits, from their popular original vodkas to bourbon with maritime influences, along with an array of 11 moonshine flavors, totaling more than 30 innovative options. In 2020, the relocation of Firefly Distillery to its current Park Circle location not only marked a milestone but also generated over 20 new jobs, contributing to local economic growth. Setting a precedent in the distilling industry, Firefly has championed diversity, equity, and inclusion by appointing 10 women to management roles and assembling an all-women's production team. Beyond its innovative spirits, Firefly Distillery is a cultural hub, hosting the Live at Firefly concert series that features nationally touring artists. The distillery, situated on five acres, also serves as a versatile venue for corporate or large-scale events. Through its dynamic programming, strong brand recognition, and diverse offerings, Firefly makes a lasting impact on individuals and non-profits in Charleston County, emerging as a significant driver in supporting the local tourism economy.

[fireflydistillery.com](http://fireflydistillery.com)

## ■ MEDIUM (101-300 EMPLOYEES)



Established in 1980, Molina Healthcare has grown to serve more than 5 million members across 20 states, with a substantial presence in South Carolina encompassing over 200,000 members. Since 2013, Molina has been deeply rooted in the state, boasting a dedicated team of over 120 employees. In addition to its significant role in healthcare, Molina Healthcare actively engages with the community through partnerships with various non-profits. These collaborations aim to provide essential baby items to low-income mothers, organize back-to-school events, and distribute Thanksgiving giveaways statewide. Noteworthy among Molina's community outreach efforts are the Shaw Football Camps and a range of events aimed at supporting and uplifting local communities. Furthermore, Molina Healthcare goes beyond the traditional healthcare model by providing valuable health information on post-partum care and connecting families with community resources to enhance their overall well-being. This commitment is rooted in Molina's belief that every individual, family, and community should have access to high-quality healthcare, regardless of their circumstances.

[molinahealthcare.com](http://molinahealthcare.com)

## ■ LARGE (301 AND GREATER EMPLOYEES)



Scientific Research Corporation (SRC) has left an indelible mark on Charleston County, demonstrating a profound influence in diverse spheres such as job creation, community engagement, employee advancement, and process investment. Recognized as a premier Department of Defense Government Contractor in the Charleston market, SRC has been instrumental in fostering substantial job growth, with nearly 200 local hires in 2023 alone. SRC boasts a rich history of philanthropy in Charleston, establishing partnerships with various charitable organizations. Noteworthy initiatives include collaboration with The Blue Angels Foundation, active participation in the annual Toys for Tots program, the organization of three blood drives in 2023, and the hosting of a fundraiser for the Emanuel Nine Memorial & Garden. Beyond its philanthropic endeavors, SRC is deeply involved in the local Charleston community, actively supporting career fairs and engaging in activities aimed at cultivating and nurturing technical talent in the area.

[scires.com](http://scires.com)

## ■ COMMUNITY IMPACT



Firmly entrenched in the thriving port of Charleston, Neal Brothers Charleston, Inc. focuses on complete packing services including distribution, freight station service such as flat rack stuffing and stripping, pick-and-pack and cross docking. Besides its growing workforce and customer base, Neal Brother has significantly expanded its space as well – going from 10,000 sq. ft. in Charleston originally, to now, over three million square feet.

A strong component to the Neal Brothers story is its active role in giving back to the local communities and being a second chance company. The company has a long history of investing time and money to several local initiatives, especially teaming up with the North Charleston Community Resource Center. Neal Brothers has donated tablets to schools, and turkeys and Christmas presents to the surrounding community. With the second chance program, Neal Brothers has given numerous individuals who have rehabilitated through incarceration or other programs an opportunity to be on its team. The overarching goal is clear: to impact at least one life every single day.

[nealbrothers.com](http://nealbrothers.com)

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Chadwick Vail

*Work-based Learning Partnerships Coordinator  
Charleston County School District*

Chadwick Vail, a dedicated and innovative Work-based Learning Professional, stands as a beacon of excellence in advancing student success and career readiness within the Charleston County School District. His exemplary contributions to the field make him a highly deserving recipient of the Economic Development Ambassador Award. Chad has managed the Work-based Learning program in Charleston County School District for over 10 years and recently served a three-year term on the SC Career Development Professional Board of Directors. Chad's contributions extend to the establishment of the Charleston Regional Youth Apprenticeship program, now a national model placing over 200 youth apprentices annually. He led the planning and execution of a regional Career Awareness fair attended by over 2000 students, evolving to include a Hiring Fair, targeting seniors. Additionally, Chad spearheaded the creation and deployment of Charleston County School District's inaugural Career and Technical Education (CTE) Specialist Team, providing vital support throughout the district.

The County congratulates him on his visionary approach and commitment to creating a symbiotic relationship between education and economic development. Richard Gordon, executive director for the CTE Specialist Team with Charleston County School District, states, "What sets Chad Vail apart from other professional educators is his abnormally extraordinary and unrelenting commitment to authentic career exploration opportunities for each and every scholar." For his dedicated commitment to furthering the education and opportunities for today's youth, it is our honor to recognize Chadwick Vail as the 2023 Charleston County Economic Development Ambassador.



LIFETIME  
ACHIEVEMENT  
AWARD



Dr. Mary Thornley

*President of Trident Technical College*

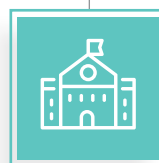
Since assuming the role of president at Trident Technical College in 1991, Dr. Mary Thornley has consistently demonstrated her unwavering commitment to the transformative potential of education. Her passion is deeply rooted in the belief that community colleges play a pivotal role in fortifying our communities and nation, enhancing their resilience and adaptability to confront the challenges of the future.

Dr. Thornley is a distinguished academic, holding a Doctorate of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of South Carolina. She further solidifies her educational expertise with a Master of Arts in Teaching English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Her academic journey began with a Bachelor of Arts in English and French from Mars Hill College, North Carolina.

Throughout her tenure, Dr. Thornley has not only led Trident Technical College with dedication but has also become a symbol of educational advocacy, emphasizing the profound impact that learning can have on individuals and society at large. Her academic achievements and visionary leadership continue to shape the trajectory of education and its role in building a stronger and more resilient future.



Economic Development is a team sport and we celebrate our accomplishments with our many partners.



### GOVERNMENT & ED ALLIES

- Berkeley Charleston Dorchester Council of Governments
- Charleston County Aviation Authority
- Charleston County Government
- Charleston County Public Library
- Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce
- Charleston Regional Development Alliance
- Explore Charleston
- Palmetto Railways
- South Carolina Department of Commerce
- South Carolina Department of Revenue
- South Carolina Ports Authority
- South Carolina Small Business Development Center



### UTILITIES

- AT&T
- Berkeley Electric Cooperative
- Charleston Water System
- Dominion Energy
- Home Telecom
- SC Power Team



### EDUCATION

- Charleston County School District
- Charleston Southern University
- Clemson University
- College of Charleston
- ECPI University
- Lowcountry Graduate Center
- The Citadel
- Tri-County Cradle to Career
- Trident Technical College
- University of South Carolina



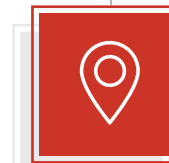
### WORKFORCE

- Apprenticeship Carolina
- CCSD Career & Technology Education
- Palmetto Goodwill
- readySC
- SC Works
- South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce



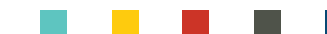
### INDUSTRY SECTOR ALLIES

- Charleston Digital Corridor
- Charleston Defense Contractors Association
- CORE SC
- DIG SOUTH
- Harbor Entrepreneur Center
- Lowcountry Local First
- SCbio
- South Carolina Council on Competitiveness
- South Carolina Manufacturers Alliance
- South Carolina Manufacturing Extension Partnership
- South Carolina Research Authority



### MUNICIPALITIES

- Awendaw
- Charleston
- Folly Beach
- Hollywood
- Isle of Palms
- James Island
- Kiawah Island
- Lincolnville
- McClellanville
- Meggett
- Mount Pleasant
- North Charleston
- Ravenel
- Rockville
- Seabrook Island
- Sullivan's Island





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