

Charleston County Urban Greenbelt Program

2007 Annual Report

14 Greenbelt Projects Provide 327 Acres of Urban Parkland and Greenspace

During the initial year of the program, four municipalities and three non-profit organizations received funding from Charleston County's Urban Greenbelt Program. Utilizing the Urban Program Criteria contained in the Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan, the Urban Grants Review Committee reviewed the urban greenbelt applications and made recommendations to the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission (CCPRC). Based on the committee's recommendations, the CCPRC reviewed the projects and made funding recommendations to Charleston County Council.



Council approved 14 urban greenbelt projects, which resulted in the following:

- 327 acres provided for urban parks and greenspace
- \$9.6 million in urban funds awarded
- \$29,173 cost per acre
- \$7.2 million in matching funds

As of March 31, 2008, five of the 14 approved projects have closed (see map on reverse).

Greenbelt System Goals

The Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan set a goal of protecting 40,000 acres through six Greenbelt System Components.

The urban greenbelt projects approved in 2007 assisted in meeting the goal by providing:

- 113 acres toward the Urban Greenbelt Lands Goal of 2,000 acres
- 214 acres toward the Wetlands Goal of 5,610 acres

Allocation of Urban Funds

Municipality	Based on 30% Allocation of \$95 million	Acres	Funding Approved	Funds Remaining
Charleston	\$9,886,405	43	\$7,042,000	\$2,844,405
Folly Beach	\$218,990	117	\$218,990	(0)
Isle of Palms	\$474,305	0	-	\$474,305
James Island	\$1,898,151	0	-	\$1,898,151
Kiawah Island	\$120,361	0	-	\$120,361
Lincolnville	\$93,557	0	-	\$ 93,557
Mt. Pleasant	\$4,927,161	9	\$270,000	\$4,657,161
N. Charleston	\$7,890,661	29	\$702,500	\$7,188,161
Seabrook Island	\$129,365	0	-	\$129,365
Sullivan's Island	\$197,774	0	_	\$197,774
Unincorporated	\$2,663,269	129	\$1,381,140	\$1,282,129
Total	\$28,500,000	327	\$9,614,630	\$18,885,370

In accordance with the Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan, urban funds are allocated to the municipalities and unincorporated areas according to the population of each.

This chart shows each municipality's allocation, acreage of approved projects, awarded funding, and the funds remaining.

The unincorporated funds were awarded to:

- Snowden Community (\$540,140)
- St. Andrews Parks & Playground (\$641,000)
- Phillips Community (\$200,000)

