

From: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
To: ["pbarnowater@hotmail.com"](mailto:pbarnowater@hotmail.com)
Cc: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#); rbernardwheelerii@gmail.com
Subject: RE: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Corrections
Date: Tuesday, October 29, 2024 11:44:33 AM
Attachments: [Copy of FY25 Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form update - Copy.xlsx](#)

Hey Phanes,

I have updated the document with the information you sent in the word document. I noticed that the budget column was not adding all of your lines together, so I fixed that as well.

It looks like you will need to update your budget because it is currently over budget by \$35,000. We understand that the project might cost more than what was awarded, but we only need to know about the amount that was awarded. Once you update the budget so that it matches the award, please sign the document and send it back to me.

-Meg

Meg Romaniello, MBA, CPM | Accounting/Fiscal Manager II

South Carolina Treasurer's Office
1200 Senate Street, Suite 214
Wade Hampton Bldg., Columbia, SC 29201
803-734-2658 | STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov

From: Phanes <>
Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2024 11:05 AM
To: Romaniello, Meg <Meg.Romaniello@sto.sc.gov>
Subject: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Corrections

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Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
\$452,000.00	X220 - Aid to Subdivisions - Treasurer	Building Renovation

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Omegas of Spartanburg Inc
Address	PO Box 1642
City/State/Zip	Spartanburg, S C 29304
Website	
Tax ID #	38-4128657
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization
Vendor #	7000362720

[Link to Search Vendor Number](#)

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Phanes L. Barno III
Position/Title	Treasurer
Telephone	864-680-6054
Email	pbarnowater@hotmail.com
Secondary Organization Contact Information	
Name	Bernard Wheeler
Position/Title	President
Telephone	864-415-4038
Email	rbernardwheelerii@gmail.com

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
New Roof	\$40,000.00	Roof Old
New Flooring and bathroom remodel toilet countertop urinal plumbing	\$85,000.00	Floors old and floor needs leveling
Painting	\$30,000.00	18 rooms need painting
Fencing	\$15,000.00	Fencing 20 years old not secure
Interior Lighting and Electrical Modernization	\$90,000.00	Lights and electrical upgrade needed and more outlights
Exterior Doors and Insulation	\$67,500.00	No insulation
Architect Planning and Project Management	\$35,000.00	Project Management to get quality work
New Windows Reimbursement	\$35,000.00	New Windows installed before earmark
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Phanes L. Barno III	October 4, 2024
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Governing Board and Executive Officer - Nonprofit Organizations Only

For nonprofit organizations only, provide below the names of the individuals who serve on your organization's governing board and, if applicable, their board position. Please also provide the name and title of your organization's executive officer.

Members of Your Organization's Governing Board	
Name	Board Position, if applicable
Bernard Wheeler	President
C Tyrone Gilmore	Vice President
Titus Miller	Secretary
Phanes Barno III	Treasurer

Your Organization's Executive Officer	
Name	Title
Bernard Wheeler	President

From: [Phanes](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#); [Bernard Wheeler](#); [Phanes](#)
Subject: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Contributions Fy 2024-2025
Date: Tuesday, October 29, 2024 10:46:06 AM

Meg where are we in the process for receiving funds for the Appropriated Contributions FY 24-25?

We have published a request for proposals in the Spartanburg Herald Journal in the legal section of the classified ads to solicit bidders for the renovation project.

Additionally, on our original request we requested funds to reimburse our operations account for new windows we installed in the building. We listed that as a line item which was approved in the appropriated contribution total. I wanted to verify we can reimburse our operations account that amount which was listed as \$35,000 dollars. This amount was listed on the budget we originally emailed you. We are in the process of planning for our budget year.

Thank you
Phanes Barno III
Treasurer
Omegas of Spartanburg Inc
pbarnowater@hotmail.com
864-680-6054

From: [Phanes](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Corrections
Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024 11:04:49 AM

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Omegas of Spartanburg Inc

October 24, 2024

Corrections Requested

Vendor Number 7000 36 27 20

Executive Board

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President

Vice President

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From: [Phanes](#)
To: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
Subject: Re: [External] Fw: Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25
Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 3:42:08 PM
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How do I access the file to make the changes. Where is the covering board located? The certification section is where

Thank you

Phanes Barno

Sent from my iPhone

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<STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov> wrote:

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<!--[endif]--> **Meg Romaniello, MBA, CPM | Accounting/Fiscal Manager II**

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Subject: Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25

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From: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
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Cc: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#); rbernardwheelerii@gmail.com; omegasofspartanburg@gmail.com
Subject: RE: [External] Fw: Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25
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Vendor #	VN.Omegas90

[Link to Search Vendor Number](#)

OMEGAS OF SPARTANBURG INC (SC Vendor Number 7000362720)

Company	Contact	Emergency	Commodities	Contracts	Related
<i>Company Identification...</i> Vendor Number: 7000362720 Name: OMEGAS OF SPARTANBURG INC Minority Status: Company Phone: (864) 680-6054 Company Fax:			<i>Company Address...</i> Outside of U.S.? No Street Address: City: SPARTANBURG State: South Carolina Zip Code: 29304 PO Box: 1642 PO Box Zip:		

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Organization Signature

Phanes L. Barno III

Printed Name

Treasurer

Title

October 4, 2024

Date

-Meg

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From: [Phanes](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Cc: [Bernard Wheeler](#)
Subject: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc -Direct Deposit sign up
Date: Friday, October 11, 2024 9:20:26 AM

Meg we have completed the sign up for ACH direct deposit today, Friday October 11,2024.

Thank you for your email with the procurement instructions.

The bank receiving the funds is United Community Bank with the last 4 numbers of the account being 3610.

Phanes Barno
Treasurer
Omegas of Spartanburg Inc
pbarnowater@hotmail.com
864-680-6054

PS: Sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Try to remember all the good memories y'all shared. It's ok to grieve, it's ok to smile and it's ok to laugh.

From: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
To: [Phanes](#)
Subject: Signing up for direct deposit
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 12:31:00 PM

Hi Phanes,

I wanted to send you details on how to sign up for direct deposit.

You will need to go to procurement.sc.gov. Under the Doing Business With Us section, click on Vendor Registration and then select Enroll in ACH Payments.

Below is a link that has additional details if you need them.

<https://treasurer.sc.gov/what-we-do/for-businesses/electronic-payment-information/>

-Meg

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Subject: RE: [External] Fw: Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 12:19:41 PM
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South Carolina State Procurement

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From: [Phanes](#)
To: [Baker, Katrina](#)
Cc: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: Fw: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25
Date: Monday, October 7, 2024 11:03:34 AM

Request for help to set up direct deposit for Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25

Thank you
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To: Phanes <pbarnowater@hotmail.com>
Subject: Automatic reply: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25

Hello,

I am currently out of the office until Tuesday, October 8th due to the loss of my father. If you have an immediate need, please contact Marissa Evans at Marissa.Evans@sto.sc.gov.

For Depository questions/concerns:

Katrina Baker at 803-734-2669 or Katrina.Baker@sto.sc.gov

For Earmarked Appropriation questions/concerns:

STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov

Otherwise, I will get back to you as soon as I am able to upon my return.

Thank you,

Meg

From: [Baker, Katrina](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: FW: [External] Voice Message from SANDRA BARNO (864-680-6054) on 10/7/24 10:51 AM for 8037342669
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 9:18:24 AM
Attachments: [8646806054-100724-105143-8037342669-1136887-1.wav](#)

Katrina S. Baker | Program Manager

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From: giSTT Message <giSTT@mutaresoftware.com>
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MESSAGE:

"Good morning, Katrina. I was referred to you by Meg Romanilla at the Treasurer's Office. I'm with Omega's and Spartan Bird. My name is Famous Barna. I'm the Treasurer of BARN. We've gotten appropriated funds for fiscal year 24-25 and I wanted to get set up for a direct deposit. And she referred me to you as for a direct deposit. That's why I was calling. I may also shoot you an email. My telephone number, 864-680-6054. As I stated earlier, I was referred by Meg Romanilla. She's out apparently with a death. I'd appreciate a call back so I can get set up for a direct deposit. Thank you."

There are 0 new and 0 old messages in your mailbox.

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To: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
Cc: [Phanes](#)
Subject: [External] Fw: Omegas of Spartanburg Inc Appropriated Funds FY 24-25
Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 4:00:48 PM
Attachments: [FY25 Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form update - Copy.xlsx](#)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

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C/O PHANES L BARNO III
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SPARTANBURG, SC 29304

Date:
05/21/2021
Employer ID number:
38-4128657
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: (877) 829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
February 17, 2021
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053450003411

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Letter 947 (Rev. 2-2020)
Catalog Number 35152P



State of South Carolina
Office of the Secretary of State
The Honorable Mark Hammond

6/1/2024

Omegas of Spartanburg
Phanes L Barno III
500 BRIAN DR
SPARTANBURG, SC29307-2418

RE: Registration Confirmation

Charity Public ID: P290

Dear Phanes L Barno III:

This letter confirms that the Secretary of State's Office has received and accepted your Registration, therefore, your charitable organization is in compliance with the registration requirement of the "South Carolina Solicitation of Charitable Funds Act." The registration of your charitable organization will expire on 5/15/2025.

If any of the information on your Registration form changes throughout the course of the year, please contact our office to make updates. It is important that this information remain updated so that our office can keep you informed of any changes that may affect your charitable organization.

If you have not yet filed your annual financial report or an extension for the annual financial report, the annual financial report is still due 4½ months after the close of your fiscal year.

- Annual financial reports must either be submitted on the Internal Revenue Service Form 990 or 990-EZ or the Secretary of State's Annual Financial Report Form.
- If you wish to extend the filing of that form with us, please submit a written request by email or fax to our office using the contact information below. Failure to submit the annual financial report may result in an administrative fine of up to \$2,000.00.

If you have any questions or concerns, please visit our website at www.sos.sc.gov or contact our office using the contact information below.

Sincerely,

Kimberly S. Wickersham
Director, Division of Public Charities

South Carolina Secretary of State, Division of Public Charities
1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 525, Columbia, SC 29201
Phone (803) 734-1790 Fax (803) 734-1604 Email: charities@sos.sc.gov www.sos.sc.gov

From: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
To: [Phanes](#)
Cc: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#); rbernardwheelerii@gmail.com; omegasofspartanburg@gmail.com
Subject: RE: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc State Appropriated Contributions
Date: Monday, September 30, 2024 3:21:23 PM
Attachments: [FY25 Appropriated Contributions Enrollment Packet.msg](#)

Hello Phanes,

Attached is the email I sent to Bernard and the email he provided for the organization.
Please let me know if you have any questions.

-Meg

Meg Romaniello, MBA, CPM | Accounting/Fiscal Manager II

South Carolina Treasurer's Office
1200 Senate Street, Suite 214
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803-734-2658 | Meg.Romaniello@sto.sc.gov

From: Phanes <pbarnowater@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 6:33 PM
To: _STO - Appropriated Contributions <STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov>
Cc: Romaniello, Meg <Meg.Romaniello@sto.sc.gov>
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September 10, 2024

Bernard Wheeler
Omegas of Spartanburg Inc
312 N. Dean Street
Spartanburg, South Carolina 29306

RE: State Appropriated Contributions, FY 24-25 Reporting Requirements

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(For additional information, see the document entitled, Law Related to Appropriated Contributions)

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SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION DISTRIBUTION

INSTRUCTIONS

Below are details about the various sections of the disbursement request form and some answers to frequently asked questions.

- Contribution Information
 - Amount
 - This amount should match the amount awarded in Proviso 118.20.B.99.
 - Purpose
 - This should be a very brief explanation (no more than one sentence) of the purpose the funds will be used for.
- Organization Information
 - Website
 - If you do not have a website, please leave blank.
 - Entity Type
 - Please select one of the options from the drop down rather than typing in this cell.
 - Vendor Number
 - If you do not know your vendor number, please use the following link to search for it:
<https://webprod.cio.sc.gov/SCVendorSearch/vendorSearch.do>
 - If you do not have a vendor number, please use the following link:
<https://procurement.sc.gov/doing-biz/registration>
 - For vendor registration questions and assistance contact the Division of Procurement Services at 803-737-0600.
- Organization Contact Information and Secondary Organization Contact Information
 - Two contacts are required.
 - An email address for both contacts is also required.
- Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent.
 - Description
 - Expenditure descriptions similar to those used in your organization's accounting records should be used.
 - Budget
 - It is normal for these to be estimates since many organizations are not certain the exact amounts needed for each line item at the start of their projects.
 - The total should match the amount listed in the contribution information.
 - Even if the total to complete the project is more than what has been awarded, please only list what the awarded funds will be used toward.
 - Explanation
 - When applicable, can be used to provide additional information to categorize expenditures by program or initiative.
- Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit.
 - Explanations typically do not go over the space provided, but if needed, please email STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov.
- Organization Certifications
 - The signer for the organization can be whomever the organization chooses to sign. The proviso does not state who the organization's signer has to be.
- Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution
 - Please leave blank. This section is to be completed by STO.
- Governing Board and Executive Tab
 - Only needs to be completed by Non-profit Organizations.
 - If additional lines are needed, please email STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov.

Law Related to Appropriated Contributions

Proviso 117.21. GP: Organizations Receiving State Appropriations Report

Each state agency receiving funds that are a direct appropriation to a non-profit organization, prior to disbursing the funds, shall require from each recipient organization:

1. a plan of how the state funds will be spent and
2. how the expenditures will provide a public benefit.

The Executive Budget Office, Department of Administration shall provide each state agency with a standard form for collecting the information required.

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State agencies receiving funds pursuant to this provision shall report the information collected to the Executive Budget Office, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee by **June 30th**.

No funds in this act shall be disbursed to organizations or purposes which practice discrimination against persons by virtue of race, creed, color or national origin.

Executive Order No. 2022-19 Section 1. C.

I hereby order and direct, pursuant to article IV, section 17 of the South Carolina Constitution and sections 1-1-840 and 1-3-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, that any Executive Branch agency or department, as further defined herein, that receives earmarked appropriations, as further defined herein, in the annual Appropriations Act shall promptly make available for public review and inspection on the agency or department's website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21.

SECTION 11-9-110. Organization to which contribution is appropriated to submit statement to Executive Budget Office and the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office as to nature and function of organization and use of contribution.

Each organization to which a contribution is made in the contributions section of the general appropriation bill shall submit to the Executive Budget Office and the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office by the end of the applicable fiscal year a detailed statement explaining the nature and function of the organization as well as a detailed statement explaining the use that was made of the contribution. The statements must be available at the office of the Executive Budget Office and the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office for public inspection and given to a member of the General Assembly upon request.

A contribution must not be made to an organization until it agrees in writing to allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.



Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
	X220 - Aid to Subdivisions - Treasurer	

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	
Position/Title	
Telephone	
Email	
Secondary Organization Contact Information	
Name	
Position/Title	
Telephone	
Email	

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
Grand Total	\$0.00	

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- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.

Date _____

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2025.
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- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2025.

Printed Name _____

This packet has been reviewed and is ready for approval and payment.

Reviewed by:

Governing Board and Executive Officer - Nonprofit Organizations Only
For nonprofit organizations only, provide below the names of the individuals who serve on your organization's governing board and, if applicable, their board position. Please also provide the name and title of your organization's executive officer.

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Your Organization's Executive Officer	
Name	Title

From: [Phanes](#)
To: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
Cc: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: [External] Omegas of Spartanburg Inc State Appropriated Contributions
Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 6:32:54 PM

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Treasurer Omegas of Spartanburg Inc

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From: [giSTT Message](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: [External] Voice Message from SANDRA BARNO (864-680-6054) on 9/24/24 12:58 PM for 8037342658
Date: Tuesday, September 24, 2024 1:00:18 PM
Attachments: [8646806054-092424-125810-8037342658-1132466-1.wav](#)



Voice Message from SANDRA BARNO (864-680-6054) on 9/24/24 12:58 PM
(67 second msg)

MESSAGE:

"Hello, Meg. This is Finest Bar now with the Omega-Lisratton-Burge Incorporated. I filled out the application to get the vendor number. I was calling because I want to know whether I can send you the information you requested in reference to the benefit to the community, the budget, those kind of things. So you can look those things over so when we get that vendor number back we won't necessarily have any more delays in getting the grant funds. My telephone number, 864-680-6054. And my email, P-Barno-B-A-R-N-O, water-w-a-t-e-r at hotmail.com. My name is Barno. I'm the treasurer of Omega-Lisratton-Burge that's been awarded the grant. Thank you."

There are 0 new and 0 old messages in your mailbox.

From: [giSTT Message](#)
To: [Romaniello, Meg](#)
Subject: [External] Voice Message from SANDRA BARNO (864-680-6054) on 9/23/24 4:14 PM for 8037342658
Date: Monday, September 23, 2024 4:16:24 PM
Attachments: [8646806054-092324-161425-8037342658-1132116-1.wav](#)



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(60 second msg)

MESSAGE:

"Good afternoon, this is called, this is famous Barno, B-A-R-N-O. I'm with Omega the Spartanburg Inc. Bernard Wheeler is the president of the organization. I'm the treasurer. I've read over this email that was sent to him and I just want to make sure I understand we have not registered as a vendor with the state yet. And the second thing is it appears that we need to upload everything to the computer and email it to you. I just want to verify that information. If you could just give me a call back. I'd appreciate it. Famous Barno, 864-680-6054 in reference to Omega the Spartanburg. We're receiving appropriated funds. Thank you."

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 - If you do not have a website, please leave blank.
 - Entity Type
 - Please select one of the options from the drop down rather than typing in this cell.
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State agencies receiving funds pursuant to this provision shall report the information collected to the Executive Budget Office, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee by **June 30th**.

No funds in this act shall be disbursed to organizations or purposes which practice discrimination against persons by virtue of race, creed, color or national origin.

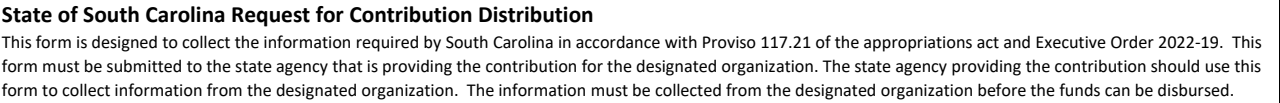
Executive Order No. 2022-19 Section 1. C.

I hereby order and direct, pursuant to article IV, section 17 of the South Carolina Constitution and sections 1-1-840 and 1-3-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, that any Executive Branch agency or department, as further defined herein, that receives earmarked appropriations, as further defined herein, in the annual Appropriations Act shall promptly make available for public review and inspection on the agency or department's website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21.

SECTION 11-9-110. Organization to which contribution is appropriated to submit statement to Executive Budget Office and the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office as to nature and function of organization and use of contribution.

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This packet has been reviewed and is ready for approval and payment.

Reviewed by: _____

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Communication Log

Date: 9/20/24

Outgoing/Incoming Call: Outgoing

Call Details: Meg Romaniello called Bernard Wheeler. Mr. Wheeler provided updated email addresses for Meg to send the enrollment packet to. Meg also provided a brief description of what would be in the email as well as the forms.

Communication Log

Date: 9/16/24

Outgoing/Incoming Call: Outgoing

Call Details: Meg Romaniello called Bernard Wheeler. Meg left a voicemail asking Mr. Wheeler to give her a call back because she needed his email address to send the packet of details for the FY25 earmark they had been awarded.

From: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
To: rbernardwheeler@gmail.com
Cc: [_STO - Appropriated Contributions](#)
Subject: FY25 Appropriated Contributions Enrollment Packet
Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2024 12:00:46 PM
Attachments: [STO Appropriated Funds Cover Letter - Omegas of Spartanburg - Uplift Center Renovations.pdf](#)
[FY25 Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form update.xlsx](#)

Hello,

The State of South Carolina Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Appropriations Act provides the revenue for State government to meet its budgetary expenses. This year's Act included allocations to the Office of the State Treasurer (STO) reserved as one-time appropriations for contributions to outside organizations. Your organization was selected as one of those outside organizations. I have attached 2 files as part of your enrollment packet. Please read the Appropriated Funds Cover Letter first. There you will find important information regarding FY 2024-2025 reporting requirements and guidance on how to complete the Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form. In order for funds to be disbursed to your organization, you will not only need to submit the Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form but also be registered with the Secretary of State's ("SOS") Office and as a vendor with the State of South Carolina. Details on how to register with the SOS and as a vendor will be included in the attached letter. The registration with the SOS is required per Proviso 118.20.D, but it does not apply to governmental entities or entities created by statute. All completed forms should be submitted to the STO - Appropriated Contributions email address listed below.

STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov

In accordance with Executive Order 2022-19, STO is required to promptly make available for public review and inspection on our website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21. Below is the link to where the information will be available on our website.

<https://treasurer.sc.gov/about-us/transparency/earmark-transparency/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

-Meg

Meg Romaniello, MBA, CPM | Accounting/Fiscal Manager II

South Carolina Treasurer's Office
1200 Senate Street, Suite 214
Wade Hampton Bldg., Columbia, SC 29201
803-734-2658 | Meg.Romaniello@sto.sc.gov

September 10, 2024

Bernard Wheeler
Omegas of Spartanburg Inc
312 N. Dean Street
Spartanburg, South Carolina 29306

RE: State Appropriated Contributions, FY 24-25 Reporting Requirements

Dear Bernard Wheeler:

The State of South Carolina Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Appropriations Act provides the revenue for State government to meet its budgetary expenses. This year's Act included allocations to the Office of the State Treasurer (STO) reserved as one-time appropriations for contributions to outside organizations. The amount below indicates the funds which have been allotted in our agency's budget for your organization.

<u>Organization receiving appropriated funds:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Omegas of Spartanburg - Uplift Center Renovations	\$452,000.00

Budget Proviso 117.21 outlines reporting requirements for recipients of appropriated contributions. In addition, please note that Section 11-9-110 of the South Carolina Code requires that you agree to be audited by the State Auditor. (A copy of these applicable laws is attached for your convenience.)

Please see enclosed Excel workbook for data we must collect to be able to disburse these funds. This initial report, along with other information as detailed within the instructions, must be submitted in electronic format to STO prior to funds being dispersed. After the funds have been dispersed, you must complete quarterly spending reports until funds are fully expended. The quarterly report template will be provided at a future date. Your submissions will be forwarded to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by the STO. Per Governor McMaster's Executive Order 2022-19, any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 will be made available for public review and inspection on the STO website.

Please note that to be paid by the State of South Carolina, you must be a registered vendor of the State. If you are not already a registered vendor, please see <https://procurement.sc.gov/doing-biz/registration> to complete this required task. Once registered, please ensure you include your State of SC vendor number on the enclosed Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form when you return it to the STO.

In accordance with Proviso 118.20.D, funds shall not be disbursed until verification that receiver's organization is registered as a business, nonprofit, or charitable organization with the South Carolina Secretary of State's office (SOS). This requirement does not apply to governmental entities or entities created by statute. If your organization has not registered or obtained an exemption from the SC SOS's office, please follow the link below to complete registration or to request a registration exemption.

[Before You File Online | SC Secretary of State](#)

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email the Division of Treasury Management at STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Meg Romaniello | Accounting/Fiscal Manager II
South Carolina Treasurer's Office
1200 Senate Street, Suite 214
Wade Hampton Office Building
Columbia, SC 29201

**SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURE
APPROPRIATED CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

INSTRUCTIONS

The South Carolina General Assembly tasked the South Carolina Office of State Treasurer (STO) with distributing appropriated contributions to your organization. State Budget Proviso 117.21 mandates that each organization receiving a contribution render to the state agency making the contribution specific information.

The information collection process will take place in multiple parts, Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form and Quarterly Expenditure Reports. All responses submitted by your organization should be provided to the STO via STO.Appropriated.Contributions@sto.sc.gov. If your organization was appropriated contributions for more than one purpose, please complete **separate** forms and reports for **each project**.

The Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request form is due to STO prior to funds being dispersed.

The Quarterly Expenditure Reports are due to STO every quarter after receiving the funds. Should the initiative continue beyond June 30, 2025, the organization must continue to provide a quarterly report until completion.

Quarterly Update Schedule				
Time Frame	7/1 - 9/30	10/1 - 12/31	1/1 - 3/31	4/1 - 6/30
Due Date	10/15	1/15	4/15	7/15

All responses should reflect the actual expenditures made by the organization as compared to the appropriated funds provided by STO.

Applicable Law on Reporting Responsibilities

(For additional information, see the document entitled, Law Related to Appropriated Contributions)

Proviso 117.21 requires the following:

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SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION DISTRIBUTION

INSTRUCTIONS

Below are details about the various sections of the disbursement request form and some answers to frequently asked questions.

- Contribution Information
 - Amount
 - This amount should match the amount awarded in Proviso 118.20.B.99.
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Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
	X220 - Aid to Subdivisions - Treasurer	

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	
Position/Title	
Telephone	
Email	
Secondary Organization Contact Information	
Name	
Position/Title	
Telephone	
Email	

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
Grand Total	\$0.00	

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- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
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- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.

Date _____

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act.
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- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
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- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2025.

Printed Name _____

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Reviewed by:

