



This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
\$500,000.00	J020 - Department of Health and Human Services	Costs associated with new construction of a primary healthcare facility.

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Eau Claire Cooperative Health Center, Inc.
Address	169 Laurelhurst Avenue
City/State/Zip	Columbia, SC 29210
Website	www.cooperativehealth.org
Tax ID#	57-0965445
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Peatra Cruz
Position/Title	Chief Organizational Development Officer
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Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
New construction: IT Infrastructure, Security, Fire and Safety	\$150,000.00	Costs for material and installation of facility networking, security and fire safety equipment, and commercial grade generator.
New Construction: Onsite Pharmacy	\$150,000.00	Costs of material and labor for the build-out and up-fit of an onsite pharmacy with drive through.
A/E Design and Fees	\$130,000.00	Architectural and engineering fees for mechanical, electrical, and site design; bid construction documentation (plans and specifications); and assistance during construction.
Facility Signage	\$70,000.00	Cost of exterior building signage, monument roadside signage, and interior facility signage.
Grand Total	\$500,000.00	

Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

Eau Claire Cooperative Health Center, Inc. (dba Cooperative Health) is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) having served more than 57,000 patients across the Midlands region in 2023. We help all patients regardless of their ability to pay or insurance status. Approximately 96 percent of our patient population falls at least 200 percent (or below) the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). The Batesburg-Leesville project will expand service offerings, provide access to quality, affordable health care, and improve health outcomes. Currently, Cooperative Health operates a pediatric facility, located at 120 West Church Street and a women's health and internal medicine site, located at 338 E. Columbia Ave., in Batesburg-Leesville. The new facility will consolidate these existing services while adding adult primary care, integrated behavioral health, and an inhouse pharmacy to our scope of service for residents of Batesburg-Leesville and surrounding communities. The facility will house six adult exam rooms, nine pediatric exam rooms, two OB/GYN exam rooms, and behavioral health and wellness counseling space.

There is a dearth of primary care and pharmacy providers in 29006 (Batesburg) and surrounding zip codes representing the communities of Gilbert, Monetta, Ward and Ridge Spring. According to the University of South Carolina, there is less than one primary care provider per 1,000 people in these areas. There is no OB/GYN operating in these areas. Currently, only four pharmacies serve a population of more than 45,000 citizens within a 30-minute driving distance of Batesburg-Leesville. Additionally, Batesburg-Leesville and surrounding communities reside within a federally designated health performance shortage area (HPSA) and medically underserved area (MUA). The new center will serve primarily low income and uninsured families in the targeted service area. The low income underserved population groups in the Batesburg-Leesville service area are a mixture of Caucasian (50.6%), African American (41.6%), and Hispanic (9.2%). Approximately 19.4% of the population is below 200% FPL with an estimated 17.2% uninsured in the proposed service area.

Lexington County ranks in the top quarter of health outcomes and health factors in South Carolina, according to the County Health Rankings from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. However, this is due to a heavy concentration of health care providers in and around the Columbia metropolitan area. Underserved and uninsured residents in the Batesburg-Leesville area face at least a 30-minute drive to access those services in either Aiken or Lexington County. Expanding services by constructing this facility will ensure access to care for all citizens in the Batesburg-Leesville area. Simultaneously, the facility will result in improving population health using Cooperative Health's proven care model.

Organization Certifications

- 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.

Delgado Cantave

Organization Signature

President & CEO

Title

Delgado Cantave

Printed Name

8/9/2024

Date

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 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.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act.
- 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.

Jenny

Agency Head Signature

8/14/2024

Date

Jenny Givling for Dir. Kerr

Printed Name