

Richland County

Columbia, SC

Located in the Midlands, Richland County received a 2014 Local Government Energy Leadership Award for their energy related initiatives.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

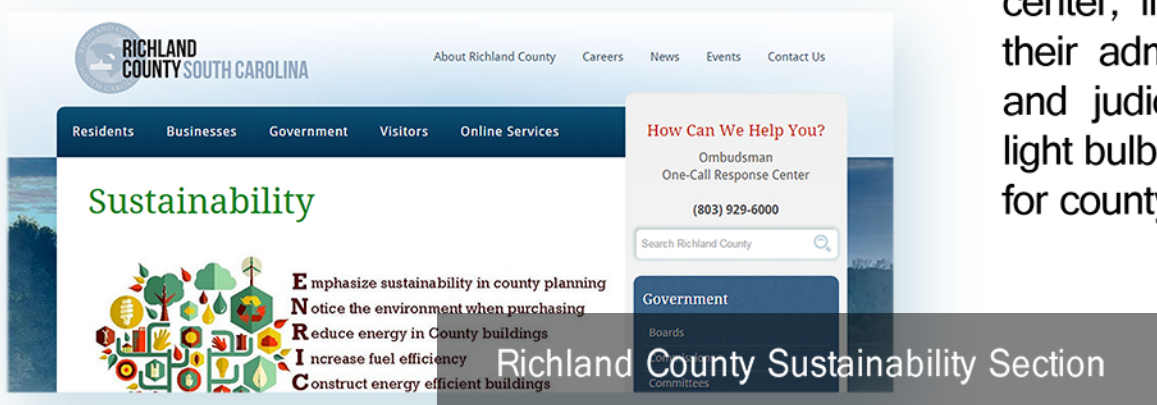
- Leveraging federal grant money and incentives from SCE&G
- Retrofits and upgrades while promoting energy efficiency

THE RESULTS

Energy Retrofits and Communication

Since 2010 Richland County has been committed to advancing solutions to sustainability through policy, programs, and public awareness.

By leveraging federal grant money, as well as incentives from SCE&G, they were able to stretch their project dollars doing chiller retrofits at the county detention center, lighting upgrades in their administration building and judicial center, and a light bulb exchange program for county residents.



They were also able to get Energy Star building certification (SC's first county to do so), and Accredited Commercial Energy Manager certification for staff. They even added a sustainability section to the County's website, allowing residents to track their progress and get helpful tips on energy savings and sustainability.