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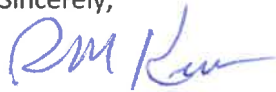
Pursuant to Proviso 33.9, attached is the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services' (SCDHHS) report regarding the condition of space furnished to the agency by the governing authorities of your counties. The attached report provides a brief overview of in-depth site assessments and reports on the accessibility of each SCDHHS county location as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

I am pleased to report that many counties with identified ADA accessibility deficiencies, responded positively to the site assessment, and worked to bring their location into ADA accessibility compliance. As the counties correct identified issues, SCDHHS verifies the improvement. While there have been many improvements made to county offices, some county locations still did not meet ADA Standards. In those cases, the original barrier is still listed on the attached report.

Additionally, as required by Proviso 33.9, by May first, the governing authority of any county with an identified ADA-related deficiency shall report its legislative delegation and the Director of SCDHHS on its progress in correcting identified deficiencies.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Jenny Stirling, Director of Legislative Affairs, at (803) 351-5673 or LYNCHJEN@scdhhs.gov

Sincerely,



Robert M. Kerr

Director

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Site Visit	County	Address	ADA Accessibility Barriers
7/26/2023	Abbeville	903 West Greenwood Street Abbeville, SC 29620-5678	<p>Parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All parking spaces including the accessible ones are not clearly visible due to faded and eroded paint Accessible parking signs mounted above the 60 inches required by ADA Standards Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces Insufficient number of accessible spaces Asphalt of parking lot inconsistent and included large cracks, loose gravel, and uneven in several areas <p>Restroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restroom signage not clearly visible due to incorrect placement Urinal located in men's restroom is mounted above the ADA Standards Metal pipes under sink exposed
7/25/2023	Aiken	SC Dept. of Social Services Bldg. 1410 Park Avenue, SE Aiken, SC 29801-4776	Compliance Issues resolved.
9/6/2023	Allendale	521 Barnwell Road Allendale, SC 29810-1903	<p>Parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces
7/6/2023	Anderson	224 McGee Road Anderson, SC 29625-2104	Compliance Issues resolved.
8/2/2023	Bamberg	374 Log Branch Road Bamberg, SC 29003-0544	<p>Parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asphalt of parking lot inconsistent and included large cracks, loose gravel, and uneven in several areas All parking spaces including the accessible ones were not clearly visible due to faded and eroded paint The path of travel from accessible parking to the entrance was not accessible due to the very steep non-compliant curb ramp <p>Entrance and Lobby</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The entry door (when one door is open) is not in compliance with the ADA standards (width is not 32 inches wide) Both doors required excessive force to open at over 18 lbs. of force which is above the 5 lbs. weight limit set by the ADA Standards Water fountain outdated and does not allow for wheelchair to properly access Water fountain mounted too high. A nearby cup dispenser was installed, but it is mounted too high <p>Interior Corridors</p> <p>Path to Restrooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Path of travel has an excessive cross slope over 1:48 No directional signage <p>Restrooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Door pressure is greater than 5 lbs. which is not in accordance with ADA Standard Inoperable faucet controls, current knobs need to be replaced with handles Inaccessible sink, mounted over 48 inches above the ADA Standards There are no wheelchair accessible stalls in men or women restrooms Paper towel dispensers mounted over 48 inches above the ADA Standards Urinal located in men's restroom is mounted above the ADA Standards <p>General Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inaccessible doorknobs. ADA requires doorhandles to be accessible.
8/2/2023	Barnwell	10913 Ellenton Street Barnwell, SC 29812-0648	<p>Parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asphalt of parking area inconsistent and included large cracks, loose gravel Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces Curb ramp inaccessible as it is located in a non-compliant area Curb ramp is non-compliant due to lack of stop barriers on each side as well as being located in a non-compliant area of the parking lot <p>Restroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urinal located in men's restroom is mounted above the ADA Standards Rear grab bar not located correctly based on standards
9/12/2023	Beaufort	1905 Duke Street Beaufort, SC 29901-4403	Compliance Issues resolved.
9/13/2023	Berkeley	2 Belt Drive Moncks Corner, SC 29461-2801	Compliance Issues resolved.
9/5/2023	Calhoun	2831 Old Belleville Road St. Matthews, SC 29135-9010	<p>Parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The surface was inconsistent and included cracks and loose gravel

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9/26/2023	Charleston	3366 Rivers Avenue North Charleston, SC 29405	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
7/18/2023	Cherokee	1231 N Limestone St, Unit C Gaffney, SC 29340	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
		Note: Space is not provided by Cherokee county and is privately leased by DHHS. Not co-located with	
8/8/2023	Chester	115 Reedy Street Chester, SC 29706-1881	<u>Restroom</u>
8/15/2023	Chesterfield	203 Commerce Ave Chesterfield, SC 29709-1201	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces <u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/23/2023	Clarendon	236 Commerce Street Manning, SC 29102	<u>Interview Room</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entry door (when one door is open) is not in compliance with the ADA Standards (width is not 32 inches wide)
9/13/2023	Colleton	215 South Lemacks Street Walterboro, SC 29488	<u>Parking</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces
10/3/2023	Darlington (1)	300 Russell Street, Room 145 Darlington, SC 29532-3340	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
10/3/2023	Darlington (2) Hartsville	404 South Fourth Street, Suite 300 Hartsville, SC 29550-5718	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/22/2023	Dillon	1213 Highway 34 West Dillon, SC 29536-8141	<u>Parking</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curb ramp located in non-compliant area of the parking lot • Accessible spaces not located on the shortest path of travel to DHHS door • The surface was inconsistent and included cracks and loose gravel <u>Entrance</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landing at door slope measured at 6.5%, does not meet level landing requirements set by ADA Standards • Path of travel from accessible parking to DHHS too steep with a slope measured above 1:48 • T-turning space too small at less than 60 inches in length and 36 inches in width per ADA Standards • DHHS ramp is 5.2% which requires a handrailing on both sides of travel per ADA Standards. Additional handrail is needed
9/19/2023	Dorchester	216 Orangeburg Road Summerville, SC 29483-8945	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
9/19/2023	Dorchester (St. George)	201 Johnston Road Suite 17 St. George, SC 29477	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
7/19/2023	Edgefield	120 W.A. Reel Drive Edgefield, SC 29824-1607	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
7/12/2023	Fairfield	1136 Kincaid Bridge Rd Winnsboro, SC 29180-7116	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/29/2023	Florence	2685 South Irby Street, Box I Florence, SC 29505-3440	<u>Restrooms</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Women's Restroom) Metal pipes under sink exposed
8/29/2023	Florence (Lake City)	345 South Ron McNair Blvd Lake City, SC 29560-3434	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/9/2023	Georgetown	330 Dozier Street Georgetown, SC 29440-3219	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
7/6/2023	Greenville	352 Halton Road Suite 200 Greenville, SC 29607	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
7/26/2023	Greenwood	1118 Phoenix Street Greenwood, SC 29646-3918	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>

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9/6/2023	Hampton	102 Ginn Altman Avenue, Suite B Hampton, SC 29924-3962	<p><u>Parking</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All parking spaces including the accessible ones are not clearly visible due to faded paint Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces <p><u>Lobby (This is not a county compliance issue, but a DSS issue)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No restrooms on DHHS side of building. DSS/DHHS will have to allow access through connecting hall for patrons to access restrooms without having to travel back outside of building <p><u>Restrooms</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's Restroom: Case dispenser mounted over 48 inches above finished floor
9/20/2023	Horry	Genesis Complex 1201 Creel St. Conway SC 29527	<p><u>Parking</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient number of accessible parking spaces Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces The public parking facility has no access aisles The public parking facility has no parking spaces designated with international symbol of accessibility <p><u>Accessible Entrance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-compliant ramp includes carpets and rugs placed on ramp <p><u>Restrooms</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mirrors mounted over 48 inches above finished floor Paper towel dispensers mounted over 48 inches above finished floor
9/12/2023	Jasper	10908 North Jacob Smart Boulevard Ridgeland, SC 29936-2708	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
9/5/2023	Kershaw	110 East DeKalb Street Camden, SC 29020-4432	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
8/8/2023	Lancaster	1599 Pageland Hwy Lancaster, SC 29720-2409	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
7/11/2023	Laurens	Note: Not co-located w/DSS 93 Human Services Road Clinton, SC 29325-7546	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
8/16/2023	Lee	820 Brown Street Bishopville, SC 29010-4207	<p><u>Restrooms</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metal pipes under sink in women's restrooms exposed
7/12/2023	Lexington	605 West Main Street Lexington, SC 29072-2550	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
8/22/2023	Marion	Note: Not co-located w/DSS 137 Airport Ct., Suite J Mullins, SC 29574	<p><u>Restrooms</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no wheelchair accessible stalls in men or women restrooms Urinal located in men's restroom is mounted above the ADA Standards
8/15/2023	Marlboro	713 S. Parsonage St. Ext. Bennettsville, SC 29512	<p><u>Lobby</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Fountain: Broken and unusable
7/19/2023	McCormick	Relocating staff from this office due to ongoing mold issues 215 North Mine Street - Hwy 28 McCormick, SC 29835-8363	<p><u>Parking</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The surface is uneven and has loose gravel at the accessible parking nearest the building
7/11/2023	Newberry	County Human Services Center 2107 Wilson Road Newberry, SC 29108-1603	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
7/5/2023	Oconee	223 B Kenneth Street Walhalla, SC 29691-2443	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
9/5/2023	Orangeburg	114 Howard Hill Drive Orangeburg, SC 29115	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>
7/5/2023	Pickens	212 McDaniel Avenue Pickens, SC 29671-2527	<u>Compliance issues resolved.</u>

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7/12/2023	Richland	3220 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29204-2826 This location is relocating to a new government complex with a tentative move in date of 2025 to 2026. New facility is currently under renovation.	<u>Parking</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient number of van accessible parking spaces • Curb ramp flared sides out of compliance • The surface is uneven and has loose gravel at the accessible parking nearest the building • The accessible spaces located furthest from the building do not have any signs designating them as accessible • Several of the accessible parking spaces were not clearly visible due to faded and eroded paint • There are no clear accessible route from the parking lot to the accessible path that leads to the entrance of the building (crosswalk needed) <u>Front Entrance Restrooms</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sinks are mounted too high and not compliant with ADA Standards • There are no wheelchair accessible stalls in men or women restrooms • Urinal located in men's restroom is mounted above the ADA Standards • Water Fountain: Broken and unusable
7/25/2023	Saluda	613 Newberry Hwy Saluda, SC 29138-8903	<u>Parking</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No access aisle for designated van accessible space • Accessible parking spaces are not clearly visible due to faded and eroded paint • The surface was inconsistent and included cracks and loose gravel <u>Restrooms</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no wheelchair accessible stalls in either restroom (No rear grab-bars) • Paper towel dispensers are mounted too high • Men's Restroom: Grab dispenser is inaccessible
7/18/2023	Spartanburg	1000 N. Pine Street Suite 23 Spartanburg, SC 29303 Note: Space is not provided by Spartanburg county and is privately leased by DHHS. Not co-located	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/16/2023	Sumter	105 N. Magnolia Street 3rd Floor Sumter, SC 29150-4941	<u>Parking</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some of the accessible parking spaces are not clearly visible due to faded and eroded paint <u>Entrance and Lobby</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elevators are not accessible as they lacked external braille controls and internal/external auditory announcements
8/1/2023	Union	200 South Mountain Street Union, SC 29379-2389	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
	Williamsburg	121 Hampton Avenue Kingstree, SC 29556	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>
8/1/2023	York	454 S. Anderson Road, Suite 10 Rock Hill, SC 29730 Note: Space is not provided by York county and is privately leased by DHHS. Not co-located w/DSS	<u>Compliance Issues resolved.</u>