

FACTS ABOUT
SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTIES AND
SCHOOLS

- South Carolina School Districts and Counties receive approximately \$2.9 million in annual funding from SRSCA
- 14 rural counties and school districts in South Carolina receive annual funding from SRSCA
- Reauthorization of SRSCA is a priority for rural communities

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The Reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act (*County Payments*)

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Overview of the Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act (SRSCA)

The Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act is a contract providing assistance to rural counties (counties) and school districts affected by the decline in revenue from timber harvests on federal lands. Historically, rural counties have relied on a share of receipts from timber harvests to supplement local funding for education

services and roads. The steep decline in federal timber sales decreased the revenues that rural counties and school districts received from these timber sales.

In response, Congress passed the "Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act" to stabilize the payments to counties and to compensate for lost revenues.

In 2010, SRSCA will provide approximately \$405 million in funding to 729 rural counties and school districts across the United States.

Reauthorization of SRSCA is critical for resource constrained rural South Carolina counties, schools and communities.



Francis Marion Forest

SRSCA Funding to South Carolina

- In 2008, South Carolina school districts and counties received \$2.95 million in funding from SRSCA
- From 2008 to 2011, rural South Carolina is projected to receive \$10 million in SRSCA Funding
- SRSCA funding to South Carolina will decline by 76.5% from \$2.95 million in 2008 to \$695,830 in 2012—a loss of almost \$2.3 million



About the Partnership for Rural America Campaign

Take an Active Role Now: Join the SRSCA Reauthorization Effort in South Carolina

South Carolina counties affected by the Act should take a leading role in the reauthorization Campaign.

Participate in the Campaign and the grass roots efforts by becoming a member of a Regional Coalition Action Team.

Sign up on our website or contact: Joel Yelverton, Marc Kelley, or Carolyn Wasem at (877) 778-7252.

Our Goal:

To renew the contract between the Federal government and rural communities through a long-term (ten-year) reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (County Revenue Sharing Programs).

Our Purpose:

The purpose of the Partnership for Rural America is to promote the economic and social health of rural America by actively building a broad-based partnership to support the long-term reauthorization and appropriation of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

The Partnership for Rural America Campaign provides interactive maps of state and county level SRSCS payments on our website.

Link to our website to find additional information on the history of SRSCA and additional information about funding for your parish or state, or **sign up to be a volunteer to support our activities on behalf of South Carolina.**

<http://www.partnershipforruralamerica.org>

Our Partnership with the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition

A nationwide Partnership for Rural America Campaign was initiated by the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition in 2009. The Partnership for Rural America Campaign works together with the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition to provide support for the reauthorization of funding for SRSCA. The mission of the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition is to actively initiate, coordinate, and monitor activities regarding the multiple use management of public and private lands that affect their health, productivity, and sustainability; these activities also impact the economic and social vitality of forest and rural county communities, families, schools, and local governments.

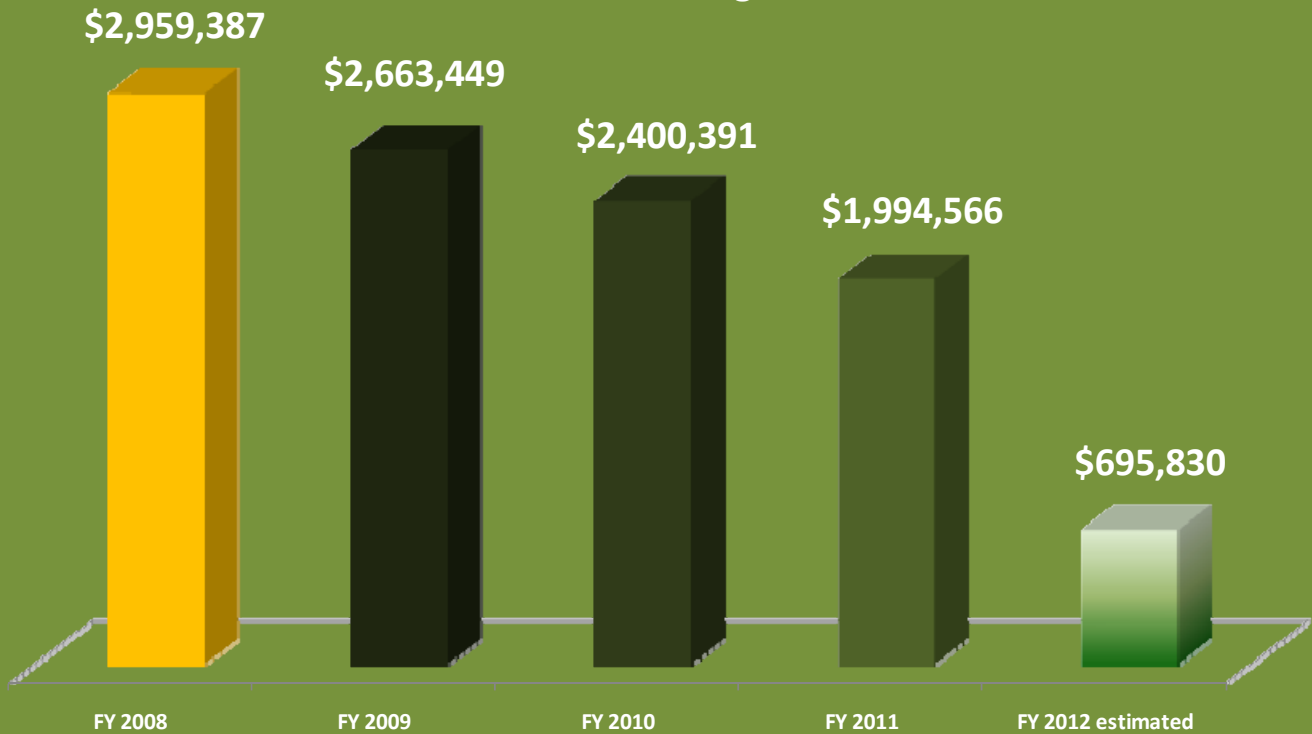
Activities of the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition may include, but are not limited to:

- Monitoring and supporting full implementation of the counties and schools safety net legislation. Actively engaging with those activities which support and enhance the implementation of the legislation.
- Monitoring and engaging in development of policy, regulations, and legislation.
- Initiating and coordinating communications, media outreach, education, and public relations programs.
- Collaborating with other organizations in monitoring and supporting key legislation.

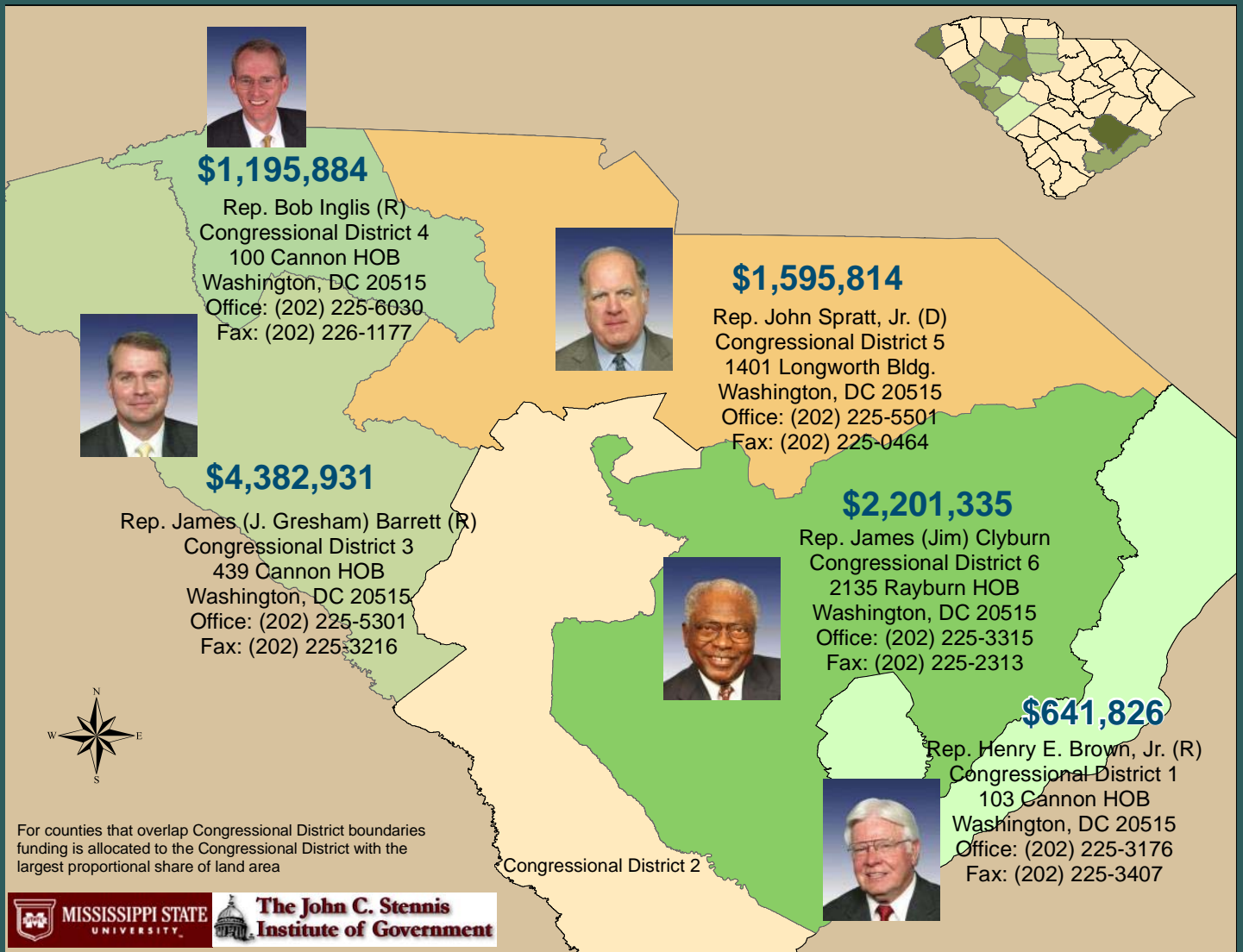
SRSCA Payments to South Carolina 2008 through 2012 by County

County	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Total 2008 - 2011	FY 2012 estimated	Decrease from 2008 to 2012
Abbeville	\$136,376	\$122,738	\$110,616	\$110,045	\$479,776	\$40,988	-\$95,388
Aiken	\$2,726	\$2,453	\$2,211	\$915	\$8,305	\$1	-\$2,724
Berkeley	\$639,244	\$575,319	\$518,498	\$468,274	\$2,201,335	\$37,229	-\$602,015
Charleston	\$205,391	\$184,852	\$166,595	\$84,988	\$641,826	\$12,447	-\$192,944
Chester	\$72,812	\$65,531	\$59,058	\$45,777	\$243,178	\$22,201	-\$50,611
Edgefield	\$182,127	\$163,914	\$147,725	\$130,096	\$623,861	\$54,617	-\$127,510
Fairfield	\$65,122	\$58,610	\$52,821	\$43,558	\$220,110	\$19,450	-\$45,671
Greenwood	\$62,883	\$56,595	\$51,005	\$38,917	\$209,399	\$19,224	-\$43,659
Laurens	\$123,137	\$110,824	\$99,878	\$84,141	\$417,980	\$36,761	-\$86,377
McCormick	\$288,618	\$259,757	\$234,102	\$268,112	\$1,050,589	\$86,666	-\$201,953
Newberry	\$332,812	\$299,531	\$269,947	\$230,237	\$1,132,526	\$101,989	-\$230,823
Oconee	\$470,064	\$423,057	\$381,274	\$234,261	\$1,508,656	\$148,326	-\$321,737
Saluda	\$25,698	\$23,128	\$20,844	\$14,695	\$84,366	\$7,864	-\$17,834
Union	\$352,377	\$317,140	\$285,817	\$240,550	\$1,195,884	\$108,067	-\$244,310
TOTAL	\$2,959,387	\$2,663,449	\$2,400,391	\$1,994,566	\$10,017,790	\$695,830	-\$2,263,557


South Carolina: Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act Receipts
Total 2008 through 2012




SRSCA Payments to South Carolina from 2008 to 2011: \$10,017,790



- South Carolina received \$2,959,387 in 2008
- This number will fall to \$695,830 in 2012
- This is a loss of almost \$2.3 million



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