

Trident Technical College Renovation Project

Lowcountry Transportation and Logistics Center

An economic development project at Berkeley Campus

- To house Commercial Drivers License (CDL) training and a new diesel mechanic program.
- To meet the supply chain management and logistics training needs of existing and new industries, including the nearby Volvo and Mercedes plants.
- To provide flexible classroom/lab space for economic development functions such as supplier and indirect purchasing outreach events, job fairs, workforce information and career exploration events.
- To create new labs and provide high-speed broadband access that supports high-demand career options in areas of information technology, logistics, engineering technology, manufacturing, business and healthcare.

Benefits that “Populate the Pipeline”

- Repurpose the 37-year-old main building on Berkeley Campus into high-tech training facility for those seeking new skills and job opportunities.
- Increase education/training capacity on the campus from 3,000 to 8,000 students annually in the fastest growing county in S.C.

Statewide Transportation Needs

- Transportation training supports the S.C. Ports Authority including the Hugh K. Leatherman Sr. terminal and inland ports in Dillon and Greer.
- More than 600 logistics companies now operate in S.C., including warehouse, distribution centers and transportation and air freight providers.
- 71.4% of all freight tonnage is trucked.
- Shortage of CDL drivers is acute: 1,000-2,000 job openings currently in S.C.
- Projected job openings are 2,000-4,000 in less than 5 years.

Average S.C. Salaries/Wages

Heavy Duty/Tractor-

Trailer Drivers (Long-Haul): \$60,000/year

Local Owner/Operators: \$125,000/year

Lightweight/Delivery Service Drivers (Short-Haul)

\$20.00-28.50 per hour: \$40,000-\$57,000/year

Funding Request

	Total Project	Phase 1	Phase 2
Local Match	\$32,000,000 (\$6,400,000)	\$15,000,000 (\$3,000,000)	\$17,000,000 (\$3,400,000)
State Request	\$25,600,000	\$12,000,000	\$13,600,000

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