



Office of the County Administrator

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APPLICATION FOR SOLICITATION PERMIT

1. **DATE:** _____

2. **ORGANIZATION**

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

3. **INDIVIDUAL APPLYING FOR THE PERMIT**

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

4. **SOLICITATION**

Date: _____ Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Location: _____

5. **SOLICITATION PERMIT REQUEST APPROVED:** Yes ___ No ___

Charles Stewart
County Administrator

Date

Please **attach** the following and submit to the County Administrator's Office or jbishop@darcosc.net

1. Your Non-Profit Card from State of South Carolina or Federal ID #.
2. A plan as to how participants will be identified.
3. A plan for ensuring the safety of participants.
4. A list of names of participants.

No Organization may apply for more than two (2) permits annually.

Excerpt from SC Code of Laws

ARTICLE 9
Permits for Solicitation of Funds

SECTION 5-27-910. Issuance to certain organizations of permits to solicit funds from motorists.

Any rescue squad, volunteer fire department, or charitable or eleemosynary organization in this State may solicit funds from motorists on highways and streets located within a municipality with a permit issued by the governing body of the municipality or within the unincorporated areas of a county with a permit issued by the governing body of the county. The governing body may grant or deny a permit. Permits may be issued for more than one day but no organization may be issued more than two permits in any one calendar year. Permits may impose limits upon solicitation as the governing body of the municipality or county determines are necessary to protect the health and safety of motorists, pedestrians, and those soliciting for an organization and to ensure that solicitation does not unreasonably impede the flow of traffic. The governing body issuing the permit shall have responsibility for supervising the solicitation and enforcing the terms of the permit; provided, that the municipality or county is immune from liability as provided in the Tort Claims Act for any loss or injury occurring as a result of these solicitations.

HISTORY: 1986 Act No. 392, Section 1; 1988 Act No. 373, Section 1.

Excerpt from Darlington County Code of Ordinances

Chapter 54
Streets, Sidewalks And Other Public Places

Sec. 54-2. - Solicitation by persons other than charities with a permit in intersections of public roadways prohibited.

- (a) Except as authorized herein and subject to the provisions of S.C. Code 1976 § 5-27-910, as amended, no person shall stand on a highway or street for the purpose of soliciting employment, business, or contributions from the occupant of any vehicle.
- (b) Any rescue squad, volunteer fire department, charitable, or eleemosynary organization may solicit funds on highway and streets located within the unincorporated areas of the county so long as such organization has obtained a permit as provided in subsection (c) and such organization retains the permit within its possession at the site of the solicitation.
- (c) The county administrator's office shall issue a permit to organizations described in subsection (b); provided the administrator's office may, as a condition of such permit, impose such reasonable limits upon the solicitation as it determines are necessary to protect the health and safety of motorists, pedestrians, and those soliciting for an organization and to ensure that solicitation does not unreasonably impede the flow of traffic. No organization may be issued more than two permits per calendar year.
- (d) *Penalty clause.* Any person, firm, corporation or agent, who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished within the jurisdictional limits of Magistrate's Court. Each such person, firm, corporation or agent shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this section is committed or continued.

(Ord. No. 12-17, §§ 1—4, 1-2-13)