AGENCY NAME:	AID TO SUBDIVISIONS, STATE TREASURER		
AGENCY CODE:	X220	SECTION:	113

Fiscal Year 2026-27
Agency Budget Plan

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

	For FY 2026-27, my agency is (mark "X"):	
OPERATING REQUESTS *(FORM B1)*	X	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
		Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
		Not requesting any changes.

	For FY 2026-27, my agency is (mark "X"):	
NON-RECURRING REQUESTS *(FORM B2)*		Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
		Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
	X	Not requesting any changes.

	For FY 2026-27, my agency is (mark "X"):	
CAPITAL REQUESTS *(FORM C)*		Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
	X	Not requesting any changes.

	For FY 2026-27, my agency is (mark "X"):	
PROVISOS *(FORM D)*		Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
		Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
	X	Not requesting any proviso changes.

Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	Name	***Phone***	***Email***
PRIMARY CONTACT:	Meg Romaniello	803-734-2658	meg.romaniello@sto.sc.gov
SECONDARY CONTACT:	Michelle Corbett	803-734-3545	michelle.corbett@sto.sc.gov

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2026-27 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	Agency Director	***Board or Commission Chair***
SIGN/DATE:		
TYPE/PRINT NAME:	Michelle Corbett	

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

Agency Name:	Aid To Subdivisions - State Treasurer
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BUDGET REQUESTS			FUNDING					FTES				
Priority	Request Type	Request Title	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total
1	B1 - Recurring	Aid to Counties – Register of Deeds	15,000	0	0	0	15,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS			15,000	0	0	0	15,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY

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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Aid to Counties – Register of Deeds

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

General: $15,000

Federal: $0

Other: $0

Total: $15,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2027-2028? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

NEW POSITIONS

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:	
X	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	IT Technology/Security related
	HR/Personnel Related
	AI Related
	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
	Education, Training, and Human Development
	Healthy and Safe Families
	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
X	Government and Citizens

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

This increase in General Funds will fully fund the allocation for the Register of Deeds positions in the twenty-five counties where it is a separate office.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

RECIPIENTS OF

County Register of Deeds officers who receive the $15,000 salary supplement in accordance with Proviso 113.3.

FUNDS	

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	The Register of Deeds previously existed as a separate governmental office in 24 counties in South Carolina. In Anderson, Beaufort, Cherokee, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Spartanburg, and Sumter, the position is appointed by the governing body. In the counties of Aiken, Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester, Greenville, and Lexington, the holder of the office is elected. In the remaining 22 counties, the functions are performed by the elected Clerk of Court. During fiscal year 2026-27, Abbeville County has appointed a separate register of deeds, bringing the cumulative count of counties where that office exists to twenty-five. The current appropriation of $360,000 is only sufficient for the salary supplement in twenty-four counties and needs to be increased to reflect the current number of eligible officials.

Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.