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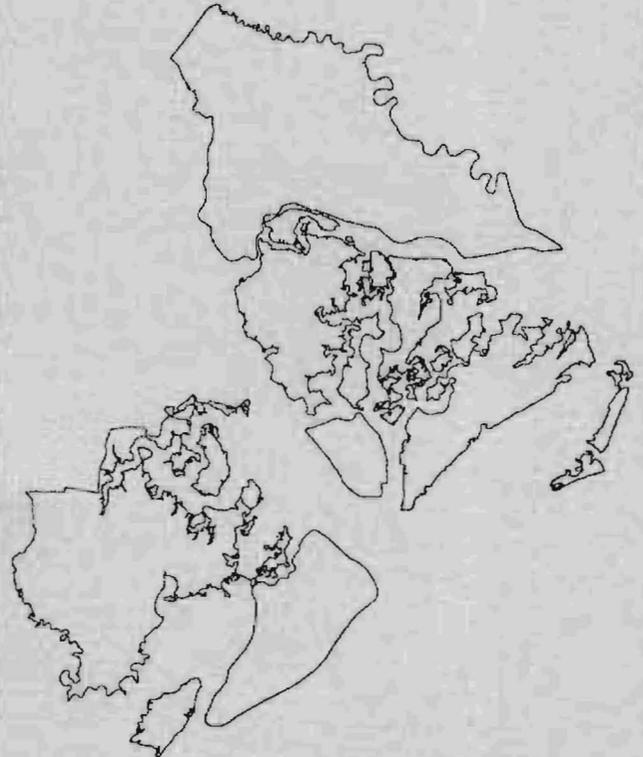
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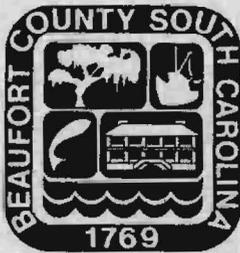
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## 1997 Goals

## Vision Statement

Beaufort County will continue to be one of the most desirable places in the United States to live, work, and enjoy a sense of community in a culturally diverse coastal setting.



## Mission Statement

Beaufort County government exists to serve the people of Beaufort County in a cost-effective manner so all our citizens may enjoy and appreciate a protected quality of life, natural and developed resources in a coastal environment, a diverse heritage, and economic well-being.

## 1997 Goals

- Adopt an FY 97-98 budget with no increase in taxes for County operations.
- Complete and adopt the Comprehensive Plan and initiate preparation of ordinances to implement the Plan.
- Develop and adopt a plan to raise library holdings to State standards within ten years.
- Initiate construction of a Hilton Head Airport control tower using airport internal funds, along with federal financial assistance to the extent such may be available.
- Identify and establish consistent, long-term funding for improvement and maintenance of boat landings.
- Create 150 new professional, skilled and semiskilled jobs paying higher wages to further the County's ongoing effort to diversify its economy and promote upward mobility for its citizens.
- Formulate a plan for financing construction and maintenance of a stormwater drainage system.
- Consolidate at least two fire districts in an initiative to ultimately create a County Fire Department.
- Implement a County-wide recycling program that encompasses all municipalities.
- Establish common development standards between the County and its municipalities.
- Enter into an agreement with Jasper County for coordination of planning efforts and permanent respect of mutual boundaries.
- Hold quarterly meetings among County officials, municipal officials, and the Legislative Delegation to discuss intergovernmental issues.
- Establish a Beaufort County website for dissemination of public information.
- Finalize a funding plan, in coordination with Jasper County, the Legislative Delegation, and SCDOT, for accelerating the widening of S.C. Highway 170 from the Career Education Center to Broad River Road.