

MILLAGE EXPLANATIONS

Millage Approved by County Council

Description *2013 Mils*

General Fund Debt	5.0	Provides funding to pay debt payments on general county debt. (Bond Payments – principal and interest)
County General	35.6	Funds the general operation and capital purchases of the county departments along with the other fees that the county charges. This includes police, emergency medical services, courts, and general operations.
Higher Ed. Debt	.7	Funds the debt payments for bonds issued by the Higher Education Commission (Coastal Carolina) as well as provides scholarship funding for college scholarships awarded by the Higher Education Commission.
Horry Georgetown	1.8	Provides funding for building maintenance and building operation for Horry Georgetown Technical College. Also pays debt payments for bonds issued on behalf of Horry Georgetown College.
Senior Citizens	.4	Provides funding for the operation of Horry County Council on Aging and the programs offered by them to the senior citizens of the Horry County.
Recreation	1.7	Provides for the operation and capital improvements for the Horry County Department of Parks & Receptions. Also provides funding to the cities to assist with their recreation needs.

Millage approved by Horry County School Board

Description *2013 Mils*

School District Operations	120.2	Provides funding to help operate the Horry County School system. A credit on this tax is granted by the state on owner occupied (legal residence) homes from the sales tax collected by the state.
School District Debt	10.0	Provides funding to pay debt payments on bonded debt issued by the school district.

Millage Approved by the Cities

Description *2013 Mils*

City Tax		The tax by the individual municipalities is for their operation and/or debt. To get the specifics on the uses of city tax, please contact the city.
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Special District Millage approved by County Council

Description *2013 Mils*

Rural (County) Fire 19.5	Provides funding for the Horry County Rural Fire Department for operations, capital improvements and debt payments on bonded debt. This tax millage is only applicable to the unincorporated area outside of the Garden City Murrells Inlet fire district. The towns of Aynor and Atlantic Beach have contracted with the county's fire department and collect the millage for the fire district within their borders.
Rural (County) Fire 1.7 Apparatus Replacement	Provides funding for the Horry County Rural Fire Department to be used for apparatus replacement. This tax millage is only applicable to the unincorporated area outside of the Garden City Murrells Inlet fire district. The towns of Aynor and Atlantic Beach have contracted with the county's fire department and collect the millage for the fire district within their borders.
Waste Management 6.0	Provides funding for Horry County's twenty four convenience recycle centers managed by the Horry County Solid Waste Authority. This millage is only applicable to the unincorporated area.
Arcadian Shores 32.3	This tax is imposed at the request of the Arcadian Special Tax District Board and levied for the purpose of maintaining roads and drainage and providing for the debt to repay a loan that was used to pave certain roads in the district.
Hidden Woods Road Maintenance 84.6	This tax is imposed at the request of the Hidden Woods Special Tax District Commission and levied for the purpose of providing funds for the maintenance of roads in the district to include drainage, lighting, beautification, insurance, and other public works incident to these efforts and of other direct benefit to the district.
Mt Gilead 7.0	This tax was imposed at the request of the Mt. Gilead Special Tax District board to maintain roads and drainage within the district.
Socastee Recreation 1.8	This tax was imposed at the request of the Socastee Recreation Special Tax District board to provide recreation in the Socastee area. This tax provides funding to pay the debt incurred for the park improvements previously built and for the operation of the park.
Watershed Districts 3.1-3.4	This tax in the various watershed districts is levied to help maintain the watersheds and improve drainage on adjacent land and other parcels nearby.