



# Budget Presentation FY 2025-2026

# Agency Attendees

- **Bonnie Ammons** – Executive Director, RIA
- **Noel Hebert** – Finance Director/Assistant Loan Programs Director, RIA
- **Liz Rosinski** - Deputy Director and Grant Programs Director

# Agency Information

## Objectives

- Protect health & environment
- Create economic opportunities
- Strengthen community viability

## Programs of Assistance

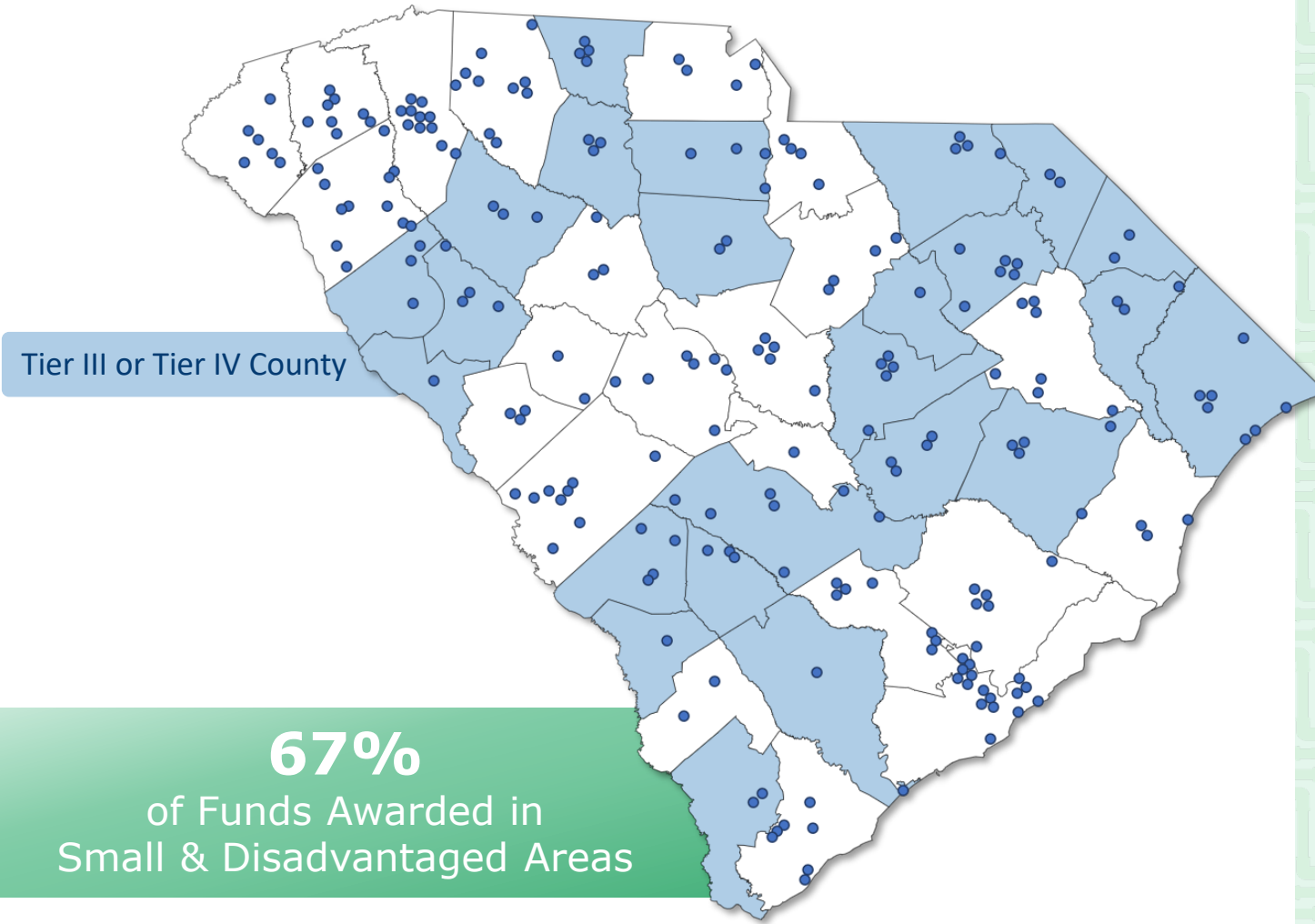
- Grants
- Loans
- Technical assistance

## Eligible Infrastructure

- Water
- Sewer
- Stormwater

*Rural and Statewide*

# SCIIP Grants



**67%**  
of Funds Awarded in  
Small & Disadvantaged Areas



**219**  
Grants

**\$1.4**  
Billion

# SCIIP Progress



**219**  
Projects in progress



**247**  
Final contracts reviewed



**362**  
Payments processed



**\$174**  
Million  
Disbursed

# FY24 State Funded Grants

**\$44,218,841**

AWARDED IN FY24

**66**

PROJECTS

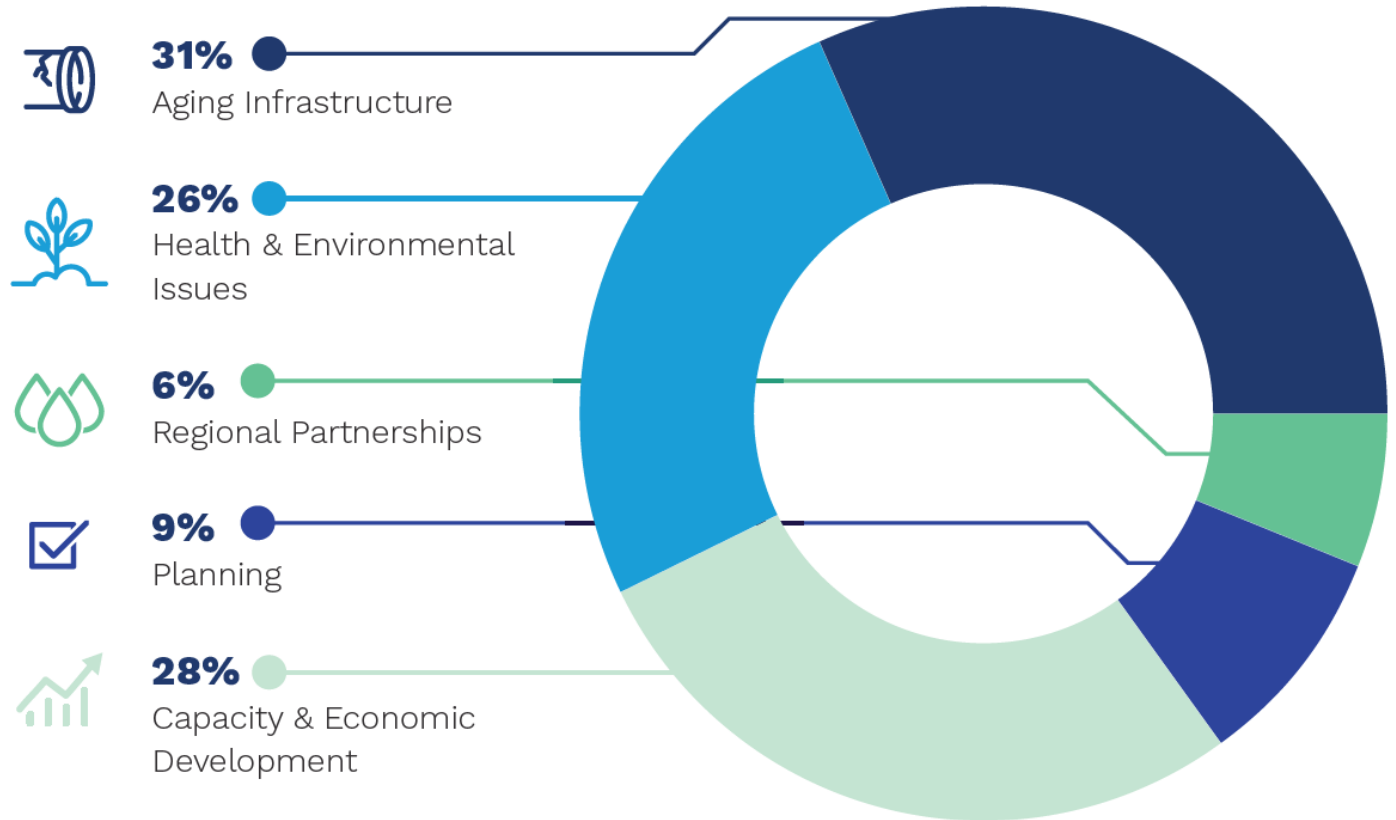
**60%**

OF FUNDS TO  
DISADVANTAGED  
COMMUNITIES

**\$265 million**

STATE FUNDS AWARDED SINCE 2013

## Grant Priorities by Dollars Awarded



# State Revolving Fund Loan Program

FY 24

**\$203 Million**  
LOANS CLOSED

**2.1%**  
STANDARD INTEREST  
RATE

**\$120 Million**  
DISBURSED

FY16 - FY24

**Over \$1 Billion**  
LOANS CLOSED

**140**  
LOANS



# FY26 Budget Request: \$24 Million

|   | FY26 Request        | FY25 Budget     |                     |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
|   | Recurring Increase  | Total Recurring | Total Non-Recurring |
| <b>Rural Infrastructure Fund</b>        | <b>\$12,000,000</b> | \$8,870,056     | \$15,000,000        |
| <b>Statewide Water &amp; Sewer Fund</b> | <b>\$12,000,000</b> | \$8,000,000     | \$15,000,000        |
| Planning & Technical Assistance Fund    | \$0                 | \$5,000,000     | \$0                 |
| Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund       | \$0                 | \$14,332,610    | \$3,232,990         |
| <b>FTE</b>                              | <b>3</b>            |                 |                     |



# Budget Request Justification

*Rural Infrastructure Fund - \$12 m*

*Statewide Water and Sewer Fund - \$12 m*

- Infrastructure needs regularly exceed funds available - more than \$2 Billion in applications for SCIIP program.
- Costs have increased significantly. RIA raised grant maximums from \$500,000 to \$1.5 million which means fewer grants/communities to be served without additional funding.
- Replaces and modernizes aging infrastructure, addresses water quality concerns and builds capacity for future development.
- Establishes a reliable source of funds which allows utilities to plan for capital improvements and leverage local funds.
- Approximately 50 communities expected to benefit from grant programs if the additional funding is allocated.

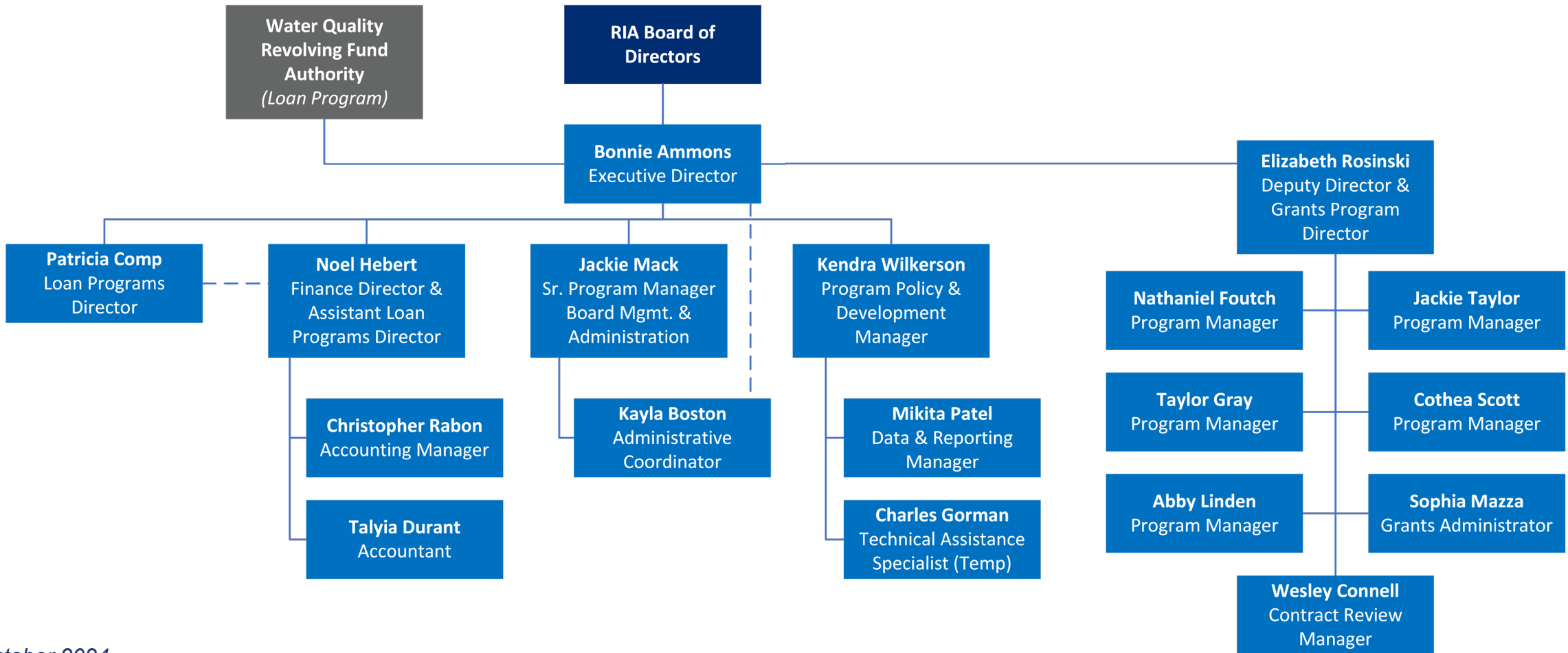
# Budget Authority Request:

*\$393,318 for 3 FTE positions*

- Request authority for \$275,323 from Federal funds and \$117,995 from Other funds.
- Additional administrative support will allow the agency to manage its programs and additional funding in an efficient and effective manner.
- This support includes more robust technical assistance to rural and other areas in identifying needs, resources and implementing critical water and wastewater projects.



# RIA Organizational Chart



As of October 2024

# Cost Savings Contingency Plan

A 3% reduction would be allocated proportionately to RIA's funding programs:

|                                      |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| <i>Rural Infrastructure Fund</i>     | <i>\$266,101</i> |
| <i>Statewide Water/Sewer Fund</i>    | <i>\$240,000</i> |
| <i>Planning/Technical Assistance</i> | <i>\$150,000</i> |
| <i>Water Quality Loan Fund</i>       | <i>\$429,979</i> |

The impact is a reduction of funds available for local infrastructure projects which could affect water quality as well as economic opportunities.



**No Proviso Changes**

***Thank you!***