



Celebrating 50 Years of Crime Stoppers

1976 - 2026

South Carolina Crime Stoppers Council 20th Anniversary

WHO WE ARE

The SC Crime Stoppers Council (Council) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that was established in 2006 by the passing of the SC Crime Stoppers Act on June 14, 2006. Members from each Council certified Crime Stoppers program in SC make up the Council Board of Directors.

PURPOSE

- **Improve the quality of life in South Carolina**
- **Promote Crime Stoppers:** Raise awareness and facilitate partnerships between the community, media, and law enforcement to fight and prevent crime
- **Expand Crime Stoppers:** Help create and support local Crime Stoppers programs across the state
- **Provide Leadership:** Offer education, training, and resources to local programs
- **Share Information:** Communicate and network through publications
- **Secure Funding:** Provide and manage funds for state and local program goals
- **Certify Member Programs:** Legally authorize local Crime Stoppers programs to receive benefits outlined in state legislation

MISSION

The Council is a broad-based crime fighting and crime prevention association whose mission is to develop and facilitate Crime Stoppers programs throughout the state of South Carolina.

FUNDING

As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, the Council relies on private donations, fund-raising, and grants to operate. Money raised covers:

- **Training Support Funds:** Support programs financially to attend regional annual training conferences and Council quarterly training sessions so that board members, coordinators, and law enforcement partners can stay up to date with industry standards and best practices
- **SC Annual Training Conference:** Cover expenses related to organizing the annual conference that is provided to all certified Crime Stoppers programs and affiliated law enforcement partners at no expense to the attendee
- **New Crime Stoppers Programs:** Allocate funds to start-up expenses, such as, IRS & SC Secretary of State filings, tip management, call center, hotline, web domain, and initial cash reward funds

CRIME STOPPERS IMPACT IN SC BY THE NUMBERS

STATISTICS SINCE INCEPTION IN 1979 THRU 2025

Tips Received: 172,242

Arrests: 14,008

Charges Laid: 15,809

Weapons Recovered: 494

Total Drugs, Cash & Property Recovered: \$34,307,334

Total Approved Cash Rewards: \$1,282,590

COUNCIL TRAINING STATISTICS

2024 – 2025: 353 Trained, 60 Training Hours

HOW IT WORKS

Crime Stoppers is a 3-part approach to solving crime – local Crime Stoppers programs rely on cooperation between the COMMUNITY, the MEDIA, and LAW ENFORCEMENT to provide a flow of information about crimes, fugitives, suspicious activity, and missing persons.

Those who submit tips are called “tipsters” and remain ANONYMOUS. Calls are NOT recorded. There is NO caller ID. Tipsters are NOT asked to provide their name. Locations are NOT tracked. A unique computer generated tip ID and password are provided to each tipster. Under NO circumstances will Crime Stoppers assist law enforcement to identify a tipster.

HOW TIPS ARE SUBMITTED

MOBILE TIP – Download the P3 Tips app on any Apple or Android device

WEB TIP – Click “Submit a Tip” button on any Crime Stoppers program website

PHONE TIP – Call local Crime Stoppers program hotline

Go to SCCrimeStoppers.org for links to local Crime Stoppers programs

HOW TO DONATE

CHECK/MONEY ORDER – SC Crime Stoppers Council, 300 S. Church St., Walhalla, SC 29691

ONLINE – Go to SCCrimeStoppers.org and click on “Donate”

All donations are tax deductible. Federal ID#84-3877803