Clemson University is ranked 20th among all public research universities and provides a quality education for its citizenry; drives innovation that stimulates economic growth and serves the public good by addressing some of the great challenges of our time.

To ensure that South Carolina is strategically positioned to compete and succeed in the global economy requires that the state invest in Clemson’s next generation of students who will be responsible for advancing the knowledge-based economy in our state.

### Recurring Requests

**Focus on Student Success**  $2.5 million

Fund efforts to increase Clemson’s four year graduation rate by investing in advising, mentoring, support services for first-generation college students and veterans, improve course offerings and better utilization of the summer semester. Such investments will enhance affordability, lead to cost savings for students and parents and still allow students to enhance the value of their education by participating in internships, study abroad and other programs that prepare them for the workforce.

**Center for Human Genetics**  $3 million

Clemson University is requesting a recurring commitment from the State to allow its partnership with the Greenwood Genetic Center to accelerate towards the goal of making South Carolina home to one of the nation’s most recognized facilities for genetics research and development. The collaboration will impact economic development across the State by providing opportunities for further healthcare research, development and manufacturing, with the potential for job creation.

**Deep Orange**  $1.5 million

Essential to the real world experience is a student’s ability to contribute to the knowledge economy. At CU-ICAR, a unique component of the student experience has been the Deep Orange project, which allows students to design and build a prototype automobile. Requested funding will stabilize the program going forward and allow for the incorporation of new ideas and innovation.

### Capital Requests

**Campus Infrastructure Upgrades**  $15 million

Fund an ongoing, multi-year project effort to replace vulnerable sections of the University’s aging electrical distribution system infrastructure focusing on improving the system reliability in areas which have a higher probability of failures impacting major academic, research and student life activities. The current medium voltage campus distribution system was predominantly constructed in the late 1950’s through mid-1960’s. over 70 percent of the main substation gear, switching, transformers, and electrical conductors are beyond a 50-year life. Improvements are necessary to reduce system failures, power interruptions and extended outages.

**Business & Behavioral Sciences Building**  $25 million

Provide a new facility to house and consolidate all undergraduate programs in the College of Business and Behavioral Sciences. These programs are currently housed in Sirrine Hall, which was constructed in 1938 and has not been renovated in 35 years. The building will create an enhanced interface between academics and industry while accommodating current and future growth and adapting to new technologies.