

Join us for Pre-CHAT Virtual Networking from 2:50-3:00 p.m.

Welcome

David Feild, TATT Board of Directors Chair

Guest Speaker

Chantal Fryer, SC Department of Commerce



Resource Update

Jessica Varney, Pickens County, shared that they are actively hiring heroes (council increased the number of hires): fire service, sheriff. You can Visit www.Pickenscountysc.com for more information. Their Leadership Enhancement Academy for Public Servants, or LEAPS, program (a 7-week program allows 20 participants to network and hear from leaders and industry representatives) met to discuss leadership topics. A wide range of county departments were represented. The Public Employee Service Corps allows people to volunteer time in the community to solve problems. For example, instead of ticketing a family for a trash problem, employees came together to undertake the project of removing the trash. Great bonding experience and a way for employees from different departments to come together.

Lyndy Schonhar, United Way of Pickens County, explained how every community has a United Way – they all work to improve lives in local communities by caring for people/helping our neighbors. The Pickens County United Way is focused on education and financial stability. They want children to read and want families to be financially stable and independent. There are several Programs and Initiatives available to help the community as follows. The 211 is a hotline that will connect a person with an operator (service navigator); the Tough times toolkit is available to download and share; Free File is a free tax program (65k or less); trained IRS preparers come and assist families; and Pathways is an intensive one on one financial coaching program for families that want to gain control over their finances. United Way is looking for referrals now. And there are a lot of volunteer opportunities. United Way asks that we share their flyers and information especially at work. United Way offers corporate engagement to companies, either through *Workplace Campaigns* or *Corporate Sponsorships*. Show your customers/consumers that you are committed to serving your community by getting involved.

Adjourn

David Feild

Save the Date!

TATT CHAT
September 8, 2022
3:00-4:00 p.m.
Catherine Schumacher from
Public Education Partners