

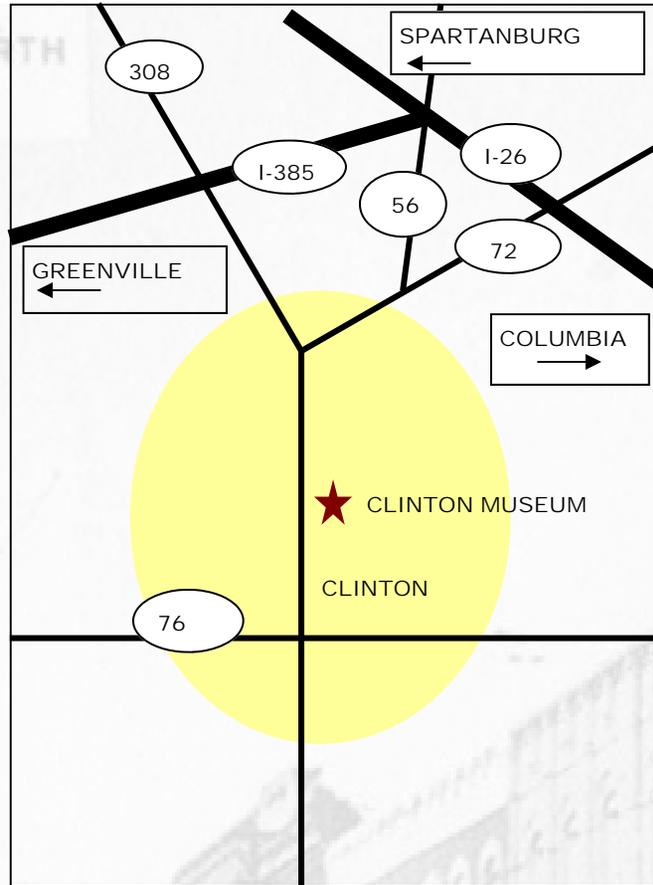
# The City of *Clinton*

Clinton is a special place where you will find involved citizens, friendly neighborhoods and a high quality of life. The proud home of Presbyterian College, our city is nestled in the heart of Upstate South Carolina and has a population of approximately 10,000. We are situated within minutes of I-385 and I-26 and are less than an hour's drive from the metropolitan centers of Columbia, Greenville and Spartanburg.



Clinton's commitment to citizen-driven strategic planning has resulted in a vibrant, enthusiastic community focused on enhancing all aspects of our hometown. The Downtown Association is growing strong and our downtown area is buzzing with excitement. Whether you are a football fanatic, history buff, or are simply looking for a wonderful place to raise your children, Clinton has it all.

Downtown Clinton showcases beautiful architecture from the past as it continues to grow into the twenty-first century. Small-town charm still prevails as you take a stroll and visit with our neighbors in their places of business. After checking out the very latest in cellular phone technology, you can stop in at a nostalgic lunch spot for an old-fashioned root beer float. We hope you'll come experience for yourself how relaxed, friendly, and convenient shopping and dining in downtown Clinton truly is.



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### Clinton Museum

PO Drawer 748 / 400 North Broad Street  
Clinton, South Carolina 29325

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Hours of Operation:  
Sunday 2 PM—5 PM  
Other days By Appointment

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THE CLINTON MUSEUM IS HOUSED IN THE HISTORIC GRIFFIN HOUSE (C. 1900) WHICH WAS DONATED TO THE CITY BY MR. AND MRS. JAMES VON HOLLEN. THE MUSEUM WAS FOUNDED IN 2001 AND IS OPERATED BY THE CITY OF CLINTON WITH AN APPOINTED COMMISSION.



## Clinton Museum:

*Collect, Conserve, Communicate, Celebrate*



The community of Clinton began as a small crossroads known as “Five Points” in 1852. With the arrival of the railroad that year, the town prospered and was named Clinton after

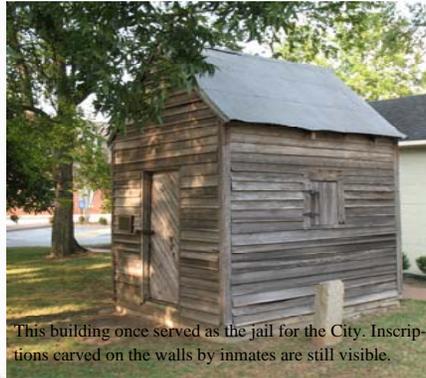
Henry Clinton Young, who helped layout the area.

In later years, the economic and cultural growth of the town prospered, with such hallmarks as Presbyterian College, Thornwell Home for Children, Whitten Center, Clinton Mills, numerous churches, banks, a hospital, and a weekly newspaper.

Today, the Clinton Museum, located in the Historic Griffin House on Broad Street, works to preserve and protect the story of the community and to preserve artifacts associated with our shared history for future generations.

### Clinton’s Early Jail

One of Clinton’s early jails, originally located on West Pitts Street, is now located on the museum grounds. The building was preserved by the Cornwell family and donated to the museum by Mrs. Ethel Copeland Cornwell.



This building once served as the jail for the City. Inscriptions carved on the walls by inmates are still visible.

### Featured Exhibits



Wedding Dress  
C. 1898

The museum features rotating exhibits throughout the year. Previous exhibits have included such displays as vintage fashions from the nineteenth and twentieth century.

### A Railroad Heritage

In 2006, the museum received a large model train collection from Mr. Lynn Cooper. The collection helps the museum communicate the importance of the railroad in local history.



Model Trains from the Lynn Cooper Collection help tell the story of Clinton’s ties to the railroad.

### *The Museum Needs You!*

The Clinton Museum needs your help in preserving the history and culture of the City of Clinton. We hope you will help us improve by volunteering your time, becoming a member, or donating artifacts to the museum. Contact the museum for more details on how you can help protect your history.

### *Do You Want to Schedule a Tour?*

For scheduling special events and group tours at the museum, please contact the museum at 864-833-7505 or 864-938-1099.