

# JOHNSTON COUNTY PROFILE: 2009-10

## Population Statistics

Total Projected 2010 Population.....173,600<sup>1</sup>  
 Population Growth, 2000 to 2009.....37.9%<sup>1</sup> Percentage Municipal Population.....29%<sup>2</sup>

What is the impact of poverty in the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina? A higher infant mortality rate, children who can't learn in school because they are hungry, adults who die before their time because they eat cheaper, high fat foods instead of healthier, often more costly options, and frail elders who make do with a can of beans because they can't afford their medication and food, too.

Federal poverty guidelines do not cover today's cost of living; they simply provide a baseline means of existence with a very real risk of hunger. A single person with an income of \$10,000 or less or a family of four with an income of \$21,000 or less annually meet the criteria for poverty. On these incomes, hunger becomes more than a risk...it often becomes a reality. The Food Bank helps these folks, who are at risk of hunger every day.

### THE NEED:

**POVERTY**

**No. People Living at/Below Poverty Level:** **22,394<sup>3</sup>**

**Percentage of Population Living in Poverty:** **12.9%<sup>4</sup>**

**Individuals >65 Living in Poverty:** **2,038<sup>5</sup>**

**Individuals 18 to 64 Living in Poverty:** **10,794<sup>5</sup>**

**Children 0 to 17 Living in Poverty:** **9,562<sup>5</sup>**

**Percentage of Children Living in Poverty:** **42.5%**

**HUNGER<sup>6</sup>**  
**No. Children Receiving Free/Reduced Lunches:** **13,628**

**Percentage of Children Receiving Reduced/Free Lunches:** **43.4%**

**UNEMPLOYMENT<sup>7</sup>**  
**Percentage Sept. 2010 Unemployment:** **9.0%**

**FOOD STAMP PARTICIPATION<sup>8</sup>**  
**Number Served July 2009:** **20,104**  
**Number Served July 2010:** **23,066**  
**Percent of Eligible Served July 2010:** **109.0%**

**Our Partner Agencies are listed on the reverse side**

### ADDRESSING NEEDS:

**Total Pounds Of Food Distributed Annually in our 34 Counties:** **40.1 mil. Lbs.**

**Total Pounds Of Food Distributed in Johnston County:** **1,734,628 lbs.**

**Pounds Per Person Distributed in County:** **77 lbs.**

**Per-Pound Cost of Distributing Food in County:** **23¢**

**Total Cost of Distributing Food in County:** **\$391,706**

**Value of Food Distributed in County:** **\$2,775,405**

**Johnston Households Served:** **47,155<sup>9</sup>**  
**Johnston Individuals Served:** **165,096**

**For Every Dollar Donated, How Much is Spent on Food Distribution:** **97¢**

**Major Local Food Donors:** Wholesalers, retailers, and grocery chains such as Food Lion, Harris-Teeter, Lowe's Foods, Kroger Stores, Walmart, Mt. Olive Pickles, Bruce Foods Corp., Reser's Fine Foods, Bimbo Bakeries, Nash Produce, & Society of St. Andrew

<sup>1</sup>Projected 2010 NC population by County, NC Office of State Budget & Management; <sup>2</sup>2008 County Municipal Totals, NC Office of State Management & Budget; <sup>3</sup>Total Projected 2010 Population x Percentage of Population Living in Poverty; <sup>4</sup>US Census 2006-08 American Community Survey (SF-1, SF-3); <sup>5</sup>Total of Individuals >65, Individuals 18-64 & Children 0-17 Living in Poverty, 2006-08 American Community Survey; <sup>6</sup>Free & reduced Lunch Application Data by Site, Child Nutrition Services, NC Department of Public Instruction; <sup>7</sup>2009, 2010 Civilian Labor Force Estimates for NC Counties, NC Employment Security Commission; <sup>8</sup>NC Food & Nutrition Services Participation Report, DSS Performance Management Reporting & Evaluation Management, NC Department of Health & Human Services; <sup>9</sup>Unduplicated households/individuals served as reported by partner agencies

## **Johnston Community Partner Agencies**

**A Touch From Above Faith Center  
Baptized Believers Church  
Basic Needs Ministry  
Benson Area Ministerial Association  
Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church  
Back Pack - First Baptist Church of Smithfield  
Clayton Area Ministries  
Crossroads Church After Class  
D.A.P.A.A., Inc.  
Day by Day Treatment Center  
Edgerton Memorial UMC  
Family Life Center, Inc.  
First Baptist Church of Smithfield  
Flowing Waters World Outreach  
Harbor Inc.  
Harvest Word Ministry  
Iglesia De Dios Cristo Renentor  
Johnston County Recovery Corporation  
Kids Cafe - New Trinity Christian Family Center  
Kenly Area Ministries  
Milagros y Maravillas de Dios  
New Day Community Reach/Alpha & Omega  
New Life Deliverance Ministry CDC  
New Trinity Christian Family Center  
New Trinity Missionary Baptist Church  
Pleasant Plain Free Will Baptist Church  
Potter's House Outreach Center  
Power of Praise Tabernacle of Deliverance Ministries, Inc.  
Salvation Army-Smithfield  
Samaritan's Shelf/West Clayton Church of God  
Shiloh Christian Day Care & Soup Kitchen  
Smithfield Rescue Mission  
St. Ann Catholic Church/Food Pantry (RAMP)  
The Holy Church of Christ of the Apostolic Faith  
Western Assembly Church of Christ - Long Branch  
White Oak Hill Missionary Baptist Church**