



NEW HANOVER COUNTY PROFILE: 2008-09

Population Statistics

Total Projected 2009 Population.....194,194¹
 Population Growth, 2000 to 2008...19.9%¹ Percentage Municipal Population...59%²

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:	26,022³
Percentage of Population Living in Poverty:	13.4%⁴
Individuals >65 Living in Poverty:	2,446⁵
Individuals 18 to 64 Living in Poverty:	16,368⁵
Children 0 to 17 Living in Poverty:	7,234⁵
Percentage of Children Living in Poverty:	27.8%

HUNGER⁶

No. Children Receiving Free/Reduced Lunches:	10,240
Percentage of Children Receiving Reduced/Free Lunches:	43%

UNEMPLOYMENT⁷

Percentage Aug. 2008 Unemployment:	5.6%
Percentage Aug. 2009 Unemployment:	9.0%

FOOD STAMP PARTICIPATION⁸

Number Served Jan. 2008:	15,201
Number Served Sept. 2009:	19,444
Percent of Eligible Served Sept. 2009:	70.1%

ADDRESSING NEEDS:

Total Pounds Of Food Distributed Annually in our 34 Counties:	36.8 mil. Lbs.
Total Pounds Of Food Distributed in New Hanover County:	1,840,120 lbs.
Value of Food Distributed:	\$323,766
Pounds Per Person Distributed:	70.7 lbs.
Per-Pound Cost of Distributing Food:	18¢
New Hanover Households Served:	72,005⁹
New Hanover Individuals Served:	170,831
For Every Dollar Donated, How Much is Spent on Food Distribution:	97¢

Our Partner Agencies: See back page.

Major Local Food Donors: wholesalers, retailers, and grocery chains such as Food Lion, Harris-Teeter, Lowe's Foods, Kroger Stores, Wal-Mart

¹Projected 2009 NC population by County, NC Office of State Budget & Management; ²2008 County Municipal Totals, NC Office of State Management & Budget; ³Total Projected 2009 Population x Percentage of Population Living in Poverty; ⁴US Census 2006 American Community Survey (SF -1, SF-3); ⁵Total of Individuals >65, Individuals 18-64 & Children 0-17 Living in Poverty, 2004, 2006 American Community Survey; ⁶Free & reduced Lunch Application Data by Site, Child Nutrition Services, NC Department of Public Instruction; ⁷2008, 2009 Civilian Labor Force Estimates for NC Counties, NC Employment Security Commission; ⁸NC Food & Nutrition Services Participation Report, DSS Performance Management Reporting & Evaluation Management, NC Department of Health & Human Services; ⁹Households/individuals served 1 or more times as reported by partner agencies

New Hanover Community Partner Agencies

Ashley Center/GSH
Bethany Presbyterian Church
Bethesda Christian Life Church/Mercy House
Cape Fear Presbyterian Church
Catholic Charities
Child Advocacy Commission
CIS Wire Program
Coastal Enterprises of Wilmington, Inc.
Coastal Horizons
Communities in Schools of Cape Fear (BackPack Program)
Community Boys & Girls Club
Elderhaus
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
First Fruit Ministries
First in Families/The ARC of NC
Gateway Church
Girls, Inc.
Good Shepherd Center
Help Center of Federal Point
Helping Hands/St Stanislaus Church
Hillcrest Reading Program
Houston Moore Afterschool
Immaculate Conception Church

Kelly House/East Coast Solutions
Kids Making It
Life Transitions Inc.
LINC
Meals on Wheels/Elk's Club
Mother Hubbard's Cupboard
Myrtle Grove SDA Church
New Covenant Holiness Church
Ocean House/Mental Health Association
Salvation Army
SEARISE
St Peter The Fisherman Church
Step Up for Soldiers
Stepping Stone Manor
The Love Center Church, Inc.
The Rock of Wilmington
Tileston Outreach/St. Mary's Catholic Church
Upper Room Praise & Worship Center
Wilmington Residential Adolescent Achievement Place (Kids Cafe)
Wrightsboro United Methodist Church
YMCA
YWCA of Wilmington