



Rutherford County

www.SecondHarvestMetrolina.org



Facts At A Glance

- Rutherford County has a population of 66,421.
- There are 12,752 individuals living at or below the poverty level. This represents 19.2% of the population.
- There are 1,907 individuals 65 years and older living at or below the poverty level. This represents 14% of the older adult population.
- There are 2,597 children living at or below the poverty level. This represents 18.6% of the child population.

Rutherford County Distribution

In 2016-2017, the Food Bank distributed over 54 million pounds of food and household items throughout our 19 county service region.

In 2016-2017, the Food Bank distributed over one million pounds to agencies in Rutherford County.

Rutherford County Partners

The Food Bank supports 26 programs in Rutherford County including Chase Corner UMC Ministries and Little White Country Church.

Child Hunger Programs

The Food Bank sponsors a Kids Café site at Youth Empowerment in Forest City. The Food Bank also sponsors Backpack Programs at Dunbar Elementary School, Pinnacle Elementary School, Sunshine Elementary School, Mt. Vernon Elementary School, Spindale Elementary School, Rutherfordton Elementary School, Ellenboro Elementary School, Cliffside Elementary School, Carver Center at Salvation Army, Chase Middle School, East Rutherford Middle School, Chase High School, RS Middle School, RS Central High School, Rutherford Opportunity Center and REACH.

Dallas and Spartanburg Branch

The Food Bank operates branch warehouses in Dallas, North Carolina and Spartanburg, South Carolina. Those branches have greatly reduced time and transportation expenses for Rutherford County agencies to acquire food.