

Burke County, NC *Facts* at a glance



- Burke County has a population of 86,188.
- There are 16,660 individuals living at or below the poverty level. This represents 19.3% of the population.
- There are 1,577 individuals 65 years and older living at or below the poverty level. This represents 9.8% of the older adult population.
- There are 4,944 children living at or below the poverty level. This represents 29.3% of the child population.

Burke County Distribution

In 2018-2019, the Food Bank distributed over 60 million pounds of food and household items throughout our 24 county service region.

In 2018-2019, the Food Bank distributed over 2.9 million pounds to agencies in Burke County.

Burke County Partners

The Food Bank supports 27 programs in Burke County including Burke United Christian Ministries, Oak Ridge Baptist Church, East Burke Christian Ministries and Wright's Pantry.

Child Hunger Programs

The Food Bank sponsors Backpack Programs at Mountain Crest Elementary School, Mull Elementary School and Icard Elementary School.

Catawba Branch

The Food Bank operates a branch warehouse in Hickory, North Carolina. This branch has greatly reduced time and transportation expenses for Burke County agencies to acquire food.