

# Cleveland County, NC *Facts* at a glance



- Cleveland County has a population of 95,250.
- There are 18,977 individuals living at or below the poverty level. This represents 19.9% of the population.
- There are 2,103 individuals 65 years and older living at or below the poverty level. This represents 12.5% of the older adult population.
- There are 5,812 children living at or below the poverty level. This represents 27.5% of the child population.

## Cleveland 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 3.5 million pounds to agencies in Cleveland County.

## Cleveland County Partners

The Food Bank serves 43 programs in Cleveland County including Upper Cleveland Area Needs, Shelby Presbyterian Church, Kings Mountain Crisis Ministry, Washington Missionary Baptist, Walls Memorial and Central United Methodist Church.

## Child Hunger Programs

Second Harvest Food Bank sponsors Backpack Programs at Casar Elementary School, Crest Middle School, Turning Point Academy, Union Elementary School and James Love Elementary School.

## Dallas Branch

The Food Bank operates a branch warehouse in Dallas, North Carolina. This branch has greatly reduced the time and transportation costs for Cleveland County agencies to acquire food.