

Mecklenburg County, NC *Facts* at a glance



- Mecklenburg County has a population of 1,113,265.
- There are 115,896 individuals living at or below the poverty level. This represents 10.4% of the population.
- There are 11,477 individuals 65 years and older living at or below the poverty level. This represents 8.8% of the older adult population.
- There are 38,249 children living at or below the poverty level. This represents 14.9% of the child population.

Mecklenburg County Distribution

In 2024-2025, the Food Bank distributed over 88 million pounds of food and household items throughout our 24 county service region.

In the past year, the Food Bank distributed over 23 million pounds to agencies in Mecklenburg County.

Mecklenburg County Partners

The Food Bank supports 346 programs in Mecklenburg County including Nourish Up, Oak Grove UMC, Reeder Memorial, Charlotte Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, Hope Haven, Roof Above, Crisis Assistance Ministry, Hope Street Food Pantry, Med Assist, and Classroom Central.

Child Hunger Programs

The Food Bank supports 85 Backpack and Kids Cafe sites in Mecklenburg County. The Food Bank also sponsors approximately 149 school-based mobile pantries annually in Mecklenburg County.