

# 2018-2019 LENOIR COUNTY PROFILE

In the 34 counties the Food Bank services, nearly 600,000 individuals are unable to consistently access enough nutritious food to live a healthy, active life. Hunger is an epidemic, affecting more than just the families living at or below the poverty line. Food insecurity has emerged as a defined reality for hundreds of thousands Americans who cannot keep food on the table. The Food Bank works every day to nourish people while building solutions to hunger through programming and partnerships, empowering North Carolina communities to thrive.

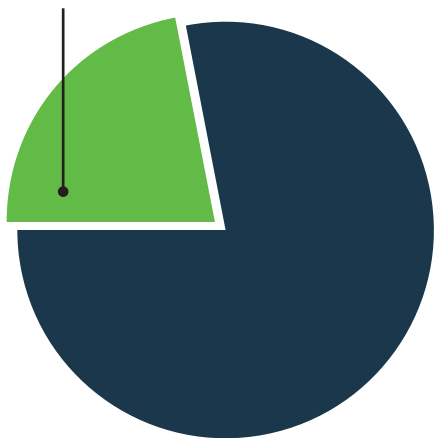
## THE NEED County population<sup>1</sup>: 57,934

Food insecurity <sup>1</sup>	
Number of people who are food insecure	11,200
Percentage of people who are food insecure	19.4%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	3,050
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	23.3%
Individuals over 65 who are living below the poverty level <sup>2</sup>	1,333

Hunger <sup>3</sup>	
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	8,520
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	65.1%
Unemployment <sup>4</sup>	
Percentage unemployment June 2019	4.4%

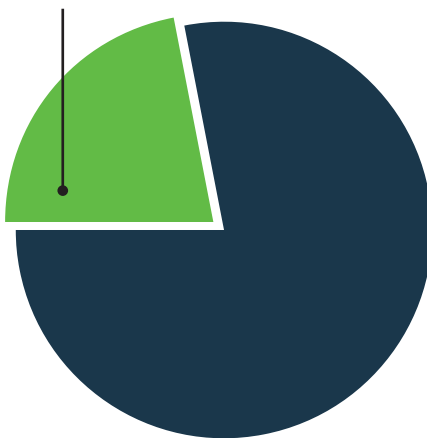
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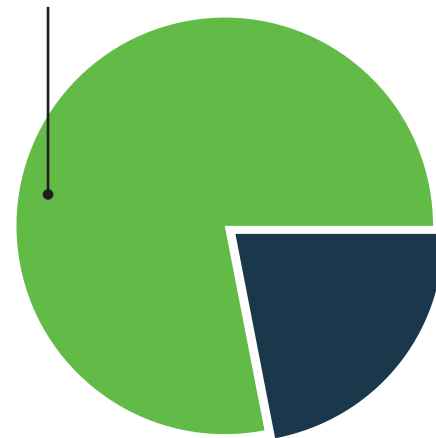
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## ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2018-2019	82 million lbs.
Total meals provided in this county	1,142,787 meals
Total lbs. of food distributed in this county	1,371,344 lbs.

## TOP AGENCIES

Green Lamp  
Faith Developmental Community

Herring Grove FWB Church  
Save the Family Church



<sup>1</sup>Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2016

<sup>2</sup>files.nc.gov/ncdhhs/documents/files/NC%20County%20Aging%20Profiles%202016.pdf

<sup>3</sup>dpi.state.nc.us/docs/fbs/resources/data/freereduced/2016-17freereduced.xlsx

<sup>4</sup>ncommerce.com/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=041CGg7ePHs%3D&tabid=1849&mid=4733