

2019-2020 NEW HANOVER COUNTY PROFILE

In the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic means nearly 760,000 people may face hunger in 2020. COVID-19 is impacting communities and populations of people that were already made vulnerable by inequitable policies and structures. Food insecurity has emerged as a defined reality for hundreds of thousands of 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.

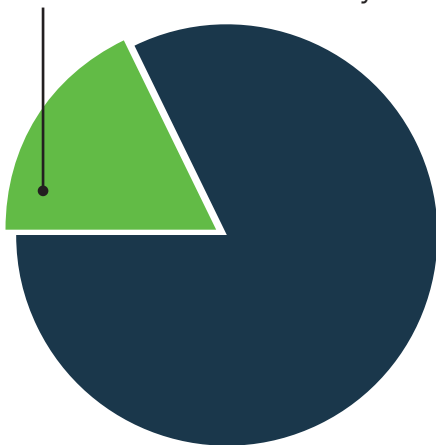
THE NEED County population¹: 224,230

Food insecurity ¹	
Number of people who are food insecure	44,400
Percentage of people who are food insecure	20.0%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	12,300
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	55.0%
Individuals over 65 who are living below the poverty level ²	9,289

Hunger ³	
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	16,179
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	60.0%
Unemployment ⁴	
Percentage unemployment June 2020	7.6%

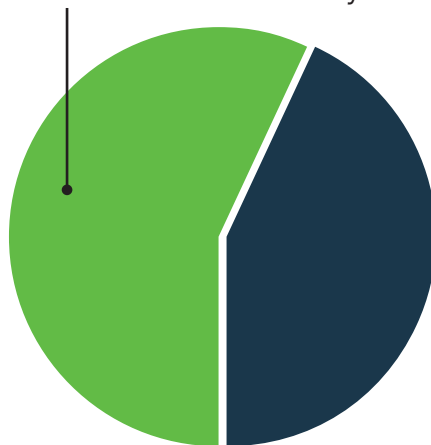
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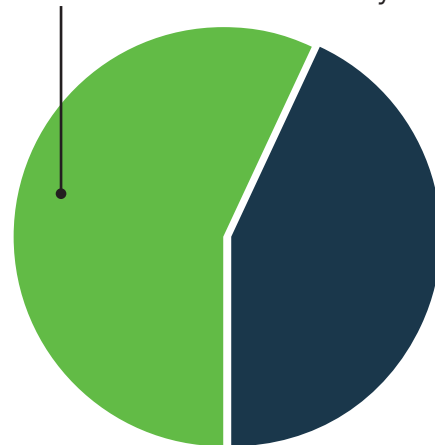
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ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2019-2020	92 million lbs.
Total meals provided in this county	3,091,653 meals
Total lbs. of food distributed in this county	3,671,338 lbs.

TOP AGENCIES

Ashley Center
Brigade Boys and Girls Club
Good Shepherd

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard
Nourish NC



¹Feeding America The Impact of the Coronavirus on Food Insecurity

²NC State Aging Profile 2018

³Economically Disadvantaged Student Data SY 19-20

⁴<https://files.nc.gov/nccommerce/press-release/files/Jun-2020-county-release-combined.pdf>