## 2021-2022 **RICHMOND COUNTY PROFILE**

Carolina, over 500,000 people don't always know where their next meal will come from. Rising costs and the lingering impact of COVID-19 is affecting communities and populations of people that were already made vulnerable by inequitable policies and structures. Food insecurity is 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 population<sup>1</sup>: 44,759

Food insecurity <sup>1</sup>	
Number of people who are food insecure	7,750
Percentage of people who are food insecure	17%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	3,010
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	30%
Individuals over 65 who are living below the poverty level <sup>2</sup>	3,344

Hunger³		
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	7,225	
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	90%	
Unemployment⁴		
Percentage unemployment June 2022	9.3%	



**17%** 

7,750 people are food insecure in Richmond County.



30%

3,010 children under 18 are food insecure in Richmond County.



7,225 children receiving free/reduced school meals in Richmond County.

## ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2021-2022	97,159,166 lbs.
Total meals provided in this county	2,362,069 meals
Total lbs. of food distributed in this county	2,834,483 lbs.

## **AGENCIES IN THIS COUNTY INCLUDE:**

Faith Assembly Church Helping Hands of Hamlet Our Daily Bread Christian Food Sandhills Children Center Tabernacle Full Gospel

