2021-2022 **RALEIGH BRANCH PROFILE**

In the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North 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 Carolina communities to thrive.

Counties Served: Duplin, Franklin, Halifax, Harnett, Johnston, Nash, Sampson, Wake, Warren, Wayne. Edgecombe and Wilson are shared with the Greenville Branch. Lee is shared with the Sandhills Branch.

THE NEED Total population¹: 1,908,070

Food insecurity ¹	
Number of people who are food insecure	213,890
Percentage of people who are food insecure	14%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	72,290
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	23%
Individuals over 65 who are living below the poverty level ²	69,807

Hunger ³	
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	144,808
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	72%
Unemployment⁴	
Percentage unemployment June 2022	7.0%



213,890 people are food insecure in the Raleigh service area.



23%

72,290 children under 18 are food insecure in the Raleigh service area.



72%

144,808 children receiving free/reduced school meals in the Raleigh service area.

ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2021-2022	97,159,166 lbs.
Total meals provided from this branch	31,663,626 meals
Total lbs. of food distributed from this branch	37,996,351 lbs.

AGENCIES IN THIS BRANCH INCLUDE:

Catholic Parish Outreach Community Helpers Services Urban Ministries of Wake County

Building 323 Johnston Central Food Pantry Holly Springs Food Cupboard

