



WELCOME



UNITED WAY
Henderson County

WHAT WE DO



United Way of Henderson County has been fighting for the health, education, financial stability, and basic needs of everyone in Henderson County since 1953.

Together we make our community stronger and a better place for all.



OUR MISSION



To organize and mobilize community resources to improve lives of Henderson County residents.



COMMUNITY FOCUSED. IMPACT DRIVEN.





ADVOCATING FOR WORKING FAMILIES

A core part of United Way of Henderson County's work is helping **ALICE—Asset Limited, Income Constrained, and Employed**—neighbors who work hard but still struggle to afford the basics.

United Way helps **ALICE** families build long-term stability by linking them to the resources, partnerships, and support systems that make daily life more manageable and future planning more possible.

By addressing immediate needs while also investing in education, health, and household resilience, United Way helps create a stronger foundation for lasting financial security.

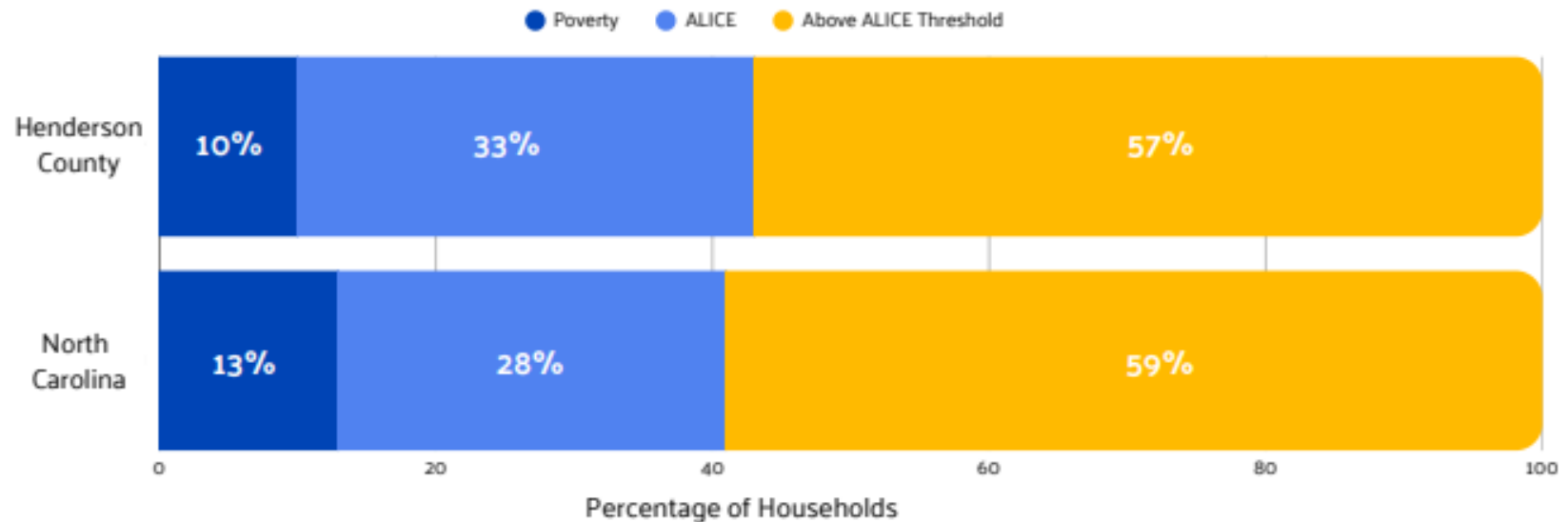


41% of North Carolina families are below the ALICE threshold

43% of Henderson County families are below the ALICE threshold



A higher percentage of people in Henderson County are at or below the ALICE Threshold than the percentage of North Carolinians or Americans as a whole.



**MORE THAN 4 IN 10
HENDERSON COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS
ARE BELOW THE ALICE THRESHOLD**

**More households are
living paycheck to
paycheck in Henderson
County than in NC
proportionally.**

ALICE in Henderson County

Households in Henderson County	
Total Households	51,977
Below ALICE Threshold	22,288
Experiencing Poverty	5,072
% Below ALICE Threshold	43%

Source: www.unitedforalice.org//county-reports/north-carolina
most recent available data from 2024



OUR LOCAL IMPACT IN ACTION

United Way of Henderson County is an impactful local funder of nonprofits serving Henderson County

54

agencies received donor designated funding

5

agencies received Helene Recovery Grants to fund Disaster Case Managers

42 programs at 25 funded partners

supported through our Community Investment Grants

16

grants to support local food pantries

FOOD PANTRY PARTNERS

- Amazing Grace Ministries Pantry
- Back On Track Addiction Ministries
- Caja Solidaria
- Calvary Episcopal Church Food Pantry, Inc.
- Children & Family Resource Center
- Community Food Pantry
- East Flat Rock Baptist Church
- Hola Carolina Food Pantry
- Hope United Methodist Church
- Interfaith Assistance Ministry
- Love's Kitchen - First Baptist Church Hendersonville
- Mills River Presbyterian Church Pantry
- Pan De Vida
- The Salvation Army of Hendersonville, NC
- The Storehouse
- True Ridge

Funding for Mental Health support provided to the **Henderson County Rescue Squad** and **HCPS Sources of Strength** program

"We absolutely could not continue to serve our community without the generosity of organizations like United Way helping us to help others and we are grateful for all your help and support. We hope to continue to serve for many more years to come and hopefully in a new building in the future."

— Pan De Vida

OUR SUPPORT PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE IN DELIVERING ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO FAMILIES THROUGHOUT HENDERSON COUNTY

20,181

services to improve health and nutrition

6,112

services to prepare children to start and succeed in school

2,067

211 calls made in Henderson County

746

individuals helped with affordable housing and financial literacy programs

286,000

pounds of food distributed through 16 local food pantries

19,613

basic needs & crisis support services

2x

mental health support for Henderson County Rescue Squad

771

neighbors received disaster case management, resource referrals, and financial assistance for Helene recovery

Prepared 8 home sites and constructed 9 home foundations for homes damaged or destroyed in Hurricane Helene

Together we helped to provide over

50,000

local services to Henderson County residents

80

households impacted by Hurricane Helene assisted with rent, mortgage, and/or utility payments

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BASIC NEEDS

- Calvary Episcopal Church Food Pantry
- Children & Family Resource Center
- Henderson County Rescue Squad
- Interfaith Assistance Ministry
- MANNA FoodBank
- The Mediation Center
- Medical Loan Closet
- Mountain Aging Partners
- Pisgah Legal Services
- Safelight
- Thrive
- The Free Clinics

12 organizations, 14 programs



FINANCIAL STABILITY

- Habitat for Humanity
- Housing Assistance Corporation
- Literacy Connection
- OnTrack Financial Education and Counseling
- Pisgah Legal Services
- Safelight
- Thrive
- WNC Source

8 organizations, 11 programs

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HEALTH

- AspireYouth & Family, Inc.
- Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of WNC
- Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County
- Children & Family Resource Center
- Crossnore Communities for Children
- Hope Coalition
- MANNA FoodBank
- St. Gerard Center for Autism
- The Free Clinics

10 organizations, 11 programs



EDUCATION

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of WNC
- Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County
- Children & Family Resource Center
- Smart Start Partnership for Children

4 organizations, 6 programs

And so much more.

PROGRAMMING THAT ADDRESSES REAL COMMUNITY NEEDS



VITAL SUPPORT OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR FAMILIES IN HENDERSON COUNTY



UNITED WAY
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For every dollar raised, we put the value of over a dollar back into improving our community.





Helene Response and Recovery

UWHC is organizing and mobilizing resources on a whole new level. Bringing together volunteers, supplies, and funding for local agencies on the front lines to support our community's emergency response and long term recovery.

Over
6,600
volunteer
hours
In Oct. 2024

1,510
volunteer
shifts filled



UWHC created Henderson County's long term recovery group, connecting more than 100 recovery organizations to support Henderson County residents.

The DRP's mission is to unite and empower communities after disasters by **coordinating information, improving access to critical resources, and working collaboratively** to address unmet needs so residents can recover and rebuild after natural disasters like Hurricane Helene.



**DISASTER
RECOVERY
PARTNERSHIP**

STATISTICS TO DATE



60%

of clients need
assistance with
housing or shelter



30%

have a veteran in
the household

225

families served



local DRP case managers have secured more than

\$1,000,000

in direct financial assistance for their
clients and made over 1,500 resource
referrals



Average median income
per household is

\$2,200/mo

What can you do to help?

- Connect neighbors with resources
- Get help if you need it
- Give back if you are able

**NEED HELP?
GET CONNECTED.**



Not sure where to turn? Your Henderson County United Way can help.

Scan the QR code or visit liveunitedhc.org/resources to learn about local resources for food, financial assistance, home repair, housing, legal assistance, and more.

SCAN ME!



**DISASTER
RECOVERY
PARTNERSHIP**

If you have unmet needs caused by Helene and would like to be connected with a **free, confidential, local** disaster case manager to help meet those needs.

 Visit hcdprp.org/get-help



North Carolina

NC 211 provides **free, confidential, and multilingual** resource referrals **24/7/365**.

 **Dial 2-1-1** for operator assistance

 Visit nc211.org for local resources

Power of One Gift

It takes all of us
working together
to lift up Henderson
County neighbors



A gift to UWHC makes a Big Impact

A GIFT TODAY MAKES A BETTER TOMORROW

Give a little each paycheck.
Make a **BIG** impact all year.

Thank you!



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