

MONTHLY IMPACT REPORT

JULY 2017



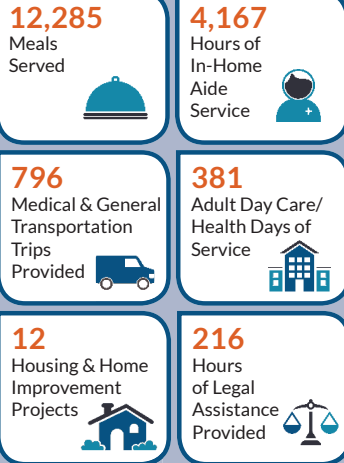
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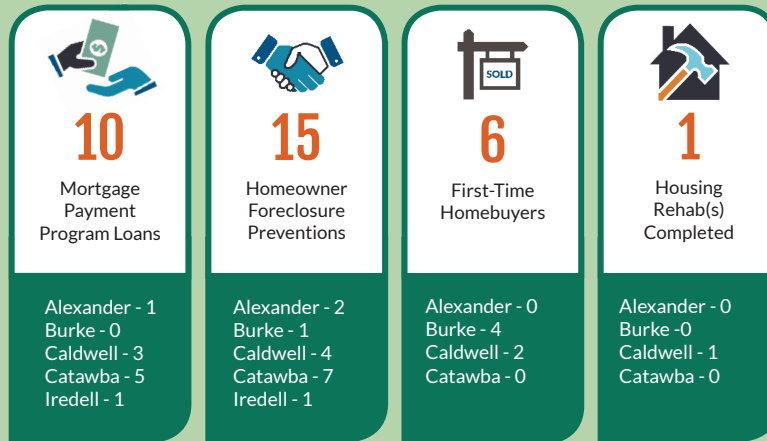
- 2 community presentations
- Taught 3 classes on fall prevention.
- 19 In-Home Respite hours provided through Family Caregiver Support Program
- Local Contact Agency program had 3 new referrals initiated from the Raleigh call center; 3 LCA follow-up visits; 1 in-reach visits with facility social workers; 4 Information and Options Counseling contacts.
- Assisted 6 individuals in the region with Medicare Part D Open Enrollment
- Ombudsman program made visits to 3 facilities; received 9 new investigations; closed 6 cases; and provided technical assistance to 28 individuals; and provided 1 training to facilities.
- Project CARE completed 8 assessments, 6 Home Visits and granted 13 vouchers during the month of July (total of 13 vouchers issued out of 107 for the territory). Completed 3 outreach visits to referral agencies and presented training sessions to reach more than 212 people with Project CARE information.

FREE Senior Tar Heel Pass - Are you over age 60 and attend local middle school and/or high school sporting events in the greater Hickory area? If so, stop by your local senior center to receive your FREE Senior Tar Heel pass, which provides free admission to most schools in our area. You must go to the senior center in person and provide proof of your age.

- Alexander Senior Center (828) 632-1717
- East Burke Senior Center (828) 397-3397
- Morganton/Burke Senior Center (828) 430-4147
- Caldwell Senior Center, Inc. (828) 758-2883
- Catawba Council on Aging West Hickory Senior Center (828) 328-2269
- Neighbor's Network (828) 464-1111

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Sherry Long
Rick Oxford
Leah Martin
Laurie Powell
Lisa Helton
Ken Hollar
Jennifer Cannon
Helen Whisnant
Deanna Butcher



- Valdese - Meter Replacement Project - DEQ State Reserve- \$566,347 Grant and \$1,699,039 0% Loan.
- Valdese - WWTP Upgrade - Backdrive Centrifuge - DEQ State Reserve Project Loan - \$317,265 1.91% max interest rate Loan.
- Valdese ARC - Water Plant Upgrades - \$300,000
- Conover Economic Infrastructure Fund Application - Project Contour - \$200,000
- Conover Industrial Development Fund Pre-App - Project Contour - \$50,000 & \$195,000
- Valdese water SFR - awarded
- Valdese sewer SFR - awarded

IT/GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Scott Miller
Daniel Ezell
Tom Bell
Todd Stroupe
Trey Schweitzer
Aaron McMillan



Greenway Transit - Greenway Passenger Sampling Trips - 17
General Mapping Support

- Glen Alpine, Hickory, Carolina Textile District, Greater Hickory MPO, Manufacturing Solution Center (MSC), WPCOG Community & Economic Development and Environmental Planning

Drexel Mapping Support

- Created custom GIS data dictionaries for electric and sewer features
- Field-Collected 534 Electric Features and placed them into the GIS
- Scanned and Georeferenced 13 Electric As-Built/Technical Drawings
- Scanned 21 Town Water/Sewer As-Built, Georeferenced 8

Rutherford College GIS

- Created custom GIS data dictionaries for Town water features
- Collected 202 Water Features and placed into GIS

Application Development

- Updated the Hickory Fire Department's ArcGIS online Preplan feature layer

Other Activities

- Burke County Community Assets Mapping Project
- Coordinated and hosted the 1st Annual NCAUG Local Government GIS Symposium at WPCOG
- Presented custom "As-Built Locator" online tool to GIS local-government peers at Symposium

John Marshall
 Johnny Wear
 Taylor Dellinger
 Teresa Kinney
 Erin Schotte
 Cody Moneymaker
 Leslie Meadows
 Averi Ritchie
 Duncan Cavanaugh

Planning

- Attended 11 Commission, Council, and Planning Board meetings
- Vacant Housing Task Force meeting
- Met with Hildebran Board of Adjustment to decide variance case
- Attended ribbon cutting for Valdese Downtown Park
- Met with NC Commerce regarding Drexel Heritage property
- Provided technical assistance to Town of Glen Alpine
- Continued land use mapping for Glen Alpine and Zoning Ordinance Review
- Reviewed three (3) Minor Subdivisions for Hudson, Gamewell and Rutherford Coll
- Aided Towns in Completing the Demographics/Annexation Survey for NC OSBM Census
- Held a Claremont Plan Review Committee meeting for Prysmium foundation upgrades.
- Begin to Devise Factsheets and Marketing Tools for Claremont's Fast Food Chain Initiative
- Worked with Telecommunications Consultants to Permit Co-location of Service Antennas in both Claremont and Sawmills

Transportation

- Met with Morganton to discuss improvements to NC 181
- Transportation Advisory Board meeting
- Greenway Public Transportation meeting
- Met with Burke Co. Non-profits to discuss public transportation

MPO TAC/TCC meeting

- Hosted U-4700 (US 321) public meeting
- Attended freight planning webinar
- Met with Caldwell Co. Commissioner to discuss SPOT 5.0 projects
- Judge for "Public Service Announcement" contest at NC Center for Engineering Technologies

Data

- Answered 54 requests for data during month of July
- Collected Vehicle Occupancy Rate (VOR) data at NC 127 North in Hickory and US 321 Business in Newton
- Gave Burke Quality of Life Explorer Presentation at the NC Arc User Group Government Symposium
- Gave demographics presentation at the Alexander County Schools Retreat
- Prepared presentation on Burke County Housing Trends for Burke County Housing Summit
- Created Burke County "Health Need Index" Values for the Burke County Census Tracts
- Prepared appendixes for CEDS report

Environmental

- Annual Western Piedmont Air and Water Quality Conferences
- Septic Tank Repair construction and repair continued
- Participated in the "Fill in the Gap" STEM workshop for Stormwater Outreach

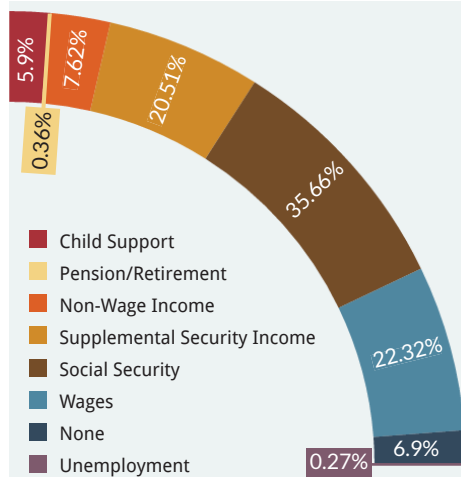
REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Stephanie Harvey
 Vicky Abernethy
 Kala Guido
 JoAnn Parlier
 Elizabeth Moncrief
 Kim Duncan
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 1,124 Units Leased	 65 In Office Client Meetings	 106 Inspections Completed	 0 Vouchers Issued	 1,627 Waiting List
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 8 Total Vouchers Pending	 0 Congratulation Letters	 \$443,073 Paid on Tenant's Behalf	 \$394 Average Housing Assistance Payment
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Primary Income for Section 8 Tenants



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Wendy Johnson
 April Lail
 Elizabeth Hilliard
 Donna Gilbert
 Matthew Xiong

JOBSEEKER SERVICES

 6 Scholarships Issued Job seekers currently receiving training scholarships	 7 Trainings On-the-Job-Training (OJT) & Work Experience	 137 New Register Unemployed People not working that newly registered in NCWorks.gov	 235 1x NCWorks Registrants People that registered in NCWorks.gov for the first time
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Learn more at www.westernpiedmontworks.org

EMPLOYER SERVICES

 313 Employers served at NCWorks Career Centers
 13 Staff assisted Recruitment Events at a Career Center or Employer Site
 1,005 Job openings in Alexander, Burke, Caldwell & Catawba Counties