



## Emergency and Disaster Response Fund Awards

**October 7 - 21 Awards Totaling \$451,246**

**\$25,000** to **Asheville Poverty Initiative** to provide food and other essential services in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Babies Need Bottoms** to provide diapers and other essential baby supplies in the WNC Region.

**\$7,500** to **Baptist Children's Homes of NC** to provide food and basic essentials to displaced students in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000** to **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Western North Carolina** to provide essential supplies and FEMA application assistance to the organization's Littles and their families in the WNC Region.

**\$12,500** to **Bread of Life** to provide meals in Transylvania County.

**\$2,600** to **Center for Domestic Peace** to support hotline staff in Jackson, Haywood, and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000** to **Centro Comunitario Hispano-Americano** to provide food and other essential services to Latino families in Transylvania and Henderson counties.

**\$25,000** to **Centro Unido Latino-Americano** to distribute essential items in McDowell, Rutherford, Burke, Buncombe, Mitchell, Yancey, and Avery counties.

**\$25,000** to **Co-operate WNC** to distribute food and emergency supplies in Rutherford, McDowell, Buncombe, and Henderson counties.

**\$9,000** to **Grahamtown Team** toward roof repair and tree removal in Rutherford County.

**\$25,000** to **Hands On! - A Child's Gallery** to provide on-site essential services, goods, and internet in Henderson, Polk, and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000** to **Haywood Christian Ministry** to provide food and other essential resources in Haywood County.

**\$25,000** to **Hospice and Palliative Care of the Blue Ridge** to provide generators and essential medical equipment to hospice patients in Mitchell, Avery, Yancey, McDowell, and Madison counties.

**\$25,000** to **International Friendship Center** to provide food and meet essential needs for people impacted by the hurricane in Macon and Jackson counties.

**\$25,000** to **Jewish Family Services of WNC** to meet essential basic needs in Buncombe and Henderson counties.

**\$25,000** to **Out Of The Ashes** to provide shelter and other resources to homeless people in Rutherford and Polk counties.

**\$24,646** to **PIVOTPoint WNC** to provide mental health services at various community hubs in Haywood, Transylvania, and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000** to **Southern Appalachian Wilderness Stewards** to use its trail crews to help with debris clean-up in Buncombe, McDowell, and Rutherford counties.

**\$20,000** to **The Lord's Harvest for the Hungry** to support delivery of fresh meals in Madison County.

**\$25,000** to **United Way of Haywood County** toward housing repair and other housing needs in Haywood County.

**\$25,000** to **Wortham Center for the Performing Arts** for an on-site City of Asheville Fire Department distribution center providing essential goods to residents in Buncombe County.

### **October 8 - 26 Awards Totaling \$627,000**

**\$25,000** to **AMOREM** to provide emergency assistance for hospice patients in Avery, Burke, McDowell, and Rutherford counties.

**\$25,000** to **Avery County Fire Commission** to provide heat to remote communities until power is restored in Avery County.

**\$25,000** to **Blue Ridge Public Radio** to support operations transmitting needed information to communities affected by Hurricane Helene in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000** to **Camp Grier** to purchase, install and make available commercial washers and dryers in the Old Fort community of McDowell County.

**\$25,000** to **Cedar Mountain Community Center** to provide meals in Transylvania County.

**\$25,000** to **Colaborativa La Milpa** to help with home repairs and debris removal in Latinx communities in Buncombe, Henderson, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000** to **Compassionate Care Western NC** for StarLink roam devices providing critical communications services to hospice staff in remote areas in Yancey, Mitchell, Avery, Madison, and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000** to **Eblen Charities** for housing, utilities, gasoline, and medical assistance needed by storm victims in Buncombe and Madison counties.

**\$25,000** to **Eliada Homes** to assist with water issues impeding the re-opening of childcare facilities in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **E-POLK** for rebuilding internet operations in Rutherford and Polk counties.

**\$25,000** to **Haywood County Meals On Wheels** to provide shelf stable meals and water to homebound seniors in Haywood County.

**\$25,000** to **Highlands Emergency Council** to purchase food in Macon County.

**\$25,000** to **Holston Presbytery Camp and Retreat Center** to get its facility minimally operational so that it can host crews who are working on the power lines, roadways and other infrastructure in Avery County.

**\$23,000** to **Hope Coalition Corp.** to provide assistance to individuals struggling with mental health and substance use issues at shelters and distribution centers in Henderson, Transylvania, Polk, and Rutherford counties.

**\$25,000** to **Macon County Care Network (CareNet)** to provide food assistance to individuals and families in Macon County.

**\$25,000** to **Madison County Schools** to support unexpected costs associated with acting as the town's emergency operations center, distribution point for essential supplies, and meal distribution site for displaced residents in Madison County.

**\$25,000** to **Maggie Valley United Methodist Church** to provide food and meals in Haywood County.

**\$23,000** to **Magnolia Mission** to help foster, adoptive, and kinship families whose homes were damaged or completely lost due to the hurricane in Macon, Jackson, Swain, Cherokee, Graham, Clay, and Haywood counties.

**\$25,000** to **McDowell County Schools** to help alleviate the unplanned expenses associated with the disaster response, specifically overtime, fuel expenses, repair materials, and other costs in McDowell County.

**\$25,000** to **Organic Growers School** to provide food to families and help farmers recover from damages in McDowell, Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Rutherford, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000** to **Partners Aligned Toward Health (PATH)** for costs associated with volunteer coordination, resource distribution, and public information dissemination in multiple languages in Yancey County.

**\$25,000** to **Resources for Resilience** to provide mental health support at shelters, distribution sites, and other high-need community centers in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000** to **Smart Start Partnership for Children** to provide food required by regulations that are critical to getting childcare facilities open in Henderson County.

**\$25,000** to **Synergy In Action** to provide services allowing developmentally disabled individuals to shelter in place in Polk County.

**\$6,000** to **UnComplicated Kitchen** to support local area food pantries and their clients with information such as how to prepare foods under a boil water advisory in Jackson and Haywood counties.

**\$25,000** to **Vecinos Farmworker Health Program** for mobile health clinics and essential items needed by Latinx families in Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Swain, Macon, Jackson, Transylvania, and Haywood counties.

#### **October 9 - 9 Awards Totaling \$225,000**

**\$25,000** to **Asheville Area Habitat for Humanity** for costs associated with homeowner assessment and damage repairs in Buncombe and Madison counties.

**\$25,000 to Asheville Fire Fighters Association Foundation** to assist members who sustained storm damage to their homes in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000 to EcoForesters** to partner with local nonprofits to help with community clean-up efforts in Buncombe, Madison, Haywood, Jackson, Transylvania, Polk, McDowell, Yancey, and Henderson counties.

**\$25,000 to Mitchell Giving Gardens** to purchase and distribute food, water, and essential supplies in Avery, Mitchell, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000 to My Sister's Place of Madison** to assist with relocation of its main street offices and thrift shop serving Madison and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000 to Rutherford County Schools Education Foundation** to provide essential services to homeless students in Rutherford County.

**\$25,000 to Veterans Treatment Court of Western North Carolina Foundation** to provide essential services to veterans involved with treatment court in counties affected by Helene.

**\$25,000 to Western Carolina Medical Society Foundation** to address emergency medical needs of people who have lost the ability to pay for marketplace insurance or lost healthcare coverage through their employer and those have become unhoused due to the hurricane in Buncombe, Madison, Haywood, Jackson, Henderson, Transylvania, Polk, Yancey, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, and Swain counties.

**\$25,000 to Western Carolina Rescue Ministries** to provide meals and other essential services in Buncombe County.

#### **October 10 - 16 Awards Totaling \$383,000**

**\$25,000 to All Souls Counseling Center** to provide mental health services for people affected by the hurricane in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000 to Blue Ridge Community College Educational Foundation** to address food, gas, utility assistance, storage, transportation, repairs, medical, and other needs as identified by students in Henderson and Transylvania counties.

**\$25,000 to Campaign for Southern Equality** for a drop-in center that will provide essential services and supplies to LBGQT+ people in the WNC region, with a focus on Buncombe County.

**\$25,000 to Diaper Bank of North Carolina** to deliver diapers, adult incontinence supplies, and period products in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000 to Food Connection** to support preparation costs related to the distribution of hot meals utilizing its food truck in Buncombe and Madison counties.

**\$25,000 to Hola Carolina** for immediate relief efforts and recovery support for Latinx people affected by the disaster in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000 to Hood Huggers Foundation** to collect and distribute essential supplies to BIPOC communities utilizing its youth development cohort in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Irene Wortham Center** to install a 5,000-gallon rainwater catchment system to collect rainwater to provide shower/laundry services to its residential adults with developmental disabilities in Buncombe County.

**\$15,000** to **Mountain Roots** to offer emergency childcare for K-7 children in Transylvania County.

**\$25,000** to **Only Hope WNC** for repairs needed to get its youth shelter operational after flood damage in Buncombe, Transylvania, Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, and Haywood counties.

**\$25,000** to **Operation Gateway** to assess client needs, provide support and linkages to available resources, and, in many cases, offer transportation or delivery services of those resources in the WNC Region.

**\$18,000** to **SeekHealing** to provide mental healthcare services to people navigating survival trauma in Buncombe and Haywood counties.

**\$25,000** to **The Christine Avery Learning Center** to replace destroyed items not covered by insurance and needed to re-open the day-care center in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **True Ridge** to provide direct financial support to immigrant families who are ineligible for FEMA assistance in Henderson and Transylvania counties.

**\$25,000** to **Umoja Health, Wellness, and Justice Collective** to provide FEMA application and transportation assistance to diverse people who suffered significant losses in Buncombe and McDowell counties.

**\$25,000** to **UNETE NC** to support a community distribution center in Emma, as well as broader outreach for FEMA application assistance in Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Haywood, and Transylvania counties.

#### **October 11 - 11 Awards Totaling \$275,000**

**\$25,000** to **Abernethy Memorial United Methodist Church** to transition Sunday School rooms into distribution centers for broad community access to food, baby and adult diapers, batteries, and water in Burke County.

**\$25,000** to **Amazing Grace Ministries of Hendersonville** to provide food, water and basic household supplies and furnishings lost due to storm damage in Henderson, Buncombe, Rutherford, Polk, and Transylvania counties.

**\$25,000** to **Arthur Morgan School** to provide essential services in Yancey County.

**\$25,000** to **Asheville-Buncombe Institute of Parity Achievement** to provide essential services to BIPOC communities in Buncombe, Henderson and Rutherford counties.

**\$25,000** to **Center for Rural Health Innovation** to extend the clinic's hours to provide essential medical services to those affected by the hurricane in Mitchell County.

**\$25,000** to **Engage WNC** to provide meals, assess needs, and provide cold weather clothing and supplies to unhoused people in Henderson County.

**\$25,000** to **Henderson County Education Foundation** to give each school funds toward school supplies, clothing, shoes, linens, towels, and hygiene products needed to meet urgent student needs in Henderson County.

**\$25,000** to **Housing Assistance Corporation** to assess and provide repairs to homes damaged by the hurricane in Henderson, Transylvania, and Polk counties.

**\$25,000** to **Mountain Housing Opportunities** to provide residents of MHO's affordable multifamily properties with water and other sanitation supplies, as well as home repairs to low-income homeowners impacted in Buncombe and Madison counties.

**\$25,000** to **MountainTrue** for tree and debris removal and to provide households with firewood in Buncombe, Mitchell, Madison, and Avery counties.

**\$25,000** to **West Marion Community Forum** to provide emergency and medical supplies, as well as debris removal and clean-up efforts for elderly and low-income community members in McDowell County.

#### **October 14 - 23 Awards Totaling \$525,435**

**\$25,000** to **Asheville City Schools Foundation** to provide responsive, educational programs, including meals and water, for out-of-school Asheville City Schools students.

**\$20,000** to **Basics Christian Ministries** to provide food, hygiene products, and cold weather clothing and supplies in Rutherford County.

**\$23,750** to **Black Wall Street AVL** to provide portable showers, meet essential needs and assist with FEMA applications in Buncombe and Henderson counties.

**\$25,000** to **Bountiful Cities Project** for food and resource distribution, as well as public health education regarding dishwashing and composting waste in Buncombe and Madison counties.

**\$25,000** to **Carolina Day School** to provide essential services and educational support for participants in the Horizons program and their families.

**\$25,000** to **Family Resources of Rutherford County** to repair damages at shelter properties and assist domestic violence clients in Rutherford County.

**\$25,000** to **Foster Family Alliance of North Carolina** to support foster families affected by the hurricane in WNC.

**\$25,000** to **Hunger and Health Coalition** to establish a mobile pharmacy unit to dispense emergency medications to those affected by Hurricane Helene in Avery, Burke, Mitchell, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000** to **Institute for Preventive Healthcare and Advocacy** to provide ongoing assistance with redistributing supplies and resources from stage sites to vulnerable and at-need communities in Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania counties.

**\$25,000** to **JMPRO Community Media** to provide essential services and communication resources to remote communities in Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Swain, and Transylvania counties.

**\$25,000** to **Literacy Connection** to replace key resources and secure temporary operating space in Henderson County.

**\$25,000** to **My Daddy Taught Me That** to provide out-of-school learning environments for students and essential supplies for families in Buncombe County.

**\$16,000** to **New HOPE of McDowell** to replace lost equipment and make facility repairs in McDowell County.

**\$15,685** to **OpenDoors of Asheville** to provide essential services, supplies, and educational support for their out-of-school students and families in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Service Center for Latinos** to purchase tools and supplies for construction and cleaning to begin the process of repairing houses and preventing mold to make homes habitable again in Yancey and Mitchell counties.

**\$25,000** to **The Community Table** to purchase food for its pantry and meal program in Jackson, Swain, and Macon counties including the Qualla Boundary.

**\$25,000** to **The Free Clinics** to extend pharmacy hours and provide space for displaced medical providers in Henderson and Polk counties.

**\$25,000** to **The Hope Center of Hendersonville** to restock lost food, remove debris and make repairs to property in Henderson and Polk counties.

**\$25,000** to **Thrive Asheville** to provide housing assistance to low-income families affected by the hurricane in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Transylvania Christian Ministry** to provide essential services, supplies and temporary housing to low-income people affected by the hurricane in Transylvania County.

**\$10,000** to **Watauga County Immigrant Justice Coalition** to provide financial assistance to immigrants affected by the hurricane in Avery and Burke counties.

**\$25,000** to **Western North Carolina Workers' Center** to provide financial resources and other aid to immigrant Latinx workers ineligible for FEMA assistance in Buncombe, Henderson, Macon, and Burke counties.

**\$15,000** to **Woodson Branch Nature School** to provide childcare to K-8 children until public schools re-open in Madison, Buncombe, Yancey, and Cherokee counties.

#### **October 15 - 18 Awards Totaling \$430,000**

**\$25,000** to **Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project** to provide support and resources to WNC farms with significant losses due to the hurricane.

**\$25,000** to **Aston Park Health Care Center** for water delivery and portable hand-washing stations in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **BeLoved Asheville** to clean and repair homes damaged by the hurricane in multiple counties in WNC.

**\$25,000** to **Black Mountain Counseling Center** to address the increased demand for mental services in McDowell and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000 to Blue Ridge Resource Conservation & Development** to establish a portable water filtration system, deliver supplies and resources, clear roads and driveways, and assist local fire departments in Yancey, Mitchell, and Avery counties.

**\$25,000 to Center for Conscious Living and Dying** to provide essential services and supplies and offer end-of-life support in Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000 to Eagle Market Streets Development Corporation** for warehousing, managing, and distributing donated products in McDowell County.

**\$25,000 to Fern Leaf Community Charter School** to replace classroom materials and resources in K-4 classrooms lost due to flooding serving students from Buncombe, Henderson, Polk, Transylvania, and Madison counties.

**\$25,000 to Latino Advocacy Coalition of Henderson County** to assist with FEMA applications, help coordinate a shared distribution site and distribute items to begin clean-up efforts in Henderson, Polk, Transylvania, and Buncombe counties.

**\$20,000 to Laurel Community Center Organization** to support a disaster relief hub supporting Madison, Yancey, Buncombe, and Mitchell counties.

**\$25,000 to Mitchell Community Health Partnership** to provide heating assistance to those in need in Mitchell County.

**\$25,000 to Quiet Givers** to assist with food, health, shelter, safety, transportation, and education needs resulting from Hurricane Helene that referral programs cannot cover in Avery, Mitchell, and Yancey counties.

**\$25,000 to The Arc of Buncombe County** to provide direct emergency financial support and services to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000 to The Center for Native Health** to purchase supplies such as tarps, solar battery chargers, debris removal and heating equipment, and potable and non-potable water solutions serving Buncombe, Madison, Swain, Jackson, and Yancey counties and the Qualla Boundary.

**\$25,000 to The Medical Loan Closet of Henderson County** to repair its building and purchase new medical equipment for use in Henderson, Buncombe, Polk, Rutherford, and Transylvania counties.

**\$10,000 to The Steady Collective** to meet the increased demand for harm reduction services and to provide essential services and supplies in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000 to United Way of Henderson County** to provide essential resource coordination in Henderson County.

**\$25,000 to WAMY Community Action** to assist with home repairs, utilities, and transportation in Avery, Mitchell, and Yancey counties.

#### **October 16 - 9 Awards Totaling \$490,000**

**\$25,000 to Blue Ridge Pride** to provide essential services and supplies to the LGBTQ+ community in Buncombe, Madison, and Henderson counties.



**\$25,000** to **Center for Participatory Change** to support a distribution center providing essential supplies and services in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Haywood Community College Foundation** to help hurricane-impacted students with essential needs, as well as dehumidifiers and fans, replacement of household and electronic items, and towing for disabled vehicles in Haywood County.

**\$25,000** to **Haywood County Schools** to provide essential services and supplies to families displaced in Haywood County.

**\$25,000** to **Hunger Coalition of Transylvania County** to provide 250 backpacks of food each week in Transylvania County schools.

**\$150,000** to **Mitchell County Schools** to provide each of its public schools with financial resources to meet NC Dept. of Public Instruction requirements for reopening the schools in Mitchell County.

**\$25,000** to **NC MedAssist** to provide essential medication items for individuals in need in the WNC Region.

**\$15,000** to **Spruce Pine Montessori School** for storm-related repairs at its school, which serves Mitchell, Avery, and Yancey counties.

**\$175,000** to **Yancey County Schools** to provide each of its public schools with financial resources to meet NC Dept. of Public Instruction requirements for reopening the schools in Yancey County.

#### **October 17 - 9 Awards Totaling \$370,000**

**\$10,000** to **Arms Around ASD** to provide programs and self-care services for autistic people as a direct result of Hurricane Helene and its aftermath in Buncombe, Henderson, and Haywood counties.

**\$200,000** to **Avery County Schools** to provide each of its public schools with financial resources to meet NC Dept. of Public Instruction requirements for reopening the schools in Avery County.

**\$10,000** to **HERE In Jackson County** to provide shelter for displaced families, particularly those with children, who are not covered under existing state funding for cold weather shelter in Madison, Haywood, and Jackson counties.

**\$25,000** to **High Country Community Health** toward restoration work needed at a free dental clinic in Avery County.

**\$25,000** to **Restoration House WNC** to provide nutritious, locally-sourced food boxes to families struggling with hunger due to widespread job losses caused by the hurricane in Swain County.

**\$25,000** to **Sistas Caring 4 Sistas** to conduct wellness checks and needs assessments, as well as provide infant supplies, such as formula, diapers, wipes, nutritious foods, and clean water needed to sanitize breast pump parts and bottles or mix into formula in Buncombe, McDowell, and Rutherford counties.

**\$25,000** to **Sisters of Mercy Urgent Care** toward expenses needed to open three clinics, such as internet service for access to electronic health records, portable toilets, and water in Buncombe, Transylvania, Yancey, and Haywood counties.

**\$25,000** to **Spring Creek Community Center** toward property repairs for community members that will not be covered by insurance in Madison County.

**\$25,000** to **Swain Community Outreach** to fill gaps in the supply of harm reduction materials to the substance use disorder recovery community in Swain, Jackson, Macon, and Haywood counties.

#### **October 18 - 8 Awards Totaling \$191,909**

**\$25,000** to **Anchor Baptist Church and Ministries** toward costs associated with serving as a warehouse and distribution location for Transylvania, Buncombe, Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, and Yancey counties.

**\$24,960** to **Buladean Community Foundation** to hire hurricane-affected community members as temporary staff allowing the relief distribution center to continue its extended hours in Mitchell County.

**\$50,000** to **Buncombe County Schools** for a student resilience and social emotional recovery program in Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Christmount Christian Assembly** to repair its water system in Black Mountain of Buncombe County.

**\$25,000** to **Getting Back To The Basics** for an educational recovery program for students affected by Hurricane Helene in Buncombe County.

**\$12,000** to **I Seek K9 Search and Rescue** to provide canine search and rescue support to help locate victims of Hurricane Helene in Haywood, Buncombe, and Henderson counties.

**\$24,949** to **Southwestern Community College** to provide essential supplies and internet access and to address mental health and other needs of its students in Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties and the Qualla Boundary.

**\$5,000** to **THRIVE Appalachia** to assist with clean-up efforts in Yancey, Mitchell, Avery, Buncombe, and Madison counties.

#### **October 21 - 13 Awards Totaling \$258,900**

**\$1,000** to **Burke County Literacy Council** to provide essential supplies to families in need in Burke County.

**\$25,000** to **CareReach** to provide disaster relief assistance through its five community-based safety net programs in Avery, Buncombe, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell and Yancey counties.

**\$10,000** to **First Free Will Baptist Church** to purchase food for food pantries affected by supply chain disruptions in Clay and Cherokee counties.

**\$25,000** to **Grace Community Church** to assist people who have been displaced from their homes with immediate rent assistance or repairs on a home in McDowell County.

**\$25,000** to **Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church** to provide essential services and supplies through their relief site serving Buncombe, Transylvania, Yancey, Madison, Mitchell, Henderson, Haywood, Rutherford, and McDowell counties.

**\$25,000** to **Living Water Baptist Church** to secure housing and provide home repairs for displaced individuals and families in Henderson County.

**\$25,000** to **Mercy Chefs** to provide hot meals to individuals and communities affected by Hurricane Helene in the WNC Region.

**\$25,000** to **National Emergency Child Care Network** to provide free childcare to families in Madison, Haywood, Henderson, McDowell, Yancey, Rutherford, and Buncombe counties.

**\$25,000** to **NECHAMA Jewish Response to Disaster** toward mold abatement chemicals, tools for repairs, personal protective equipment, fuel, and water for volunteers doing home repairs in Buncombe and Henderson counties.

**\$25,000** to **North Carolina Baptist Men** to provide home repairs in Buncombe, McDowell, Henderson, Mitchell, Yancey, Haywood, Polk, Avery, Transylvania, Madison, and Rutherford counties.

**\$25,000** to **North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** to rebuild private bridges destroyed by the hurricane in the WNC Region.

**\$21,000** to **Spring Creek Volunteer Fire Department** to purchase an all-terrain vehicle enabling the organization to safely transport larger teams and provide faster, more effective emergency response in hard-to-reach areas of Madison County.

**\$1,900** to **Veterans Healing Farm** for essential supplies and services provided immediately following the storm in Buncombe and Henderson counties.