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Halifax County Community Health Assessment



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Executive Summary



HCPHS Health Department

Purpose

The Purpose of this Community Health Assessment is to learn about the health status and quality of life concerns of Halifax County residents, collaborate with citizens by soliciting input from the community, and to provide an overview of resources that exist for handling those concerns. This document is the result of collaboration between Halifax County Public Health System (HCPHS), Healthy Halifax Partners, Roanoke Valley Community Health Initiative, and Halifax County citizens. The Community Health Assessment employed both primary and secondary data to identify and examine the concerns and strengths of Halifax County.

Overview

The 2015 Community Health Assessment, completed every four years, outlines the community's current health status. Based upon findings, steps have been developed to implement interventions, as well as, community resources to address these health issues. The Community Health Assessment team is comprised of many participants representing area agencies in Halifax County, North Carolina. Many local organizations assisted the HCPHS Health Department, and Healthy Halifax Partners, with the creation of this

document. Among those were Halifax Regional Medical Center, Roanoke Valley Community Health Initiative (RV-CHI), Roanoke Rapids Parks and Recreation Department, Weldon City Schools, Halifax County Schools, Roanoke Rapids Graded Schools, Rural Health Group, Roanoke Valley Chamber of Commerce, Halifax-Warren Smart Start, Area L AHEC, Cardinal Innovations, Halifax Community College, The Alice Aycock Poe Center for Health Education, local faith-based organizations and churches.

During monthly meetings, standards for the Community Health Assessment Process and Accreditation were discussed and reviewed for publication in the 2015 Community Health Assessment. Each member reviewed and approved of the Community Health Assessment Survey and Community Resource Directory included in the assessment. After the analysis was completed, of 810 surveys using Survey Monkey, qualitative and quantitative data findings were presented to the Data Assessment Work Group, Community Health Assessment team. The team reviewed the data and developed the top ten major health issues based upon statistical data and community survey results.

Prioritizing Health Concerns

During the months of October through January 2015, a community-wide survey was conducted to give residents an opportunity to express concerns and opinions about the quality of life in Halifax County. Halifax County's self-administered survey included questions about the quality of life, economy, education, environment, health, housing, leisure activities, safety, social issues, transportation, and emergency preparedness. Surveys were distributed strategically across the county in an effort to reach a wide variety of the population. A total of **810 surveys** were included in the final analysis. Based on findings from the community survey combined with secondary health data, in January 2015, Healthy Halifax Partners Task Force members identified ten (10) chief health concerns for the county.

The top ten health concerns are as follows:

- 1. Cancer**
- 2. Diabetes**
- 3. Heart Disease**
- 4. Mental Health**
- 5. Obesity**
- 6. Physical Activity**
- 7. Sexually Transmitted Diseases/HIV**
- 8. Substance Abuse (Alcohol and Drug Abuse)**
- 9. Teen Pregnancy**
- 10. Tobacco Use**

In February, Healthy Halifax Partners, Data Assessment Work Group, and RV-CHI members participated in a prioritization activity to determine the three leading health concerns to be addressed during 2015-2019. The worksheet asked that each of the ten concerns be ranked according to three criteria: Magnitude of the Problem, Seriousness of the Consequences, and Feasibility of Correcting the Problem.

During the Data Assessment Work Group, Community Health Assessment Team meeting, the results from the prioritization process are reviewed and discussed. The final health concerns are named as the focus for the next four-year cycle, 2015-2019.

Results of these worksheets were calculated to come up with the top three priorities, which are as follows:

Chronic Disease

- **Cardiovascular Disease**

Cross-Cutting

- **Obesity**

Physical Activity and Nutrition

- **Physical Activity**

The health priority areas have been set for the members and Data Assessment Work Group to create action plans by September 2015 for implementation. A presentation was given at the Board of Health meeting, Monday, February 23, 2015 to present the 2015 Community Health Assessment and health priority areas. The 2015 Community Health Assessment is available at the health department, public libraries, clinics, hospitals, and schools. A presentation of the 2015 Community Health Assessment is available upon request by the health educator at the Halifax County Public Health System.

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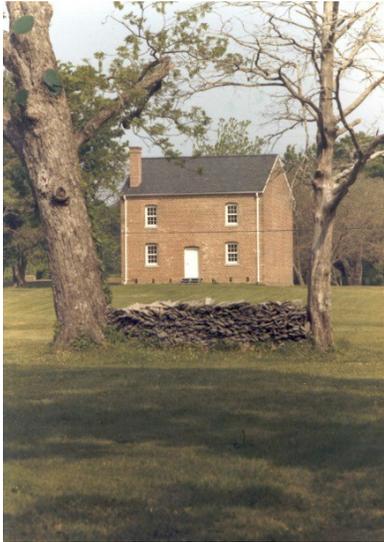
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Historical Overview



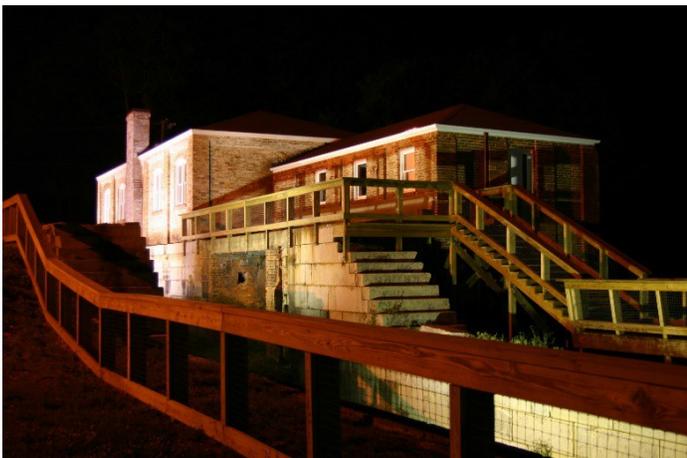
During Colonial times, the Roanoke Valley emerged as an important commercial center due to the abundance of crops it produced and easy trading access overland to the port city of Norfolk and in small boats down the Roanoke River and across the Albemarle Sound.

Halifax County was created in 1758 from Edgecombe County, and was named for second Earl of Halifax and president of the British Board of Trade and Plantations, George Montagu-Dunk.

The county seat, also named Halifax had been established in 1757 on the Roanoke River and was a hotbed of political activity, where wealthy planters, merchants, and lawyers gathered to debate the issues of the day. In the spring of 1776, the town of Halifax hosted the colony's Fourth Provincial Congress, which on April 12 unanimously approved the "Halifax Resolves" - the first action by an entire colony endorsing independence - a call echoed



through 13 colonies that was instrumental in the action by the Continental Congress in declaring independence from Britain three months later.



Throughout the county's history, the Roanoke River, which extends from Virginia to the Albemarle Sound, has played an important role in the region's

development. At one time, ports were established along the river. Moreover, the Roanoke Canal allowed riverboats to bypass the river’s rapids and travel to Virginia.

Background

Halifax County has a total land area of 725 square miles, with 75.5 persons per square mile (2010 Census). It lies west of the fall line that separates the Piedmont from the coastal plain. It is a picturesque place where country roads wind through fields of cotton, peanuts, soybeans and tobacco. It is a place of great natural beauty and is fast becoming a center of economic development in northeastern North Carolina.

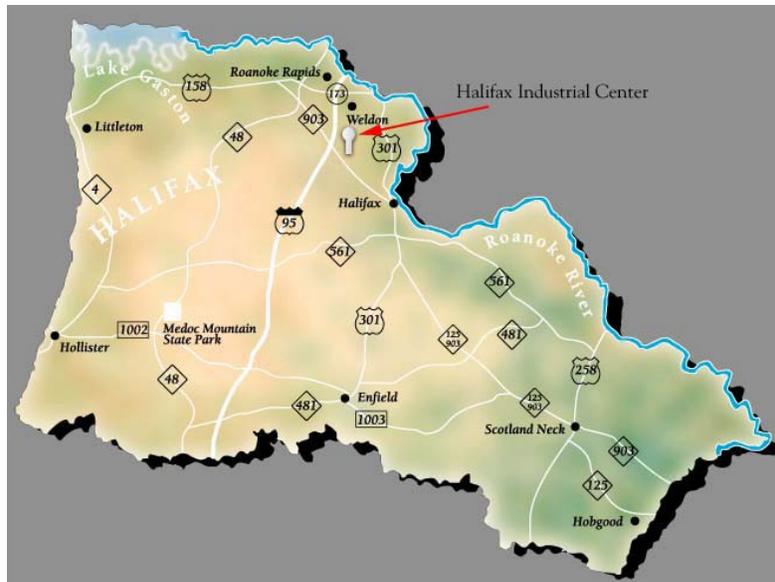


The nearest city with a population above 50,000 is Rocky Mount - 40 miles south of Roanoke Rapids; the nearest with a population over 200,000 is Raleigh - 80 miles southeast of the County; and the nearest city with a population over one million is Philadelphia - 300 miles to the north.

Townships

<u>Townships/Total Population</u>	<u>Survey Respondents</u>
Enfield (2,532)	8.29 percent
Halifax (234; County Seat)	5.69 percent
Hollister (674)	1.73 percent
Hobgood (348)	2.10 percent
Littleton (674)	10.77 percent
Roanoke Rapids (15,754)	54.08 percent
Scotland Neck (2,059)	6.68 percent
Tillery (255)	1.36 percent
Weldon (1,655)	3.96 percent

(2010 US Census Bureau)



Attractions

Halifax County has much in the way of history, recreation and sightseeing to offer its citizens and tourists.

Major attractions include:

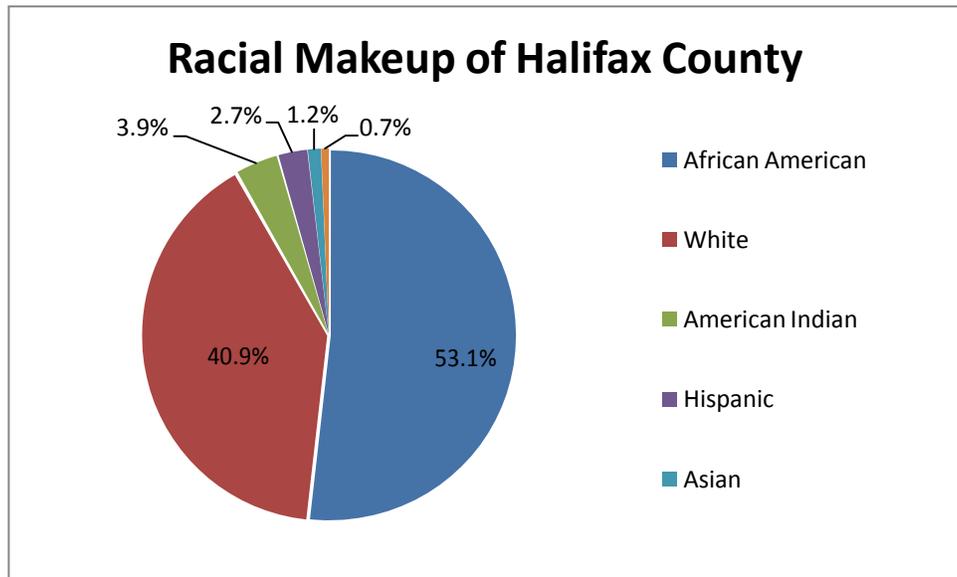
- Lake Gaston in Littleton features over 350 miles of shoreline and is well stocked with game fish, which include striped bass or rockfish, large mouth bass, crappie, sunfish and several varieties of catfish. Below Lake Gaston is Roanoke Rapids Lake, a smaller lake built in 1955 for hydroelectric power.
- The Roanoke Canal Museum and Roanoke Trail contain some of the most impressive and best preserved early 19th century canal construction in the nation and feature a seven-mile trail along the old Canal in Roanoke Rapids.
- Historic Halifax Visitors Center in Halifax offers an audio-visual presentation, exhibits, guided tours and displays depicting the history of the town. Several historic structures are open on the site including the Sally Billy House, the Burgess House, the Halifax County Jail and the Owens House.
- Medoc Mountain State Park in Hollister is granite outcropping with its highest point reaching 325 feet. It is the remains of the core of an ancient mountain range, where picnicking, hiking trails, canoeing, nature study, camping and fishing all await you at this North Carolina State Park.

- Sylvan Heights Water Fowl Park & Eco System in Scotland Neck has the world's largest waterfowl collection of ducks, geese & swans. Also features other exotic birds such as crane, parrot, macaw, brush turkey, cockatoo, kookaburra, pheasant & curassow. New educational facility with accessible, continental aviaries including Australia, Africa, Eurasia, North & South America.

(Halifax County Economic Development Commission)

Population & Demographics

In 2013, North Carolina’s total population was 9,848,060, an increase of 3.3 percent since 2010. The **total population** of Halifax County was 53,453, a 2.3 percent decrease from 2010. Of that number, the population can be broken down in the following percentages: 53.1 percent are African American; 40.9 percent are White; 3.9 percent are American Indian; 2.7 percent are Hispanic; 1.2 percent are Two or More races combined; and 0.7 percent are Asian. Halifax County ranks number five in the State for its American Indian population. Survey results accounted for 57.3 percent African American and 39.6% white. Fifty-two percent of the County’s population is female, and 48 percent is male.



Residents age 45 to 64 are the County's largest age group, making up 29.5 percent of the total population; the next largest are those 25 to 44 with 23.0 percent; 18.6 percent of residents are 14 or under; 16.0 percent are over 65; and the smallest age group are those 15 to 24, which make up 12.9 percent of the population. (2010 US Census Bureau)

Determinants of Health

Social Environment and Economic Issues

Education and Schools

From 2009-2013, residents over 25 years of age totaled 37,149. Of that segment of the population, 9.2 percent had less than ninth grade education (State: 5.7 percent); 15.0% completed ninth through twelfth grade/no diploma (State: 9.4 percent); 35.3 percent were high school graduates or had completed high school equivalency exams (State: 27.0 percent); 20.7 percent had completed some college (State: 21.9 percent); 8.0 percent had an associate's degree (State: 8.7 percent); 7.8 percent had a bachelor's degree (State: 18.0 percent); and 4.0 percent had a Master's, professional, or doctorate degree (State: 9.3 percent). (US Census 2009-2013)

According to survey respondents, 22.4 percent have a high school diploma, 19.7 percent have a bachelor's degree, 18.5 percent have some college, and 16.5% have a graduate or professional degree.

In Halifax County, there are three independent school districts serving more than 7,000 public school students, each offering a wealth of unique and outstanding programs. In addition, Halifax Community College prepares individuals for the workforce through vocational, technical, college transfer, and continuing education learning opportunities.

Halifax County Schools (2013-2014) 3,161 students enrolled. Schools include Aurelian Springs Elementary (Pre-K-5), Dawson Elementary (Pre-K-5), Everetts Elementary (Pre-K-5), Hollister Elementary (K-5), Pittman Elementary (Pre-K-5), Scotland Neck Primary (Pre-K-2), William R. Davie Middle School (6-8), Inborden Elementary-Enfield Middle (K-8), Northwest Halifax High (9-12), and Southeast Halifax High (9-12). According to Director of Auxiliary Services, Phillip Rountree, 92 percent of Halifax County School

students receive free or reduced-price lunch. In the school year 2013-2014, Halifax County Schools met 44 out of 92 Adequate Yearly Progress target goals, 47.8 percent. In 2014, 95 students completed the SAT with an average reported score of 1,135. The number of acts of crime or violence per 1,000 students was 11.2 in all schools during 2012-2013 school year, an increase from 10.8 per 1,000 students in 2011-2012 school year.

Roanoke Rapids Graded School District (2013-2014) 3,033 students enrolled. It is one of only a handful of non-consolidated public school systems remaining in the state. Schools include Manning Elementary (K-5), Belmont Elementary (K-5), Chaloner Middle (6-8), Roanoke Rapids High School (9-12), Akers Alternative Suspension School (K-12), Clara Hearne Early Childhood Center (Pre-K), and Place to Playschool (After School Care for Elementary-aged students). Michelle Puckett, Child Nutrition Director, explained 60.0 percent of the district's students receive free or reduced-price lunch, up from 54 percent in 2010. Roanoke Rapids Graded School District met 79 out of 103 Adequate Yearly Progress target goals, 76.7 percent, in the 2013-2014 school year. In 2014, 68 students completed the SAT with an average reported score of 1,435. The number of acts of crime or violence per 1,000 students was 6.3 in all schools during 2012-2013 school year, an increase from 4.4 per 1,000 students in 2011-2012 school year.

Weldon City Schools (2013-2014) 1,045 students enrolled. Schools include Weldon Pre-K, Weldon Elementary (K-5), Weldon Middle (6-8) and Weldon High School (9-12). According to Federal Programs/Parent Involvement Director, Terry Alston, 78.4 percent of Weldon City Schools' students receive free or reduced-price lunch. The school district met 33 out of 56 Adequate Yearly Progress target goals, 58.9%, in 2013-2014. In 2014, 78 students completed the SAT with an average reported score of 1,193. The number of acts of crime or violence per 1,000 students was 3.07 in all schools during 2012-2013 school year, a decrease from 6.0 per 1,000 students in 2011-2012 school year.

Private Schools in Halifax County include Halifax Academy in Roanoke Rapids (Pre-K-12), KIPP Gaston College Prep in Gaston (K-12), Hobgood Academy in Hobgood (K-12), and Cornerstone Christian Academy in Roanoke Rapids (K-12).

Dropout Rates

Halifax County Schools total number of dropouts was 29, a rate of 3.11 per 1,000, a decrease from 2011-2012 school year of 5.54 per 1,000. **Weldon City Schools** number of dropouts was 12, a rate of 3.32 per 1,000; an increase from 2011-2012 school year of 2.03 per 1,000. **Roanoke Rapids City Schools** total number of dropouts was 20, a rate of 2.19 per 1,000, a significant decrease from 2011-2012 school year of 5.52 per 1,000. The state's dropout rate for 2012-2013 was 2.45, a decrease from 3.01 in 2011-2012.

(NC Department of Public Instruction)

High School Graduation Rates

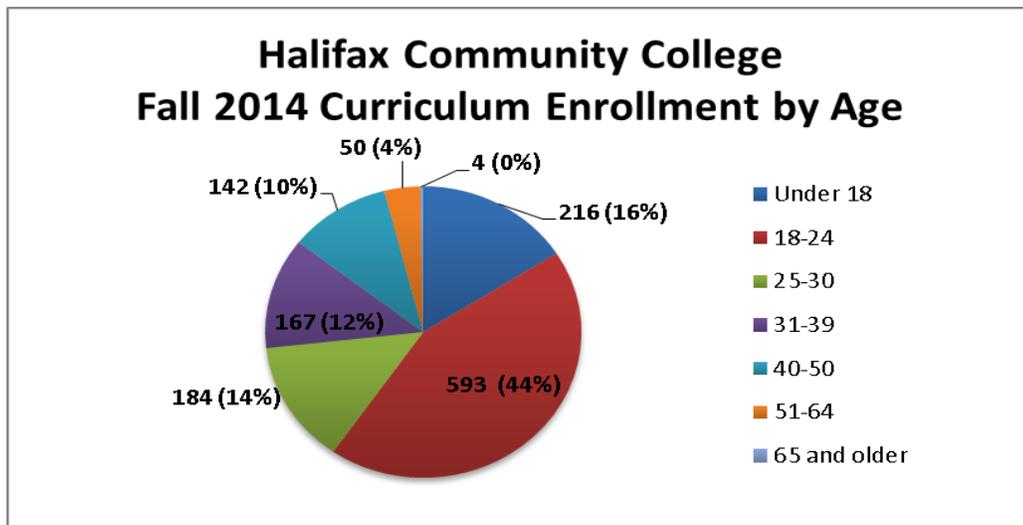
Location	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009 - 2010	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012
North Carolina	70.3%	71.7%	74.2%	78.4%	80.2%
Halifax County Schools	65.0%	54.8%	70.1%	71.9%	75.5%
Roanoke Rapids City Schools	63.9%	66.8%	74.0%	75.4%	80.0%

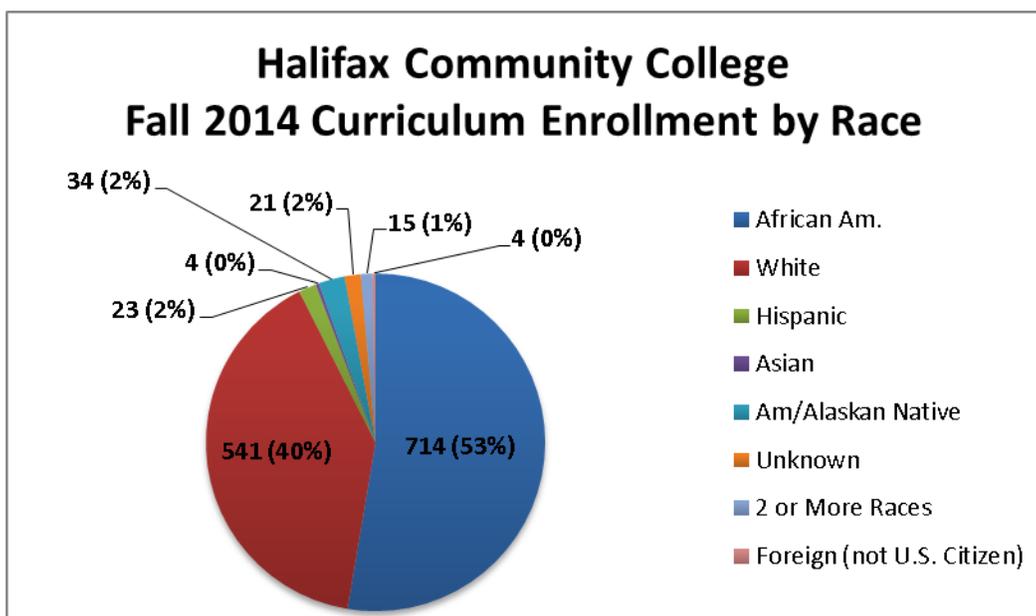
Location	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009 - 2010	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012
Weldon City Schools	69.9%	75.6%	74.2%	77.1%	85.3%

N.C. Child Advocacy Institute <http://www.ncchild.org/what-we-do/data/kids-count-data-center/>

Halifax Community College

Halifax Community College was established in 1967. Halifax Community College is a public two-year college governed by a local Board of Trustees located in Weldon, North Carolina. This institution offers Associates Degrees, Associates in Applied Science Degrees and Workforce and Economic Development Programs through five curriculum divisions with 48 curriculum programs including Dental Hygiene, Medical Laboratory Technology, Business Administration and more. Below is a breakdown of enrollment by age and race. Halifax Community College has an average curriculum student enrollment of 2,901 while Workforce and Economic Development Programs have an average yearly enrollment of 5,091.



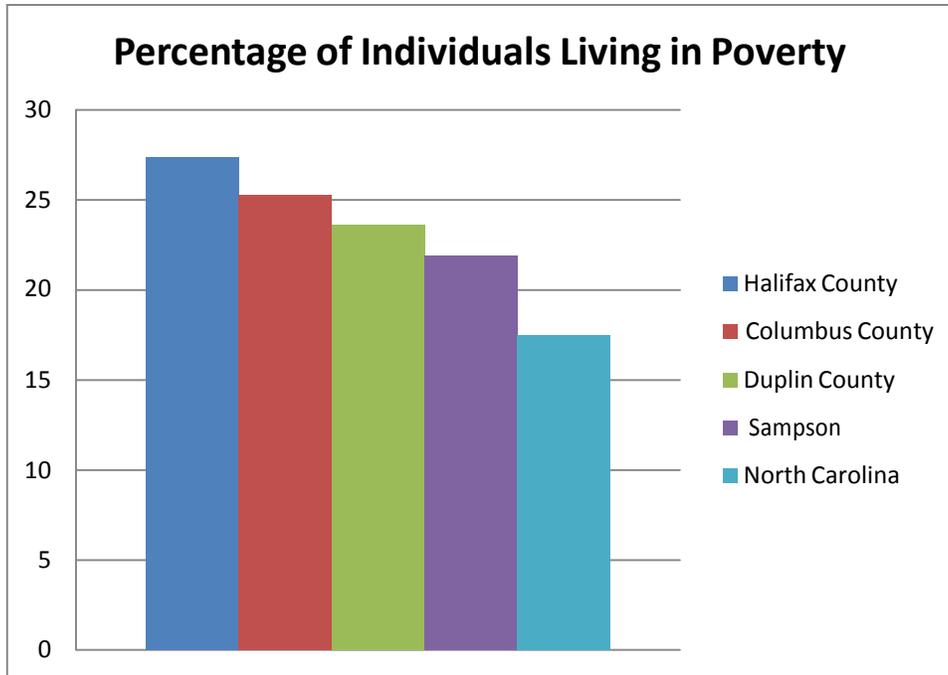


Households & Homeownership Rates

From 2009-2013, there was an average of 21,550 households in Halifax County. The median number of years in residence is two. The **average household size** is 2.45 people, and the **average family size** is 3.06 people. The average **median value of owner-occupied housing units** in Halifax County was \$86,100 from 2009-2013, compared to the North Carolina average of \$153,600. (2013 US Census Bureau)

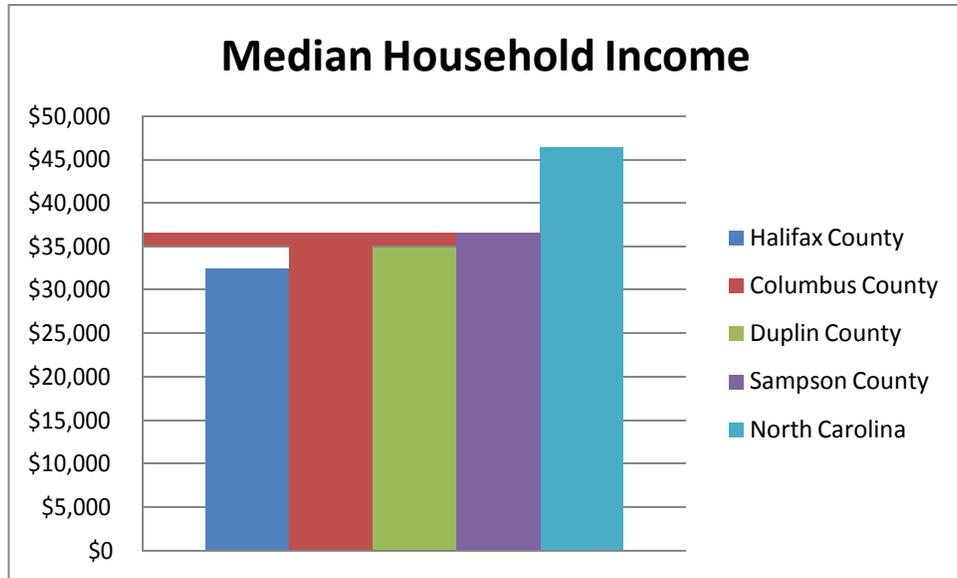
Income and Poverty Levels

The **percentage of individuals living below the poverty level** in Halifax County (2009-2013) was 27.4 percent, above the state at 17.5 percent. Halifax County's percentage of individuals living in poverty is average compared to peer counties, Columbus 25.3 percent, Duplin 23.6 percent, and Sampson 21.9 percent. Below is a chart of individuals living in poverty including comparisons of peer counties. (Access NC)



Income

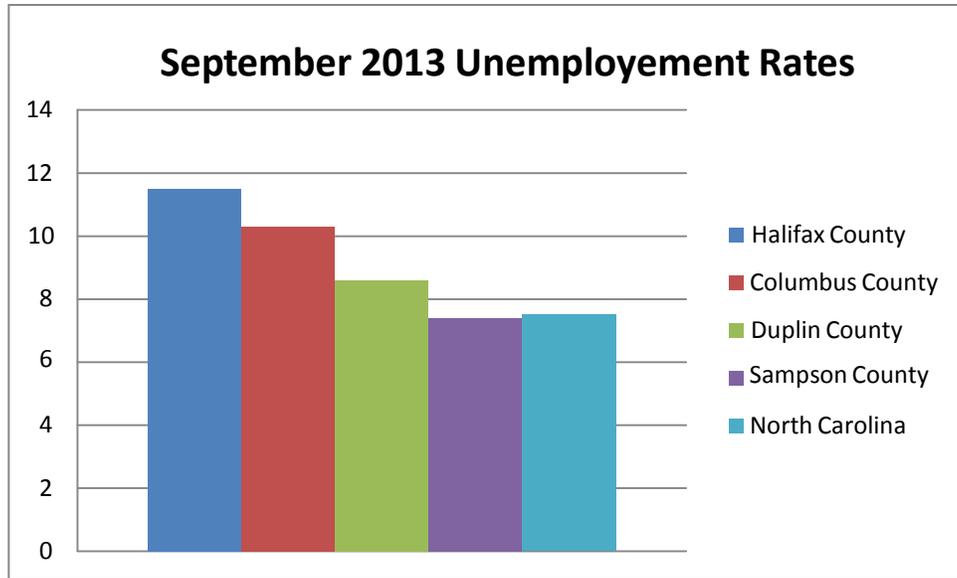
Halifax County’s average **median household income** from 2009-2013 was \$32,329, and the state’s was \$46,334. The **median household income** from 2009-2013 for peer counties included Columbus \$35,761, Duplin \$34,433, and Sampson \$36,496. Halifax County’s median household income is below North Carolina as well as the three peer counties used for comparison. 21.6 percent of survey respondents make between \$30,000-49,999 and 15.4 percent make less than \$10,000. (2013 Census Bureau)



Labor Force

The **average weekly wage** for Halifax County is \$565.25 The **top ten largest employers** in order are Halifax Regional Medical Center (872 employees), Halifax County Schools (700 employees), County of Halifax (546 employees), Kapstone Paper and Packaging (459 employees), Roanoke Rapids Graded Schools (389 employees), AAA Carolina’s (282 employees), Safelite Glass Corporation (197 employees), Reser’s Fine Foods (340 employees), New Dixie Oil Corporation (239 employees), and Halifax Community College (250 employees).

Of the 30,272 residents considered part of the workforce, 26,654 were employed, and 3,678 were unemployed. This data placed the County’s **unemployment rate** at 11.5 percent in 2013, compared to 7.5 in North Carolina. The unemployment rate in 2010 was at 11.0 percent compared to North Carolina unemployment rate of 9.1 percent. The unemployment rate in 2013 for the peer counties is as follows: Columbus 10.3 percent, Duplin 8.6 percent, and Sampson 7.4 percent. Halifax County’s unemployment rate is higher than the peer counties. According to survey respondents, 8.5% are unemployed. (Access NC)



Health Resources

Barriers to Access of Healthcare

The North Carolina Health Professionals Data System gives the following information on health professional to patient ratios for 2012:

	Halifax County	North Carolina
Physicians	13.3	22.3
Primary Care Physicians	6.3	7.6
Dentists	2.4	4.5
Dental Hygienists	5.7	5.6
Pharmacists	7.6	10.1
Nurses	80.2	103.8
Nurse Practitioners	2.4	4.3
Physician Assistants	2.4	4.1
Licensed Practical Nurses	20.3	18.5
Occupational Therapists	0.6	2.8
Respiratory Therapists	5.0	4.3
Physical Therapists	2.2	5.5

*Above Numbers based on 10,000 populations.

(www.shepcenter.unc.edu)

Access to healthcare providers is more problematic for Halifax County residents than the State as a whole. Halifax County when compared to two of the three peer counties, Columbus, and Sampson, has on average the same health care providers per 10,000 population. Halifax County has more access to healthcare providers than peer county, Duplin. The barriers to access to healthcare are related to the number of healthcare providers located within Halifax County. Many citizens have little or no transportation to and from surrounding counties to receive quality of care. Another barrier to access to health care was identified in the 2015 Community Health Assessment surveys where 59.3 percent explained lack of insurance/unable to pay for doctor's visit is the main reason that keeps people from seeking medical treatment.

Satisfaction with Healthcare

According to the 2015 Community Health Assessment survey results, 86.3 percent of respondents currently have health insurance in Halifax County. From 2009-2013, an average of 84.5 percent of Halifax County residents' has health coverage, higher than three peer counties, Columbus, Duplin, and Sampson County. (US Census Bureau)

Hospitals

Halifax Regional Medical Center in Roanoke Rapids serves Halifax and Northampton Counties with many patients also coming from Warren County and southern Virginia. It is



licensed to operate as a 204-bed facility, 20 of which are dedicated licensed psychiatric beds, and has approximately 60 physicians. Halifax Regional Medical Center employees 657 full-time employees and 117 part time employees. Halifax Regional Medical Center has had much success over the past years with twenty-one nurses named on the top 100 Nurses of North Carolina.

2014 Hospital Utilization:

Admissions: 5,382

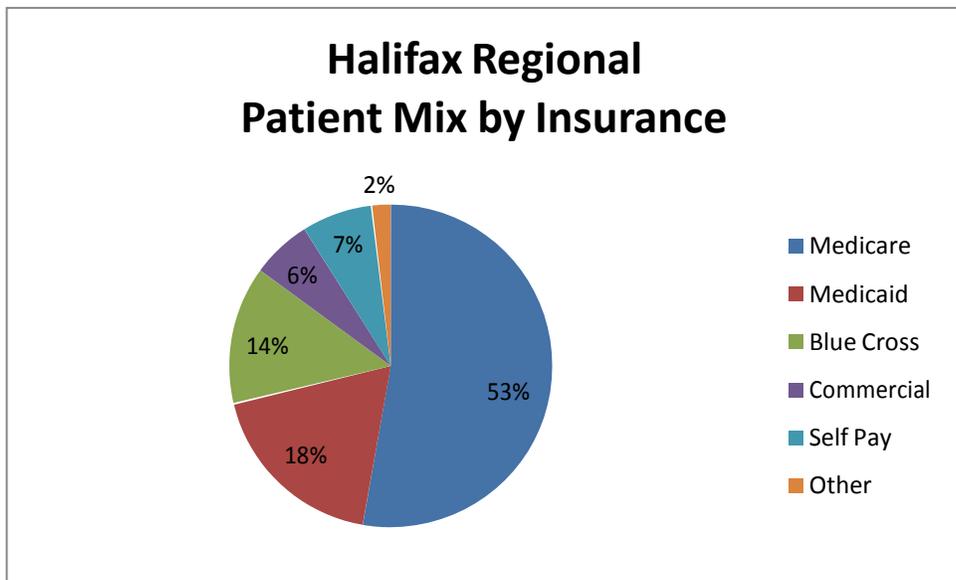
Births: 621

Emergency Visits: 38,870

Outpatient Visits: 31,870

Surgical Cases: 3,936

According to Halifax Regional Medical Center, the hospital’s patient makeup is reflected in the following based on cost reimbursement for services: Medicare 53.0 percent; Medicaid 18.4 percent; Blue Cross 14.0 percent, Commercial 6.0 percent; Self Pay 7 percent; and Other 2 percent.



Our Community Hospital is a 60-bed private, not-for-profit hospital located in Scotland Neck, NC. Our Community Hospital is located in the southeastern portion of Halifax County close to the banks of the lovely Roanoke River. The hospital is the only medical center within a 20-mile radius and works closely with Scotland Neck Family Medical Center.

Roanoke-Chowan Hospital is an 114-bed, not-for-profit hospital located in Ahoskie, NC. This modern facility provides a wide range of health services to Bertie, Gates, Hertford, and Northampton County. As part of Vidant Health, it offers a wide range of services at its facilities in Ahoskie, N.C. In addition, patients have access to advanced treatment through facilities and clinics in other locations.

Southern Virginia Regional Medical Center in Emporia, Va. is an 80-bed licensed hospital located 18 miles north of Roanoke Rapids just off I-95.

Nash Health Care System is an affiliate of UNC Health Care in Rocky Mount and is a 282-bed acute care facility that serves Nash, Edgecombe, Halifax, Wilson and Johnston counties.

Health Status

According to the 2013 BRFSS results, when asked “What would you say that in general your health is?” 18.2 percent of the total respondents in Eastern North Carolina were in excellent health, compared to 18.3 percent of North Carolina respondents. 27.4 percent of Eastern North Carolina respondents were in very good health, compared to 31.6 percent NC, 34.3 percent of Eastern North Carolina were in good health compared to 31.0 percent of North Carolina, 14.1 percent of Eastern North Carolina were in fair health compared to 13.8 percent North Carolina, and 5.4 percent of Eastern North Carolina were in poor health compared to 6.0 percent North Carolina. In conclusion, over 60 percent of Eastern North Carolina thought they were in very good to good health status compared to 73 percent of Community Health Assessment survey respondents. (Data is not available by county.)

Mental Health

According to the BRFSS results, when asked “Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?” 72.0 percent of Eastern North Carolina responded no days, compared to 69.6 percent of North Carolina. 5.6 percent of

Eastern North Carolina responded to having at least 1-2 days, 6.7 percent North Carolina; 7.1 percent of Eastern North Carolina had 3-7 days, 8.9 percent of North Carolina; 9.5 percent of Eastern North Carolina had 8-29 days, 8.9 percent of North Carolina; 5.8 percent of Eastern North Carolina had over 30 days, compared to 6.0 percent of North Carolina. Just over 1.5 percent of Halifax citizens' surveyed felt mental health was a concern to their family. 13.9 percent of citizens surveyed have been told by a doctor they have a form of depression.

Health Data

Mortality Data

- 668 deaths among Halifax County residents in 2013
- Leading causes of death are heart disease, cancer, cerebrovascular disease (stroke), chronic lower respiratory disease, and diabetes.
- Halifax County Mortality Rates for all causes except Alzheimer's Disease and Suicide are higher than the state rates. The mortality rate for Alzheimer's Disease has nearly doubled since 2009 in Halifax County.
- Halifax County Mortality Rates for Heart Disease are higher than two of the three peer counties.
- Halifax County Mortality Rates for Diabetes is significantly higher than two of the three peer counties.
 - Halifax County: 54.3 Death Rate
 - Columbus County 21.0 Death Rate
 - Duplin County: 31.6 Death Rate
 - Sampson County: 56.1 Death Rate

MORTALITY DATA

	NUMBER OF DEATHS 2013 HALIFAX	MORTALITY RATE 2013 HALIFAX	AGE ADJUSTED MORTALITY RATE 2009-2013	
			HALIFAX	NORTH CAROLINA
ALL CAUSES	668	1249.1	945.9	790.9
HEART DISEASE	145	271.3	207.8	170.0
CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE	33	61.7	54.0	43.7
DIABETES	29	54.3	45.6	21.7
HIV DISEASE	2	3.7	7.0	2.9
CANCER-ALL SITES	133	248.8	200.4	173.3
BREAST CANCER	8	28.6	26.9	21.7
PROSTATE CANCER	7	27.4	32.4	22.1
TRACHEA, BRONCHUS, LUNG CANCER	32	59.9	52.2	51.6
CANCER OF COLON, RECTAL, ANUS	11	20.6	21.9	14.5
SEPTICEMIA	19	35.5	19.7	13.3
NEPHRITIS, NEPHROTIC SYNDROME, NEPHROSIS	24	44.9	24.9	17.6
CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE & CIRRHOSIS	3	5.6	9.7	9.5
CHRONIC LOWER RESPIRATORY DISEASE	41	76.7	51.8	46.1
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	10	18.7	18.4	17.9
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE	21	39.3	21.3	28.9
HOMICIDE	8	15.0	16.0	5.8
SUICIDE	7	13.1	11.6	12.2
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	10	18.7	20.4	13.7
OTHER UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES	16	29.9	28.6	29.3

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/vital/lcd/2013/>

2013 Leading Causes of Death: Halifax County

Rank	Cause	Number	%
1	Diseases of the heart	145	21.7
2	Cancer	133	19.9
3	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	41	6.1
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	33	4.9
5	Diabetes mellitus	29	4.3
6	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	24	3.6
7	Alzheimer's disease	21	3.1
8	Septicemia	19	2.8
9	All other unintentional injuries	16	2.4
10	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	10	1.5
	Influenza and pneumonia	10	1.5
	Motor vehicle injuries	10	1.5
	All other causes (Residual)	177	26.7
Total Deaths -- All Causes		668	100.0

2013 Leading Causes of Death: North Carolina

Rank	Cause	Number	%
1	Cancer	18615	22.3
2	Diseases of the heart	17812	21.4
3	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	4989	6.0
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	4472	5.4
5	All other unintentional injuries	2948	3.5
6	Alzheimer's disease	2874	3.4
7	Diabetes mellitus	2400	2.9
8	Influenza and pneumonia	1930	2.3
9	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	1780	2.1
10	Septicemia	1484	1.8
	All other causes (Residual)	24013	28.9
Total Deaths -- All Causes		83317	100.0

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/lcd/getleadcauses.cfm>

Hospitalization Data

- 8,003 total inpatient hospitalizations among Halifax County Residents in 2013
- Halifax County discharge rate of 149.7 per 1,000 is higher than the state and three peer counties:
 - North Carolina: 95.6 per 1,000 population
 - Columbus 125.9 per 1,000 population
 - Duplin 100.5 per 1,000 population
 - Sampson 120.7 per 1,000 population
- Halifax County asthma discharge rate of 1.1 per 1,000 is higher than state and two peer counties:
 - North Carolina: 0.9 per 1,000 population
 - Columbus: 1.2 per 1,000 population
 - Dublin: 0.6 per 1,000 population
 - Sampson 0.9 per 1,000 population

2013 Halifax County Inpatient Hospital Utilization and Charges by Principal Diagnosis (Excluding Newborns and Discharges From Out of State Hospitals)

DIAGNOSTIC CATEGORY	TOTAL CASES	DISCHARGE RATE (PER 1,000 POP)	AVERAGE DAYS STAY	DAYS STAY RATE (PER 1,000 POP)	TOTAL CHARGES	AVERAGE CHARGE PER DAY	AVERAGE CHARGE PER CASE
INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES	506	9.5	8.1	76.8	\$21,112,211	\$5,142	\$41,724
-- Septicemia	420	7.9	8.7	68.3	\$19,104,270	\$5,230	\$45,486
-- AIDS	10	0.2	5.7	1.1	\$389,819	\$6,839	\$38,982
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS	237	4.4	8.3	36.9	\$12,819,962	\$6,504	\$54,093
-- Colon, Rectum, Anus	35	0.7	11.0	7.2	\$2,296,043	\$5,948	\$65,601
-- Trachea, Bronchus, Lung	44	0.8	7.6	6.2	\$2,131,475	\$6,382	\$48,443
-- Female Breast	9	0.2	4.3	0.7	\$263,251	\$6,750	\$29,250
-- Prostate	12	0.2	4.3	1.0	\$426,131	\$8,356	\$35,511
BENIGN, UNCERTAIN & OTHER NEOPLASMS	54	1.0	3.8	3.9	\$2,557,634	\$12,356	\$47,364
ENDOCRINE, METABOLIC & NUTRIT. DISEASES	322	6.0	4.7	28.3	\$7,651,863	\$5,054	\$23,764
-- Diabetes	173	3.2	4.7	15.1	\$3,999,016	\$4,955	\$23,116
BLOOD & HEMOPOETIC TISSUE DISEASES	130	2.4	4.8	11.6	\$2,939,345	\$4,733	\$22,610
NERVOUS SYSTEM & SENSE ORGAN DISEASES	147	2.8	6.5	17.9	\$4,056,556	\$4,243	\$27,596
CARDIOVASCULAR & CIRCULATORY DISEASES	1,565	29.3	5.5	162.2	\$62,746,003	\$7,235	\$40,093
-- Heart Disease	1,086	20.3	5.2	106.1	\$46,137,756	\$8,139	\$42,484
-- Cerebrovascular Disease	251	4.7	6.7	31.7	\$8,990,483	\$5,310	\$35,819
RESPIRATORY DISEASES	842	15.8	6.1	96.7	\$23,969,772	\$4,636	\$28,468
-- Pneumonia/Influenza	292	5.5	5.2	28.2	\$5,922,502	\$3,933	\$20,283
-- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (excl. Asthma)	234	4.4	4.8	20.9	\$4,519,815	\$4,043	\$19,315
-- Asthma	59	1.1	4.1	4.5	\$987,908	\$4,134	\$16,744
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM DISEASES	730	13.7	5.1	69.6	\$20,154,926	\$5,419	\$27,609
-- Chronic Liver Disease/Cirrhosis	27	0.5	6.1	3.1	\$885,211	\$5,365	\$32,786
GENITOURINARY DISEASES	367	6.9	5.0	34.5	\$7,692,873	\$4,174	\$20,962
-- Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Synd.	165	3.1	5.7	17.6	\$3,666,885	\$3,889	\$22,224
PREGNANCY & CHILDBIRTH	638	11.9	2.3	27.1	\$6,258,403	\$4,322	\$9,809
SKIN & SUBCUTANEOUS TISSUE DISEASES	131	2.5	5.7	14.0	\$3,122,155	\$4,157	\$23,833
MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM DISEASES	450	8.4	3.8	31.7	\$19,695,126	\$11,613	\$43,767
-- Arthropathies and Related Disorders	263	4.9	3.2	15.8	\$9,190,076	\$10,850	\$34,943
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	13	0.2	5.3	1.3	\$786,299	\$11,396	\$60,485
PERINATAL COMPLICATIONS	32	0.6	13.6	8.2	\$1,728,795	\$3,965	\$54,025
SYMPTOMS, SIGNS & ILL-DEFINED CONDITIONS	295	5.5	3.3	18.4	\$5,446,784	\$5,547	\$18,464
INJURIES & POISONING	531	9.9	6.9	68.3	\$27,227,848	\$7,458	\$51,277
OTHER DIAGNOSES (INCL. MENTAL DISORDERS)	1,013	19.0	8.8	167.3	\$51,120,751	\$5,717	\$50,515
ALL CONDITIONS	8,003	149.7	5.8	874.7	\$281,087,304	\$6,012	\$35,127

*Hospitalizations may be under-estimated for Halifax County because some residents may seek care in nearby Virginia.

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

2013 North Carolina Inpatient Hospital Utilization and Charges by Principal Diagnosis (Excluding Newborns and Discharges From Out of State Hospitals)

DIAGNOSTIC CATEGORY	TOTAL CASES	DISCHARGE RATE (PER 1,000 POP)	AVERAGE DAYS STAY	DAYS STAY RATE (PER 1,000 POP)	TOTAL CHARGES	AVERAGE CHARGE PER DAY	AVERAGE CHARGE PER CASE
INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES	55,601	5.6	6.9	39.0	\$2,158,719,512	\$5,627	\$38,834
-- Septicemia	41,237	4.2	7.5	31.6	\$1,800,699,222	\$5,793	\$43,677
-- AIDS	1,103	0.1	9.2	1.0	\$54,325,424	\$5,353	\$49,252
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS	28,701	2.9	6.8	19.8	\$1,502,063,447	\$7,687	\$52,344
-- Colon, Rectum, Anus	3,673	0.4	7.7	2.9	\$199,326,607	\$7,015	\$54,268
-- Trachea, Bronchus, Lung	4,165	0.4	6.8	2.9	\$202,761,575	\$7,165	\$48,682
-- Female Breast	934	0.1	3.7	0.4	\$34,790,316	\$10,009	\$37,249
-- Prostate	2,008	0.2	2.5	0.5	\$75,560,356	\$15,079	\$37,630
BENIGN, UNCERTAIN & OTHER NEOPLASMS	7,053	0.7	4.0	2.9	\$280,003,303	\$9,923	\$39,706
ENDOCRINE, METABOLIC & NUTRIT. DISEASES	38,818	3.9	4.1	16.0	\$976,107,785	\$6,194	\$25,152
-- Diabetes	18,751	1.9	4.6	8.7	\$454,021,772	\$5,300	\$24,218
BLOOD & HEMOPOETIC TISSUE DISEASES	14,133	1.4	4.4	6.3	\$353,008,556	\$5,659	\$24,981
NERVOUS SYSTEM & SENSE ORGAN DISEASES	19,447	2.0	5.1	10.0	\$550,585,611	\$5,606	\$28,334
CARDIOVASCULAR & CIRCULATORY DISEASES	151,772	15.4	4.7	72.4	\$6,253,865,529	\$8,765	\$41,213
-- Heart Disease	101,195	10.3	4.7	48.4	\$4,429,049,086	\$9,298	\$43,775
-- Cerebrovascular Disease	28,472	2.9	4.7	13.5	\$934,982,329	\$7,058	\$32,844
RESPIRATORY DISEASES	92,873	9.4	5.5	51.4	\$2,586,734,467	\$5,110	\$27,858
-- Pneumonia/Influenza	30,164	3.1	5.1	15.5	\$711,700,065	\$4,662	\$23,599
-- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (excl. Asthma)	18,886	1.9	4.2	8.0	\$371,137,062	\$4,713	\$19,656
-- Asthma	9,021	0.9	3.2	2.9	\$132,045,960	\$4,628	\$14,639
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM DISEASES	88,425	9.0	4.8	43.0	\$2,568,886,609	\$6,066	\$29,061
-- Chronic Liver Disease/Cirrhosis	2,486	0.3	5.6	1.4	\$82,515,666	\$5,918	\$33,192
GENITOURINARY DISEASES	43,353	4.4	4.3	19.0	\$939,474,978	\$5,014	\$21,674
-- Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Synd.	18,096	1.8	5.2	9.5	\$420,587,470	\$4,509	\$23,247
PREGNANCY & CHILDBIRTH	119,435	12.1	2.6	31.9	\$1,492,644,619	\$4,747	\$12,498
SKIN & SUBCUTANEOUS TISSUE DISEASES	17,000	1.7	4.7	8.1	\$334,535,128	\$4,215	\$19,680
MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM DISEASES	60,498	6.1	3.5	21.7	\$3,229,377,801	\$15,133	\$53,383
-- Arthropathies and Related Disorders	34,605	3.5	3.1	11.0	\$1,656,133,976	\$15,246	\$47,858
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	3,438	0.3	7.3	2.6	\$281,560,888	\$11,193	\$81,897
PERINATAL COMPLICATIONS	3,925	0.4	11.2	4.5	\$179,091,881	\$4,079	\$45,663
SYMPTOMS, SIGNS & ILL-DEFINED CONDITIONS	30,001	3.0	2.9	8.8	\$547,901,438	\$6,293	\$18,273
INJURIES & POISONING	76,134	7.7	5.5	42.8	\$3,383,137,625	\$8,035	\$44,448
OTHER DIAGNOSES (INCL. MENTAL DISORDERS)	90,635	9.2	8.1	74.1	\$6,965,631,960	\$9,546	\$76,913
ALL CONDITIONS	941,242	95.6	5.0	474.2	\$34,583,331,135	\$7,405	\$36,752

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

Overweight and Obesity

Halifax County’s obesity rates have decreased by 2 percent in one year while overweight children decreased by almost 1.3 percent. Compared to North Carolina and peer counties, Halifax County has a lower percentage of children ages 2-4 in the obese category.

Children 2-18 Years of Age (Overweight and Obese)

	Overweight 2008	Overweight 2009
Halifax County	15.0%	14.6%
North Carolina	16.4%	16.2%

	Obese 2008	Obese 2009
Halifax County	19.5%	21.7%
North Carolina	17.5%	18.0%

Source of Data: Eat Smart Move More
<http://www.eatsmartmovemorenc.com/Data/Data.html>

Children 2-4 Years of Age (Overweight and Obese)

	Overweight 2011	Overweight 2012
Halifax County	17.2%	16.5%
Columbus County	17.2%	15.3%
Duplin County	19.1%	14.9%
Sampson County	20.5%	16.0%
North Carolina	16.2%	14.9%

	Obese 2011	Obese 2012
Halifax County	15.4%	13.4%
Columbus County	23.1%	17.6%
Duplin County	21.4%	18.3%
Sampson County	23.2%	20.9%
North Carolina	15.7%	14.5%

Source of Data: Eat Smart Move More
<http://www.eatsmartmovemorenc.com/Data/Data.html>

According to the Community Health Assessment survey results, 9.1 percent thought obesity was the biggest health issue that affected their family. About a third of those surveyed have been told by their doctor they are obese, directly correlating to the County

Health Rankings finding 38% of adults in Halifax County obese. Based on the community survey results and data, obesity is one of the health priorities selected. (County Health Rankings)

Physical Activity

In Eastern North Carolina, over half of the population is insufficiently active or inactive. The lack of physical activity is a growing concern in Eastern North Carolina and Halifax County. According to the Community Health Assessment survey findings, just over 20 percent of respondents do not exercise, 41.5 percent exercise one to two days per week, and 30.9 percent exercise 3-5 days per week. Of those surveyed, 41.8 percent felt lack of physical activity was the biggest risk factor that impacts their family. Based on the community survey results and data, physical activity, and nutrition is one of the health priorities selected.

Physical Activity Level

2013	Highly Active	Active	Insufficiently Active	Inactive
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	27.5 %	17.3 %	22.4 %	32.8 %
<u>North Carolina</u>	28.8 %	18.4 %	22.2 %	30.6 %

Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/brfss/2013/east/PACAT1.html>

Cancer Facts and Figures

- Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed type of cancer followed by lung, prostate, and colon/rectum
- Majority of cancer deaths occurs at five sites: lung, colon, breast, prostate, and pancreatic cancers.
- From 2007-2011, Halifax County’s cancer incidence rate of 520.4 per 100,000 was higher than North Carolina and three peer counties.
 - Columbus County: 452.3 per 100,000
 - Duplin County: 455.3 per 100,000
 - Sampson County: 446.7 per 100,000

- North Carolina: 496.7 per 100,000
- Halifax County has less number of cancer cases compared to peer counties:
 - Columbus County: 367 total cancer cases
 - Duplin County: 368 total cancer cases
 - Sampson County: 380 total cancer cases

Projected New Cancer Cases

2009	Halifax County Cases	NC Cases
Colon/Rectum	33	4,672
Lung/Bronchus	51	7,307
Female Breast	54	7,781
Prostate	45	6,800
All Cancers	316	46,417
2013	Halifax County Cases	NC Cases
Colon/Rectum	31	4,852
Lung/Bronchus	56	8,559
Female Breast	60	9,339
Prostate	52	8,316
Pancreas	9	1,322
All Cancers	356	56,164

Source of Data: North Carolina Central Cancer Registry Cancer Profiles

Cancer Deaths

Location	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Halifax County	164	135 21.8%	149 22.8%	143 21.9%	133 19.9%
North Carolina	17,476	18,013	17,476 22.7%	18,412 22.5%	18,615 22.3%

Source of Data: Leading Causes of Death

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/lcd/getleadcauses.cfm>

Total Cancer Cases (All Sites)

Location	2006	2007	2008	2009	2013
Halifax County	335	365	304	316	356
North Carolina	47,854	49,056	42,451	46,417	56,164

Source of Data: North Carolina Central Cancer Registry Cancer Profiles

Blood Pressure, Cardiovascular and Heart Disease

As identified in the assessment as a health priority area of focus for the next four years, heart disease continues to be a growing problem in Halifax County. According to assessment survey data, 40 percent of citizens have been told they have high blood pressure and a third of respondents believe high blood pressure is the biggest issue that affects their family. Eastern North Carolina has a higher percentage of people who have high blood pressure compared to North Carolina.

HCPHS Health Department provides monthly screenings throughout the county at various locations to offer blood pressure, blood cholesterol, and blood sugar screenings. Body mass index, height and weight checks are also provided during the monthly screenings. Many citizens of Halifax County participate in the free monthly screenings to track the progress of goals set by individual.

Percentage of adults (ages 18 and older) with High Blood Pressure

	2009	2011	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	34.7 %	34.0 %	38.9 %
<u>North Carolina</u>	31.5 %	32.4 %	35.5 %

Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics, BRFSS
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/brfss/2013/east/topics.htm>

Percentage of Adults with a History of Cardiovascular Disease

	2011	2012	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	10.2 %	10.0 %	10.2 %
<u>North Carolina</u>	9.2 %	8.9 %	9.6 %

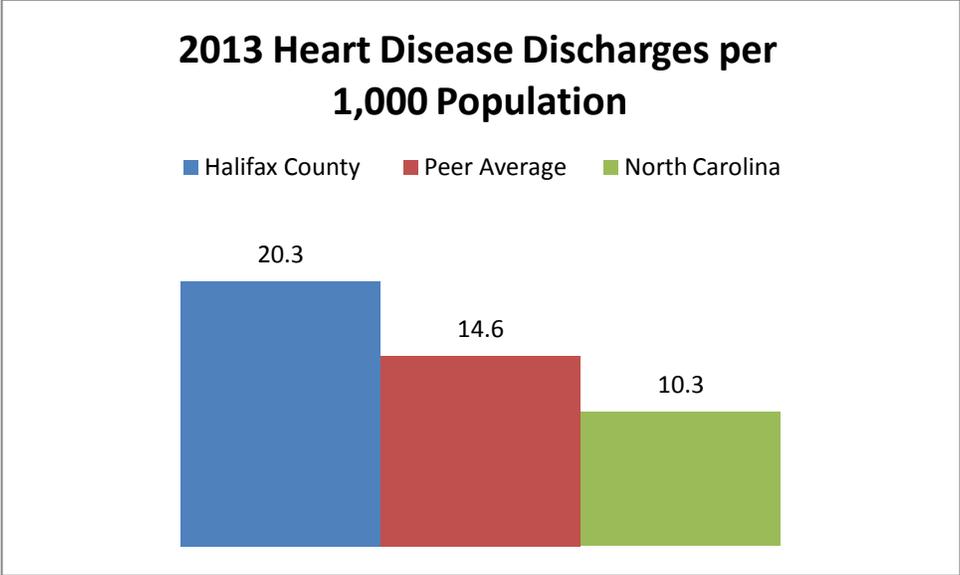
Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics, BRFSS
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/brfss/2013/east/topics.htm>

Deaths Related to Heart Disease

	2011	2012	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	22.2%	21.3%	21.7%
<u>North Carolina</u>	21.3%	21.1%	21.3%

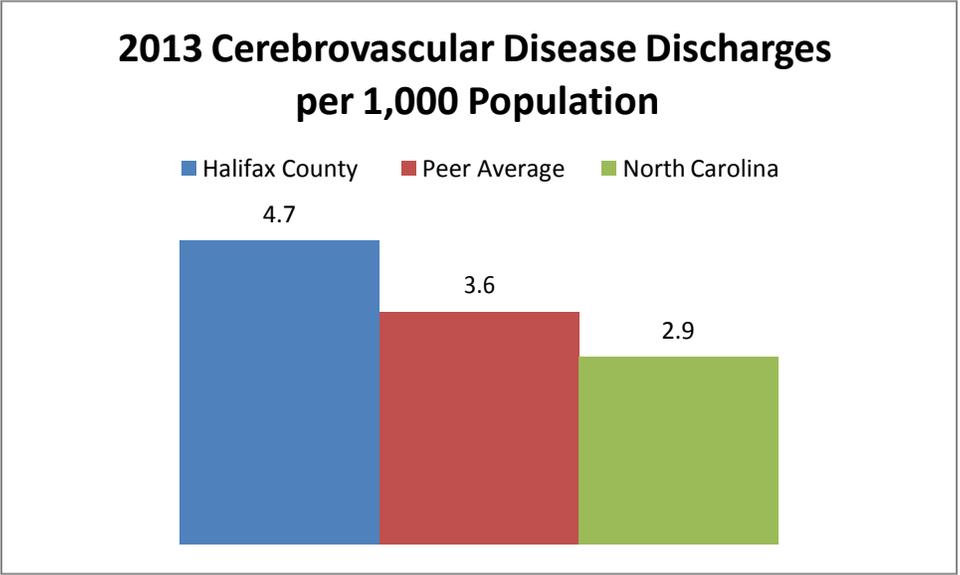
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The following chart compares Halifax County, Peer Counties and North Carolina for Heart Disease discharges per 1,000 population in 2013. Halifax County and North Carolina both account for a slight increase in discharge rates from 2012 to 2013. Halifax County is double the state rate and higher than the peer county average. Approximately 9 percent of survey respondents believe heart disease is the biggest health issue that affects family members.



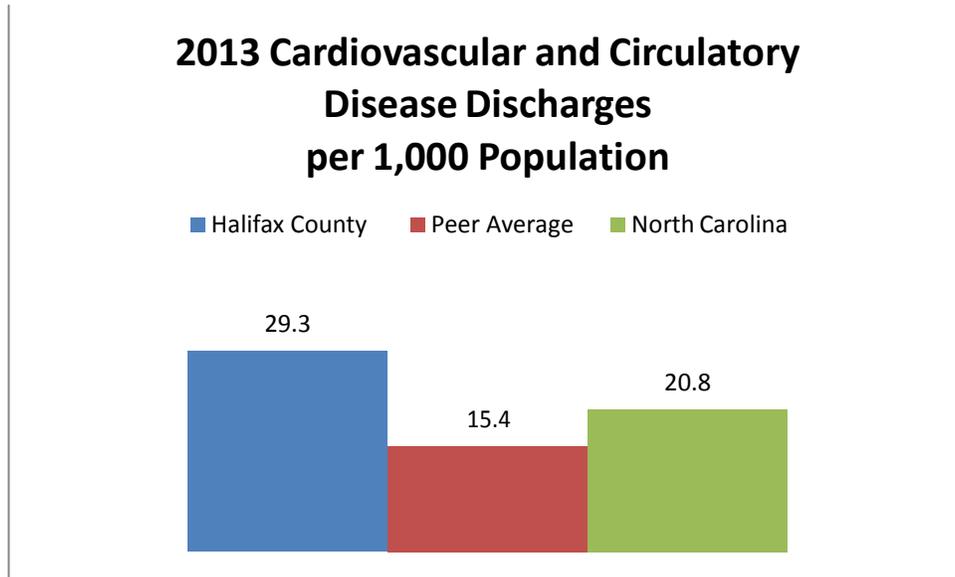
Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

The following chart compares Halifax County, Peer Counties and North Carolina for Cerebrovascular Disease discharges per 1,000 population in 2013. Halifax County has a higher rate of cerebrovascular disease than North Carolina and peer counties.



Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

The following chart compares Halifax County, Peer Counties and North Carolina for Cardiovascular and Circulatory Disease discharges per 1,000 population in 2013. Halifax County accounts for a slight increase in discharge rates from 2012 to 2013, Peer Counties and North Carolina had a slight decrease.



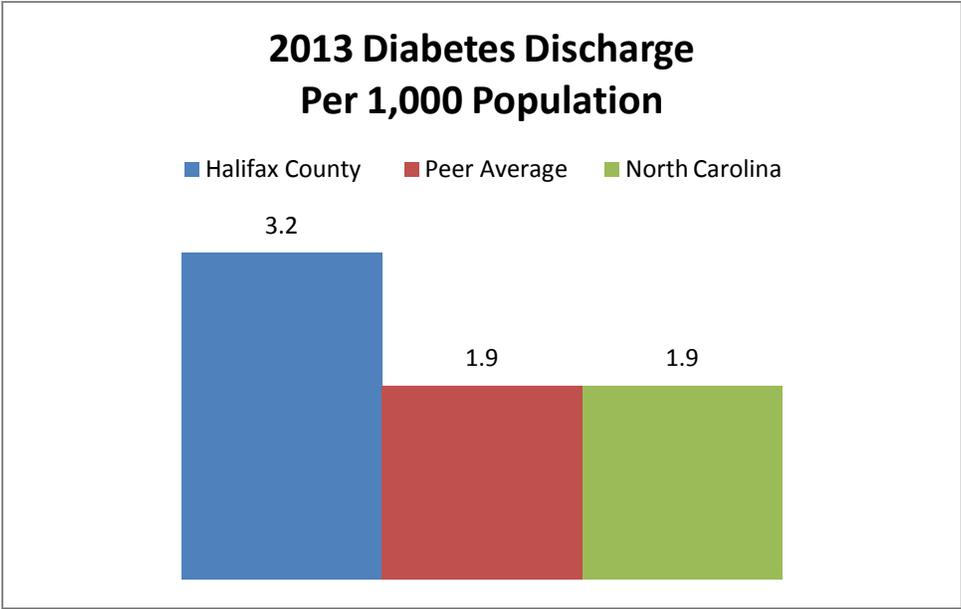
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Diabetes

Prevalence of diagnosed diabetes among adults ages 18 and older

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	12.7%	12.7%	11.7%	10.4%	11.7%
<u>North Carolina</u>	9.3%	9.6%	10.9%	10.4%	11.4%

Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics, BRFSS
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/brfss/2013/east/topics.htm>



Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

In Eastern North Carolina, 11.1 percent of adults are borderline diabetics compared to 9.5 percent of North Carolina in 2013. The percentage of those diagnosed with diabetes increases every year in Eastern North Carolina. According to the Community Health Assessment survey data, over 20 percent of respondents claim diabetes as the biggest health concern facing families while 22 percent of those surveyed have diabetes.

Substance Abuse

Percentage of Adults (ages 18 and older) who Currently Smoke

	2010	2011	2012	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	20.8%	23.9%	22.2%	20.9%
<u>North Carolina</u>	19.8%	21.8%	20.9%	20.2%

State Center for Health Statistics, BRFSS
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/brfss/2013/east/topics.htm>

Percentage of Adults (ages 18 and older) who Reported Binge Drinking

	2010	2011	2012	2013
<u>Eastern North Carolina</u>	10.3%	15.5%	13.4%	13.3%
<u>North Carolina</u>	11.0%	15.2%	13.1%	13.0%

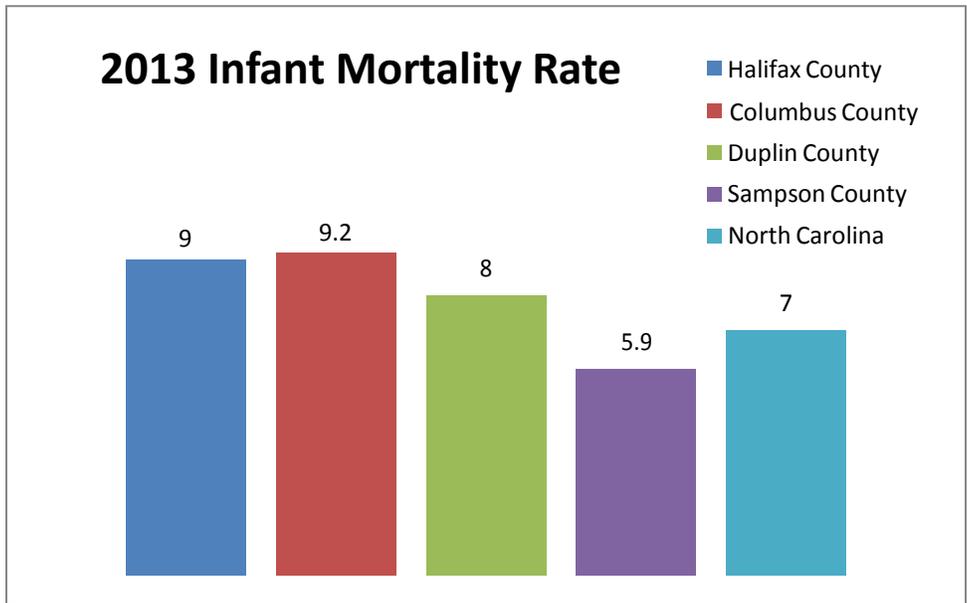
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Substance abuse continues to be an issue in Halifax County. Resources to support rehabilitation are very limited. The county’s mental health system has been forced to merge with other mental health facilities. It is more difficult to access mental health care in Halifax County. Mental Health programs became privatized and various providers such as “BEARS”, “Triumph” and “NOVA” have closed during the reorganization of the mental health provision. Clients find themselves frequently transitioning to new providers or loss to follow up. According to those surveyed, 11.1 percent felt use of alcohol was the biggest issue affecting their family while 18 percent said use of tobacco products.

Infant mortality

The infant mortality rate for Halifax County in 2013 was 9.0 per 1,000 live births, accounting for five (5) infant deaths in Halifax County. North Carolina’s infant mortality rate was 7.9 per 1,000 live births in 2013 accounting for 832 infant deaths. All peer counties and North Carolina, on average, have lower infant death rates compared to Halifax County. Halifax County’s infant mortality rate has decreased since 2009. The infant mortality rate in 2009 for Halifax County was 9.2 per 1,000 live births.



Infant Mortality Rates

	2013	2012	2011
Halifax County	9.0	11.9	15.6
Columbus County	9.2	3.2	9.2
Duplin County	8.0	8.0	3.7
Sampson County	5.9	7.0	15.5
North Carolina	7.0	7.4	7.2

Per 1,000 Live Births

Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/databook/>

Low Birth Weight

According to the 2007-2011 North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics Data Book, Halifax County has a higher percentage of women who deliver babies with a low birth weight than North Carolina and peer counties. Halifax County, Columbus County, Duplin County and Sampson County are all comparable in the following categories outlined in the chart below:

2007-2011	Total Low Birth Weight (<=2500 grams)	Very Low Weight (<=1500 grams)	White Low Birth Weight (<=2500 grams)	Minority Low Birth Weight (<=2500 grams)
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Halifax County	12.7	2.7	8.8	15.0
Columbus County	11.8	2.7	9.2	17.8
Duplin County	8.1	1.9	7.7	14.4
Sampson County	9.0	2.1	7.9	15.4
North Carolina	9.1	1.8	7.6	14.3

Source of Data: State Center for Health Statistics

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/databook/>

Teen Pregnancy Rates

Overall the pregnancy rate for Halifax is similar to the peer counties and higher than the state rate. Over the past three years, the teen pregnancy rate has decreased from 64.1 per 1,000 population to a rate of 54.2 in 2013. Since 2006, the teen pregnancy rate has decreased from 92.3 per 1,000 to a rate of 77.5 per 1,000 in 2009. The overall Teen Pregnancy Rate for North Carolina has also decreased from 63.1 in 2006 to 56.0 in 2009.

Total Number of Pregnancies and Rates

Ages 15-19

2013	Halifax County	Columbus County	Duplin County	Sampson County	North Carolina
<u>Total Pregnancies</u>	87	103	74	115	11,178
<u>Total Rate</u>	54.2	57.4	38.7	56.7	35.2
<u>White Pregnancies</u>	20	50	23	37	4,549
<u>White Rate</u>	36.0	50.3	29.1	39.1	24.7
<u>Minority Pregnancies</u>	61	39	22	29	4,172
<u>Minority Rate</u>	65.0	63.5	42.6	51.4	49.2

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

Total Number of Pregnancies and Rates

Ages 15-19

2012	Halifax County	Columbus County	Duplin County	Sampson County	North Carolina
Total Pregnancies	96	92	94	120	12,535
Total Rate	57.0	50.5	50.4	59.4	39.6
White Pregnancies	25	41	28	43	5,233
White Rate	43.7	40.8	34.4	44.9	28.3
Minority Pregnancies	65	32	39	37	4,742
Minority Rate	64.5	48.9	76.6	64.3	55.0

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/databook/>

Births

Birth Rate per 1,000 Population

	2003-2007	2007-2011
Halifax County	12.8	11.9
North Carolina	14.2	13.5

Source of Data: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics;
<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/schs/data/databook/2013/CD1%20Live%20birth%20rates.html>

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

- There were 421 cases of Chlamydia among Halifax residents in 2013. Chlamydia rates in 2005 for Halifax County were almost double the state rate.
- In 2013, there were 100 cases of gonorrhea among Halifax residents, less than half of the number of gonorrhea cases in 2009.
- There were 2 cases of syphilis among Halifax residents in 2013.
- HIV Disease rates in 2013 for Halifax County were lower than the state rate.
- There were 3 cases of AIDS among Halifax County residents in 2013, accounting for a lower rate compared to the state.

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

	HALIFAX		NORTH CAROLINA	
	NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE
CHLAMYDIA				
2013	421	779.5	48,417	496.5
2012	426	788.8	50,621	519.1
2011	370	681.2	53,854	558.0
2010	348	638.0	42,167	441.1
2009	402	736.5	43,734	466.2
GONORRHEA				
2013	100	185.2	13,665	140.1
2012	128	237.0	14,324	146.9
2011	145	267.0	17,158	177.8
2010	152	278.7	14,153	148.0
2009	176	322.5	14,811	157.9
PRIMARY, SECONDARY SYPHILIS				
2013	1	1.9	423	4.3
2012	3	5.6	334	3.4
2011	3	5.5	392	4.1
2010	2	3.7	392	4.1
2009	1	1.8	536	5.7
EARLY SYPHILIS (PRIMARY, SECONDARY, EARLY LATENT)				
2013	1	1.9	677	6.9
2012	3	5.6	561	5.8
2011	7	12.9	708	7.3
2010	3	5.5	708	7.4
2009	2	3.7	873	9.3
HIV DISEASE				
2013	9	16.7	1,525	15.6
2012	12	22.2	1,347	13.8
2011	13	23.9	1,490	15.4
AIDS				
2013	3	5.6	1048	12.4
2012	8	14.8	1091	12.8
2011	9	16.6	1089	12.7

Source of Data: North Carolina HIV and STD Prevention and Control Branch;
<http://www.epi.state.nc.us/epi/hiv/surveillance.html>

Environmental Health Issues

Food and Lodging Inspections

In 2014, a total of 688 restaurants in Halifax County are included with inspection grades. Of those, 540 received a grade “A” and 15 received a “B”. As of November 2010, the County had a total of 39 complaints that were reported and investigated related to restaurant facilities. In 2014, 68 water samples were collected for well and septic inspections.

Lead Testing Results

Halifax County had a higher percentage of children ages 1-2 where blood lead was greater or equal to 10 compared to North Carolina and Peer Counties.

Lead Testing Results for 2011 for Halifax County

Lead Testing Results 2011								
Ages 1 to 2 years						Ages 6 months to 6 years		
Target Population	Number Tested	% Tested	% Medicaid	Lead ≥ 10	% ≥ 10	Number Tested	Confirmed 10 - 19	Confirmed ≥ 20
1,284	1,092	85.0	94.4	11	1	1,169	4	0

Source of Data: <http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/hhccehb/cehu/>

Lead Testing Results for 2011

	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Lead > 10	Percent > 10
Halifax County	1,092	85.0%	11	1%
Peer County	1,139	71.8%	4.7	0.4%
Average				
North Carolina	129,558	52.0%	461	0.4%

Source of Data: <http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/hhccehb/cehu/>

Indoor and Outdoor Air Quality

Many agencies, schools, and local organizations are moving in the right direction to becoming smoke free. In January 2010, all local restaurants became smoke free in Halifax County. In 2008, Halifax Regional Medical Center became a smoke free campus. All three school systems, Roanoke Rapids City Schools, Weldon City Schools, and Halifax County Schools have all become smoke free campuses as well. Outdoor air quality remains in good to moderate standing for the majority of the year. The air quality during the middle of April and the first of July tends to reach the orange level, which is classified as unhealthy for sensitive groups such as those with asthma and elderly. During other times throughout the year, the ozone concentrations remained in the green and yellow categories, good to moderate conditions for air quality.

Transportation

According to US Census Bureau, among the occupied housing units in Halifax County 12.9 percent have no vehicles, 32.6 percent have one vehicle, 32.2 percent have two vehicles available and 22.3 percent have three or more vehicles available. Among the occupied housing units in North Carolina, 6.5 percent have no vehicles, 31.9 percent have one vehicle, 38.5 percent have two vehicles available and 23.1 percent have three or more vehicles available. Over 80 percent of Halifax County residents commute to work utilizing a personal car, compared to 79 percent of North Carolina.

Health Disparties

Health Disparties are demonstrable among racial distributions. According to 2013 Census figures, approximately 22 percent of North Carolina's population is African American/Black. Halifax County's distribution in 2013 showed that 40.9 percent were Caucasian/White, while 61.6 percent were the minority population consisting of African American 53.1 percent, American Indian and Alaskan Native 3.9 percent, Asian and Hispanic (2.7 percent combined). North Carolina's African Americans are more likely to live in poverty (33 percent) and more likely than whites to have no health insurance (22 percent). Poverty and lack of access to health care are two main reasons North Carolina's

African Americans are generally in poorer health than whites and other racial and/or ethnic minorities based on mortality and disease incidence patterns.

Due to the demographics of Halifax County and being a rural county, many citizens do not have access to transportation to receive medical care and other services. The only public transportation is via the (CPTA) Choanoke Public Transportation Authority. Most of the medical offices are located in Roanoke Rapids, which can be more than a 30-minute ride from the farthest communities in Halifax County. Employment is a challenge due to transportation issues as the primary businesses and industries are located in Roanoke Rapids. Several restaurants and small businesses have also closed; therefore, eliminating job opportunities.

There is limited availability of tertiary centers; Vidant Medical Center is 1.5 hours east of Halifax County and Chapel Hill, Duke Medical and Wake Medical are 1.5 hours southwest of Halifax County.

There are many health disparities identified within the three areas of health identified in the 2015 Community Health Assessment:

- Heart Disease
- Physical Activity and Nutrition
- Obesity

Appendix A

2015 Halifax County Community Health Assessment Survey

Halifax County Community Health Assessment

A survey conducted by Halifax County Public Health System

1. How do you rate <u>your own health</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Very Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good
<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't Know/Not Sure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair
2. What is the biggest <u>health issue</u> in your <u>family</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma/Lung Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Heart Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stroke/Cerebrovascular Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	STD/HIV/AIDS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Obesity	<input type="checkbox"/>	High Blood Pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Teen Pregnancy
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Dental Health
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____
3. What is the biggest <u>behavior risk factor</u> that impacts your <u>family</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alcohol/Drug Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child/Spouse/Parent abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Crime
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Factors	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Safety Seat use	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seatbelt use
<input type="checkbox"/>	Use of Tobacco Products	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of Physical Activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor Nutrition
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Unprotected Sex
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____
4. On average, how often do <u>you</u> eat fruits or vegetables? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Once a day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Once a week	<input type="checkbox"/>	Once a month
<input type="checkbox"/>	Several times a day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Several times a week	<input type="checkbox"/>	Several times a month
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Never
5. On average, how often do <u>you</u> participate in any physical activities/exercises such as running, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise per week? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	None	<input type="checkbox"/>	1-2 days	<input type="checkbox"/>	3-5 days
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	6-7 days
6. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or health professional that <u>you</u> have any of the following? (check all that apply)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma/ Lung Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Depression	<input type="checkbox"/>	High Blood Pressure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Osteoporosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Overweight/Obesity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Angina/Heart Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	None
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	High Cholesterol
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer
7. Where do <u>you and your family</u> get most of your health information? (check all that apply)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Fairs/Events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family or Friends	<input type="checkbox"/>	Internet
<input type="checkbox"/>	Doctor/Health Professional	<input type="checkbox"/>	Newspaper/Magazines	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hospital Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Department	<input type="checkbox"/>	Library	<input type="checkbox"/>	Support Group
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Television
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Radio
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____
8. In your opinion, what is the biggest <u>health issue</u> in your <u>community</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma/Lung Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drug/Alcohol Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gangs/Violence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dental Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult/Child Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vehicle Crashes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chronic Diseases (i.e. Cancer, Diabetes, Heart Disease)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tobacco Use	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Teen Pregnancy
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Obesity
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____
9. In your opinion, what do most people die from in your <u>community</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma/ Lung Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Heart Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stroke/Cerebrovascular Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Homicide/Violence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Motor Vehicle Deaths	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	HIV/AIDS
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Suicide
10. In your opinion, what do you think is the main reason that keeps people in your <u>community</u> from seeking medical treatment? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cultural/Health Beliefs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fear (not ready to face health problem)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health services too far away
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of insurance/Unable to pay for doctor's visit	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of knowledge/ understanding of the need	<input type="checkbox"/>	No appointments available at doctor when needed/Have to wait too long at doctor's office
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	None/No Barriers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Important	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Which factor do you feel most affects the <u>quality of life</u> for people in your <u>community</u>? (check only one)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ability to read & write/Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Language Barrier/ Interpreter/Translator	<input type="checkbox"/>	Age
<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic (Low Income, No Insurance, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify)_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of Transportation
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Crime
12. In your opinion, do you feel people in your <u>community</u> lack the funds for any of the following: (check all that apply)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Food	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Home/Shelter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Utilities (i.e. Electricity, Water, Gas)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation/Fuel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medicine
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____
13. What does your <u>community</u> need to improve the health of your family, friends, and neighbors? (check all that apply)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Additional Health Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	After-School Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Job Opportunities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Specialty Physicians (Type?_____)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthier Food Choices
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Wellness Services
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe places to walk/play
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Other_____

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14. What health screenings or education/information services are needed in your **community**? (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/> Cholesterol/Blood Pressure/	<input type="checkbox"/> Dental Screenings	<input type="checkbox"/> STD/HIV/AIDS
<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health (including depression/anxiety)	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/> Eating Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition
<input type="checkbox"/> Reckless Driving/Seatbelts	<input type="checkbox"/> Vaccinations/Immunizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Smoking Cessation	<input type="checkbox"/> Literacy
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Car Seats	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy Prevention	<input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Activity
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Disease Outbreak	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

15. What would be your main way of getting information from authorities in a **large-scale disaster or emergency**? (check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Television	<input type="checkbox"/> Radio	<input type="checkbox"/> Internet	<input type="checkbox"/> Neighbors
<input type="checkbox"/> Print Media (ex: newspaper)	<input type="checkbox"/> Text Message	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Networking site	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know/Not Sure
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> (Emergency Alert System)		

16. Does **your family** have a basic emergency supply kit? (These kits include water, non-perishable food, any necessary prescriptions, first aid supplies, flashlights and batteries, non-electric can opener, blanket, etc.)

Yes No Don't Know/Not Sure

17. If public authorities announced a mandatory evacuation from your neighborhood or community due to a large-scale disaster or emergency, would you evacuate? (check only one)

Yes No Don't Know/Not Sure

18. What would be the main reason you might **not** evacuate if asked to do so? (check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable, I would evacuate	<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of trust in public officials	<input type="checkbox"/> Concern about leaving property behind	<input type="checkbox"/> Concern about leaving pets
<input type="checkbox"/> Concern about personal/family safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Health problems (could not be moved)	<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know/Not Sure
<input type="checkbox"/> Inability to get out of home or area	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe) _____		

For Statistical Purposes Only, Please Complete the Following:

I am: Male Female

My age is: 15-19 20-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

I am: Employed Unemployed Retired Disabled Other

My race is: White/Caucasian Native American/Alaskan Native Pacific Islander

Black/African American Asian Other

Ethnicity: Hispanic Not Hispanic Unknown/Not Sure

What is your marital status? Never Married/Single Separated Widowed

Married Divorced Other

My highest level of education is: Some high school, no diploma Some college (no degree) Bachelor's Degree

High School Diploma Associate's Degree Graduate or Professional Degree

My household income last year was: less than \$10,000 \$10,000-\$19,999 \$20,000-\$29,999

How many people does this support? \$30,000-\$49,999 \$50,000-\$74,999 \$75,000-\$99,999

\$100,000 + Do not know

My job field is best described as: Agriculture Government Education

Business/Industry Healthcare Food Service

Retail Student Migrant Worker

Homemaker Other

Do you currently have Health Insurance? If yes what type? Yes No Private

Medicare Medicaid

When seeking medical care, where do you go first? (check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Doctor's Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Care Center
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital	
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Clinic	

In the past year have you seen a medical provider for any of the following? (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Routine Check-up	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Screening	<input type="checkbox"/> Sick visit/Illness	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/> Not seen
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Do you use any kind of tobacco products? Smoke Chew/Dip Both No

Do you support tobacco-free public places/buildings in Halifax County? Yes No

What is your zip code? (Write only the first 5 digits) _____

~~~~~**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION**~~~~~

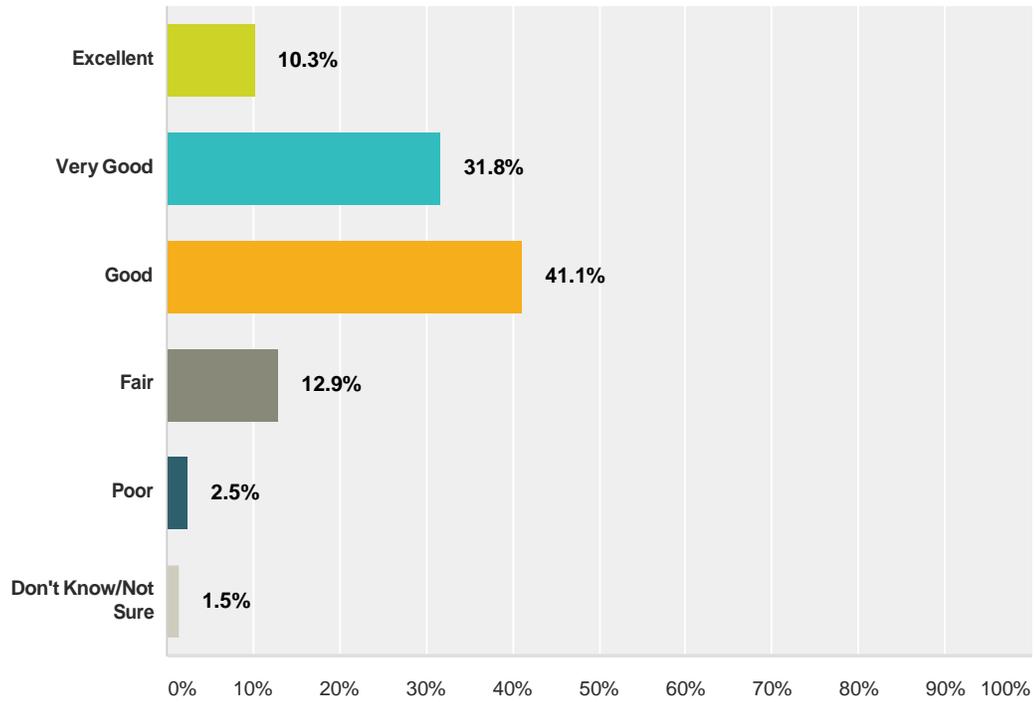
# **Appendix B**

**2015 Halifax County Community Health Assessment Survey**

**Results**

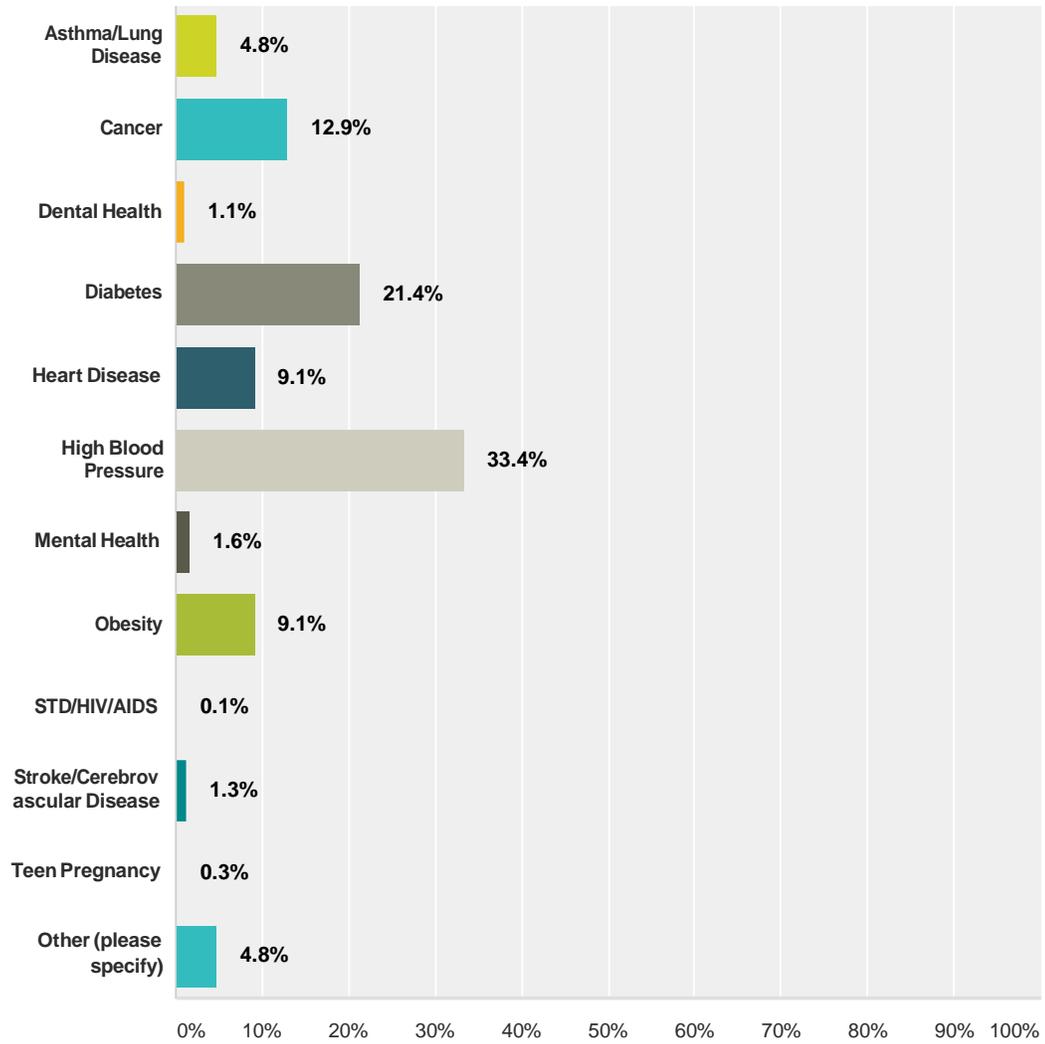
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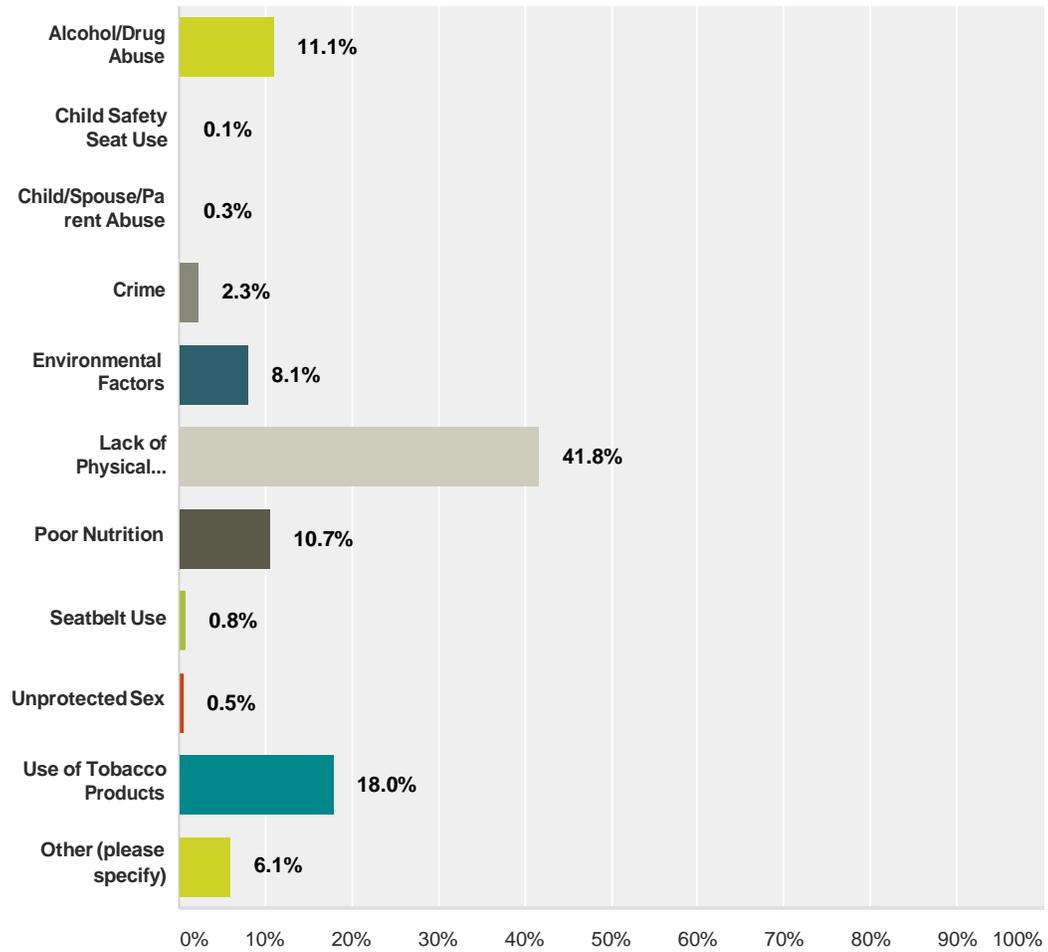
**Q2 What is the biggest health issue in your family? (check only one)**

Answered: 790 Skipped: 20



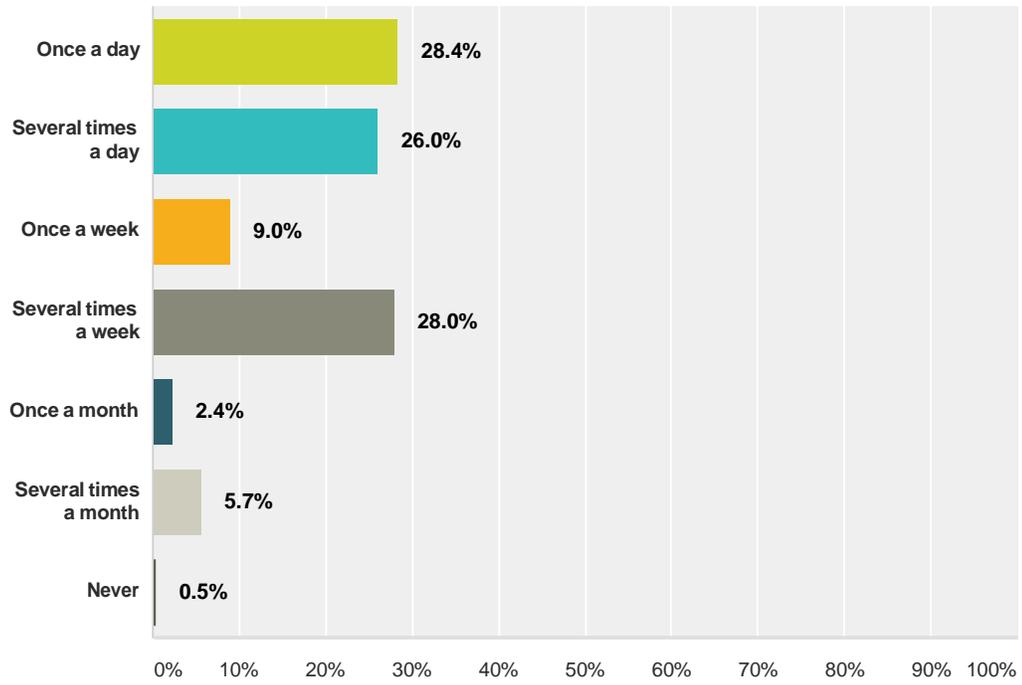
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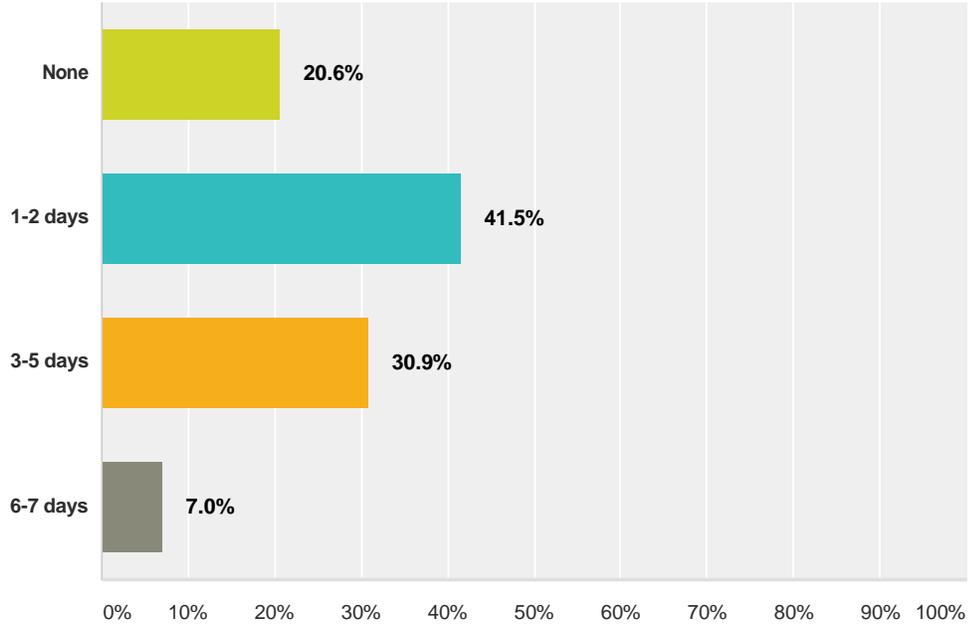
**Q4 On average, how often do you eat fruits and vegetables? (check only one)**

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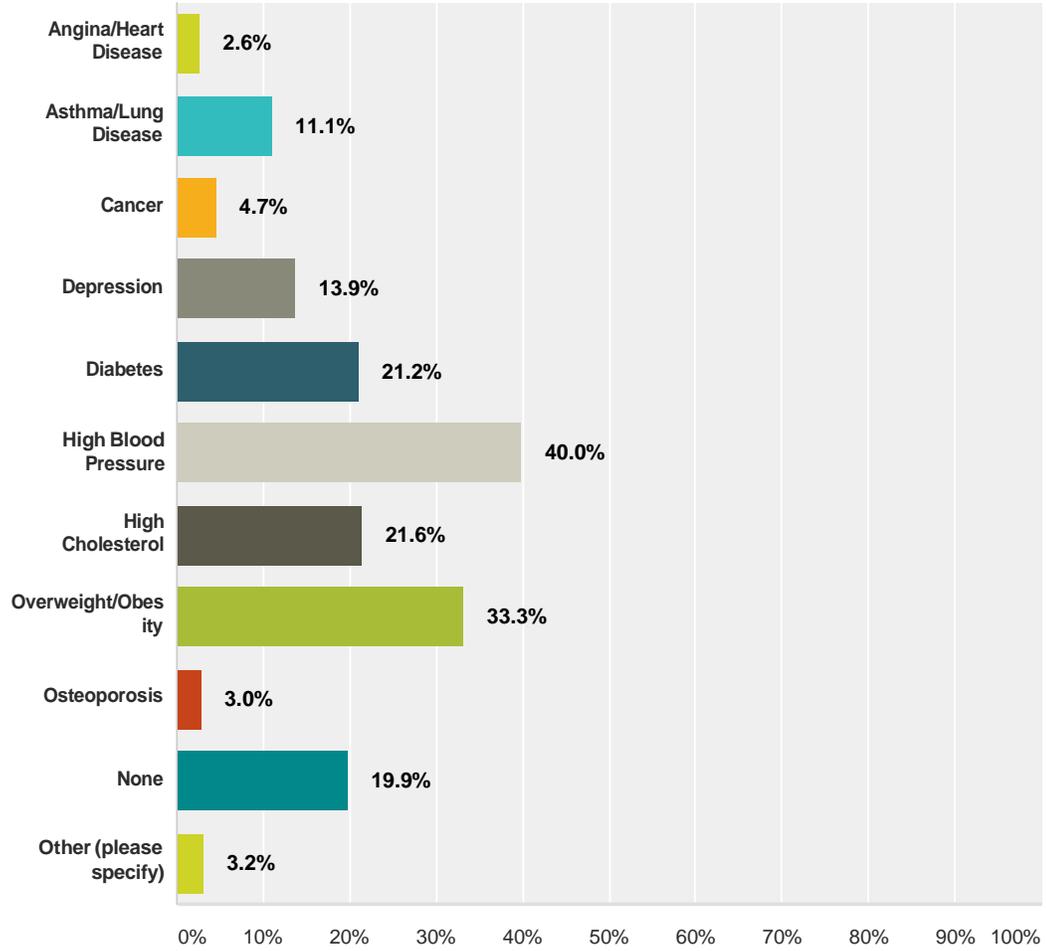
**Q5 On average, how often do you participate in any physical activities/exercises such as running, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise per week?**

Answered: 800 Skipped: 10



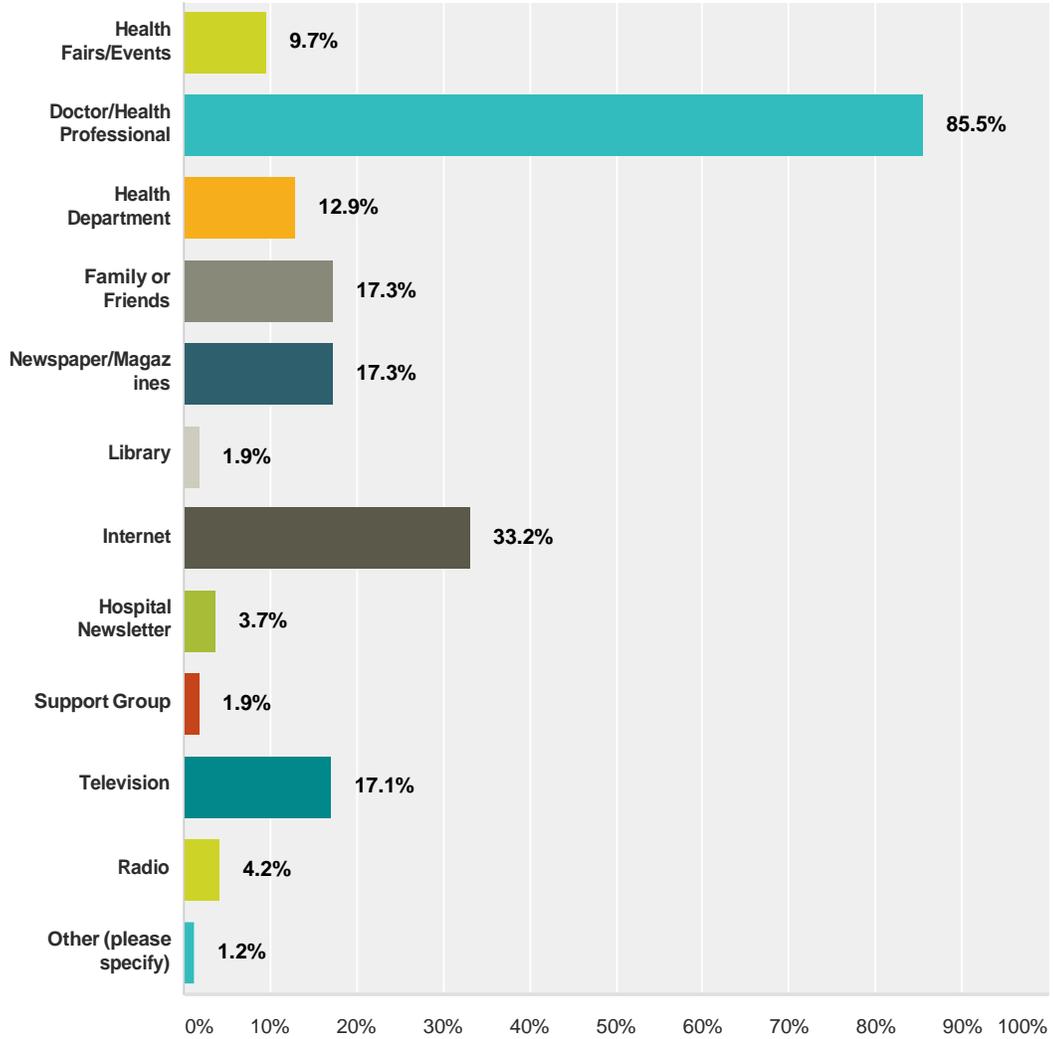
**Q6 Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or health professional that you have any of the following? (check all that apply)**

Answered: 793 Skipped: 17



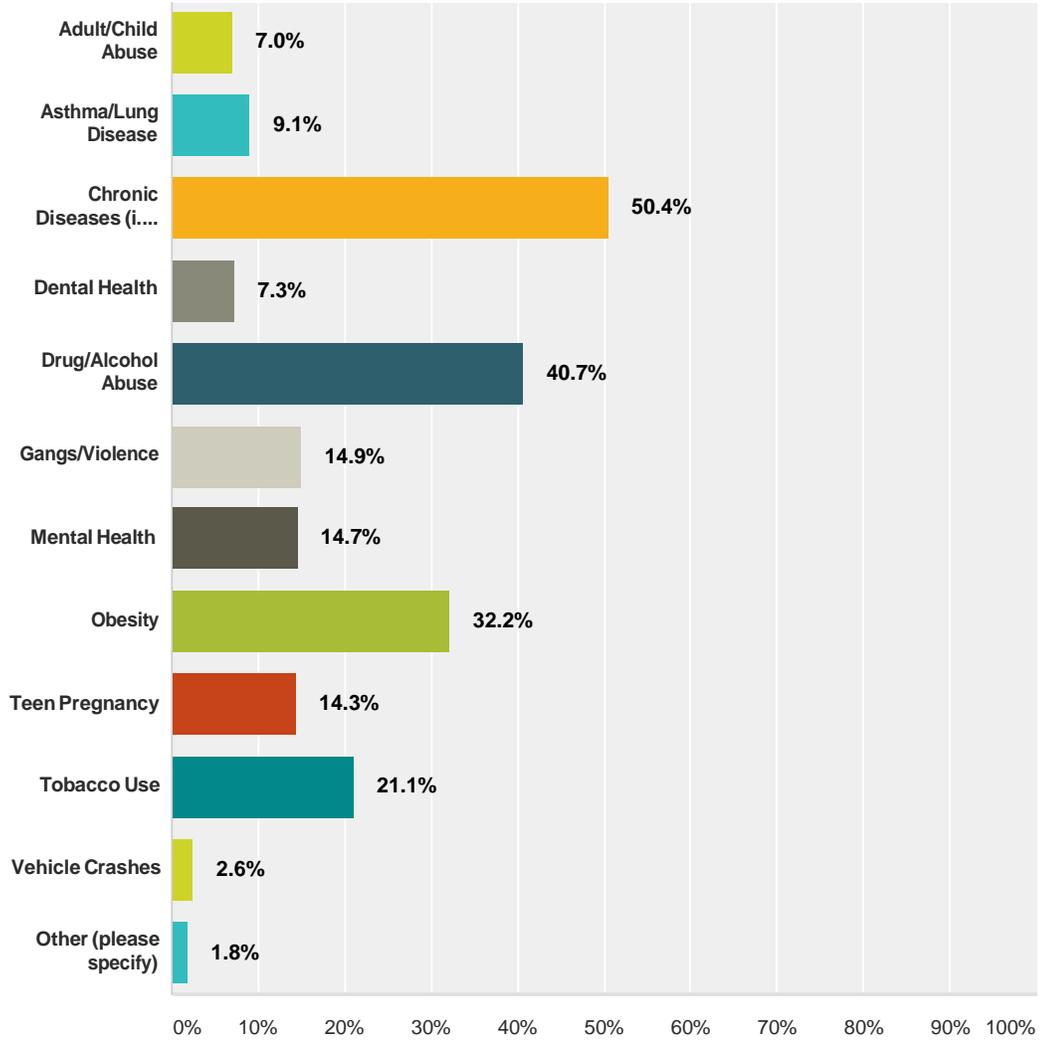
**Q7 Where do you and your family get most of your health information? (check all that apply)**

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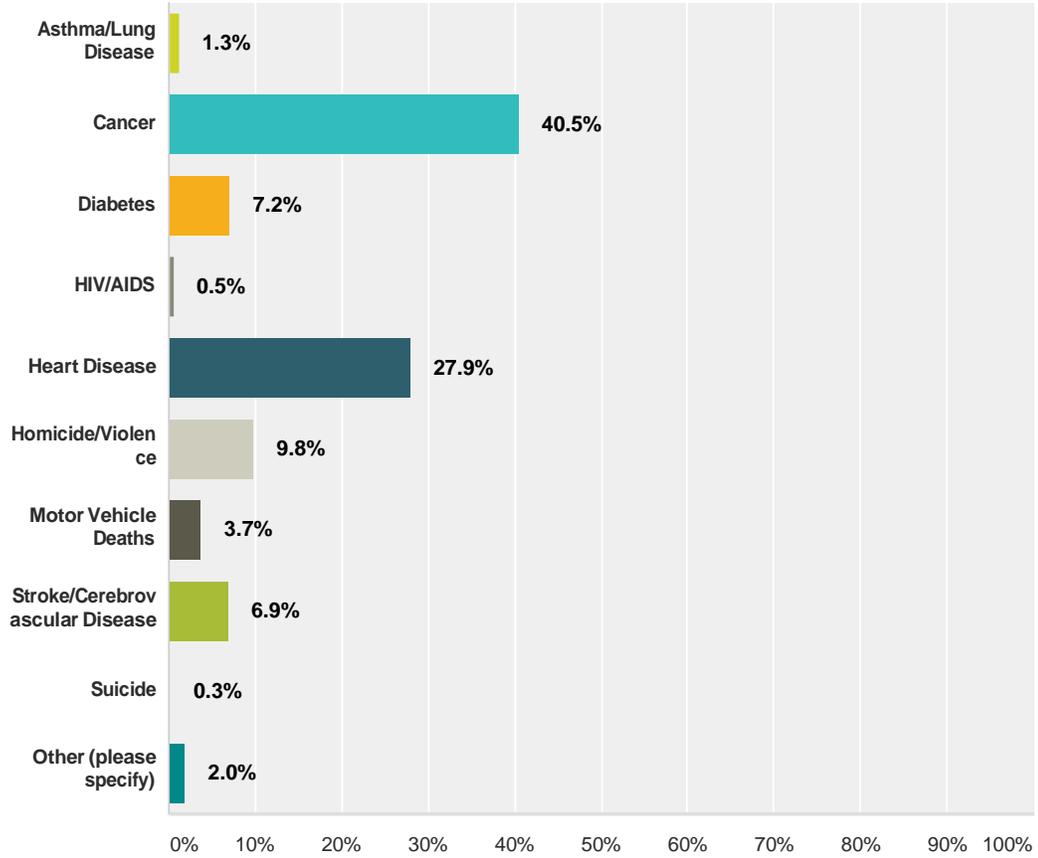
**Q8 In your opinion, what is the biggest health issue in your community? (check all that apply)**

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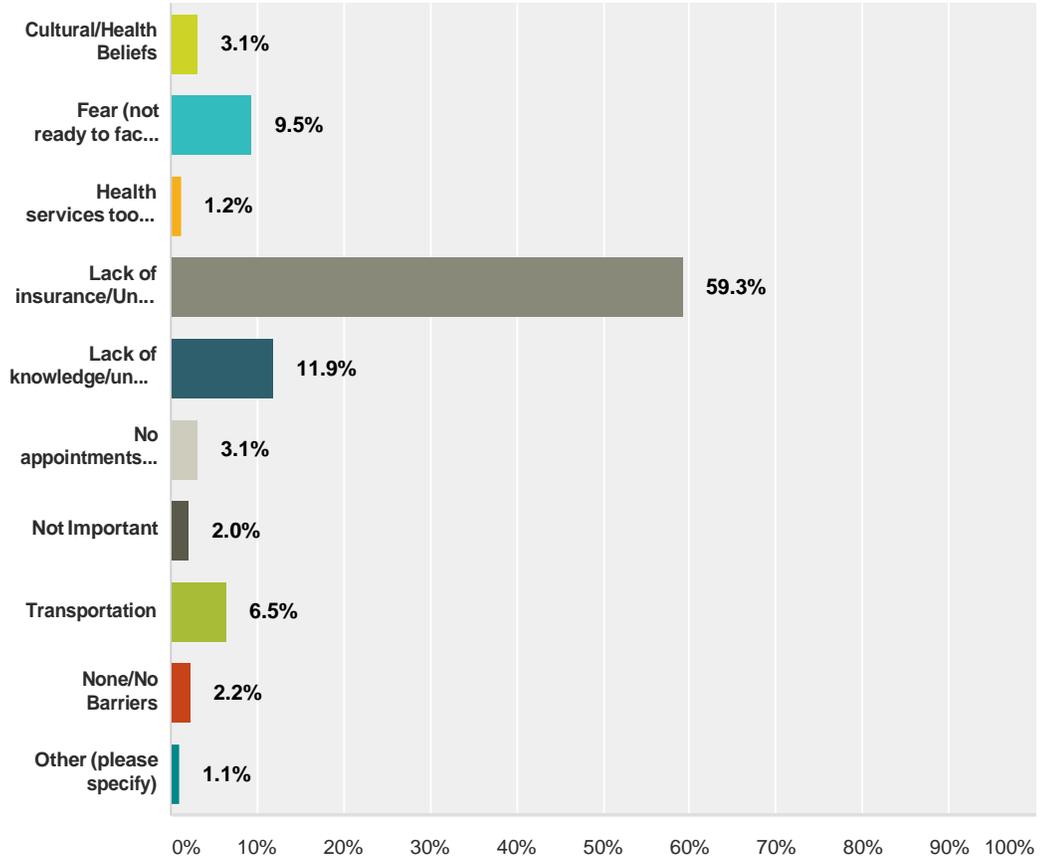
**Q9 In your opinion, what do most people die from in your community? (check only one)**

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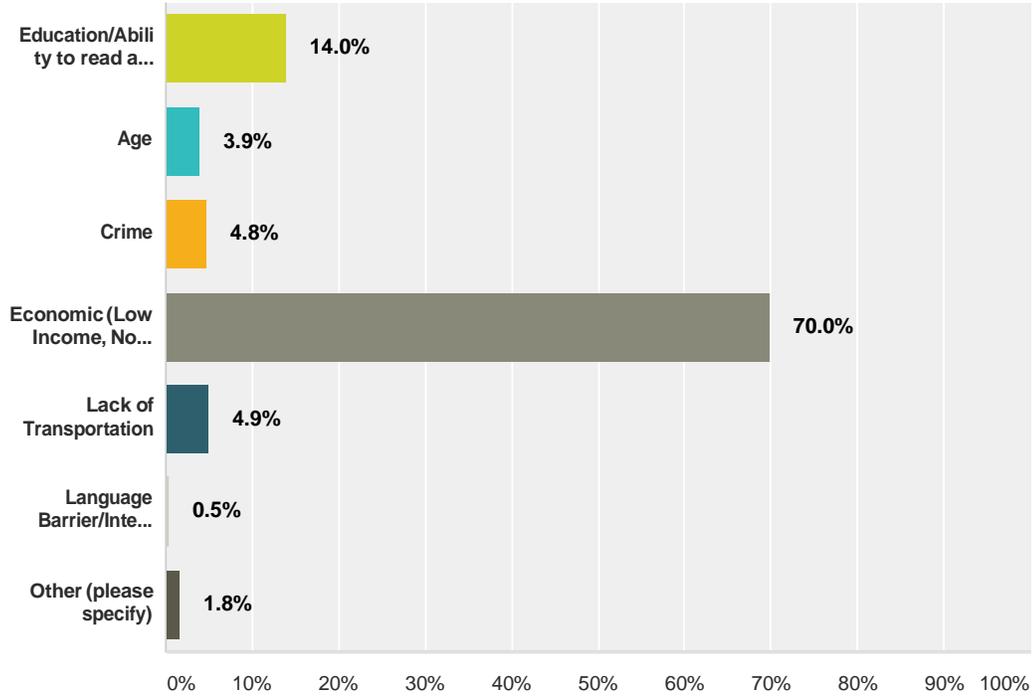
**Q10 In your opinion, what do you think is the main reason that keeps people in your community from seeking medical treatment?**

Answered: 801 Skipped: 9



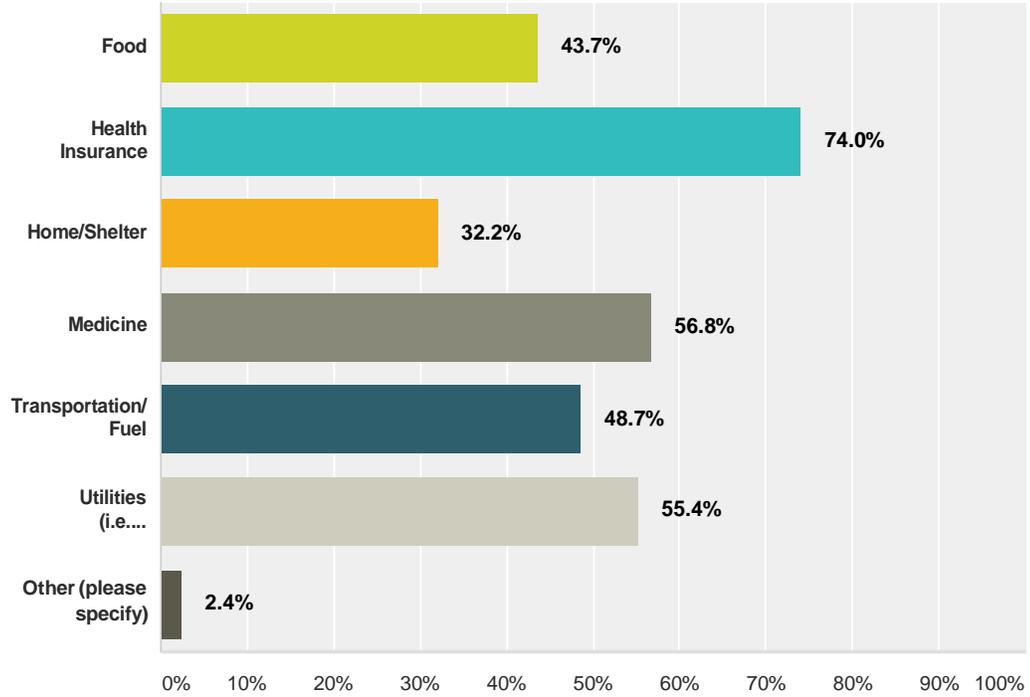
**Q11 Which factor do you feel most affects the quality of life for people in your community? (check only one)**

Answered: 791 Skipped: 19



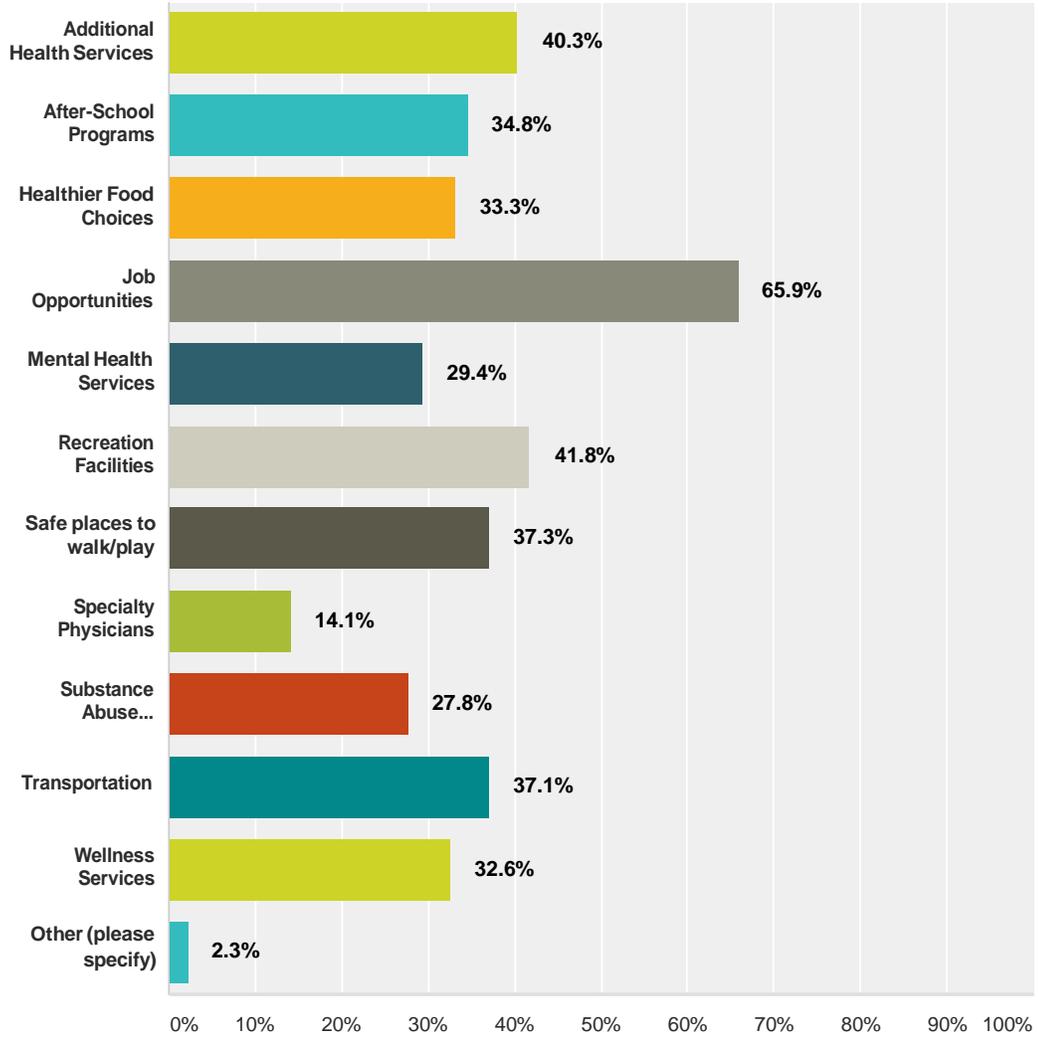
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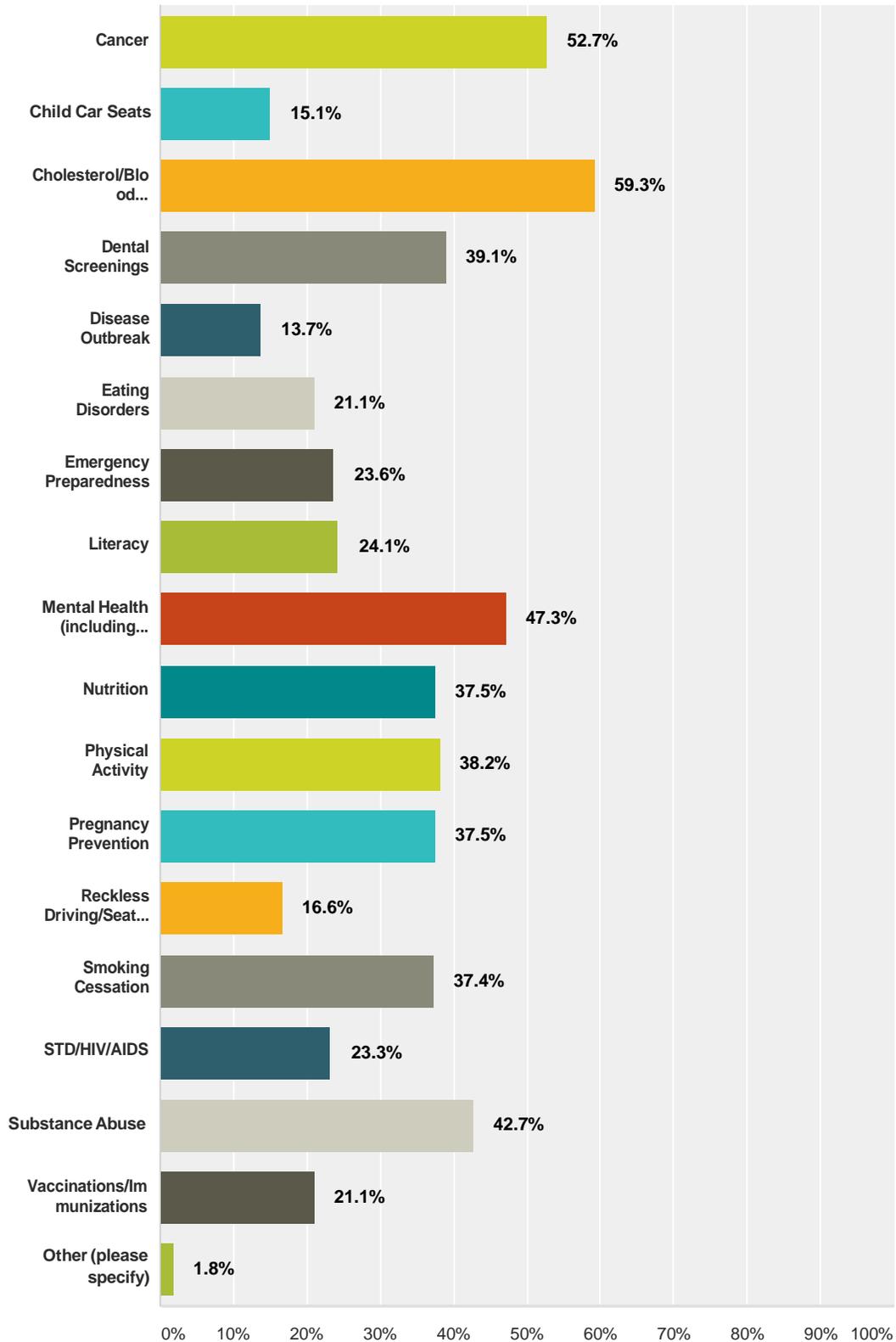
**Q13 What does your community need to improve the health of your family, friends, and neighbors? (check all that apply)**

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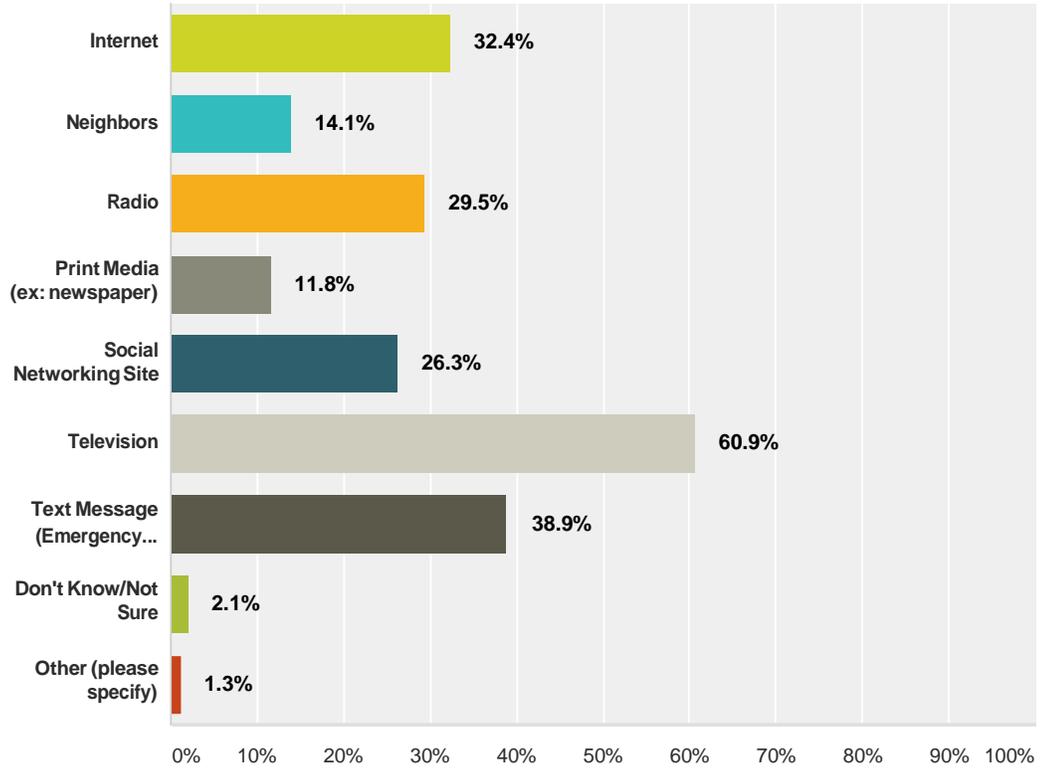
### Q14 What health screenings or education/information services are needed in your community? (check all that apply)

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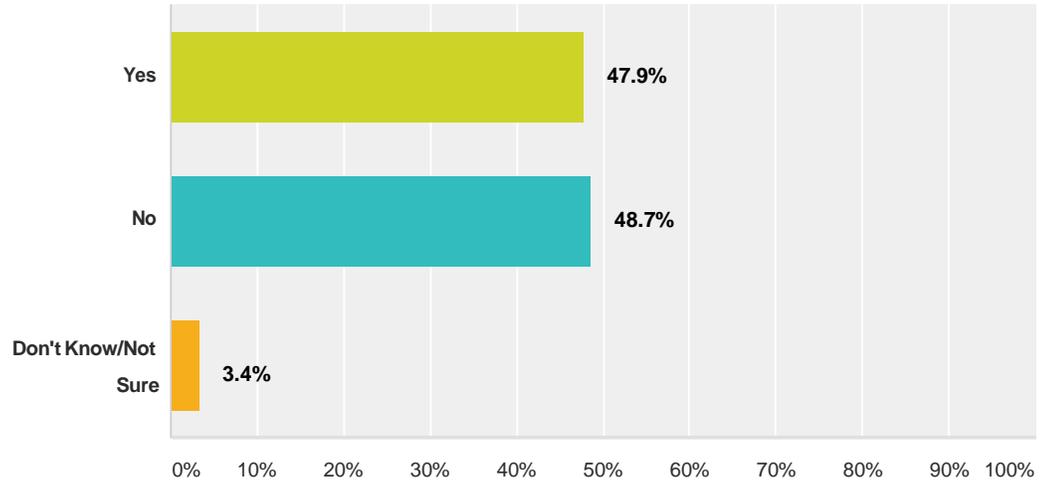
**Q15 What would be your main way of getting information from authorities in a large-scale disaster or emergency? (check all that apply)**

Answered: 797 Skipped: 13



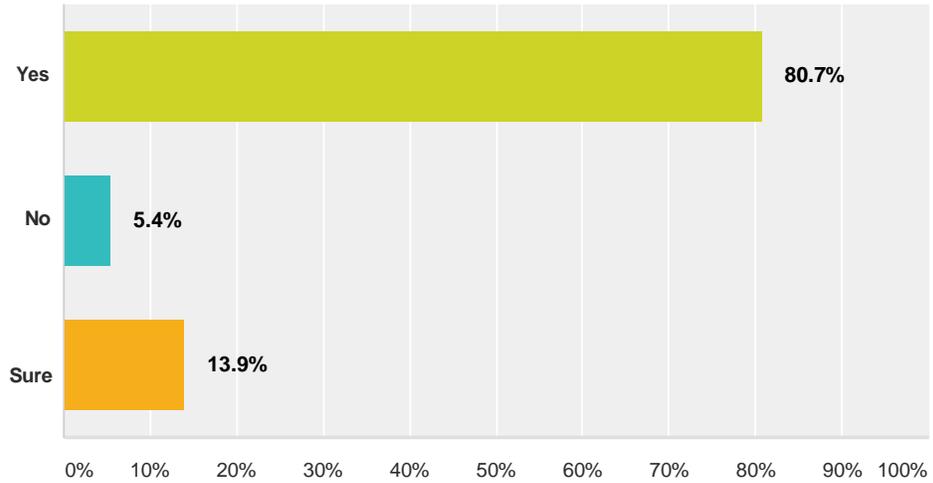
**Q16 Does your family have a basic emergency supply kit? (These kits include water, non-perishable food, any necessary prescription, first aid supplies, flashlight and batteries, non-electric can opener, blanket, etc.)**

Answered: 798 Skipped: 12



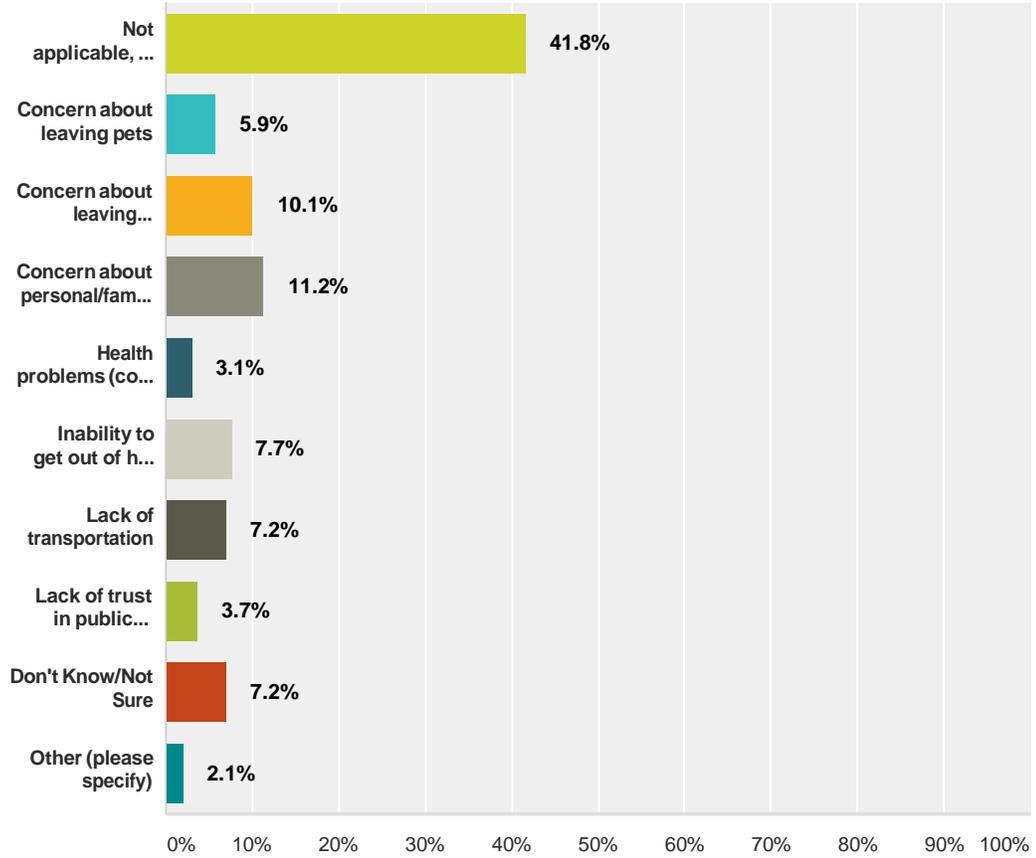
**Q17 If public authorities announced a mandatory evacuation from your neighborhood or community due to a large-scale disaster or emergency, would your evacuate? (check only one)**

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**Q18 What would be the main reason you might not evacuate if asked to do so?  
(check only one)**

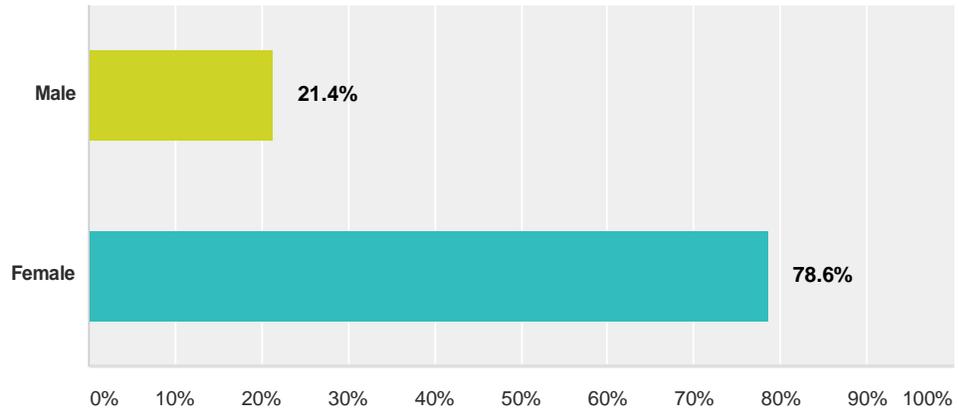
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# Halifax County Community Health Assessment Survey

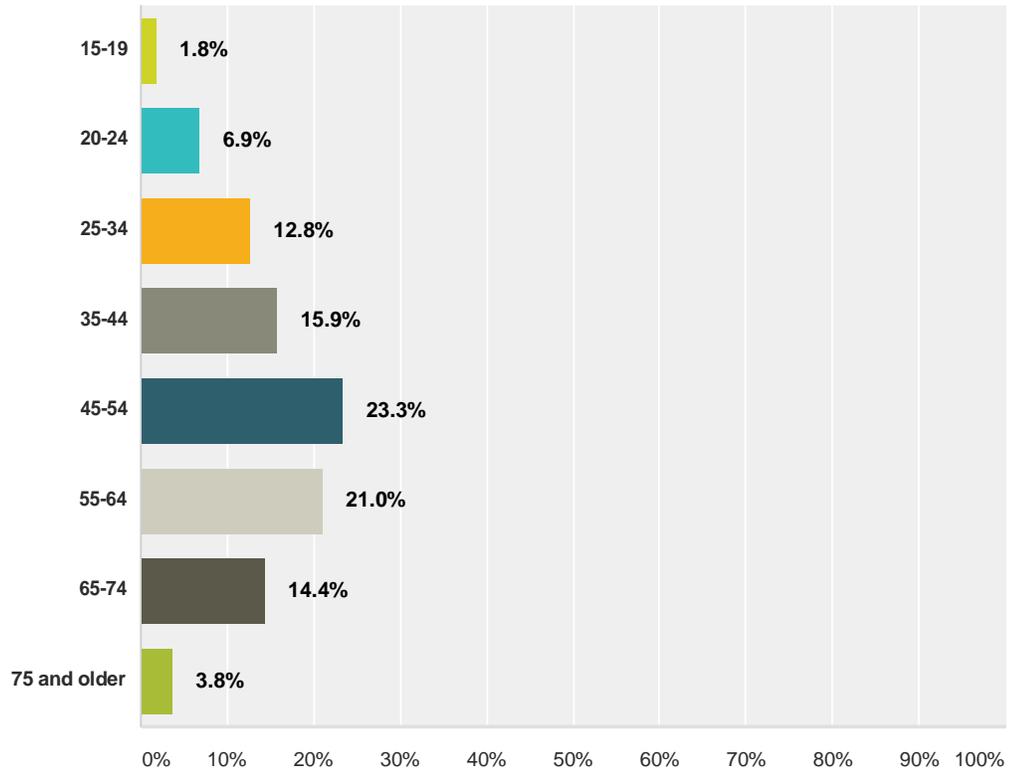
## Q19 I am:

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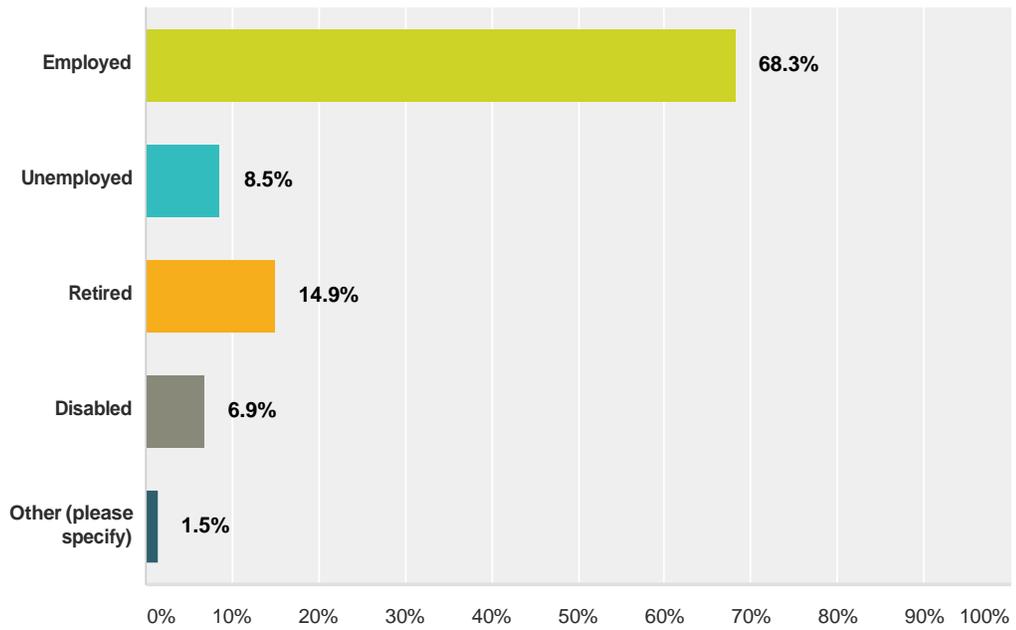
### Q20 My age is:

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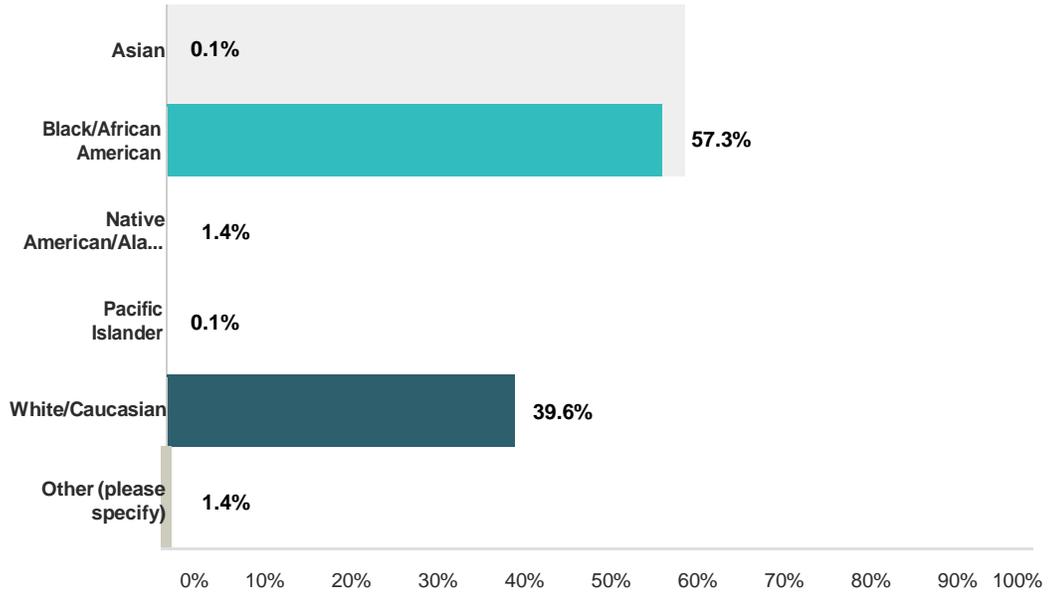
**Q21 I am:**

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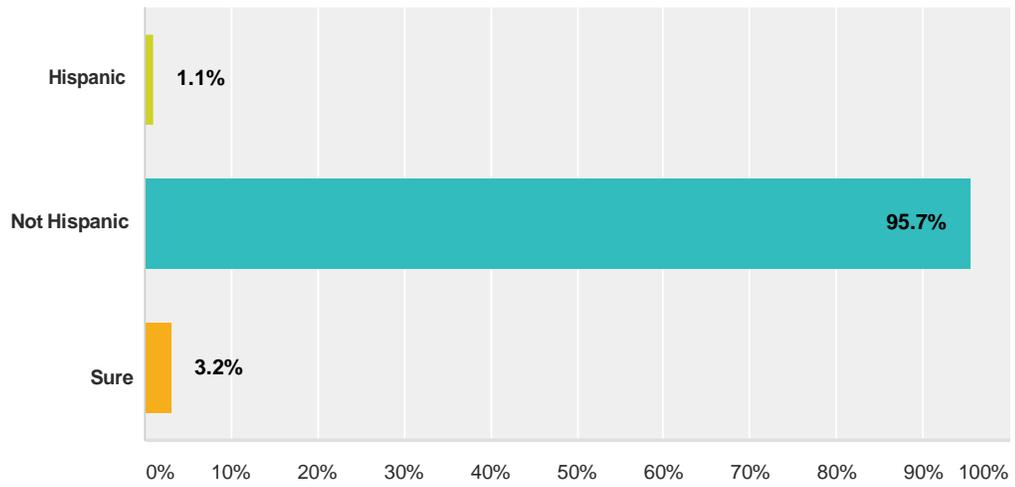
### Q22 My race is:

Answered: 785 Skipped: 25



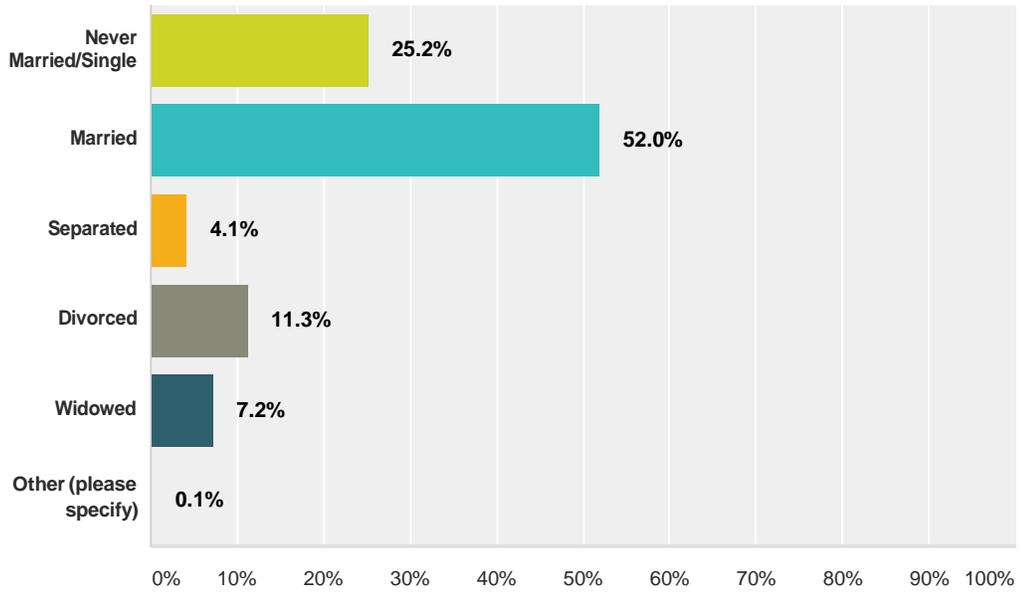
### Q23 Ethnicity:

Answered: 627 Skipped: 183



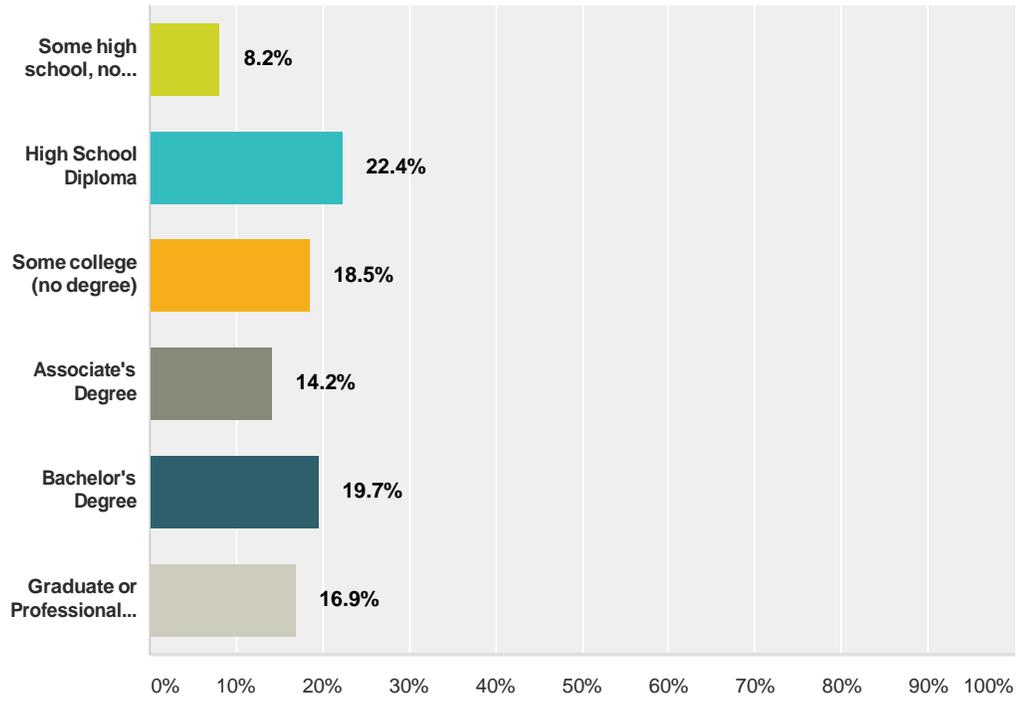
### Q24 What is your marital status?

Answered: 777 Skipped: 33



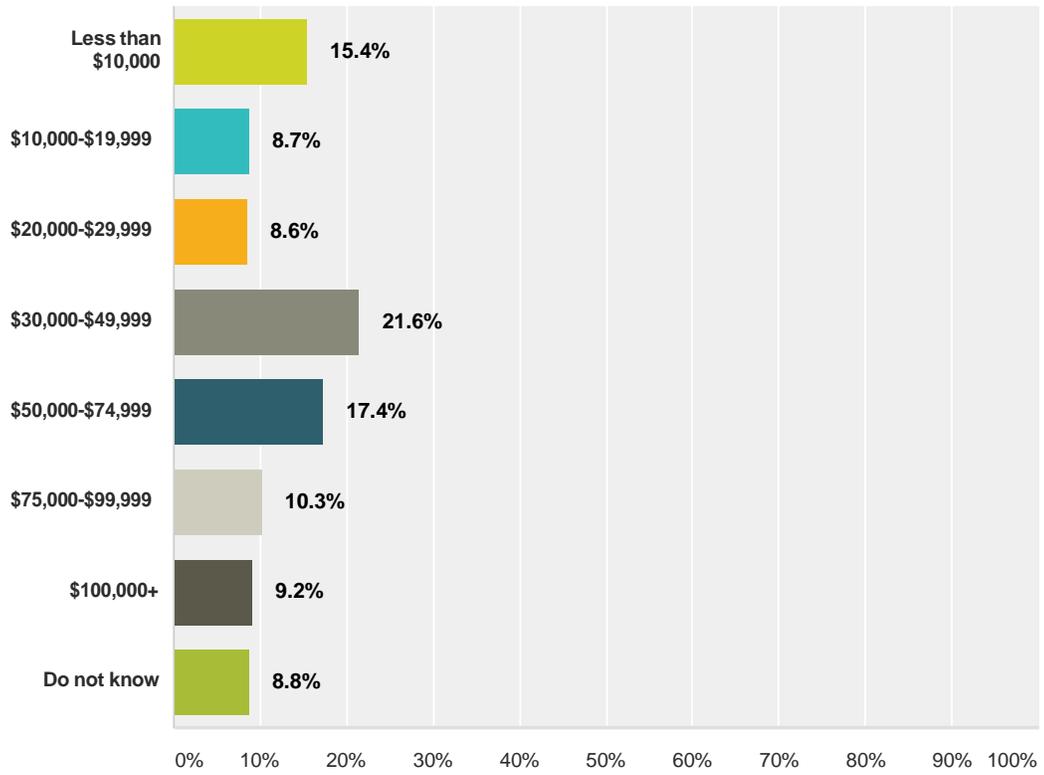
### Q25 My highest level of education is:

Answered: 767 Skipped: 43



### Q26 My household income last year, before taxes:

Answered: 759 Skipped: 51



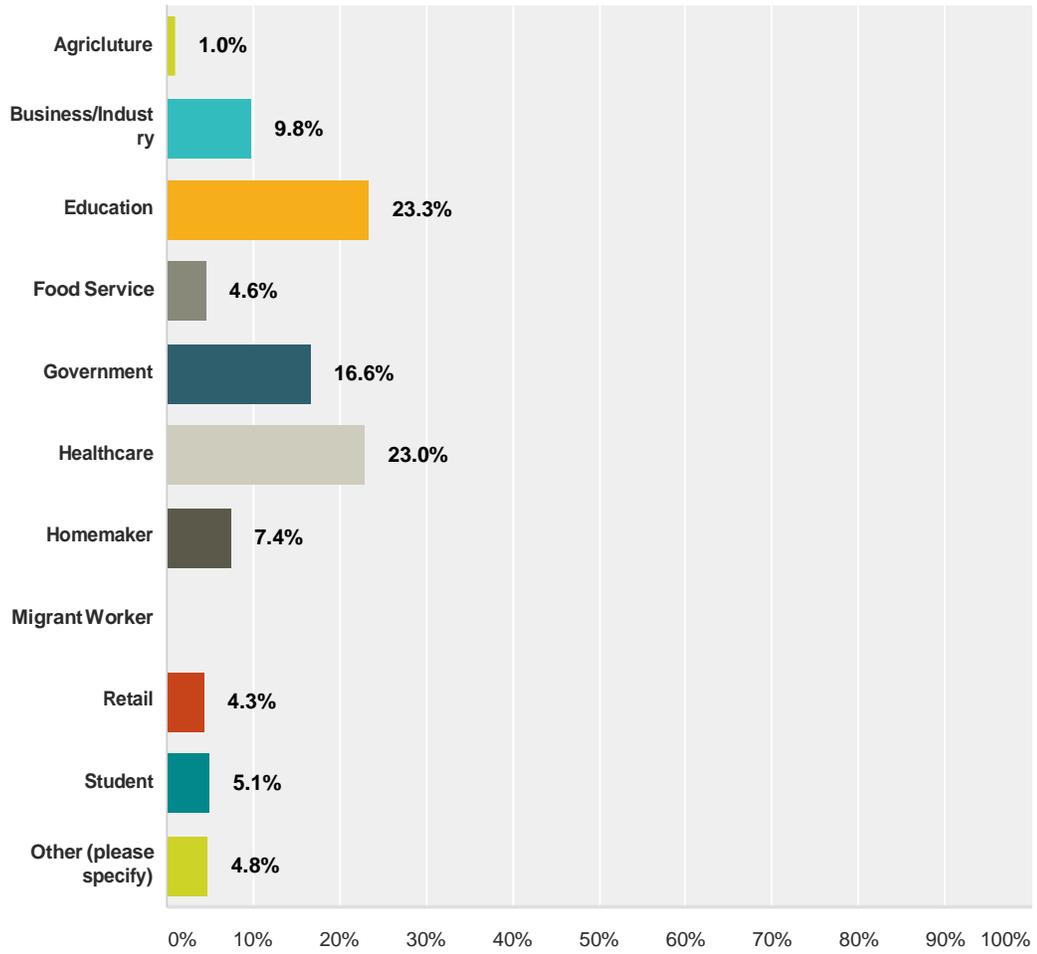
**Q27 How many people does this income support?**

Answered: 448 Skipped: 362

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| <b>1</b>             | <b>16.52%</b> |
| <b>2</b>             | <b>36.38%</b> |
| <b>3</b>             | <b>16.29%</b> |
| <b>4</b>             | <b>14.06%</b> |
| <b>5</b>             | <b>7.59%</b>  |
| <b>6</b>             | <b>1.34%</b>  |
| <b>7</b>             | <b>1.34%</b>  |
| <b>8</b>             | <b>0.89%</b>  |
| <b>Uncategorized</b> | <b>5.80%</b>  |

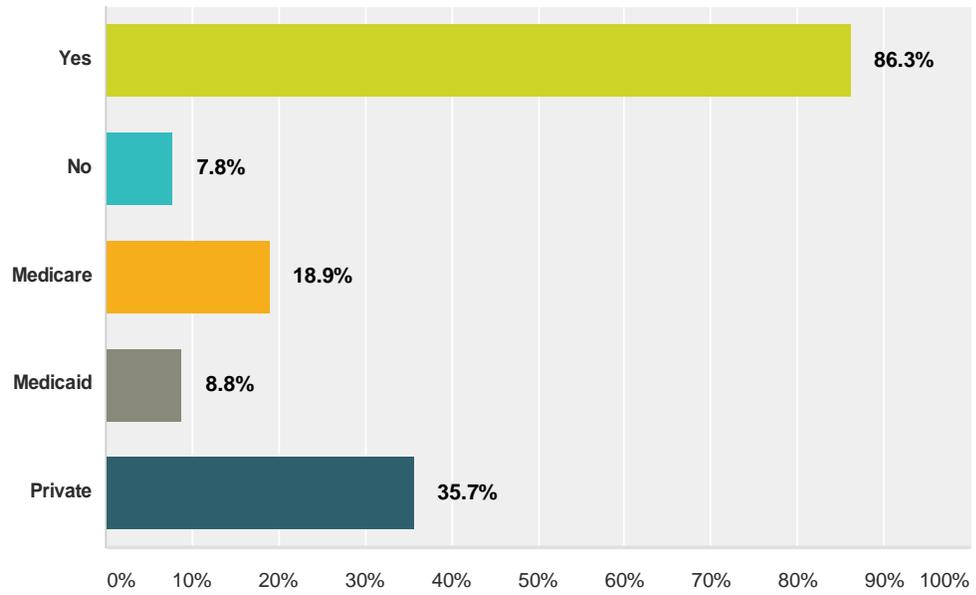
### Q28 My job field is best described as:

Answered: 673 Skipped: 137



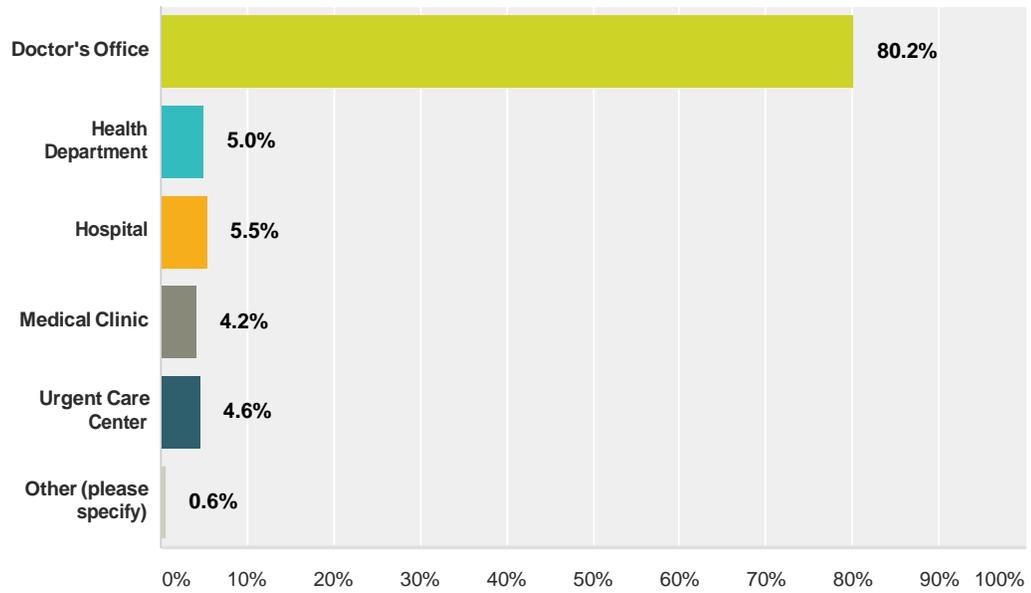
### Q29 Do you currently have Health Insurance? If yes, what type?

Answered: 782 Skipped: 28



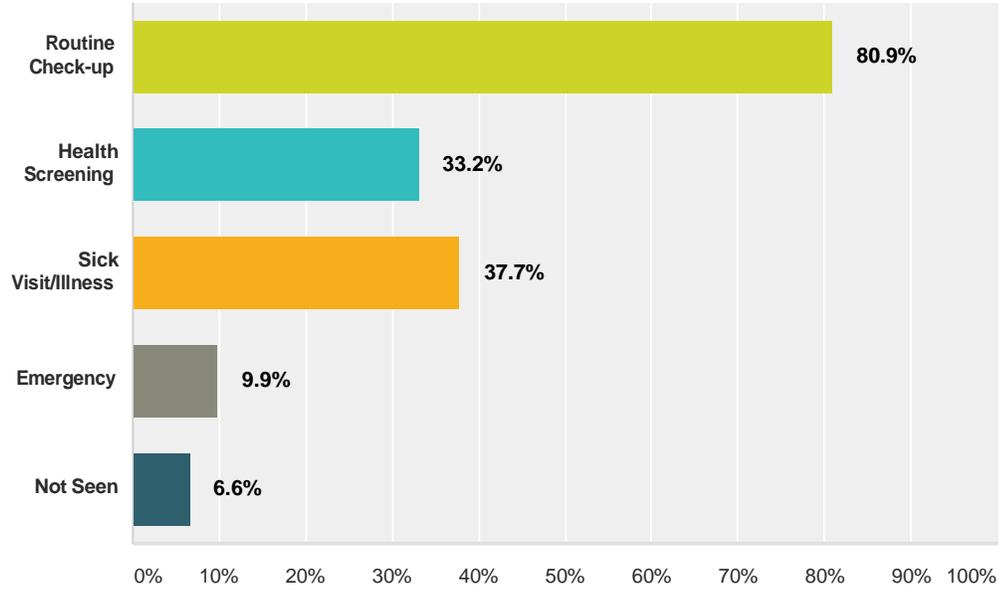
**Q30 When seeking medical care, where do you go first? (check only one)**

Answered: 786 Skipped: 24



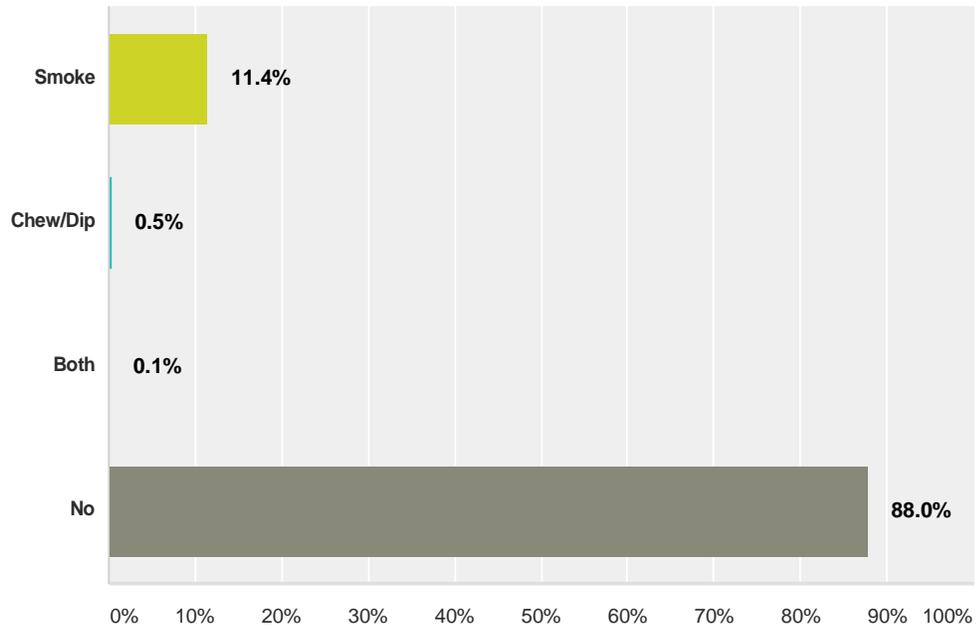
**Q31 In the past year have you seen a medical provider for any of the following?  
(check all that apply)**

Answered: 787 Skipped: 23



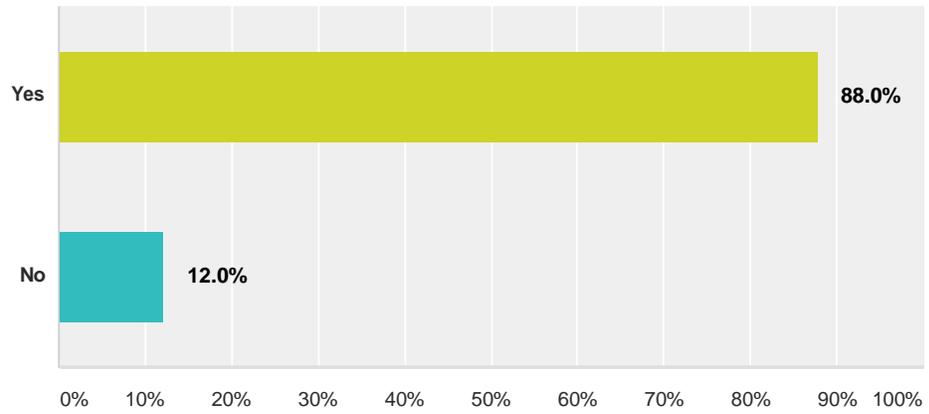
### Q32 Do you use any kind of tobacco products?

Answered: 789 Skipped: 21



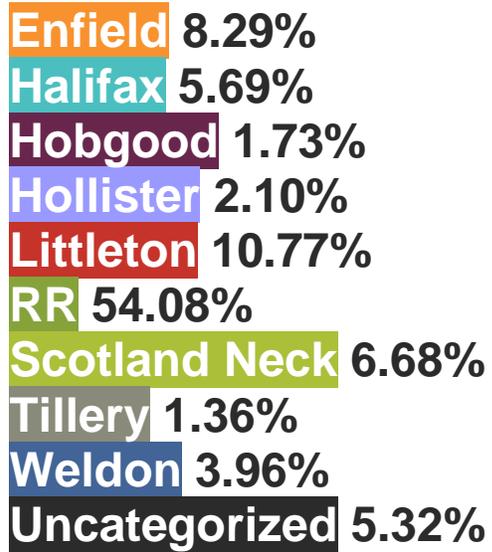
**Q33 Do you support tobacco-free public places/buildings in Halifax County?**

Answered: 789 Skipped: 21



**Q34 What is your zip code? (Write only the first 5 digits.)**

Answered: 808 Skipped: 2



# **Appendix C**

## **Prioritizing Community Health Needs**

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During the months of October through January 2015, a community-wide survey was conducted in order to give residents an opportunity to express concerns and opinions about the quality of life in Halifax County. The survey was reviewed by the Community Health Assessment team, approved with little changes and revisions. Halifax County's self-administered survey included questions about the quality of life, economy, education, environment, health, housing, leisure activities, safety, social issues, transportation, emergency preparedness and elder issues. Surveys were distributed strategically across the county in an effort to reach a wide variety of the population. A total of **810 surveys** were included in the final analysis.

### **Selection of Priority Areas**

Based on findings from the community survey combined with secondary health data, Healthy Halifax Partners, Healthy Carolinians Task Force, members identified ten (10) chief health concerns for the county in September of 2010. Secondary health data and primary health data from surveys analyzed were reviewed extensively during a meeting where members voted and prioritized health needs of Halifax County.

**The top ten health concerns are as follows:**

- 1. Cancer**
- 2. Diabetes**
- 3. Heart Disease**
- 4. Mental Health**
- 5. Obesity**
- 6. Physical Activity**
- 7. Sexually Transmitted Diseases/HIV**
- 8. Substance Abuse (Alcohol and Drug Abuse)**
- 9. Teen Pregnancy**
- 10. Tobacco Use**

In February, Halifax Healthy Carolinians Task Force members, Data Assessment Work Group and RV-CHI members participated in rating the top three out of ten health concerns using a Prioritization Worksheet. The worksheet asked that each of the ten concerns be ranked according to three criteria: Magnitude of the Problem, Seriousness of the Consequences, and Feasibility of Correcting the Problem.

**Results of these worksheets were calculated to come up with the top three priorities, which are as follows:**

**Chronic Disease**

- **Cardiovascular Disease**

**Cross-Cutting**

- **Obesity**

**Physical Activity and Nutrition**

- **Physical Activity**

# **Appendix D**

## **Halifax County Map of Play**

### Littleton

Littleton Senior Center  
238 Oak St.  
(252) 586-6773

Littleton Community Center  
225 Oak St.

C.A.R.E. John 3:16 Center  
407 East End Avenue  
(252) 586-1800

Northwest Halifax High School (Track)

Aurelian Springs Elementary (Playground)

Hawkins Farms  
11842 Hwy 48

### Roanoke Rapids

Roanoke Rapids Lake  
100 Oakwood Avenue

Belmont Elementary School (Playground)

Boys and Girls Club of Halifax County  
116 W. 3rd Street  
(252) 537-8092

Roanoke Rapids Parks and Recreation Department  
TJ Davis Recreation Center  
400 East 6th Street • (252) 533-2847 (Gym & fitness room)

Roanoke Rapids Aquatic Center and Outdoor Pools  
500 East 6th Street • (252) 533-2850

Jo Story Senior Center  
701 Jackson Street  
(252) 533-2849

Roanoke Rapids High School

Manning Elementary School (Playground)

Families Supporting Families  
1322 Roanoke Ave.  
(252) 535-4000

William R. Davie Middle School (Playground)

Chaloner Recreation Center  
200 Dixie Street  
(252) 533-2855

Chaloner Middle School (Gym)

Martin Luther King Park

Roanoke Valley Farmers Market  
378 U.S. 158

Halifax County Visitors Center  
260 Premier Boulevard  
(252) 535-1687

### Weldon

Halifax Community College Interactive Fitness Trail (Fitness Trail)

Weldon High School (Track)

Weldon Elementary School (Playground)

Weldon Middle School (Outdoor fitness)

### Hollister

Hollister Elementary School (Playground)

Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School  
130 Haliwa Saponi Trail (Playground)

Medoc Mountain State Park  
1541 Medoc Mountain Road  
Brinkleyville, NC 27844  
(252) 586-6588

Hollister R.E.A.C.H. Inc.  
64 Knight Road  
(252) 586-3215

Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Center  
39021 N. Carolina 561  
(252) 586-4017

### Enfield

Enfield Middle School

Pittman Elementary School (Playground)

Enfield Farmers' Market

Inborden Elementary School

Together Transforming Lives  
421 S. McDaniel St. • (252) 445-5003

Town of Enfield Parks & Recreation Program  
630 McDaniel St. • (252) 904-6176

### Halifax

4-H Rural Life Center  
13763 N Carolina 903  
(252) 583-5161

Halifax State Historic Site  
25 St. David Street

Halifax Park

Halifax County Co-Op Ext. Services  
359 Ferrell Lane  
(252) 583-5161

Halifax County Dept of Social Services  
4421 U.S. 301  
(252) 536-6444

Southeast Halifax High School (Track)

### Tillery

Concerned Citizens of Tillery  
8000 N. Carolina 561  
(252) 826-3017

Tillery Community Center

### Hobgood

Thomas Shields Community Center  
401 Beech St.  
(252) 798-8445

### Scotland Neck

Scotland Neck Senior Center  
1403 Church Street  
(252) 826-3191  
(Gymnasium is located behind the senior center.)

Scotland Neck Education & Recreation Foundation  
617 East 11th Street  
(252) 826-2080

**RVCH**

**Roanoke Valley Community Health Initiative**

*"Empowering Healthy Lifestyles"*

**LEGEND:**

- Community Organizations
- Farmers' Markets
- Playground
- Boat Launch
- Park/Picnic
- Swimming Pool
- Swimming
- Athletic Fields
- Educational Facilities
- Walking Trail/Track
- Senior Center
- Bird Park
- Recreational Center

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**Places to**

# Explore, Move and Play

Scotland Neck Primary School  
(Playground)

Main St.

Regeneration Development Group  
315 East 9th Street  
(252) 826-3133

# **Appendix E**

## **Water Quality Test Reports**

# *"2013" Annual Drinking Water Quality Report*

## *"Halifax County"*

PWS ID'S - 04-42-040 Halifax County  
04-42-025, Enfield

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. Included are details about from where your water comes, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and to providing you with this information, because informed customers are our best aBies. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Greg Griffin at 252-583-1451. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility.

### What EPA Wants You to Know

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least smaJI amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk . More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especiaJiy for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Halifax County Public Utilities is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production , and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

### When You Turn on Your Tap, Consider the Source

Water sources used by our systems are the Roanoke River and Roanoke Rapids Lake in the Halifax County System, and Fishing Creek in the Enfield System. We purchase water for resale from the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District, the Town of Weldon, and the Town of Enfield.

## Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Results

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Public Water Supply (PWS) Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina. The purpose of the assessments was to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source (well or surface water intake) to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs). The results of the assessment are available in SWAP Assessment Reports that include maps, background information and a relative susceptibility rating of Higher, Moderate or Lower.

The relative susceptibility rating of each source for Halifax County Systems was determined by combining the contaminant rating (number and location of PCSs within the assessment area) and the inherent vulnerability rating (i.e., characteristics or existing conditions of the well or watershed and its delineated assessment area.). The assessment findings are summarized in the table below:

### Susceptibility of Sources to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs)

| Source Name   | Susceptibility Rating | SWAP Report Date |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Roanoke River | Moderate              | February 2010    |
| Fishing Creek | Higher                | February 2010    |

The complete SWAP Assessment report for Halifax County Systems may be viewed on the Web at: [www.ncwater.org/pws/swap](http://www.ncwater.org/pws/swap). Note that because SWAP results and reports are periodically updated by the PWS Section, the results available on this website may differ from the results that were available at the time this CCR was prepared. If you are unable to access your SWAP report on the web, you mail a written request for a printed copy to: Source Water Assessment Program -Report Request, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1634, or email requests to [swap@ncdenr.gov](mailto:swap@ncdenr.gov). Please indicate your system name, number, and provide your name, mailing address and phone number. If you have any questions about the SWAP report please contact the Source Water Assessment staff by phone at 919-707-9098.

It is important to understand that a susceptibility rating of "higher" does not imply poor water quality, only the system's potential to become contaminated by PCSs in the assessment area.

### Violations that Your Water System Received for the Report Year

During 2013, or during any compliance period that ended in 2013, we received violations for total Haloacetic Acids and Trihalomethanes in the Enfield System (ID no. 40-42-002). We had one total Coliform Bacteria violation for a Sampling event in October 2013 System (ID no. 04-42-040) due to a missed sample. We have taken steps to assure this does not happen again.

North Carolina Department of Environment & Natural Resources has mandated a new Compliance Monitoring Plan (Stage 2) for Disinfectants & Disinfection Byproducts Rule effective July 1, 2013 for Public Water Systems in North Carolina. Halifax County has requested an extension from the State due to improvements within the Water System, looping water mains, extending new water mains around the Town of Enfield, eliminate purchase of water from Enfield.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Violation Awareness Date: February 19, 2014

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the compliance period specified in the table below, we did not complete all monitoring or testing for the contaminants listed and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

| CONTAMINANT GROUP                        | FACILITY ID NO./ SAMPLE POINT ID | COMPLIANCE PERIOD BEGIN DATE | NUMBE OF SAMPLES/ SAMPLING REQUENCY | When Samples Were Or Will Be Taken                                     |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Total Coliform and Disinfectant Residual | DOI                              | October, 2013                | 20 / Weekly                         | 1 sample of 20 missed one week in Nov. Sampling resumed following week |

(BA) Total Coliform Bacteria – includes testing for Total Coliform bacteria and Fecal/E.coli bacteria. Testing for Fecal/E.coli bacteria is required if total coliform is present in the sample.

What should I do? There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What is being done? There were 20 samples required for this event. Only 19 samples were taken. The complete set of 20 samples were resumed the following week.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For more information about this violation, please contact the responsible person listed in the first paragraph of this report.

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### Water Quality Data Table of Detected Contaminants

Our vendors and we routinely monitor for over 150 contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected in the last round of sampling for the particular contaminant group. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2013. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

#### Important Drinking Water Definitions:

*Not-Applicable (N/A)* – Information not applicable/not required for that particular water system or for that particular Rule.

*Non-Detects (ND)*- laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at the level of detection set for the particular methodology used.

*Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)* -one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter-* one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

*Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l)-* one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

*Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picograms/l)-* one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

*Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)* - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

*Million Fibers per Liter (MFL)* - million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

*Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)* - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

*Action Level (AL)* -the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

*Treatment Technique (TT)* - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

*Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal* - The "Level" (MRDLG) of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

*Maximum Residual Disinfection Level* - The "Highest Level" (MRDL) of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

*Maximum Contaminant Level*- The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal*- The "Goal"(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Extra Note: MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

| Constituent                | Highest Level Allowed    | Ideal Goals (Epa's MCLG) | Normal Range             | Frequency Of Sample | Halifax Annual Average | Source Of Constituents              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Fluoride                   | 4mg/l                    | 4mg/l                    | .65rn/1                  | Every 4 hours       | .60 mg/L               | Naturally occurring, Water additive |
| Nitrate                    | 10mg/L                   | 10mg/l                   | 1mg/1                    | Yearly              | Less than 1 mg/L       | Wildlife & Septic Systems           |
| Sodium                     | Not Regulated            | 20 mg/L                  | 15mg/l-25 mg/L           | Yearly              | 17.0 mg/L              | Naturally occurring                 |
| Sulfate                    | Not Regulated            | 500mg/L                  | None                     | Yearly              | 14.6 mg/L              | Soil runoff                         |
| Turbidity                  | .3ntu's                  | Treatment Technique      | .1NTU-.5NTU              | Every 4 hours       | .048NTU'S              | Soil runoff                         |
| Total Coliforms (Bacteria) | less than 5% 5% positive | 0                        | less than 5% 5% positive | Daily               | 0                      | Naturally occurring                 |
| Iron                       | .3mg/1                   | .3mg/1                   | less than .3 mg/1        | weekly              | .14mg/1                | Naturally occurring                 |
| Manganese                  | .05 mg/1 (action level)  | .05 mg/1 (action level)  | less than .05 mg/1       | weekly              | .05 mg/1               | Naturally occurring                 |
| pH Standard Units          | NA                       | NA                       | 6.5-8.0                  | hourly              | 7.51                   | NA                                  |
| Alkalinity                 | NA                       | NA                       | 20mg/l-50mg/1            | daily               | 32.80mg/1              | NA                                  |
| Hardness,                  | NA                       | NA                       | 20 mg/l-100mg/1          | daily               | 39.39 mg/1             | NA                                  |

| Contaminant                          | Violation YIN | Range              | MCLG | Sample Frequency | Your Water | MCL | Source              |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|------|------------------|------------|-----|---------------------|
| Total Organic Carbon -Raw Water      | N             | 2.42mg/l-4.42mg/l  | NA   | monthly          | 3.69       | TT  | Naturally occurring |
| Total Organic Carbon - Treated Water | N             | 1.49 mg/l-2.70mg/l | NA   | monthly          | 2.18       | TT  | Naturally occurring |

*Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

| Contaminant (units)                 | MCL/MRDL Violation YIN | Your Water (AVG) | Range Low High | MCLG      | MCL     | Likely Source of Contamination            |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------|---------|-------------------------------------------|
| HHM(ppm) [Total Trihalomethanes)    | N                      | .065             | .034 .106      | N/A       | .080    | By-product of drinking water chlorination |
| HAAS (ppm) [Total Haloacetic Acids] | N                      | .032             | .018 .048      | N/A       | .060    | By-product of drinking water disinfection |
|                                     |                        |                  |                |           |         |                                           |
|                                     |                        |                  |                |           |         |                                           |
|                                     |                        |                  |                |           |         |                                           |
|                                     |                        |                  |                |           |         |                                           |
| Chlorine (ppm)                      | N                      | 0.77             | 0.5- 1.0       | MRDLG = 4 | MRDL -4 | Water additive used to control microbes   |

# 2013 Water Quality Report

**Board Members**  
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 J. R. Barber, Member

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 Wastewater Treatment Plant 536-4884  
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 Administrative Office 537-9137



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**The mission of the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District is to affordably provide the highest quality water services; then safely collect wastewater and return clean water to the environment while promoting public trust and partnerships to the benefit of our associates and the satisfaction of our customers.**

The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District, a municipal corporation, was created by the North Carolina State Board of Health on April 21, 1931; under and by virtue of an act of the General Assembly, ratified on March 4, 1927, providing for the creation, government and operation of Sanitary Districts. The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District is governed by a 3-member board; which is elected, at large, to two year terms. Should you have any questions concerning this Report, please call our Administrative Office at (252) 537-9137.

The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District welcomes public participation in decisions concerning your water, wastewater, or distribution/collection systems. The District Board holds a public meeting the second Thursday of every month beginning at 5:30 P.M. at the Administrative Office, 1000 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids.

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The relative susceptibility rating of each source for The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District was determined by combining the contaminant rating (number and location of PCSs within the assessment area) and the inherent vulnerability rating (i.e., characteristics or existing conditions of the well or watershed and its delineated assessment area.). The assessment findings are summarized in the table below:

| Susceptibility of Sources to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs) |                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Source Name                                                       | Susceptibility Rating |
| Roanoke Rapids Lake                                               | Moderate              |
| Roanoke River                                                     | Moderate              |

The complete SWAP Assessment report for RRSd may be viewed on the Web at: <http://www.deh.enr.state.nc.us/pws/swap> To obtain a printed copy of this report, please mail a written request to: Source Water Assessment Program – Report Request, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1634, or email request to [swap@ncmail.net](mailto:swap@ncmail.net). Please indicate your system name, PWSID, and provide your name, mailing address and phone number. If you have any questions about the SWAP report please contact the Source Water Assessment staff by phone at **919-715-2633**.

It is important to understand that a susceptibility rating of “higher” does not imply poor water quality, only the systems’ potential to become contaminated by PCS’s in the assessment area.



## Straight Talk On Water Conservation

*As a society, we have become more and more environmentally conscious and better informed about the effect our lifestyles can have on the world around us. Yet, the demand for our most valuable natural resource – drinking water – continues to grow while local supplies can be threatened by drought conditions and the cost of service increases. Only one percent of the earth’s water is available for human consumption and yet, according to the latest U.S. Geological Survey, the United States uses 408 billion gallons a day. On the industrial level, numerous water-saving technologies have been employed to help conserve water. And while strong progress has been made, there are several simple steps that consumers can take to help preserve our water supply for future generations while controlling their monthly bill.*

### What can you do?

- Water your lawn early in the morning to reduce loss from evaporation. Do not over water your lawn. Place a tuna can on the lawn; when full, lawn watering requirements have been satisfied. Use lawn chemicals only when necessary.
- Fully load the dishwasher and clothes washer before running.
- When washing dishes by hand, or when brushing your teeth, do not leave the water running.
- Repair dripping faucets and leaky toilets. Dripping faucets can waste up to 2,000 gallons of water each year in the average home. Leaky toilets can waste as much as 200 gallons per day.
- If you have a swimming pool, use a cover. By so doing, you can cut the loss of water by evaporation by 90 percent.
- Use a broom, rather than a hose, to clean sidewalks or driveways.
- Defrost frozen food in the refrigerator or in a microwave instead of running hot water over the food.
- Raise the lawn mower blade to at least 3 inches. A lawn cut higher encourages grass roots to grow deeper, shades the root system and holds soil moisture better than a closely clipped lawn.

*Together, we share in the benefits of some of the safest drinking water in the world, and it is incumbent upon us all to protect this valuable natural resource for future generations. By making simple changes in our daily routines, we can feel confident that we are doing our part at the lowest possible cost.*



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# 2013 Water Quality Report



## Treated Water Quality Roundup 2013

The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District's number one priority is to provide all our customers with a safe and reliable supply of water that can be used with confidence. Every day, our employees are working to ensure that the water you drink meets all regulatory requirements and your expectations for safety, reliability, and quality.

To do this we conduct over 35,000 tests yearly on the water you drink. These tests start in the raw (untreated) water from the Roanoke Rapids Lake. (We also have an intake in the Roanoke River to draw water from in an emergency) We also run hundreds of tests on the water at different phases of the treatment process. The final tests are done on water from randomly selected homes and businesses. All of these test results are reported in accordance with the Water Quality Standards established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the North Carolina Department of Environmental Health. We are proud to report that the water provided by the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District exceeds all established water quality standards.

This 2013 WATER QUALITY REPORT is a summary of many of these tests and explanations of terms used in water quality reporting. If you have any further questions, please contact the WATER TREATMENT PLANT between 8AM and 4PM at (252) 537-3319.

### Lead & Copper Rule Testing

The 1994 Federal Lead & Copper Rule mandates a household testing program for these substances. According to the rule, 90% of the samples from high risk homes must have levels less than 0.015 mg/L of lead and 1.3 mg/L of copper. In 2013 lead levels in the District averaged .009 mg/L and copper levels averaged .216 mg/L, well below the Federal levels. Our next lead and copper testing will be conducted in June 2014. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

EN ESPANOL

El informe contiene informacion importante sobre la calidad del agua en su comunidad. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

### Special Concerns

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's [Safe Drinking Water Hotline \(800-426-4791\)](http://www.epa.gov/safewater).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the [Safe Drinking Water Hotline](http://www.epa.gov/safewater) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater>.

## TERMS

**Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal** – The “Level” (MRDLG) of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfection Level-** The “Highest Level” (MRDL) of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)-** An enforceable level of a contaminant as close to the goal as is practical to achieve in light of available treatment technology and cost/benefit considerations.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)-** A level of a contaminant, not necessarily achievable, safely below the level of human health concerns.

**Action Level (AL)-** The level of a contaminant at which a water treatment plant must take some type of action to reduce or contain the contaminant.

**Treatment Technique (TT)-** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Parts Per Million (PPM)-** Equivalent to milligrams per liter (mg/L). One part per million is comparable to one minute in two years.

**Parts Per Billion (PPB)-** Equivalent to micrograms per liter. One part per billion is comparable to one minute in two thousand years.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU)-** Turbidity is a measure of cloudiness in water

## TURBIDITY

Turbidity is usually thought of as cloudiness of the water, and is caused by suspended matter. Organic and inorganic material, silt, algae or other tiny organisms can contribute to the turbidity of the water.

The degree of turbidity is measured at the Water Treatment Plant laboratory by shining a beam of light through water and measuring the angle at which the light is scattered by suspended matter. The reading gives the turbidity of the water measured in Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU'S).

Regulations passed in 1989 recognize reducing turbidity as one way to measure the removal or inactivation of certain targeted microorganisms. Currently, Giardia is one of those microorganisms and future regulations may include Cryptosporidium.

The EPA has established a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for treated water turbidity of 0.3 NTU. The rule requires us to meet this standard 95% of the time during the month. In 2013, we met the standard 100% of the time with our highest reading at 0.123 NTU. For the year, we averaged 0.048 NTU.

| Constituent                | Highest Level Allowed (EPA'S MCL) | Ideal Goals (EPA'S MCLG) | Normal Range          | Frequency Of Sample | Sanitary District Annual Average | Sources of Constituents             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Fluoride                   | 4mg/L                             | 4mg/L                    | .65mg/L- .75mg/L      | Every 4 Hours       | .60mg/L                          | Naturally occurring, Water additive |
| Nitrate                    | 10mg/L                            | 10mg/L                   | 1mg/L- 10mg/L         | Yearly              | Less than 1mg/L                  | Wildlife & septic systems           |
| Sodium                     | Not Regulated                     | 20mg/L                   | 15mg/L-25mg/L         | Yearly              | 6.4 mg/L                         | Naturally occurring                 |
| Sulfate                    | Not Regulated                     | 500mg/L                  | None                  | Yearly              | 7.1 mg/L                         | Soil runoff                         |
| Turbidity                  | .3NTU'S                           | Treatment Technique      | .1NTU-.5NTU           | Every 4 Hours       | .048 NTU'S                       | Soil runoff                         |
| Total Coliforms (Bacteria) | Less than 5% positive             | 0                        | Less than 5% positive | Daily               | 0                                | Naturally occurring                 |
| Iron                       | .3mg/L                            | .3mg/L                   | Less than .3mg/L      | Weekly              | .14 mg/L                         | Naturally occurring                 |
| Manganese                  | .05mg/L (Action Level)            | .05mg/L (Action Level)   | Less than .05mg/L     | Weekly              | .04 mg/L                         | Naturally occurring                 |
| pH (Standard Units)        | N/A                               | N/A                      | 6.5-8.0               | Hourly              | 7.51                             | N/A                                 |
| Alkalinity ,mg/L           | N/A                               | N/A                      | Less than 35 mg/L     | Daily               | 32.80 mg/L                       | N/A                                 |
| Hardness, mg/L             | N/A                               | N/A                      | 20mg/L-100mg/L        | Daily               | 39.39 mg/L                       | N/A                                 |

### Disinfection By-Product Precursors Contaminants

| Contaminant (units)                       | Sample Date | MCL/TT Violation Y/N | Your Water | Range |      | MCLG | MCL | Likely Source of Contamination       |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|-------|------|------|-----|--------------------------------------|
|                                           |             |                      |            | Low   | High |      |     |                                      |
| Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (TOCs)-RAW     | Monthly     | N                    | 3.69       | 2.42  | 4.42 | N/A  | TT  | Naturally present in the environment |
| Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (TOCs)-TREATED | Monthly     | N                    | 2.18       | 1.49  | 2.70 | N/A  | TT  | Naturally present in the environment |

Note: Depending on the TOC in our source water the system MUST have a certain % removal of TOC or must achieve alternative compliance criteria. If we do not achieve that % removal there is an "alternative % removal". If we fail to meet that, we are in violation of a Treatment Technique.

| Contaminant (units)                 | MCL/MRDL Violation Y/N | Your Water (AVG) | Range Low High |      | MCLG      | MCL      | Likely Source of Contamination            |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------------|
| TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]  | N                      | 57.0             | 32             | 103  | N/A       | 80       | By-product of drinking water chlorination |
| HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids] | N                      | 37.0             | 18             | 70   | N/A       | 60       | By-product of drinking water disinfection |
| Chlorine (ppm)                      | N                      | 1.40             | .90            | 2.69 | MRDLG = 4 | MRDL = 4 | Water additive used to control microbes   |

# **“2013” Annual Drinking Water Quality Report “Town of Weldon”**

Water System Number: “04-42-020”

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. Included are details about your source(s) of water, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and to providing you with this information because informed customers are our best allies. **If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Jeff Elks at (252) 536-3478. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held at the Town Hall on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Monday of each month at 7:00PM.**

## **What EPA Wants You to Know**

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

## **When You Turn on Your Tap, Consider the Source**

The water that is used by this system is the Roanoke River and is located at the HWY 48 bridge between Roanoke Rapids and Gaston, NC.

## Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Results

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Public Water Supply (PWS) Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina. The purpose of the assessments was to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source (well or surface water intake) to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs). The results of the assessment are available in SWAP Assessment Reports that include maps, background information and a relative susceptibility rating of Higher, Moderate or Lower.

The relative susceptibility rating of each source for the Town of Weldon was determined by combining the contaminant rating (number and location of PCSs within the assessment area) and the inherent vulnerability rating (i.e., characteristics or existing conditions of the well or watershed and its delineated assessment area). The assessment findings are summarized in the table below:

### Susceptibility of Sources to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs)

| Source Name                      | Susceptibility Rating | SWAP Report Date |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Roanoke River                    | Moderate              | March 2010       |
| In-Stream Raw Water Storage Pond | Moderate              | March 2010       |

The complete SWAP Assessment report for the Town of Weldon may be viewed on the Web at: [www.ncwater.org/pws/swap](http://www.ncwater.org/pws/swap). Note that because SWAP results and reports are periodically updated by the PWS Section, the results available on this web site may differ from the results that were available at the time this CCR was prepared. If you are unable to access your SWAP report on the web, you may mail a written request for a printed copy to: Source Water Assessment Program – Report Request, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1634, or email requests to [swap@ncdenr.gov](mailto:swap@ncdenr.gov). Please indicate your system name, number, and provide your name, mailing address and phone number. If you have any questions about the SWAP report please contact the Source Water Assessment staff by phone at 919-707-9098.

It is important to understand that a susceptibility rating of “higher” does not imply poor water quality, only the system’s potential to become contaminated by PCSs in the assessment area.

### Violations that Your Water System Received for the Report Year

During 2013 or during any compliance period that ended in 2013 we did not receive any violations that covered the time period of 2013.

### Water Quality Data Tables of Detected Contaminants

We routinely monitor for over 150 contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected in the last round of sampling for the particular contaminant group. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. **Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2013.** The EPA and the State allow us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulations are warranted.

## **Important Drinking Water Definitions:**

**Not-Applicable (N/A)** – Information not applicable/not required for that particular water system or for that particular rule.

**Non-Detects (ND)** - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at the level of detection set for the particular methodology used.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L)** - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L)** - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

**Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/L)** - One part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

**Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picograms/L)** - One part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

**Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)** - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Million Fibers per Liter (MFL)** - Million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**Action Level (AL)** - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal (MRDLG)** – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfection Level (MRDL)** – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

## **Tables of Detected Contaminants**

**Microbiological Contaminants in the Distribution System** - For systems that collect *less than 40* samples per month)

| Contaminant (units)                                    | MCL Violation Y/N | Your Water | MCLG | MCL                                                                                                                                                        | Likely Source of Contamination       |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Total Coliform Bacteria (presence or absence)          | N                 | 0          | 0    | one positive monthly sample                                                                                                                                | Naturally present in the environment |
| Fecal Coliform or <i>E. coli</i> (presence or absence) | N                 | 0          | 0    | 0 (Note: The MCL is exceeded if a routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or <i>E. coli</i> positive) | Human and animal fecal waste         |

### Turbidity\*

| Contaminant (units)                                                                 | Treatment Technique (TT) Violation Y/N | Your Water | Treatment Technique (TT) Violation if:                        | Likely Source of Contamination |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Turbidity (NTU) - Highest single turbidity measurement                              | N                                      | 0.29 NTU   | Turbidity > 1 NTU                                             | Soil runoff                    |
| Turbidity (NTU) - Lowest monthly percentage (%) of samples meeting turbidity limits | 100%                                   | 100 %      | Less than 95% of monthly turbidity measurements are ≤ 0.3 NTU |                                |

\* Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. The turbidity rule requires that 95% or more of the monthly samples must be less than or equal to 0.3 NTU.

***While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.***

### Nitrate/Nitrite Contaminants

| Contaminant (units)         | MCL Violation Y/N | Your Water | Range |      | MCLG | MCL | Likely Source of Contamination                                                              |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------|------|------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                             |                   |            | Low   | High |      |     |                                                                                             |
| Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm) | N                 | 0.23       | N/A   |      | 10   | 10  | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits |
| Nitrite (as Nitrogen) (ppm) | N                 | <0.1       | N/A   |      | 1    | 1   | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits |

***Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.***

### Asbestos Contaminant

| Contaminant (units)  | Sample Date | MCL Violation Y/N | Your Water | Range   |         | MCLG | MCL | Likely Source of Contamination                                    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|---------|---------|------|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                      |             |                   |            | Low     | High    |      |     |                                                                   |
| Total Asbestos (MFL) | 1/3/13      | N                 | <0.1391    | <0.1391 | <0.1391 | 7    | 7   | Decay of asbestos cement water mains; erosion of natural deposits |

### Lead and Copper Contaminants

| Contaminant (units)                        | Sample Date | Your Water | # of sites found above the AL | MCLG | AL     | Likely Source of Contamination                                       |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------------------|------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Copper (ppm) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile) | 9/18/13     | 0.06       | 0                             | 1.3  | AL=1.3 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits |
| Lead (ppb) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)   | 9/18/13     | 18         | 2                             | 0    | AL=15  | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits |

### Total Organic Carbon (TOC)

| Contaminant (units)                                | TT Violation Y/N | Your Water (RAA Removal Ratio) | Range Monthly Removal Ratio Low - High | MCLG | TT | Likely Source of Contamination       | Compliance Method (Step 1 or ACC#_) |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------|----|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Total Organic Carbon (removal ratio) (TOC)-TREATED | N                | 1.26                           | 38 80                                  | N/A  | TT | Naturally present in the environment | Step 1, ACC 4                       |

## Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Contaminants

| Contaminant (units)                    | MCL/MRDL Violation Y/N | Your Water RAA (Stage 1) | Range Low High | MCLG        | MCL        | Likely Source of Contamination            |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------|-------------------------------------------|
| TTHM (ppb)<br>[Total Trihalomethanes]  | N                      | 49                       | 24-75          | N/A         | 80         | By-product of drinking water chlorination |
| HAA5 (ppb)<br>[Total Haloacetic Acids] | N                      | 41                       | 17-68          | N/A         | 60         | By-product of drinking water disinfection |
| Bromate (ppb)                          |                        |                          |                | 0           | 10         | By-product of drinking water disinfection |
| Chlorite (ppm)                         |                        |                          |                | 0.8         | 1.0        | By-product of drinking water chlorination |
| Chlorine dioxide (ppb)                 |                        |                          |                | MRDLG = 800 | MRDL = 800 | Water additive used to control microbes   |
| Chloramines (ppm)                      |                        |                          |                | MRDLG = 4   | MRDL = 4   | Water additive used to control microbes   |
| Chlorine (ppm)                         | N                      | 2.08                     | 1.2-2.5        | MRDLG = 4   | MRDL = 4   | Water additive used to control microbes   |

**For TTHM:** *Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

**For HAA5:** *Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

The PWS Section requires monitoring for other misc. contaminants, some for which the EPA has set national secondary drinking water standards (SMCLs) because they may cause cosmetic effects or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, and/or color) in drinking water. The contaminants with SMCLs normally do not have any health effects and normally do not affect the safety of your water.

## Other Miscellaneous Water Characteristics Contaminants

| Contaminant (units) | Sample Date | Your Water | Range Low/High | SMCL       |
|---------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| Iron (ppm)          | 4/3/13      | <0.060     | N/A            | 0.3 mg/L   |
| Manganese (ppm)     | 4/3/13      | 0.010      | N/A            | 0.05 mg/L  |
| Nickel (ppm)        | 4/3/13      | <0.10      | N/A            | N/A        |
| Sodium (ppm)        | 4/3/13      | 17.0       | N/A            | N/A        |
| Sulfate (ppm)       | 4/3/13      | 14.6       | N/A            | 250 mg/L   |
| pH                  | 4/3/13      | 7.8        | N/A            | 6.5 to 8.5 |

# Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form

Water System Name: Town of Weldon

Water System No.: 04-42-020 Report Year: 2013 Population Served: 1670

The Community Water System (CWS) named above hereby confirms that all provisions under 40 CFR parts 141 and 142 requiring the development of, distribution of, and notification of a consumer confidence report have been executed. Further, the CWS certifies the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the primacy agency by their NC certified laboratory. In addition, if this report is being used to meet Tier 3 Public Notification requirements, as denoted by the checked box below, the CWS certifies that public notification has been provided to its consumers in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 141.204(d).

**Certified by:** Name: Julia M. Meacham Title: Mayor

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: (252) 536-4836

Delivery Achieved Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Reported to State: \_\_\_\_\_

The CCR includes text which provides mandated Public Notice for a monitoring violation (check box, if yes)

Check **all** methods used for distribution (see instructions on back for delivery requirements and methods):

- Paper copy to all
- Notification of Availability of Paper Copy (other than in the CCR itself)  
Notification Method \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. US Mail, door hanger)
- Notification of CCR URL URL: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notification Method \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. on bill, bill stuffer, separate mailing, email)
- Direct email delivery of CCR (attached? \_\_\_ or embedded? \_\_\_)  
Notification Method \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. on bill, bill stuffer, separate mailing)
- Newspaper (attach copy) What Paper? \_\_\_\_\_ Date Published: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notification Method \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. US Mail, on bill, bill stuffer, door hanger, a postcard dedicated to the CCR, or email)
- “Good faith” efforts** (in addition to the above required methods) were used to reach non-bill paying consumers such as industry employees, apartment tenants, etc. Extra efforts included the following methods:
  - posting the CCR on the Internet at URL: \_\_\_\_\_
  - mailing the CCR to postal patrons within the service area
  - advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of announcement)
  - publication of the CCR in local newspaper (attach copy)
  - posting the CCR in public places such as: (attach list if needed) \_\_\_\_\_
  - delivery of multiple copies to single bill addresses serving several persons such as: apartments, businesses, and large private employers
  - delivery to community organizations such as: (attach list if needed)

# INSTRUCTIONS

## Submittal of your CCR and Certification Form to the Public Water Supply Section

You may now submit your CCR and Certification form by either method described below. Follow the directions to ensure efficient tracking and receipt of your submittal and expedited review of report data by the Public Water Supply (PWS) Section for compliance with state and federal regulations.

➤ **By Email:**

- Provide your Water System Name and Water System Number (e.g. Water System Name - NC0101010) in the subject line of the email.
- If your CCR is displayed on a Web page, provide the direct URL for the report in the body of your email, and attach your completed Certification form to the email. (Note: Water systems without a web page/direct URL must attach both the CCR and the Certification form to the email as either a Word or PDF document.)
- Email your documents to: [PWSS.CCR@ncdenr.gov](mailto:PWSS.CCR@ncdenr.gov) (use 'Return Receipt Requested' to verify PWS Section's receipt.)

➤ **By Postal Mail:** Mail your CCR and Certification form to: Public Water Supply Section, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1634, Attn: CCR Rule Manager.

## CCR Customer Direct Delivery Requirements (Based on Population)

- **Systems serving 100,000 or more persons must** post the CCR on a publicly-accessible Internet site using a direct URL.
- **Systems serving 10,000 or more persons must** distribute the CCR by mail or direct delivery.
- **Systems serving less than 10,000 persons but more than 500 persons must either:** (1) distribute the CCR by mail or direct delivery OR (2) notify their customers that the CCR is not being mailed, but it will be in what newspaper(s) and when (attach copy of notice). The complete CCR should be printed in the local newspaper, and a copy of the CCR must be made available upon request. *(The 2<sup>nd</sup> option is not acceptable if using the CCR for Tier 3 Public Notification!)*
- **Systems serving 500 or fewer persons must either:** (1) distribute the CCR by mail or direct delivery OR (2) notify their customers that the CCR is not being mailed, and a copy of the CCR must be made available upon request. *(The 2<sup>nd</sup> option is not acceptable if using the CCR for Tier 3 Public Notification!)*

## CCR Direct Delivery Methods for Bill-Paying Customers

| CCR DELIVERY METHOD                                                                | METHOD DESCRIPTION<br>(Click link: <a href="#">EPA-CCR Rule Delivery Options Memo January 3, 2013</a> for referenced Appendix Figures below.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mail – paper copy                                                                  | CWS mails a paper copy of the CCR to each bill-paying customer.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Mail – notification that CCR is available on web site via a direct URL             | CWS mails to each bill-paying customer a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available site on the Internet where it can be viewed. A URL that navigates to a web page that requires a customer to search for the CCR or enter other information does not meet the “directly deliver” requirement. The mail method for the notification may be, but is not limited to, a water bill insert, statement on the water bill or community newsletter. See Figure 1 in the Appendix. |
| Email – direct URL to CCR                                                          | CWS emails to each bill-paying customer a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available site on the Internet. A URL that navigates to a web page that requires a customer to search for the CCR or enter other information does not meet the “directly deliver” requirement. This method may only be used for customers when a CWS has a valid email address to deliver the CCR electronically. See Figure 2 in the Appendix.                                                  |
| Email – CCR sent as an attachment to email                                         | CWS emails the CCR as an electronic file email attachment [e.g., portable document format (PDF)]. This method may only be used for customers when a CWS has a valid email address to deliver the CCR electronically. See Figure 3 in the Appendix.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Email – CCR sent as an embedded image in an email                                  | CWS emails the CCR text and tables inserted into the body of an email (not as an attachment.) This method may only be used for customers when a CWS has a valid email address to deliver the CCR electronically. See Figure 4 in the Appendix.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Additional electronic delivery that meets “otherwise directly deliver” requirement | CWS delivers CCR through a method that “otherwise directly delivers” to each bill-paying customer and in coordination with the primacy agency. This category is intended to encompass methods or technologies not included above. CWSs and primacy agencies considering new methods or technologies should consult with the EPA to ensure it meets the intent of “otherwise directly deliver.”                                                                                                                                       |

# **Appendix F**

## **Halifax County Resource Directory**

# HALIFAX COUNTY RESOURCE DIRECTORY

Sponsored by the Halifax County Community Child  
Protection Team

**This booklet contains information about services available to our citizens and how to obtain the services. All questionnaires that were returned to our office are included in the booklet. As you read this resource guide, please be aware that there may be services available that are not listed here. We only published information given to our office. We also apologize for any information that is incorrect or not updated. We try to keep the most current information included.**

**We sincerely hope this manual will be beneficial to our citizens and also helpful to our businesses.**

**We would like to thank all agencies that returned information and participated in any way toward the publication of this manual.**

**This publication will be updated once yearly. If you would like to make any changes or updates, please print out the section you are amending and make the changes/updates. For new entries, please see the attached form located at the end of the manual. Once the corrections, updates or entries are complete, send them to:**

**Michele Braswell  
Halifax County Department of Social Services  
4421 Highway 301/Post Office Box 767  
Halifax, NC 27839  
Telephone: 252-536-6559  
Fax: 252-536-4372  
Email: Michele.braswell@halifax.nc.gov**

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## Area Wide Health Committee/Tillery People's Health Clinic

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 114, Tillery, NC 27887  
**PHONE:** 252-826-2234  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Doris T. Davis, Director  
E-mail: [AWHC1@aol.com](mailto:AWHC1@aol.com)  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:30pm-9:00pm  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Health care at the Tillery People's Health Clinic. Includes physicals, sports physicals, blood pressure checks, sugar checks, vital signs, health and nutrition education. Sistahs United for Breast Cancer Awareness-providing prevention education for communities and support for those diagnosed with breast cancer. Community Resource and Referral services.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call for an appointment or information.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** Donations accepted

### CADA

**ADDRESS:** 116B Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-537-1111 **FAX:** 252-537-8087  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Gail Walker  
**HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION:** 8:30am-5:00pm Monday -Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Non-profit organization assisting low-income residents. Self-sufficiency, repair programs, Homeownership program, Emergency Assistance, Families in Focus.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Contact the office  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** CADA offices in Bertie, Halifax, Northampton and Hertford County

### CARDINAL INNOVATIONS HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS

**ADDRESS:** Five County Community Operations Center  
134 S. Garnett Street, Henderson NC, 27536  
**PHONE:** 252-430-1330  
**FAX NUMBER:** 252-431-3463  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Valerie Hennike, Director  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions serves as the primary community contact for individuals needing to obtain mental health, intellectual and developmental disability and substance abuse/addiction (MH/IDD/SA) services  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Contact 1-877-619-3761 (24-hour, toll free)

## C.A.R.E/JOHN 3:16 CENTER

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 1541, Littleton, NC 27850  
ADDRESS (Physical): 407 East End Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850  
PHONE: 252-586-1800 or 252-586-1802 FAX: 252-586-1801  
CONTACT PERSON: Shannon Smiley or Carolyn Ross-Holmes  
HOURS OF OPERATION: (September-May) Monday-Friday 10am-6pm, Saturdays 9am-3pm and closed Sundays. (June -August) Monday -Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-3pm and closed Sundays  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: GED classes, Afterschool program, Free Summer Day Camp, Food Pantry (Monday-Saturday 10am-3pm) Classes for Expectant and New mothers, Outdoor Recreation, AA meetings (Friday at 7:00pm) Clothing Giveaways (3 times a year) Limited Household Items, School Supplies and Uniforms, Christmas outreach.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call or stop by the John 3:16 Center to fill out applications and/or register for services,

## COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

ADDRESS: PO Box 37, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-5161  
CONTACT PERSON: Arthur Whitehead, County Extension Director  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Provide research-based information to citizens concerning a variety of topics including: Agricultural Production for Crops and Livestock, Horticultural information for commercial producers and consumers, 4-H youth programs including, 4-H Clubs, after-school and summer day camps, Nutritional education through the EFNEP program for youth and adults, Youth program through Operation Restart, Senior citizens programs through the Family and Consumer Sciences agent, Serv Safe education for improving restaurant and food safety.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Contact office in person or by phone. Public service office.

## CHOANOKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY(CPTA)

ADDRESS: 505 N. Main Street, Rich Square, NC 27869  
PHONE: 252-539-2022  
CONTACT PERSON: Pamela Perry  
HOURS OF OPERATION: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Dispatch Department Monday -Friday 6:00am-6:00pm  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Transportation provider for local services for trips to medical appointments, human service agencies, community colleges, shopping, Older American nutrition sites, dialysis, day cares, recreation and other transportation needs. We also provide transportation for out of county medical trips on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday to Greenville and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday to Rocky Mount each month.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Arrangements may be made by calling (252) 539-2022 ext. 222, 223, or 224 by 10:00am the day before the transportation is needed.

## DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 407, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): Halifax County Courthouse  
PHONE: 252-583-5371 FAX: 252-583-1266  
CONTACT PERSON: Clarence High, Jr., Chief Court Counselor  
HOURS OF OPERATION: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
After hours call 911

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: The Juvenile Court Counselor's Office provides services to those juveniles (any person who is less than 16 years of age for delinquent behavior, less than 18 for undisciplined behavior). These services are provided in two arenas, Intake and Probation/Aftercare.

Intake Services- When a petition (a criminal or undisciplined charge) is filed on a juvenile, it is the responsibility of the Intake Counselor to gather information from law enforcement, the child and the family, school and any other significant party which may have knowledge that could shed light on why the child may be experiencing difficulties. The Intake Counselor then uses this information, along with an assessment of the child the family's interest and ability to utilize local community resources to make a decision as to whether a case will go to Court, be diverted from Court to a local resource, or be closed. If the decision is to close the petition, the Counselor will provide the families with resource information that may be of benefit to them. In the case of a diversion, the Counselor may enter into a plan or contact that requires the juvenile to participate in a community -based services that may emphasize victim restoration and reconciliation, community service, guided growth services, and/or mental health treatment. If the decision is to approve the petition, the Counselor is responsible for relaying to the Court the information obtained while completing the intake evaluation and any recommendations felt appropriate as the Court considers disposition for the child.

In addition to the handling of formal complaints, Intake Counselors and other Juvenile Court Counselors when appropriate will provide consultative services to parties seeking general information on available community resources. Many situations regarding undisciplined children are handled as consultations rather than formal complaints.

Probation/Aftercare Services-When a child appears in Court and is found to be in need of services, the Court may place the child under supervision. It is at this time that the Juvenile Court Counselor is assigned to work with the child and family to ensure compliance with court mandates for sanctions or treatment.

There are two types of supervision; Protective Supervision and Probation. Protective Supervision allows the Juvenile Court Counselor to provide supportive counseling, resource information and referral services to the child and family where there are no criminal allegations. Probation supervision is a more restrictive disposition in that the Court will consider restrictive actions against juveniles should there be a general non-compliance of the Court's orders. In addition, the Court may order the parent of the juvenile to cooperate with a plan for the juvenile's rehabilitation.

Other Services- Juvenile Court Counselor's Offices across the state have a prominent role in local Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils (JCPC). Through the JCPC, state funding from DJJDP is matched with other local funds for local sanctions and treatment programs.

The Juvenile Court Counselor's Office in District 6 is available to the community to provide information and education regarding the juvenile justice system and our specific role in this system. We are involved in many agencies, organizations and community wide efforts that work to provide services for youth and families. Our work involves relationships with many varied resources (including but not limited to group homes, hospitals, volunteer agencies, Wilderness Camps, rehabilitation centers, employment agencies and schools). We are available to children and families seeking information about such resources on an information basis without their formal involvement in the Juvenile Court system.

### Easter Seals UCP NC & VA-Employment Services

ADDRESS: 1710 Watkins Drive, Weldon, NC 27890  
PHONE: 252-536-4105 FAX: 252-536-0119  
CONTACT PERSON: Jacqueline W. Ivey, Program Supervisor  
HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION: 8:00AM-5:00PM  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: provides community-based assessments, job development, work adjustment and supported employment job coaching and extended support to meet the employment needs of individuals experiencing the most severe disabilities. Individualized employment assistance is provided to match individual's interests, skills and abilities with an appropriate job in the community. A job coach works closely with each individual to teach the job tasks. The job coach will gradually fade their support. Supported employment services are followed up with ongoing long term support provided by a community resource trainer to ensure long term job stability.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Individuals must have a developmental, mental or physical disability and must meet Vocational Rehabilitation criteria.

### FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK OF NC

ADDRESS: CB 7340 UNC, Chapel Hill, NC 27599  
PHONE: 1-800-852-0042  
CONTACT PERSON: Fern Gardner  
WEBSITE: [www.fsnnnc.org](http://www.fsnnnc.org)  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Provides information and referral for families with special needs. Spanish speaking resource specialist is available.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call 800 number or visit our web site.  
OTHER INFORMATION: Provide printed disability information free of charge.  
For general inquiries, e-mail: [cdr@med.unc.edu](mailto:cdr@med.unc.edu)

## FREDERICK E. TURNER CHAPTER-AMERICAN RED CROSS

ADDRESS: 326 S. Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27804  
PHONE: 252-977-1720 FAX: 252-446-6123  
CONTACT PERSON: Lynwood Roberson (Chapter and Regional Executive Director), Hal Tarleton (Chapter COO -works mainly out of the Wilson Office 252-267-2171), Judy Bullock(Chapter and Regional Disaster Services Director), Libby Privette(Health and Safety Director -works mainly out of the Wilson office 252-267-2171)  
HOURS OF OPERATION: Monday -Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:  
-Provide disaster services: emergency food, clothing and/or shelter for victims of fire, flood, etc. (Fire victims should have copy of fire report and ID, if possible)  
-Armed forces emergency services  
-Health and Safety training such as CPR, First Aid, babysitting  
-Blood services is organized and managed through the Greenville Blood Center-1-800-544-1819

## GUARDIAN AD LITEM PROGRAM

ADDRESS: PO Box 837, Jackson, NC 27845  
PHONE: 252-574-3121 or 252-574-3122  
CONTACT PERSON: Melinda Hardy, District Administrator  
EMAIL: Melinda.a.hardy@nccourts.org  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Court ordered advocacy services for abused, neglected and/or dependency cases.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call the number listed above to find our how to become a Guardian ad Litem volunteer.  
OTHER INFORMATION: Please call our office if you would like to speak up for a child in court.

## HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE (HCC)

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>ADDRESS (Mailing):</u>       | PO Drawer 809, Weldon, NC 27890                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <u>ADDRESS (Physical):</u>      | 100 College Drive, Weldon, NC 27890                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-536-HCC1 (4221)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Thomas W. Schwartz, Vice President for Institutional Advancement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | Main campus at Weldon - 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.<br>Monday through Friday; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; some weekend classes. Call for list of scheduled classes for Continuing Education and off-campus sites.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Halifax Community College is the focal point of higher education in the Roanoke Valley. The College offers area citizens the opportunity to start a new life by offering quality education in more than 30 innovative programs. Halifax Community College is also the primary source for training in new technologies and specialized skills for careers in the workforce. Immediate benefits include quality education, affordability, and convenience. The addition of off-campus sites in surrounding locales provides even greater access to students. Other options like the college transfer program; distance learning, basic skills programs, childcare, continuing education opportunities and the availability of financial assistance unite to provide unlimited opportunities for adults of all ages and backgrounds. |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Call 252-536-HCC1 (4221) or visit Halifax Community College campus, located one-half mile east of I-95 on the Weldon Road (Hwy 158). Check the web address at <a href="http://www.halifaxcc.edu">http://www.halifaxcc.edu</a> for the latest news on programs, services and events.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | Halifax Community College welcomes students and employees without regard to race, national origin, religion, sex, age or disability.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

### HRD

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| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Tiffany Hale, HRD Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | Varies, classes are scheduled randomly for each semester period.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | The purpose of the Human Resources Development Program (HRD) is to educate and train individuals for success in the workplace. HRD classes offer interviewing skills, resume/application preparation, job search assistance, computer skills, soft skills and much more! |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Contact the HCC at 252-536-6342 for more information about class offerings.                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## HALIFAX COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ADDRESS: PO Box 101, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-4391  
CONTACT PERSON: Kristen Scott  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: The elections office administers election laws and conducts elections; provides in person and mail-in voter registration; updates voter records upon receipt of signed change registration forms, provides absentee voting services as authorized by statute, and determines electoral voting status for all voters.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: One may apply at any public assistance agency, any agency serving disabled people, at the DMV, by mail, in person at the Board of Elections, the library, high schools, or the Armed Forces Recruitment offices.

## HALIFAX COUNTY CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS

ADDRESS (Mailing): P.O. Box 677, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 10 N. King Street, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-2390  
CONTACT PERSON: Heather Joyner  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Enhanced 911, Communication for law enforcement, emergency medical services, and fire departments throughout Halifax County. Central Communications also provides tours of the 911 center. The tours are for all age groups. Speakers are available for public relations and safety awareness events. Mascot, Red E. Fox is a new addition for public relations along with EMS, Andy the Ambulance.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Emergencies only-Dial 911  
Non-emergency calls dial 252-583-1991 or 252-583-1382  
Calls for reports or request for case related materials, contact Heather Joyner, Communications Supervisor Mon-Fri from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at 252-583-2390 or email joynerh@halifaxnc.com  
OTHER INFORMATION: Please do not contact our department for road or weather conditions. To obtain such information, please contact local media or 1-800-DOT-4YOU or call 511 for live conditions.

***NOTE: LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DOES NOT PROVIDE UNLOCKING VEHICLE SERVICES ANYMORE.***

## HALIFAX COUNTY CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 66, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 357 Ferrell Lane, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-593-3000  
FAX: 252-593-3001  
CONTACT PERSON: Becky Spragins, Clerk Superior Court  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: The office of the Clerk of Superior Court provides probate of wills; appointing of administrators, executors, guardians and trustees; holds, manages, invest monies for minors and incompetents; maintains and processes all criminal cases (providing courtroom clerks for every court), juvenile cases, civil actions (lawsuits), foreclosures, adoptions, land divisions, change of name, passports, domestic violence, bond forfeitures and preparation of jury list/selection.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Walk-in customers welcome  
OTHER INFORMATION: Clerk of Superior Court is an elected office. For general information on the courts, please visit <http://www.nccourts.org/>

## HALIFAX COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 159, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 26 King Street, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-1212  
CONTACT PERSON: Lonnie Hedgepeth  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: The Halifax County Council on Aging is a board of volunteer adults, 60 years of age or over. The members are all appointed by the County Commissioners. The purpose of the Council on Aging Department is to help meet the many needs of the older adult, such as: nutrition, transportation, health, day care, and in-home services through recommendations from the board members and human services providers. These services enable people to get to necessary appointments, be assured of good nutrition, socialize, be less isolated from their peers and other groups and remain in their homes or with their family. Funding for these programs comes from the Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding plan that is made up of federal, state and local funds.

We also provide assistance to individuals who are seeking information about a specific service or problem they are having in obtaining the appropriate services needed. We have a prescription assistance program and also the SHIIP Program (Senior Health Insurance Information Program). We will be working with other local agencies on Medicare part D. We also have a resource book outlining all of the programs offered. Please call the office number for assistance or a resource book.

# HALIFAX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**ADDRESS:** 4421 Highway 301, PO Box 767, Halifax, NC 27839

**PHONE:** 252-536-2511

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:30am-5:00pm Monday - Friday

**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)** Contact Number: 252-536-2511

Financial and medical assistance to families with children deprived of parental support, with monthly payment based on needs and resources. Temporary assistance is provided to help families working toward employment and self-sufficiency.

**State/County Special Assistance (SA)** Contact number: 252-536-2511

Financial and medical assistance for individuals 18 and over who reside in residential care facilities.

**Medical Assistance (MA)** Contact Number: 252-536-2511

Medical assistance based on age, income and resources. Assistance includes medical, dental, vision, hearing, mental health, transportation and prescription services. This includes Carolina ACCESS. Carolina ACCESS offers case/disease management.

**NC Health Choice** Contact number: 252-536-2511

Insurance for children through age 18 whose parents are working yet cannot afford health coverage and are not eligible for medical assistance under the Medicaid program. Insurance is provided under the State Employees Health Plan by Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Some families may pay an enrollment fee based on income (maximum fee of \$100.00 annually). NC Health Choice covers all medical services including vision and hearing.

**Program Integrity** Contact number: 252-536-2511

Investigates suspected "Welfare Fraud" and ensures recovery of Public Assistance overpayments.

**Emergency Financial Assistance** Contact number: 252-536-2511

Crisis Intervention Program (CIP)-Provides financial assistance to eligible low-income persons who are experiencing a heating or cooling related crisis.

Work First Family Assistance (EA)-Provides short term financial assistance to households with needy children who are experiencing a crisis, not related to heating and cooling.

**Food Assistance** Contact number: 252-536-4521

Supplements the food dollars of low-income families and individuals and enables participants to purchase more nutritious foods.

**Low Income Energy Assistance (LIEAP)** Contact number: 252-536-2511

Financial assistance that is given once a year to help with the cost of heating.

**Child Support Enforcement Services** NC Child Support Call Center 1-800-992-9457

Mailing address: PO Box 409, Halifax, NC 27839

Assists in locating absent parents in an effort to establish and enforce financial and medical support obligations.

## **Child Protective Services**

Contact number: 252-536-6500 or 536-2511

To make reports of suspected child abuse, neglect or dependency, please contact the above numbers. After hours, weekends and holidays, you may dial 252-536-6500. We offer presentations concerning child abuse/neglect to various groups/organizations/businesses. Please contact us if you are interested.

## **Intake**

Reports of child abuse, neglect and/or dependency are made to the Intake Unit. Reports are assessed to see if the allegations meet the NC statutory definition of abuse, neglect or dependency. If the allegations do not meet the legal definition of abuse, neglect or dependency, the report is denied and assessed to see if it is appropriate to refer to other agencies. If the allegations meet the legal definitions, the report is then accepted. Currently North Carolina has a Multiple Response System (MRS), which allows cases to be assigned to either an Investigative Assessor or a Family Assessor depending on the type of allegations.

## **Investigative**

This response is a more formal information gathering process and is used for all cases of abuse and other special cases. Some of the characteristics are, the child is often interviewed first without the parents' knowledge or consent, collateral contacts are made without the parent's knowledge or consent, the report is either substantiated or unsubstantiated, and the perpetrator is entered into a centralized database.

## **Family Assessment**

This response is a more family centered approach. Some of the characteristics are that the parents are contacted and interviewed first, or at the same time as the child, collateral contacts are interviewed with the knowledge of the parents and preferably with their permission, the family is either found, "in need of services", "services recommended", "services provided" or "not in need of services", and no perpetrator is entered into a database. Services are implemented to remove the condition(s), which put the child or children in danger. The safety of the child in the home is always considered. If services cannot be provided in the home to ensure the child's safety, then removal of the child would be facilitated.

## **Case Management/Case Planning**

In cases where there is substantiation or a finding of "in need of services", the case may be referred to a Case Management/Case Planning social worker. Social work intervention designed to offer assistance to individuals and their family members in support of attempts to restructure or solidify their environment. Services include counseling on recognizing, understanding and coping with problems and conflict, household management, school related problems, family life, consumer affairs, and drug addictions. These intervention services are designed to help individuals and families in stabilizing their environment and in maintaining an adequate level of functioning to prevent further need for intervention.

## **Foster Care for Children**

The provision of services provided to children and their families to help facilitate the reunification of the family. When out-of-home placement is necessary, services are provided to families to eliminate the condition(s) that placed the child in danger.

Foster Care Licensing includes the licensing of foster and adoptive homes for children who are in need of temporary or permanent homes.

Independent Living Program provides independent living skills to children 16 to 21 that are or have been in foster care. Services include money management and awareness, housekeeping, food management, transportation, personal appearance and hygiene, basic job seeking and maintenance skills, interpersonal skills, health, legal issues, emergency and safety skills and knowledge of community services.

### **Adoption Services**

Services provided to children in the custody of the Halifax County Department of Social Services and prospective adoptive parents to help support and maintain the family. Children are placed with families in the hope that permanency can be achieved through the legal adoption of the child. Stepparents and relatives also receive adoption services.

### **At Risk Services**

At Risk Services are provided to any child who is at risk of being abused and/or neglected. These services are accepted by the family on a voluntary basis.

### **Eye Care Program**

Contact number: 252-536-6464

Services provided to the visually impaired to assist with the cost of eye examination, treatment, eyeglasses, ocular prosthesis, hospitalization, and surgery. Other services include transportation, counseling, mobility training aids, equipment, and In Home Aide Services.

### **Adult Protective Services/ Adult Protective Payee/Adult At Risk Services**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

Conduct investigations on reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of individuals 18 years of age or older. Services are provided to ensure the protection of these individuals who are not able to manage in their best interest. Services are provided to adults to prevent abuse, neglect or exploitation. An appointed payee may be necessary for individuals who are incapable of managing their income. As appointed payee the agency ensures that all-household expense, such as rent, electric and other bills are paid to ensure proper use of funds.

### **Community Alternative Program (CAP)**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

Home and community based services provided to Medicaid recipients whose medical condition requires the level of care provided in a nursing home.

### **Foster Care for Adults**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

Services that ensure placement appropriate to the individual's needs when they are unable to remain in their own homes; the recruitment, assessment, monitoring and supervision of adult care homes.

### **Adult Day Care Services**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

Arrange and pay for quality day care to support the adult's personal independence, promote social, physical and emotional well being; recruit, monitor and reevaluate certified programs and provide consultation and technical services.

### **Adult Guardianship Services**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

Provides services to legally declared incompetent adults.

### **Adult In Home Aide Services**

Contact number: 252-536-6459

In Home Aide Level I, II and III-assistance provided in the home for the elderly, disabled and handicapped individuals who can no longer perform necessary home management and personal care tasks and are at risk of institutionalization.

**Child Day Care Services**

Contact number: 252-536-2511

The purchase of quality day care services to allow parent to continue employment, to seek employment, to train for employment, and to protect neglected and abused children.

**Work First Employment Program**

Contact number: 252-536-2511

The Work First Program provides TANF recipients the opportunity to obtain the education, training and supportive services necessary to improve employability and avoid long-term dependency.

**Health Support Services**

Contact number: 252-536-2511

Services to individuals and families to help them recognize health needs and to receive appropriate treatment. Included are family planning services to enable individuals and families to voluntarily limit the number and spacing of children.

**Transportation Services**

Contact number: 252-538-6720

The purchase of services to enable Medicaid recipients to have access to adequate transportation when there is a lack of mean/or mode of transportation to Medicaid covered services.

**Reception Services**

Contact number: 252-536-2511

On Site: Individuals visiting the agency are registered, screened and directed to the appropriate program. Work permits are issued to youth and voter registration forms are completed during this contact.

Switchboard accepts all direct incoming calls and directs them to the appropriate program.

**HALIFAX COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**ADDRESS:**

PO Box 126, Halifax, NC 27839

**PHONE:**

252-593-3010

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Katherine Smith

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:**

Attempt to meet the needs of victims and witnesses of crime by providing information, preparing them for trial, and assisting them in such a manner as to increase their understanding of, participation in, and satisfaction with the district attorney's office and the criminal justice system.

**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:**

Contact this office

## HALIFAX COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

ADDRESS: PO Box 677, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-2031  
CONTACT PERSON: Lynn Manning-Armstrong  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
On call 24 hours a day call 583-1991  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Provides coordination of Emergency Management Services. Available for training and presentations on disaster preparation, response and recovery.  
OTHER INFORMATION:

## HALIFAX COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

ADDRESS: PO Box 677, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-2088  
CONTACT PERSON: Phil Ricks  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 24 hours a day  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Emergency Medical Services at the EMT-Paramedic level.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Emergency-Dial 911  
OTHER INFORMATION: We will provide public relations for any school or organization, utilizing "Andy the Ambulance".

## HALIFAX COUNTY FAMILY COURT

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 66, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 357 Ferrell Lane, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-593-3015 FAX: 252-593-3013  
CONTACT PERSON: Susan Horrell, Family Court Administrator  
Levernard Speight, Access & Visitation Coordinator  
Shirley Webb-Owens, Juvenile Case Coordinator  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Assists in navigating court system, makes referrals to community services, offers mediation to resolve issues, moves cases along in a timely manner, coordinates court appearances, reduces number of times one must come to court, assists parents who are paying child support in getting visitation with their children, manages juvenile abuse and neglect cases, operates Family (Drug) Treatment Court for parents with substance abuse problems who are involved in DSS abuse and neglect cases, offers middle school AIM program (formerly Truancy Diversion Project), and provides assistance with pro se (self-represented) divorces.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call 252-593-3015 or your attorney  
OTHER INFORMATION: Family Court operates under a one-judge/one family philosophy; has a courteous and knowledgeable staff; designs services to meet your needs; provides opportunities to resolve conflicts before trial; and solves problems that brought you to court in less time.

## HALIFAX COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**ADDRESS (Mailing):** PO Box 10, Halifax, NC 27839  
**ADDRESS (Physical):** 19 N. Dobbs St., Halifax, NC 27839  
**PHONE:** 252-583-5021 **FAX:** 252-583-2975  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Rhonda Hubbard RN, Angela Moody RN, Frances Vick RN  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:30 a.m. to 5:00p.m Monday through Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Clinical services in Halifax for pediatrics, maternity, family planning, sexually transmitted diseases, and communicable diseases. Child health, Family planning, and STD services, clinical services in Enfield and Scotland Neck Health Department by appointment.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call 583-5021  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** Along with clinical services we provide: Animal Control, Behavioral/Mental Health Counseling, Case management for children and pregnant women, Dental Varnish, Environmental Health Services, Health Check, Health screening services for local industries, Immunizations, Jail Health services, New born and postpartum Home visits, Nutrition Services, Smart Start Neonatal Tracking, Spanish interpreter available, STD Screening and Treatment, Tuberculosis management.  
**WEBSITE:** <http://www.halifaxnc.com/healthdept.cfm>

## HALIFAX COUNTY LIBRARY

**ADDRESS:** 33 Granville Street, Halifax, NC 27839  
**PHONE:** 252-583-3631 **FAX:** 252-583-8661  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Ginny Orvedahl, Director  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** M 8:30am-7:00pm; T- Th 8:30am-5:00pm; Sat 9:00am-12:30pm  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Reader's Advisory and checkout of variety of materials: books, book cassettes, videos, magazines. Free internet to patrons, reference, copier, fax machine, children's programs, bookmobile (outreach), and meeting rooms.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Walk in - to apply for library card; provide current ID with address. You do not have to live in Halifax County. A library card is required to check out materials, and to use the public access computers.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** The Halifax County Library system sponsors several special events during the year-Quiz Bowl (local high schools), Battle of the Books (local middle schools), summer reading program for children, weekly story times at three branch libraries for preschoolers.  
**WEBSITE:** To access the library system's public card catalog, please go to <http://catalog.halifaxlib.org/polaris>

Library branches: The library system includes a bookmobile and branch libraries in Littleton (New Towne Center), Scotland Neck (1600 Main St.) Weldon (6 West 1<sup>st</sup> St.) and Lilly Pike Sullivan in Enfield (103 South Railroad Street).

## HALIFAX COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES

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| <u>ADDRESS (Mailing):</u>       | PO Box 70, Halifax, NC 27839                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <u>ADDRESS (Physical):</u>      | 26 N. King Street, Halifax NC 27839                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-583-1451                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Gwen Matthews                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | Office 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday<br>Landfill 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Water distribution; sewage collection; solid waste collection and disposal; wastewater pretreatment at the NC 903 Industrial Center.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Water-apply in person at the Public Utilities Building in Halifax. Solid Waste-Call 583-1807 and state your request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | Halifax County's enterprise operations are comprised of one department with three separate and distinct divisions: the Public Utilities Department is divided into the Water/Wastewater Division, Solid Waste Division, and the wastewater pretreatment division. With the exception of administrative staff, each division has separate staff and budget and operates independently from the other. |

The Water/Wastewater Division is responsible for providing safe drinking water to approximately 18,200 rural county residents and the collection and disposal of wastewater from approximately 1,000 rural residents. Obviously, the water distribution system is much larger than the wastewater collection system. Water and wastewater rates are adjusted annually to ensure funds are available for repayment of debt and for daily operations and maintenance.

The Solid Waste Division is responsible for collection and disposal of household garbage for approximately 36,584 rural county residents. This is currently being done through a contract with Waste Industries, Inc. One county-owned, centrally located landfill and eight convenience sites are available to county residents free of charge. Operation and maintenance costs are paid via an annual collection and disposal fee charged to each rural household and tipping fees charges to commercial clients at the landfill and Waste Industries's transfer station.

## HALIFAX COUNTY TAX DEPARTMENT

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| <u>ADDRESS:</u>                 | PO Box 68, Halifax, NC 27839                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-583-2121                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Pamela Harris, Tax Coordinator/Collector                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Elderly and disabled property tax exemption. Must be 65 years of age on January 1 <sup>st</sup> or totally and permanently disabled at any age. Income limit of \$27,100 from all sources; if more than \$27,100 person does not qualify. |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Apply during tax listing period in January and prior to June 1st each year. Once qualified you do not have to re apply each year unless there is a change in your household income                                                        |

## HALIFAX DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 246, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-536-2522  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Ronald D. Baker  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** The mission of Halifax Development Commission is to increase the wealth of Halifax County and its citizens. This mission is accomplished by the recruitment, creation, expansion, and retention of investments that create high quality jobs and increases the county's tax base.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Contact our office  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** In order to attract new industry we need to have available industrial sites identified. Anyone having available property for sale should contact our office.

## HALIFAX/NORTHAMPTON HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

**ADDRESS:** 14 EAST 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET, ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-537-2556  
**CONTACT PERSON:** John Sing  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 10:00am-3:30pm  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Habitat for Humanity is a privately funded non-profit organization that builds housing for low-income families that are unable to obtain a conventional mortgage. We offer a twenty-year mortgage that includes principle, escrow for taxes and insurance and **NO** interest.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Write to the above address with your name and address and an application will be sent to you, or best come in and meet us.

## HALIFAX/NORTHAMPTON PRIDE, Inc.

### A "PARENT AS TEACHERS" AFFILIATE (PAT)

**ADDRESS:** 100 Gaston Road, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-533-6242 Fax: 252-533-6401  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Deborah Robinson  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Office 9am-3pm Monday thru Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Home visiting program that provides the information, support, and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Families must live in Halifax County with a child aged 0-5. There are no income criteria.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** Monthly group connections are conducted to introduce families to other families for the purpose of forming support systems. We are in need of volunteers from the area service organizations to facilitate seminars and workshops focusing on literacy, safety and the well-being of the family.

## HALIFAX REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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| <u>ADDRESS (Mailing):</u>       | PO Box 1089, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870                                |
| <u>ADDRESS (Physical)</u>       | 250 Smith Church Rd., Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870                       |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-535-8011                                                         |
| <u>WEBSITE:</u>                 | <a href="http://www.halifaxregional.org">www.halifaxregional.org</a> |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | William Mahone, President/CEO                                        |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | 24 hours a day                                                       |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> |                                                                      |

Halifax Regional is a private, not-for-profit acute care hospital with a 204-bed licensed capacity. The hospital offers a full range of in-patient and outpatient services including a unit dedicated to the psychiatric treatment of emotional and mental illness, individual case management and case management for area HIV/AIDS patients.

Woodside Psychiatric Unit, located on the hospital's Fourth Floor, provides intensive, short-term psychiatric treatment under the direction of a board-certified Psychiatrist. Woodside's nursing staff, social workers and activity therapists deliver care in a safe and confidential setting.

Our Case Management program is a collaborative multidisciplinary hospital-wide process available to aid patients and families in developing a workable post-hospital plan of care, provide psychosocial assessment and intervention when appropriate, assist with social issues and to act as a referral source, information source and liaison for patients, families, physicians and other members of the multidisciplinary team.

## HALIFAX WARREN CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 339, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
ADDRESS (Physical) 1139 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-5621 or 252-535-4715  
Email: [smartstart@hwss.org](mailto:smartstart@hwss.org)  
CONTACT PERSON: Magda Baligh  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Seeks to enhance the accessibility, improve the quality and increase the availability of childcare. Services for parents, providers and the community include workshops for parents, information on choosing quality child care, referrals for child care, training and technical assistance for child care providers, grants and quality improvement projects.  
HOW TO APPLY FOR SERVICES: Call Child Care Resource and Referral office.  
WEBSITE: <http://www.hwss.org/>

## HALIFAX-WARREN SMART START PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 339, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical) 1139 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-5621  
Email: [smartstart@hwss.org](mailto:smartstart@hwss.org)  
CONTACT PERSON: Magda Baligh, Executive Director  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Services for children 0-5 and their families including health services, education, parent education, family support, child care subsidy, assistance in finding child care, technical assistance and training for child care providers.  
HOW TO RECEIVE OR APPLY: Call the Partnership office  
WEBSITE: <http://www.hwss.org/>

## HALIWA-SAPONI INDIAN TRIBE, INC.

ADDRESS: PO Box 99, Hollister, NC 27844  
PHONE: 252-586-4017  
CONTACT PERSON: Alfred R. Richardson, Executive Director  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Housing, Day Care, JTPA/WIA, two nutrition sites and after school program  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call for appointment and apply in person.

## HANNAH'S PLACE, INC.

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| <u>ADDRESS:</u>                 | PO Box 1392, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | Office.....252 541-2037<br>Crisis Line (24/7).....252 541-2064                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Clarine Jones, Executive Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | Office: Monday -Friday 24 hours a day<br>Crisis Line: 24 hours a day 7 days a week                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | We provide crisis intervention services 24 hours a day and 7 days a week for clients who have been sexually assaulted or physically assaulted and their families. We provide court advocacy, options counseling, education, prevention, referral to other agencies, and assistance with transportation to appointments and court. Accompany to hospital for treatments. |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Call the office during business hours. Call the Crisis Line at any time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | We provide free services. We are a non-profit organization. We welcome volunteers; feel free to give us a call.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

### **Hannah's Closet, an Outreach Program of Hannah's Place, Inc.**

258 Roanoke Avenue, 252 541-1127

Open Mon - Sat.

Our resale store is an important component of our overall program. We sell "gently used" women and children's clothing and accessories to the general public and accept donations for either our shelter or the store. Our clients DO NOT PAY FOR ITEMS THEY NEED FROM THE STORE, this is a part of the service we provide to all clients. Volunteers are always needed at the store to sort and prepare the items to be sold/distributed. There is information at the store about all of our programs and staff will be happy to either talk with you or arrange for one of the crisis intervention staff to talk with you.

## HISTORIC HALIFAX

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| <u>ADDRESS:</u>                 | PO Box 406, Halifax, NC 27839                                                                            |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-583-7191                                                                                             |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Monica Moody                                                                                             |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | Subject to change, please call ahead before visiting.                                                    |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | State Historic Site, Give historic tours                                                                 |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Contact in person or by phone.                                                                           |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | Historic Halifax observes Halifax Day every year on April 12.<br>Events are going on throughout the day. |

## HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE

ADDRESS: 1229 Julian R. Allsbrook Highway, Roanoke Rapids, NC  
PHONE: 252-308-0700  
CONTACT PERSON: Sheila G. Alford  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
On call for other hours  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Skilled services provided to patients in their homes while under a medical doctor's care. Skilled services include nursing, PT, ST, OT, MSW, AIDE services. Hospices provides care to the terminally ill patient  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Order from medical doctor

## HOPE (Cancer Support Group)

ADDRESS (Mailing): 36 Strauther Drive, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
ADDRESS (Physical): 701 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-6468  
CONTACT PERSON: Myrtle B. Coates  
HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Encourage cancer patients and their families. Give books to read and to encourage. Send cards and flowers when needed.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Come to our meetings

## JO STORY SENIOR CENTER

ADDRESS: PO Box 38, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-533-2849  
CONTACT PERSON: Rose Massey, Center Supervisor  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mon - Thurs; 7:30am-12:00 Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Provide recreational and health related programs, activities, special events, and trips for senior citizens.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Most programs are free of charge. Contact the Center for more details.  
WEBSITE: <http://www.roanokerapidsnc.com/>

## LEGAL AID OF NORTH CAROLINA- Ahoskie Office

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| <u>ADDRESS (Mailing):</u>       | PO Box 564, Ahoskie, NC 27910                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <u>ADDRESS (Physical):</u>      | 610 East Church Street, Ahoskie, NC 27910                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-332-5124 or 1-800-682-0010 <u>FAX:</u> 252-332-3317                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <u>HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION:</u> | Monday-Friday 8:45am-5:15pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Service low-income people in civil law matters only from Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Perquimans, Pasquotank and Northampton Counties.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Call our office during business hours.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc. Ahoskie Office provides free legal assistance to income eligible persons and their community organizations in our eleven county service area. LANC also provides Legal Services to the elderly. Our representation is limited to matters in civil law. We do not represent clients in criminal cases including traffic offenses. |

We are committed to providing complete, careful, quality legal representation. Our mission is to educate the community regarding its legal rights, to assist poor citizens in advocating their rights and to seek institutional change within our communities.

## LIFELINE PROGRAM

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| <u>ADDRESS (Mailing):</u>       | PO Box 1089, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870                                                                                               |
| <u>ADDRESS (Physical):</u>      | 250 Smith Church Road, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870                                                                                     |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-535-8168 <u>FAX:</u> 252-535-8728                                                                                               |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Connie Gaither                                                                                                                      |
| <u>HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION:</u> | Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm                                                                                                         |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Home emergency response system sponsored by Halifax Regional Medical Center and the Pilot Club of Roanoke Valley for a nominal fee. |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Contact Connie Gaither at Halifax Regional Medical Center or Linda Mazingo at Pilot Club of Roanoke Valley at 537-0012.             |

## LITTLETON SENIOR CITIZENS

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| <u>ADDRESS:</u>                 | PO Box 187, Littleton, NC 27850                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <u>PHONE:</u>                   | 252-586-6773                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>CONTACT PERSON:</u>          | Marion H. Lewis, Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <u>HOURS OF OPERATION:</u>      | 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:</u> | Congregate meals, outreach program, weekly meetings, exercise classes, quilting classes, arts & crafts, games, health and physical education, quarterly birthday celebrations, blood pressure clinics, visitation to sick and shut-ins, computer classes. |
| <u>HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:</u> | Contact Littleton Senior Center at 252-586-6773<br>Must be 60 years or older                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u>       | After 5:00 p.m. and on weekends, building can be rented for wedding receptions, family or class reunions, meetings, etc.                                                                                                                                  |

## MAAFIA(Making Abusers Accountable for Intentional Actions)

### Halifax County Domestic Violence Task Force

**ADDRESS: (Mailing)** 4421 Highway 301/PO Box 767, Halifax, NC 27839  
**ADDRESS: (Physical)** 4421 Highway 301, Halifax, NC 27839 (Halifax DSS)  
**PHONE:** 252-536-6559  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Michele Braswell-Secretary  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** The task force formed in September 2005 in order to work on issues surrounding domestic violence in Halifax County. The purposes of the task force are to: Hold abusers accountable for domestic violence, support the victims and interdisciplinary task force members, and establish policies and protocols for domestic violence response in Halifax County. The Task Force meets quarterly.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** We are looking for input from the faith communities, professionals, survivors and citizens in achieving our purposes. If you are interested in attending meetings, please contact Michele Braswell at 252-536-6559.  
Note: Contact information will change as officer's change.

### MEDICAL CLINIC OF ENFIELD

**ADDRESS:** 114 Market Street, Enfield, NC 27823  
**PHONE:** 252-445-2332  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Sarah Harris  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Family Practice  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call for appointment or go by clinic. New patients accepted. Insurance, Medicare and Medicaid accepted.

### N.C. EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION

**TEMPORARY ADDRESS:** 116-D, West Third Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-537-4188  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Tommy D. McKnight  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Job placement, unemployment insurance, labor market information, information about job training and educational opportunities  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Apply in person; job and labor market information is available on the NC Employment Security Commission website at <http://www.ncesc.com/>  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** We are the host site for the Halifax/Northampton JobLink Career Center. There are nine different partner agencies that participate in the center.

## NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL

### REHABILITATION

**ADDRESS:** 615 Julian Allsbrook Highway, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-537-1126  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Gloria Davis-Manager (may speak with anyone about referrals.)  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Provides vocational rehabilitation services to eligible persons with disabilities who wish to keep, return to, or find employment.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** You are eligible for vocational rehabilitation services because you have a physical, mental, emotional, or learning impairment that is a substantial impediment or employment and you require rehabilitation services to get ready for, find, or keep a job.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** We are a state agency that provides services to eligible individuals regardless of their race, color, sex, religion, nationality or disability. Services will be provided in most integrated setting consistent with your informed choice appropriate to meet your disability requirements.

### OUR COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

**ADDRESS:** 921 Junior High School Road, Scotland Neck, NC 27874  
**PHONE:** 252-826-4144  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Catherine Barnes  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 24 hours a day  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Acute/Emergency, long-term care and assisted living. Outpatient labs and X-ray.

### PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER

**ADDRESS:** 1070 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-519-4357      **FAX:** 252-535-4373  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Jennifer Marchant  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Mon & Wed 3pm-6pm; Tues & Thurs 5pm-8pm  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Free pregnancy test, post abortion support, peer counseling, baby and maternity material assistance, parenting and childbirth classes, accurate information on all pregnancy options: parenting, abortion and adoption information.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call to schedule an appointment. Walk ins are welcome  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** We help women/young ladies that are facing an unplanned pregnancy or that are struggling from the emotional scars of abortion. Also offer help for men as well.

## REGISTER OF DEEDS

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 67, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 357 Ferrell Lane, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-2101  
CONTACT PERSON: Judy Evans-Barbee  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: We record, maintain and preserve all real estate and vital records for Halifax County. Other miscellaneous records are UCC's, plats, service discharges, corporate records, and notary commissions. Certified copies of all records are accessible. Issue marriage licenses for couples to be married in Halifax County.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Can mail in a request or come by the office and present valid driver's license or picture ID. Real estate recordings can be done by mail or in person with the proper recording fees.  
OTHER INFORMATION: All vital records are considered public record. To obtain certified copies, you must be an immediate family with proper ID.

## ROANOKE CLINIC

ADDRESS: 1385 Medical Center Drive, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-9176  
CONTACT PERSON: Karen Foster, Clinic Manager  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Family Practice  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call for appointment or go by clinic. Accepting new patients. Insurance, Medicare and Medicaid accepted.

## ROANOKE RAPIDS GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADDRESS: 536 Hamilton Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-519-7100  
CONTACT PERSON: Dennis Sawyer, Superintendent  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Public School System  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Information can be supplied by contacting administrators, counselors, and teachers.  
WEB ADDRESS: <http://www.rrgsd.org/>

## ROANOKE RAPIDS HOUSING AUTHORITY

ADDRESS: 200 Creekside Court, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-0552  
CONTACT PERSON: H. Tillman Long, Jr. or Bonnie Martin  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Affordable housing for low and moderate income families  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Applications are taken by appointment only, Monday through Friday.  
EMAIL ADDRESS: [rrha@charter.net](mailto:rrha@charter.net)

## ROANOKE RAPIDS PARKS & RECREATION

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 38, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-533-2847  
**CONTACT PERSON:** John Simeon  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** varies  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Department operates two recreational centers , two outdoor pools, an aquatic center, a senior center, a museum, a library, a community rental facility, multiple parks and sports fields.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call 533-2847 for brochure and information or register in person.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** Some programs are offered year round and some are one-time or annual.

## ROANOKE VALLEY ADULT DAY CENTER, INC.

**ADDRESS (Mailing):** PO Box 127, Weldon, NC 27890  
**ADDRESS (Physical):** 108 East 1<sup>st</sup> St., Weldon, NC 27890  
**PHONE:** 252-536-2070  
**FAX:** 252-536-5119  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Roger Edwards (Director), Latonya Fleming (QP/Social Worker) Gwen Kearney, (Activity Coordinator), Dorothy Joyner (Health Care Coordinator)  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Provides day care and day health services to frail elderly and disabled adults. Offers an alternative to premature placement in a nursing home by providing a supportive daytime setting with health monitoring, medication monitoring, social activities, and fully approved nutrition and therapeutic program.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Individuals may attend full-time or part-time based on need and desire. The cost for services is \$33.07 to \$40.00 per day depending on level of care. Approved for CAP-DA, CAP-MR-DD and VA. Call 252-536-2070 and speak with any of the above listed staff members to receive application package and admission interview.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** RVADC is a private non-profit community agency supported in part by United Way Funds and charitable donations.

## ROANOKE VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 519, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-537-3513  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Allen Purser  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** 9:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Provide services to the business community and assist newcomers with relocation. Also do economic development work.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Members receive benefits; help newcomers at no charge. Visit the website at <http://www.rvchamber.com/>

### **Job Referrals**

**CONTACT PERSON:** Ruby Gerald  
**COORDINATOR:** Halifax County Department of Social Services  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Mon.-Fri. from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** This service offers job referrals in the county as well as collaborating with employers of available job opportunities.  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Contact the Work First Coordinator at 252-537-3513

## ROANOKE VALLEY MEDICAL MINISTRIES CLINIC

**ADDRESS:** 536 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
**PHONE:** 252-308-1261  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Rose Fleming, Executive Director  
**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Wednesday evening 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:** Free medical services to those who qualify  
**HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES:** Call the above number for an appointment on the day of the clinic only between 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Medical services provided to those persons who have no health insurance including Medicaid and Medicare. Proof of any income is required. Eligibility is determined by income levels for your household size. The clinic is open to all residents of the Roanoke Valley over 16 years of age.  
**OTHER INFORMATION:** The Roanoke Valley Medical Ministries Clinic is a free clinic staffed only by volunteers. All medical services may not be provided. Volunteers are always needed. Call the above number to volunteer.

## RURAL HEALTH GROUP AT ROANOKE RAPIDS

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 1326, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
ADDRESS (Physical): 2064 Highway 125, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-536-5000 FAX: 252-536-2258  
CONTACT PERSON: Pam Taylor/Ed Webb, Site Manager  
HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION: 8:30am-7:00pm Mon. -Thurs.; 8:30am-5:00pm Fri.  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Primary Care Health Services for all ages-birth to geriatrics. Medical provider staff includes 2 pediatricians, 1 Internal Medicine physician, 1 Physician Assistant and 1 Geriatric/Adult Nurse Practitioner.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call 252-536-5000 for an appointment  
OTHER INFORMATION: Sliding fee scale for those who financially qualify. Prescription assistance for those who financially qualify.

## RURAL HEALTH GROUP AT ROANOKE RAPIDS DENTAL

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 640, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
ADDRESS (Physical): 2064 Highway 125, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-536-5880 FAX: 252-536-2708  
CONTACT PERSON: Angela Young, Site Manager  
HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION: Alternates from Mon.-Thurs. 8:00am-6:30pm to Tues.-Fri. 8:00am-6:30pm  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: General dentistry for all ages. Dental staff includes 1 dentist, 2 dental assistants, 1 dental hygienist.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call 252-536-5880 for an appointment  
OTHER INFORMATION: Sliding fee scale for those who financially qualify.

## SCOTLAND NECK FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER, INC.

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 540, Scotland Neck, NC 27874  
ADDRESS (Physical): 919 Jr. High School Rd., Scotland Neck, NC 27874  
PHONE: 252-826-3143  
CONTACT PERSON: Phyllis D. Chavis, Administrator  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.; 8:00a.m. -12:00p.m. Fri.  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Family medicine practice, indigent medicine program, sliding scale fee service for the uninsured that qualify.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call office and ask for Phyllis Chavis, Administrator.

## SCOTLAND NECK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 126, Scotland Neck, NC 27874  
ADDRESS (Physical): 1600 Main Street, Scotland Neck, NC 27874  
PHONE: 252-826-5578  
CONTACT PERSON: Brenda Tavenner  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. MWF  
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. T, Th  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sat  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Library services, Internet access, copy machine, fax machine, children's story hour, Jobs Corps Representative, meeting room facilities and summer reading program.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call the library

## SCOTLAND NECK POLICE DEPARTMENT

ADDRESS(MAILING): PO Box 537, Scotland Neck, NC, 27874  
ADDRESS(PHYSICAL): 101 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Scotland Neck, NC, 27874  
PHONE: 252-826-4112 FAX: 252-826-4444  
CONTACT PERSON: Joe Williams, Chief of Police  
E-MAIL:  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Law enforcement services  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Non-emergencies from 8am- 5pm Monday thru Friday call 252-826-4112. Non-emergencies on nights, holidays and weekends call 252-826-4111. Emergencies call 911.

SYSTEM OF CARE/FAMILIES SUPPORTING FAMILIES OF  
HALIFAX COUNTY, NC, INC.

ADDRESS: 1322 Roanoke Avenue, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 535-4000 FAX: 535-2206  
CONTACT PERSON: Doris N. Mack  
E-MAIL: socfsf@schoolink.net or socfsf@yahoo.com  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 10am-4pm Monday -Friday (regular business hours)  
3:30pm-5:30pm Monday-Thursday (after school program)

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: System of Care/Families Supporting Families (SOC/FSF) is a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization that operates a Family Resource Center located in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. We provide an array of community services and resources for mentally, emotionally and behaviorally challenged children/adolescents, ages 5-18, and their families. SOC/FSF is committed to building relationships and partnerships with youth who are academically challenged, at risk of school suspension, or court involved by creating educational, social and economic opportunities. We provide professional and strength based training, parent/youth support group meetings, family/youth driven activities, as well as develop strong advocacy skills.

HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Families/Consumers receive services through a referral process (i.e. Local Agencies, Service Providers, Community Schools, Juvenile Justice and walk-ins) or contacting Mrs. Doris N. Mack at 252-535-4000.

Some of SOC/FSF Available services are: Advocacy services, Alternative Educational Program, Anger Management Training, Career/Vocational Training, Communication Skill Training, Cultural Arts Program, Family Attic-Thrift Store, Interpersonal Skills Training, Lending Library, Life Skills Training, A meeting facility, Peer Counseling, Mentoring, Youth and Family Support Group and Wraparound/Individual Care.

OTHER INFORMATION: SOC/FSF has Parent Support Group Meetings held at the Family Resource Center the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, from 6-8pm. Various topics on mental health issues are discussed. Youth Support Group Meetings are held in the Family Resource Center in Roanoke Rapids on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from 6-8pm.

TWIN COUNTY RURAL HEALTH CENTER, INC.

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 10, Hollister, NC 27844  
ADDRESS (Physical): 204 Evans Road, Hollister, NC 27844  
PHONE: 252-586-5151  
CONTACT PERSON: Sally Harkins  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Full range of medical and dental services, WIC.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call the medical office at 586-5151 or call WIC at 586-5154 and dental at 586-6821  
OTHER INFORMATION: Twin County has served the Hollister area since 1977.

## UNION MISSION OF ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC INC.

ADDRESS (Physical): 1310 Roanoke Avenue, Roanoke Rapids, NC, 27870  
ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 968, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-3372 FAX: 252-537-7373  
CONTACT PERSON: Reverend Ronald Weeks  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 9am-5pm Mon-Fri for administrative offices and intake.  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Chapel Services, Clothing Store, Community Food Pantry, Emergency Shelter for Men, Furniture Store, Intake Coordinator, Prepared Meals Served, Recycling Program, Long Term Recovery Program for Men, Volunteer Coordinator.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call after 9am and make an appointment with our intake worker. She will interview you and let you know what you qualify for. Please bring a current picture ID, a Social Security Card for each child and your Food Stamp card if you desire assistance of any kind.  
OTHER INFORMATION: For homeless adult males without children or pets, we have an emergency shelter and a residential long-term recovery program. The mission is not a place to stay; it is a place men come to receive help on the road to wholeness. This service is available 24/7, anyone desiring this kind of help needs to have a current picture ID and be able to pass a drug and alcohol test.

## UNITED WAY OF ROANOKE VALLEY

ADDRESS: PO Box 760, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870  
PHONE: 252-537-3744  
CONTACT PERSON: Tracy Lynch  
HOURS OF OPERATION: Thursday and Friday 3:30-5:00pm  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Referral agency ONLY. (No direct assistance from our office). We fund 18 local agencies that offer various services to local residents.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Local agencies must apply for funds in April of each year only.  
WEBSITE: [www.rvunitedway.com](http://www.rvunitedway.com)

## USDA - RURAL DEVELOPMENT

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 7, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 359 Ferrell Lane, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-7171 Ext 4 FAX: 252-583-8761  
CONTACT PERSON: Carolyn M. Patterson, CDS, Irma S. Woodruff, CDT  
EMAIL: [Carolyn.Patterson@nchalifax.fsc.usda.gov](mailto:Carolyn.Patterson@nchalifax.fsc.usda.gov)  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: USDA's Rural Development, the successor agency to the old Farmers Home Administration, has programs to assist rural citizens to attain the dream of homeownership. Also have programs to assist very low-income rural homeowners with needed repairs.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Please call our office at 252-583-7171 Extension 4 for application and more details about our programs  
OTHER INFORMATION: Community facility, water and waste, business & industry loan and grant programs are also available at USDA, Rural Development.

## VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 646, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 26 North King Street, Halifax, NC 27839  
PHONE: 252-583-3601  
CONTACT PERSON: Shelly R. Whitton  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Assist veterans and their families in applying for benefits from the Veterans Administration. Those benefits include medical care, disability compensation and pension, education, home loans, insurance, burial benefits and military retiree benefits.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Apply in person or by telephone. You must make an appointment to be seen in this office  
OTHER INFORMATION: This office makes referrals to other agencies when the veteran's administration does not have a program to meet the veterans' needs.

## VICTIM WITNESS PROGRAM

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 126, Halifax, NC 27839  
ADDRESS (Physical): 357 Ferrell Drive, Halifax, NC  
PHONE: 252-583-4801  
CONTACT PERSON: Heather Jordan  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. -- 5:00 p.m. Monday --Friday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Located in the District Attorney's Office, this program is called the "Victim/Witness Program". The program helps victims and witnesses with preparing to testify and refer to other resources in the county. Provides information on how the court system works.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Call or walk in for information

## W. C. "BILLY" JONES, JR. MEMORIAL LIBRARY

ADDRESS (Mailing): PO Box 455, Littleton, NC 27850  
ADDRESS (Physical): 127 W. South Main Street, Towne Center, Littleton, NC 27850  
PHONE: 252-586-3608  
FAX: 252-586-3495 (50¢ per page to send or receive faxes)  
EMAIL ADDRESS: littletonlibrary101@gmail.com  
CONTACT PERSON: Kim Gray  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; 9:00am-12:30pm Saturday  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Computer/Internet (WI FI available) Fax, Copy, Books and Magazines, Weekly Children's Story Time.  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Apply for a library card by bringing in a driver's license or photo ID and something with current address if its not on license or ID card.

## WELDON CITY SCHOOLS

ADDRESS: 301 Mulberry Street, Weldon, NC 27890  
PHONE: 252-536-4821  
CONTACT PERSON: J. Wendell Hall-Interim Superintendent  
HOURS OF OPERATION: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Regular school day Monday - Friday  
3:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Extended Day Alternative Learning Program  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Preschool Program for all 4 year olds and developmentally delayed 3 year olds; K-12 Comprehensive Education Program including services for Exceptional children and Academically and/or Intellectually Gifted students; Extended Day Alternative Learning Program  
HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES: Registration in spring of each year for preschool program or by referral; Registration at each school site for K-12 services; Referral to Exceptional Children's Program, AIG Program and Alternative Learning Program.  
OTHER INFORMATION: Our Preschool program was presented in "Taking the Lad" during the 1999-2000 school year.

## WELDON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

ADDRESS: 6 West First Street, Weldon, NC 27890  
PHONE: 252-536-3837  
CONTACT PERSON: LaTarsha Thomas-Debro  
HOURS OF OPERATION: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am-5:00pm  
Tuesday and Thursday 11:00am-7:00pm  
DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Public Internet terminal, copy and fax services, children's story hour, conference room for non-profit, non-political, non-discriminatory organizations.  
OTHER INFORMATION: A small friendly library located in Weldon's historic train station.

# HELPFUL LINKS AND PHONE NUMBERS

- To search for available local rental property: [www.NCHousingSearch.org](http://www.NCHousingSearch.org)
- North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence: [www.nccadv.org](http://www.nccadv.org)
- Governor's Office of Citizen and Community Services (Source of information and referrals) 1-800-662-7952
- Department of Health and Human Services Office of Citizen Services (CARE Line) 1-800-662-7030 or [www.nccareline.org](http://www.nccareline.org)
- Information on the Safe Surrender Law (Law that allows a child under the age of 7 days to be safely surrendered to a responsible adult) call 1-800-For-Baby, call the Halifax County DSS at 252-536-6500 or go to [www.safesurrender.net](http://www.safesurrender.net)
- Information on locating local food banks go to the Food Bank of North Carolina website <http://www.foodbankcenc.org/>

New entry/revised entry for Resource Guide

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours/days of operation: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services: \_\_\_\_\_

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