

Introduction

### Total Budget

### \$367,328,506



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### \$280,355,980 General Fund



### \$86,972,526 Non-General Fund



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# 0.50% Decrease General Fund \$1.4 Million



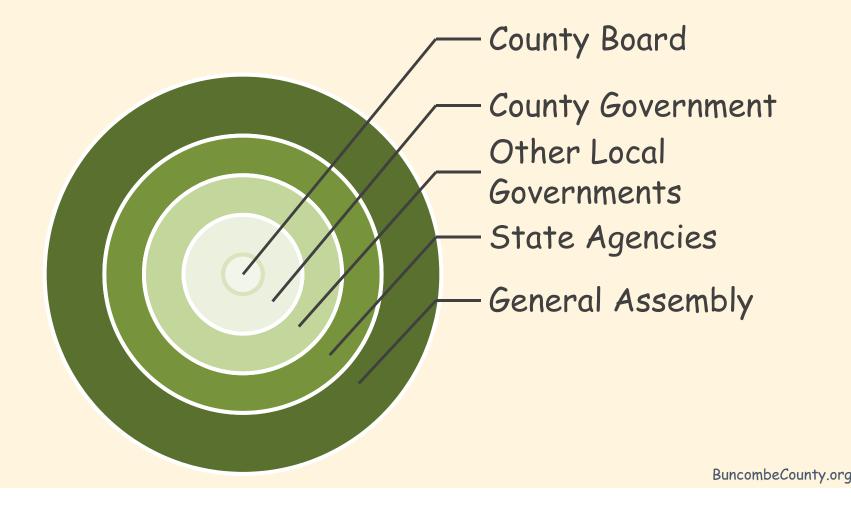
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# Recommended Tax Rate 56.9¢





### You Don't Govern Alone





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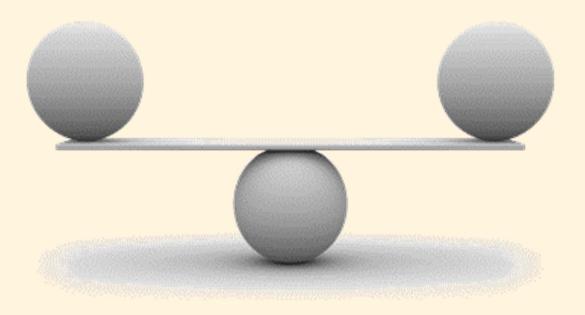
### Local Government's Role



# Provide core County services to keep our community strong during hard times.



### Keeping our Community Strong balancing the needs of individuals and taxpayers





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# Creating a budget to support our County Vision



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## Buncombe County's Strategic Planning and Goals

#### **Vision Statement**

 Buncombe county is a caring community in harmony with its environment, where citizens succeed, thrive and realize their potential.

#### Mission

- Promote a healthy, safe, well-educated and thriving community with a sustainable quality of life
- Provide effective and efficient government our citizens can trust
- Deliver needed services through a responsive work force committed to excellence, integrity and teamwork

#### Key Responsibility

 To respond responsibly to current environmental conditions while managing with a goal toward intentional and sustainable growth that supports our vision for our community and the mission of county government.



# 3 Guiding Principles

- Focus on core services and priorities
- Realign existing resources to meet priority needs
- Maintain our long-term planning focus



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## Smart Partnerships Building a new community ecosystem

• Smart means having County focus on what the

County alone can do best

- Leverage State and Federal Funds
- Reinvest savings in Core County Services
  - Invest in community capacity



## Performance-Based Contracting

- Goals, targets, and benchmarks for accountability
- Fair bidding processes-"Lowest Responsible bidder"
- Expand capacity and/or better align services

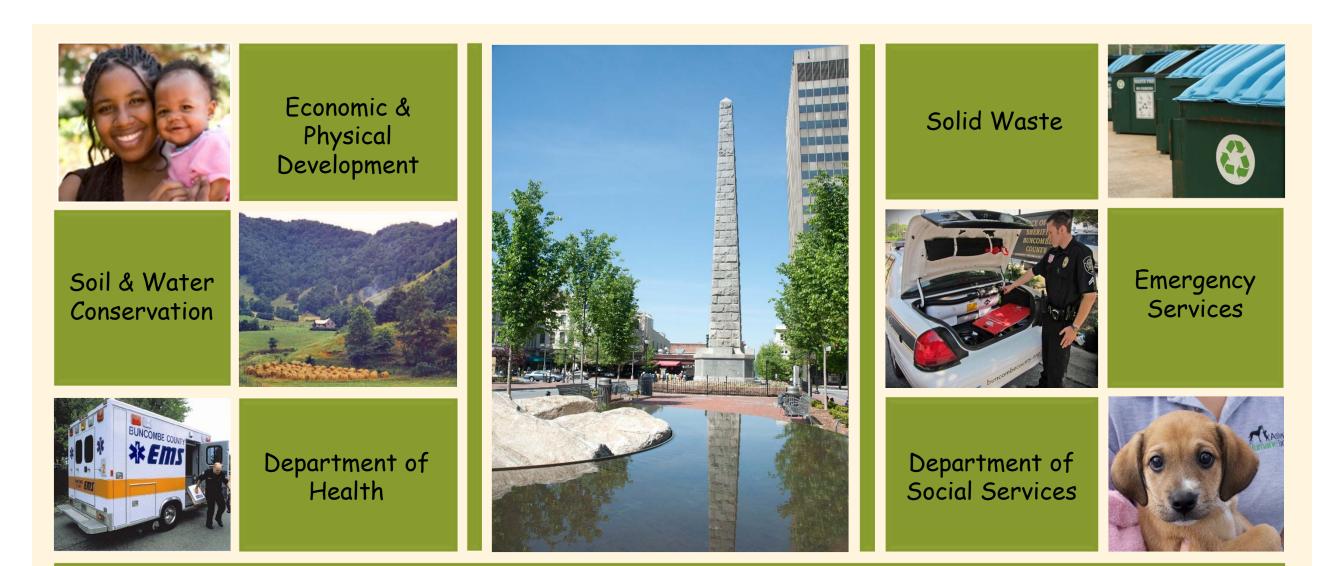




# Results

Revenue + Savings + Avoidance + Leveraged in FY06 - FY13 = **\$28.9 million** in Health and Human Services <u>alone</u>





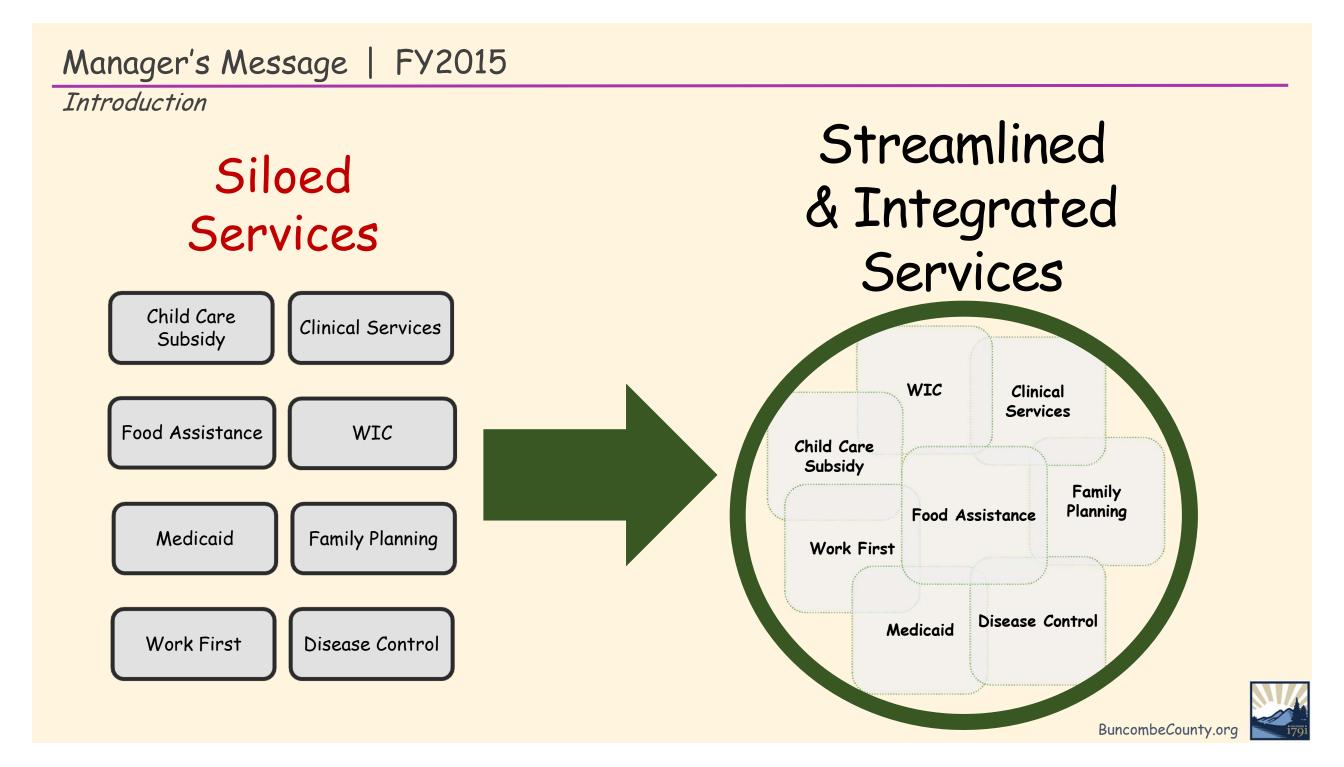
## Buncombe County Services

# Better Outcomes

through technology & integrated practice



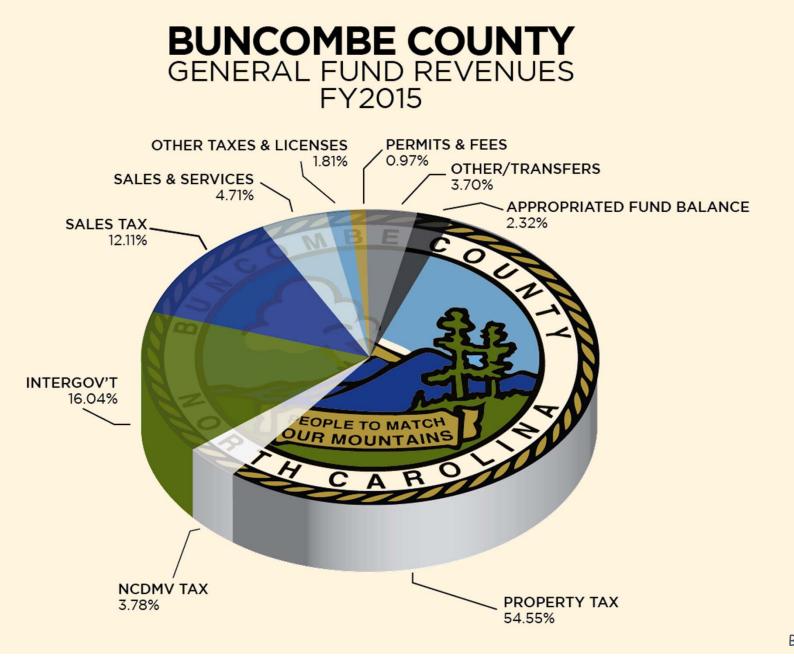






## **Revenues** Where does the money come from?







Revenues

Revenue Source	Revenues	% of 2015 Budget
Ad Valorem Tax	\$152,920,085	54.55%
NCDMV Ad Valorem Tax	\$10,600,000	3.78%
Intergovernmental	44,971,944	16.04%
Sales Tax	33,960,310	12.11%
Other Taxes & Licenses	5,087,184	1.81%
Permits & Fees	2,727,185	0.97%
Sales & Services	13,191,329	4.71%
Other Revenues	10,386,988	3.70%
Fund Balance	6,510,955	2.32%
TOTAL	\$280,355,980	100.00%



Revenues









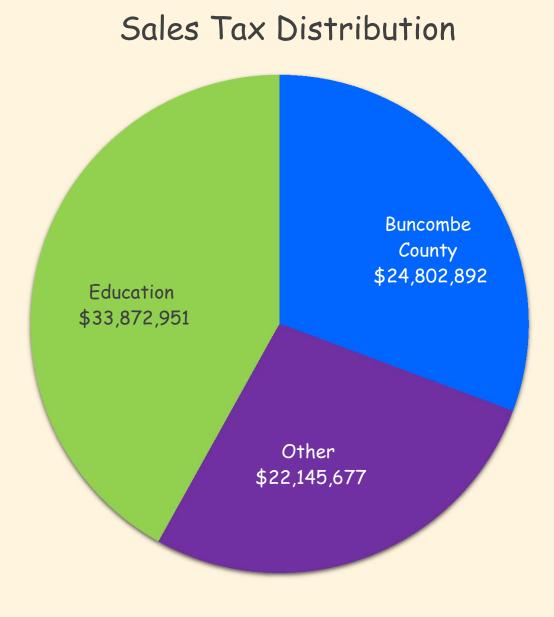


### Sales Tax Breakdown

- 4.75 Cents NC Department of Revenue
  - \* All goes to the state
  - 1 Cent Article 39 Sales Tax
    - \* 50% to School Capital Commission Fund
  - ½ Cent Article 40 Sales Tax
    \* 30% earmarked for Public School capital
  - ½ Cent Article 42 Sales Tax
    \* 60% earmarked for Public School capital
  - <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Cent Article 46 Sales Tax \* 100% earmarked for ABTCC capital project fund



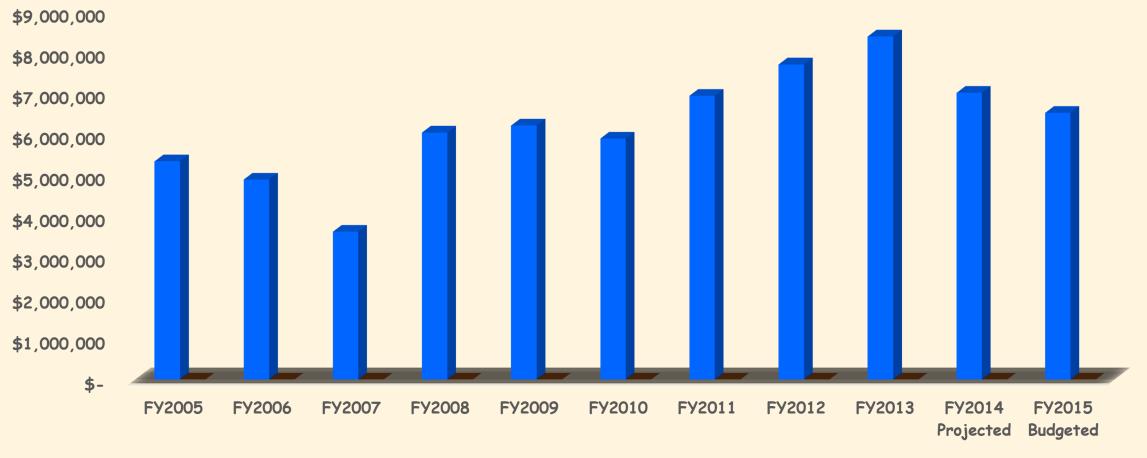
#### Revenues





Revenues

#### Appropriation vs. Use of Fund Balance



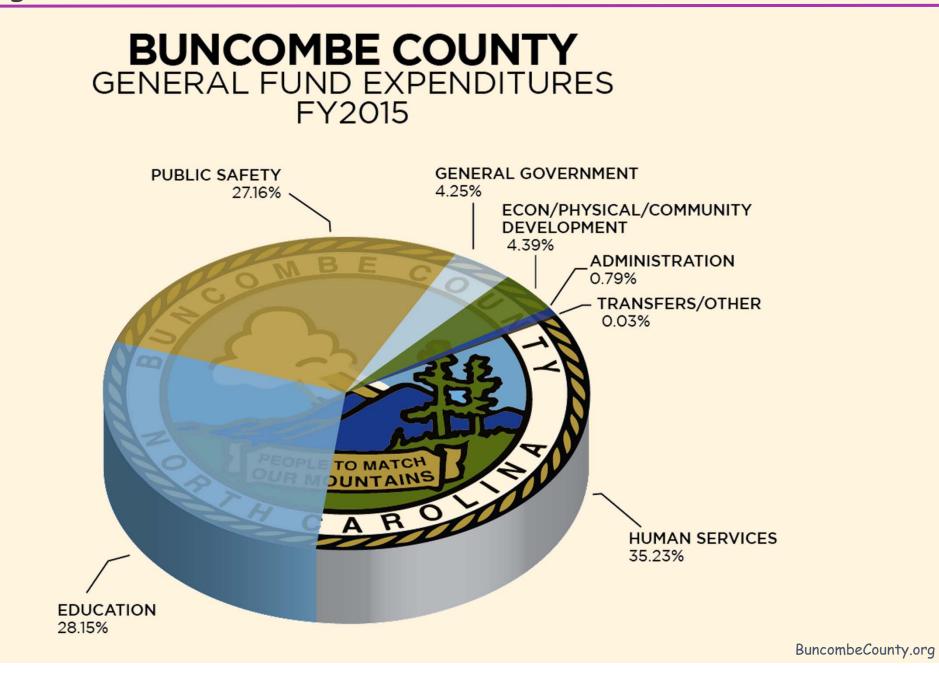
Appropriation Used





# Expenditures Where does the money go?

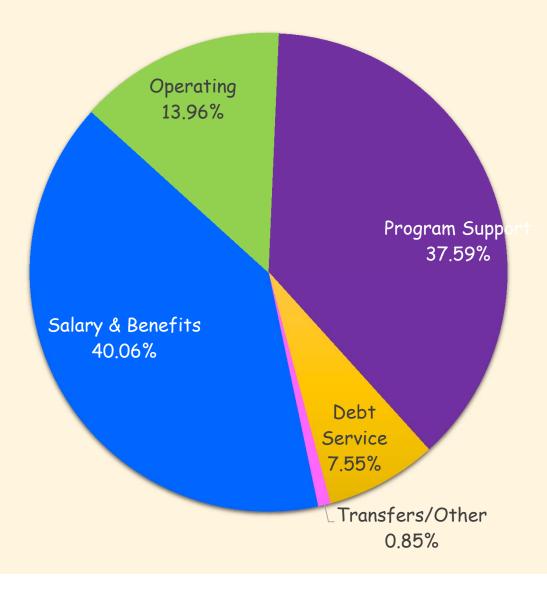




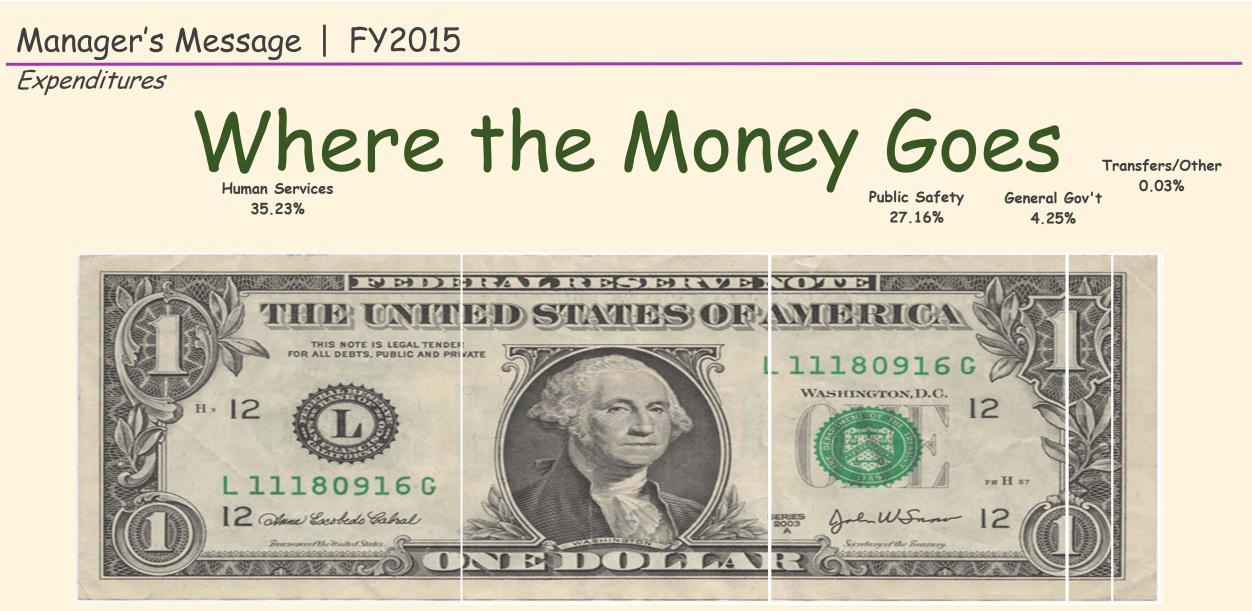


Expenditures

### General Fund Expenditures by Type







Education 28.15%

Econ/Phys Dev CRA Debt Service 4.13% 0.26%



Education

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## Where the Property Tax Goes

Public Safety

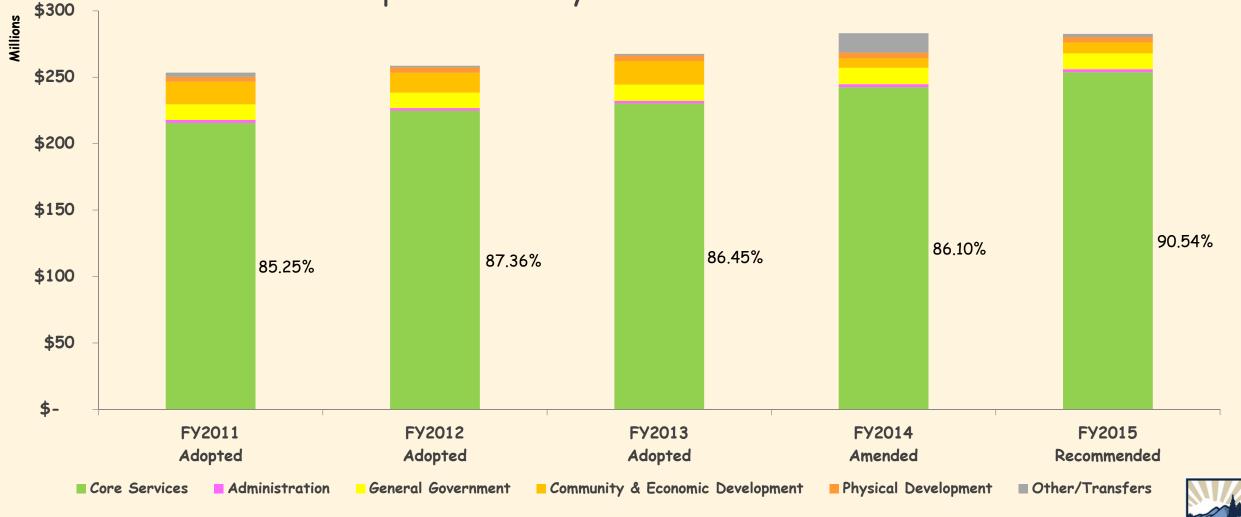
Human Services





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### General Fund Total Expenditures By Function - Core vs Other



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### Core Service Mandated Increases/Unfunded Mandates

Social Services

Public Safety

K-12 Education

\$3.6 Million

\$3.7 Million

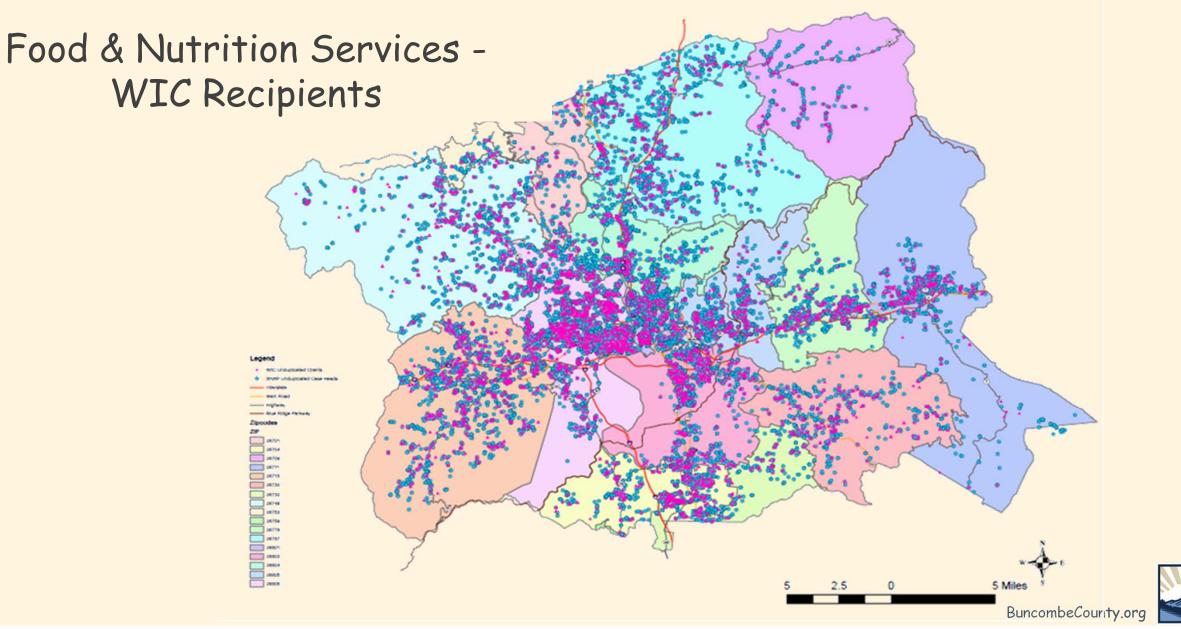
\$2.4 Million

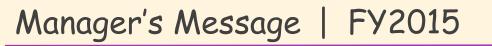


# Social Service How has funding changed?

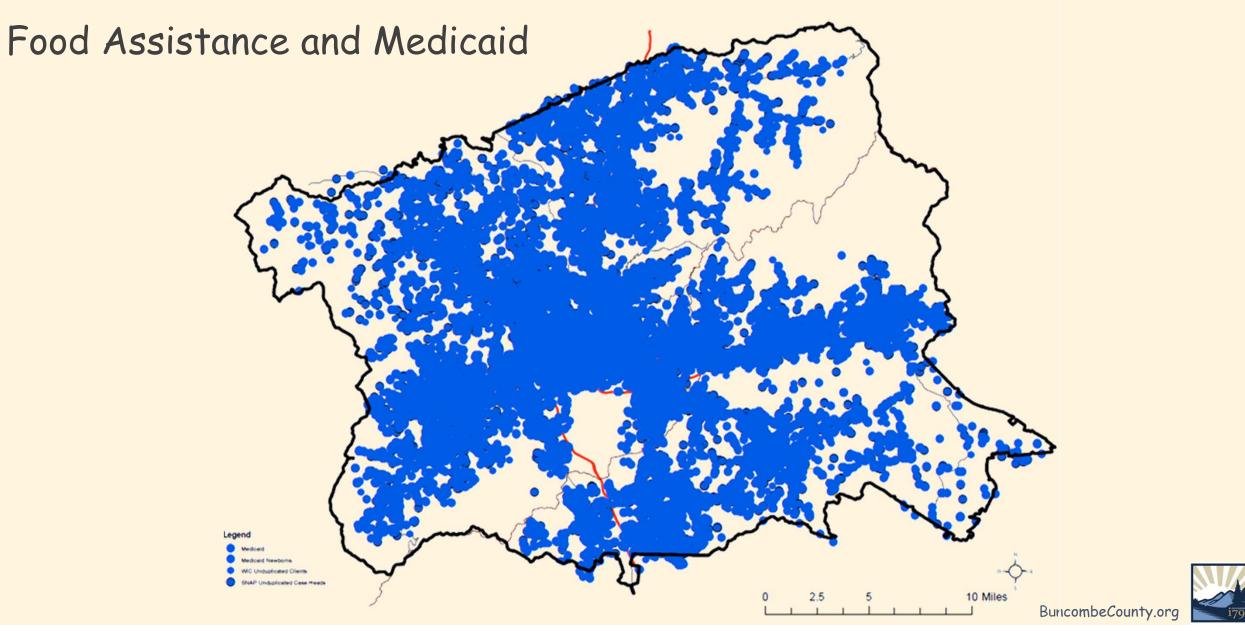


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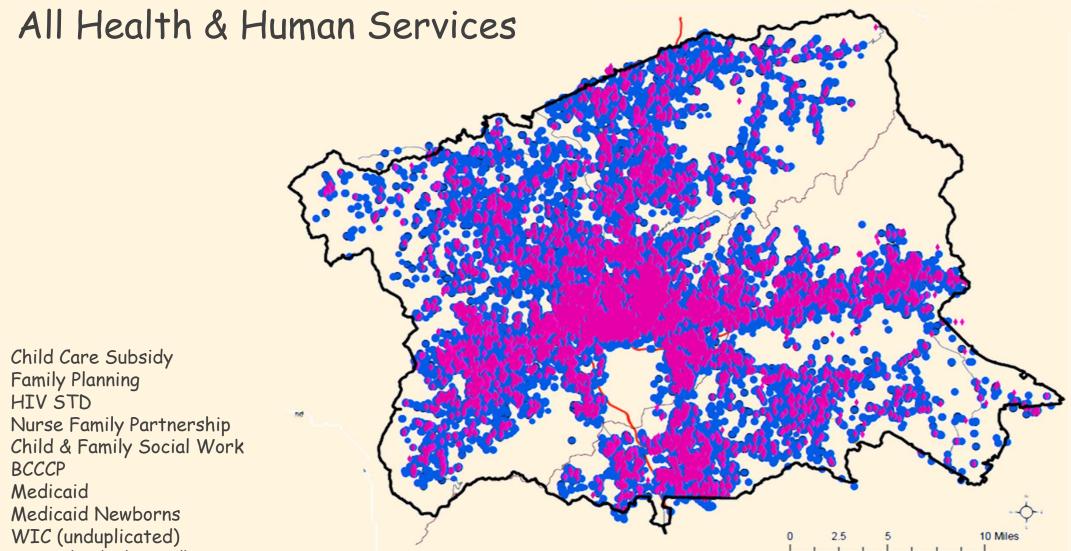


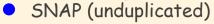


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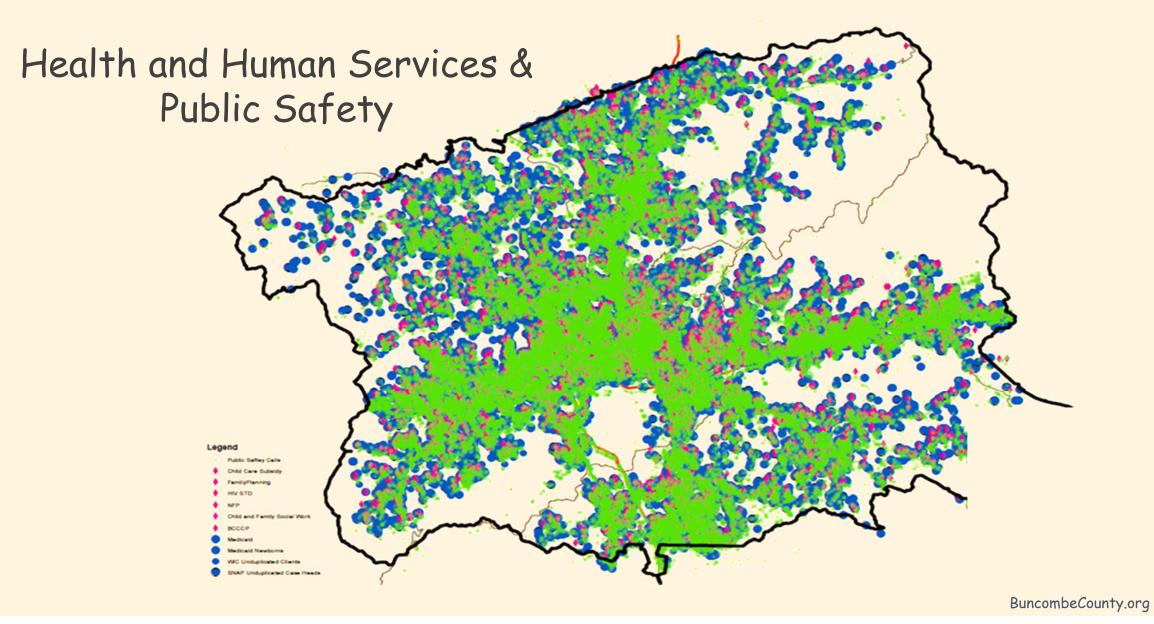
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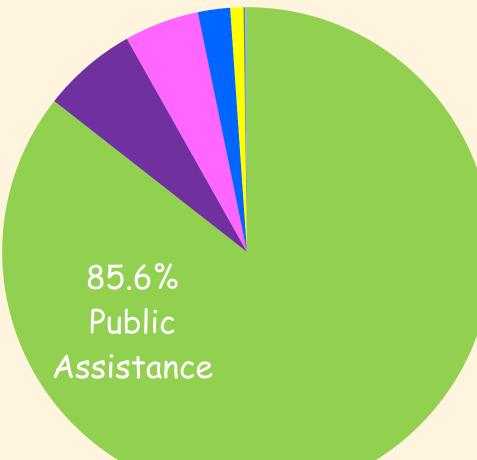
## Social Services Budget Breakdown

FY 2015 Major Category	Total	Federal	State	County
Public Assistance	\$343,549,091	\$250,965,989	\$87,904,672	\$4,678,430
Child Care Subsidy	8,549,885	6,085,041	2,464,844	0
Child Care Subsidy Admin	405,616	313,026	0	92,590
PA Administration	25,139,506	12,420,071	0	12,719,434
Child Welfare Services	19,847,428	5,454,166	537,762	13,855,500
Adult Services	3,470,418		202,222	
Work First	504,267	0	0	504,267



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## Comparative DSS Expenditures

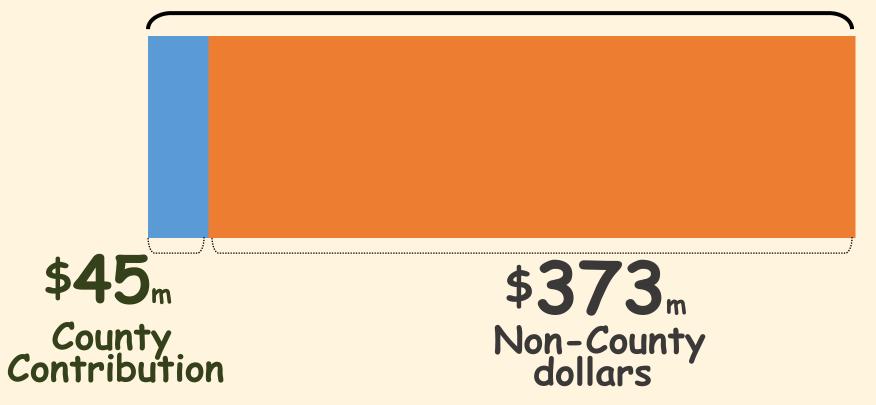


85.6% Public Assistance Medicaid, Food and Nutrition Services, Te Adoption and Foster Care, Medicaid Trans	
■ 6.3% PA Administration	\$25,139,506
4.9% Child Welfare Services Adult Protective Services	\$8,549,885
2.1% Child Care Subsidy	\$405,616
0.9% Adult Services	\$19,847,428
0.1% Child Care Subsidy Admin Child Protective Services	\$3,470,418
0.1% Work First	\$504,267



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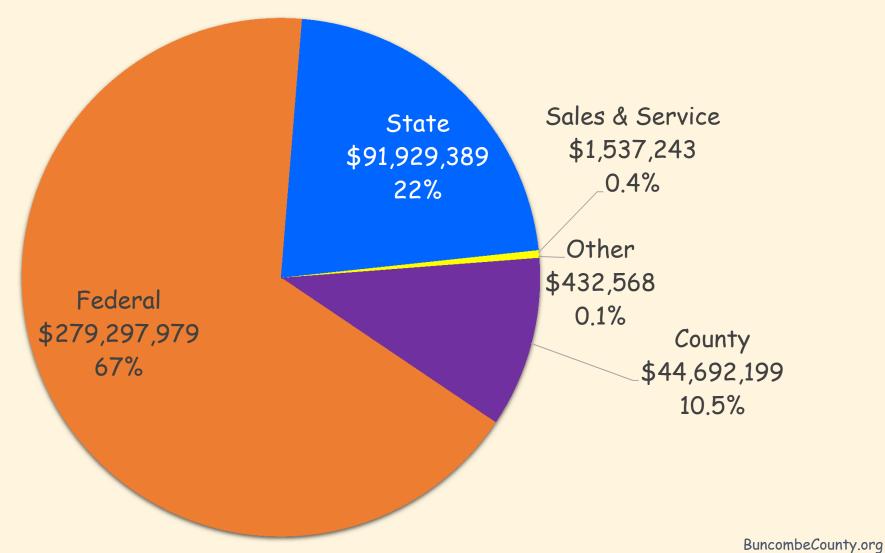
# Fiscal Impact of Human Services \$418 million total dollars





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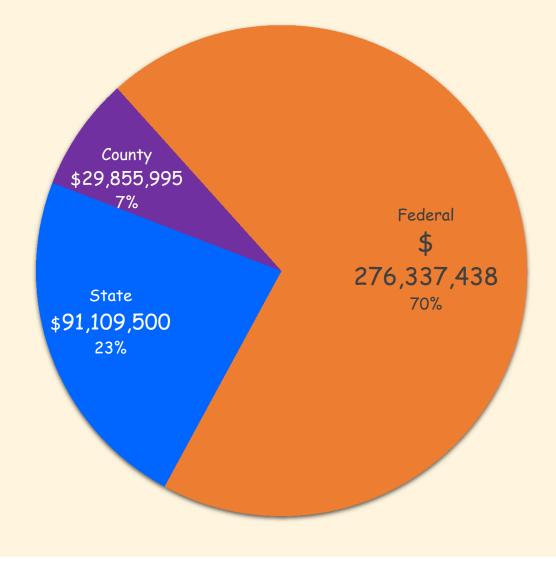
### Human Services Breakdown





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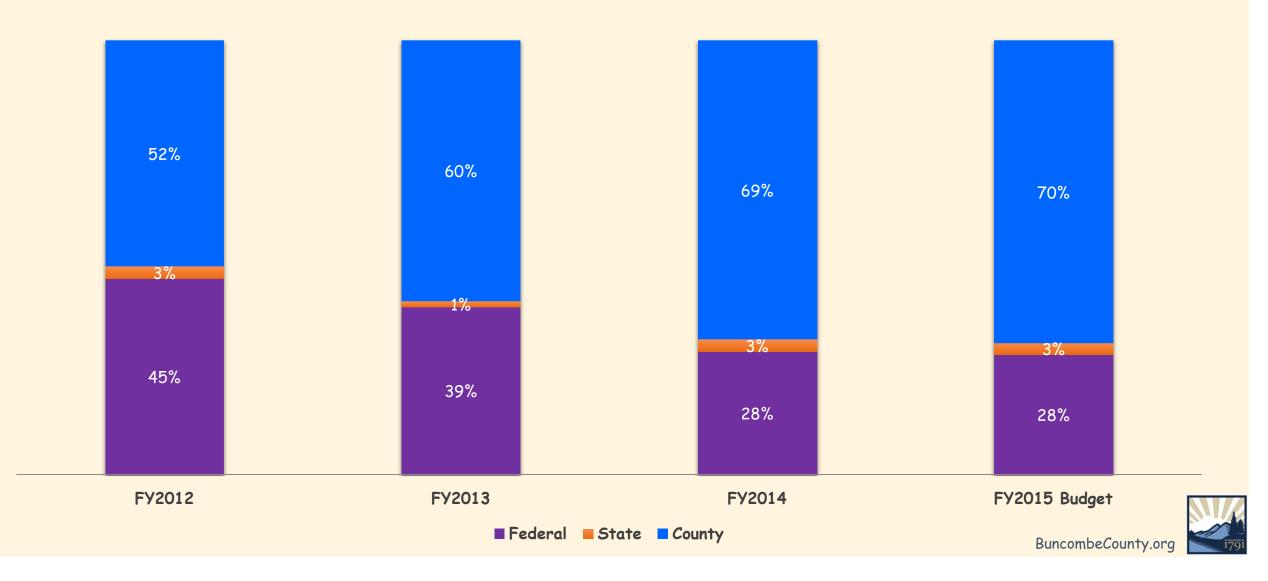
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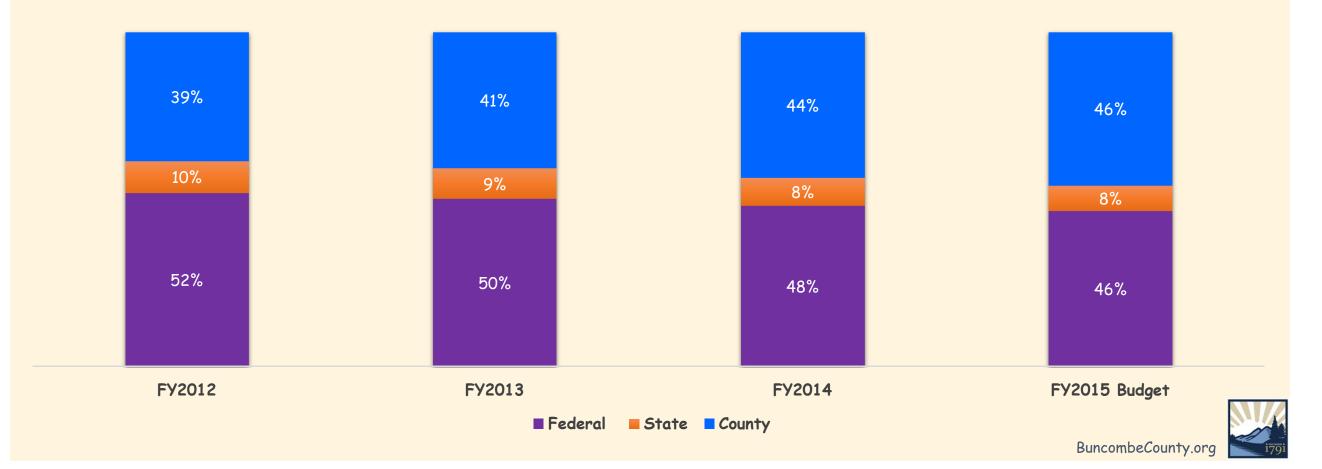
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#### Child Welfare Funding



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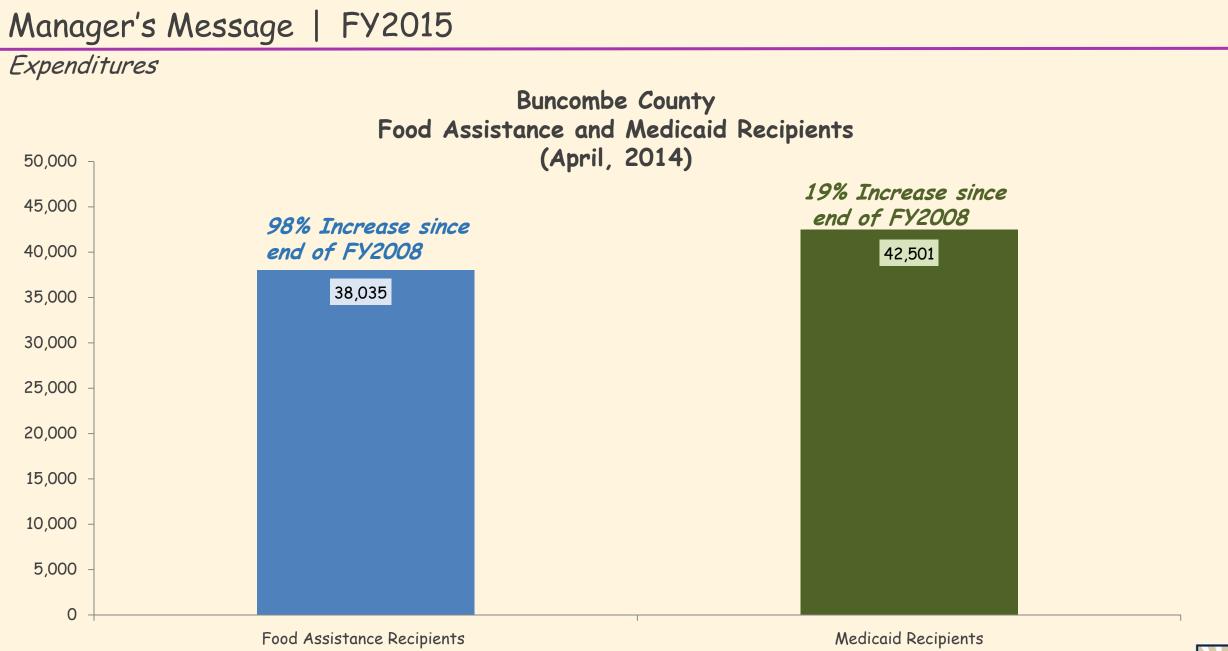
#### DSS Funding County Budget Trends





# NCFAST

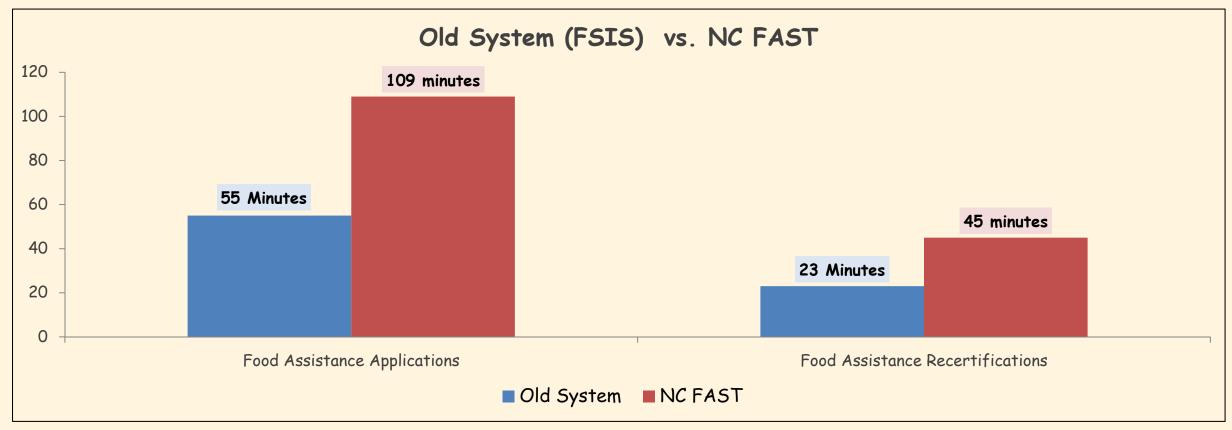






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#### Impact of NC FAST



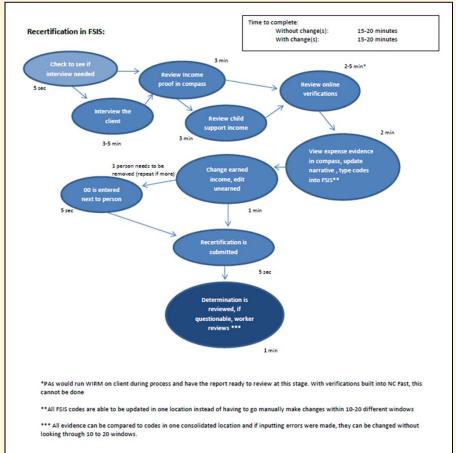
\*Based on Averages of Time Studies Conducted in Buncombe, Forsyth, Catawba, and Mecklenburg

98% Increase in Food Assistance Application Processing Time 96% Increase in Food Assistance Recertification Processing Time

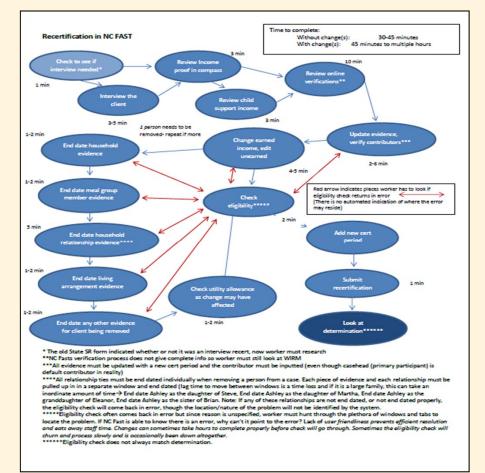


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#### Food Assistance Recert in FSIS (Prior to NC FAST)



#### Food Assistance Recert in NC FAST



Drastic Increase in the Number of Steps, Screens, and Clicks it takes to Process Work in NC FAST

- 51% increase in number of steps to process an application
- 68% increase in number of steps to process a recertification



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#### NC FAST's Original Plan to Create Efficiency:

Shared Evidence Between: -Food Assistance -Family Medicaid -Adult Medicaid -Work First

• More information inputted, but less time spent having to determine eligibility

# What has actually happened:

Separate Cases and Evidence for Programs (MAGI Medicaid, FNS/Traditional Medicaid, Retro Medicaid)

 More Information Inputted, AND more time spent having to determine eligibility
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Errors in NC FAST Resulting in Multiple Hours being Allocated to Cases that should be processed in around one hour



Dollars Spent on Ingles Gift Cards for Clients with Delayed Benefits due to NC FAST Problems:

- \$13,225 in FY2013
- \$21,740 so far in FY2014



MANNA Food Bank donated food boxes for workers to provide families whose cases get held up in NC FAST



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#### County Financial Investments in the NC FAST Project

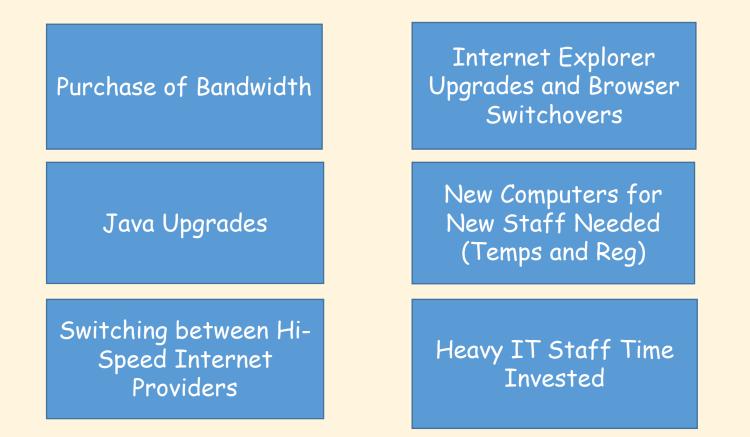


- Statewide, counties have incurred \$14.9 million in unbudgeted expenses relating to NC FAST from July, 2013 through February, 2014.
- This is a conservative figure and only includes direct costs. Excludes the costs of lost staff time, reassignments/reorganizations, trainings, and



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Buncombe County NC FAST Information Technology Investments



In addition to the increase of steps it takes to process work in NC FAST, the County has been faced with general system slowness and compatibility problems



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### Medicaid Applications from the FFM

From October 1, 2013 - May 21, 2014:

- Buncombe County has received 2,465 applications through the Federally Facilitated Marketplace
- The vast majority were routed to the County already beyond their 45 day timeframes
- Buncombe HHS has had to reassign staff in order to work through this backlog
- So far a large majority of these applications are for clients who are ineligible by NC Medicaid rules, or are already insured





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#### County Investment in NC FAST Project during FY2014

	Spent + Projected 72014)	Estimated County Portion	Description
Overtime	\$ 233,559	\$	Overtime needed to work through NC FAST driven backlog
New Regular Positions	\$ 427,452	\$	New Regular Positions Needed due to Increased workload from NC FAST (12 IMC II, 5 IMS II)
County Temps	\$ 178,067	\$ 89,034	County temps for backlog
Temp Agency Temps	\$ 223,144	\$	Adecco Temps hired for NC Fast driven projects and backlog
Est. Cost of Employee Reassignment	\$ 82,266	\$	Cost of County Champion Salary & Salary Difference for backfilled supervisors
General Assistance Dollars	\$ 21,740	\$	Used to purchase Ingles Gift Cards to families whose Food Assistance Cases were held up in NC FAST
Est. Cost of OSS and SME Units	\$ 1,091,823	\$ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Needed to create Over the Shoulder Support unit and Subject Matter Expert unit to help provide NC FAST troubleshooting and policy cross-training and support
TOTAL	\$ 2,258,051	\$ 1,139,895	

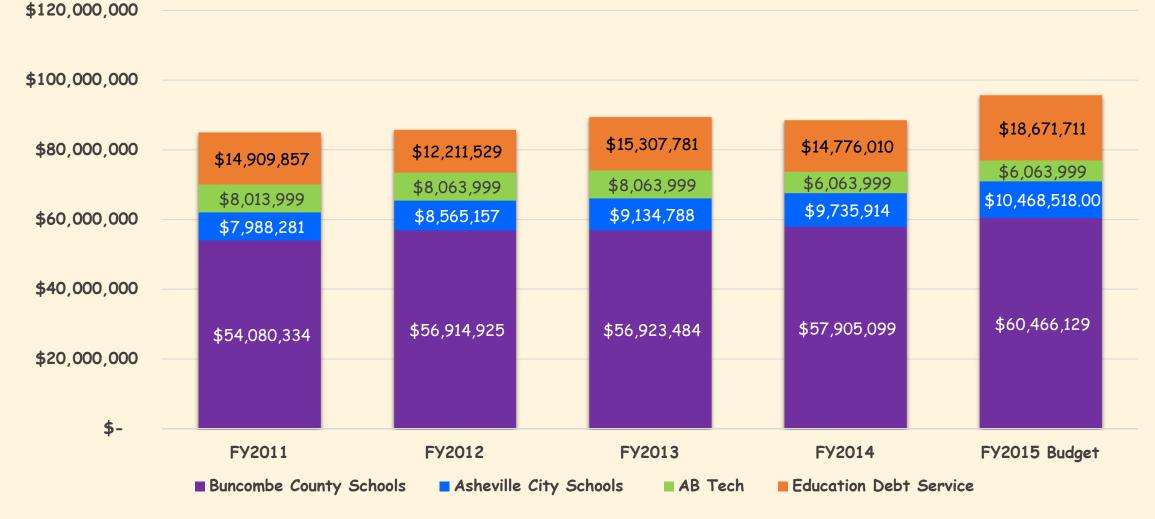


# Education How has funding changed?



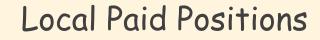
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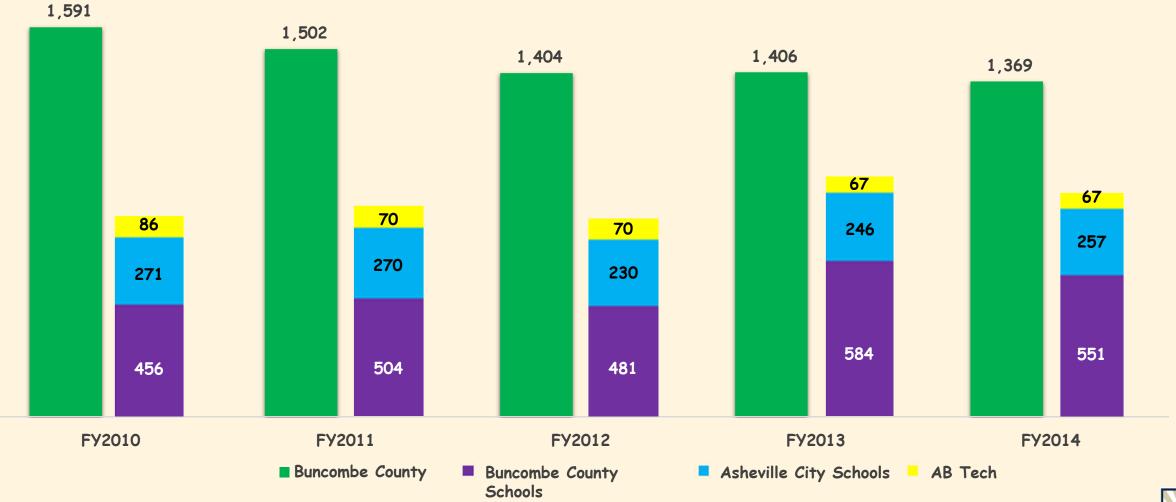
#### **Total Education Spending**





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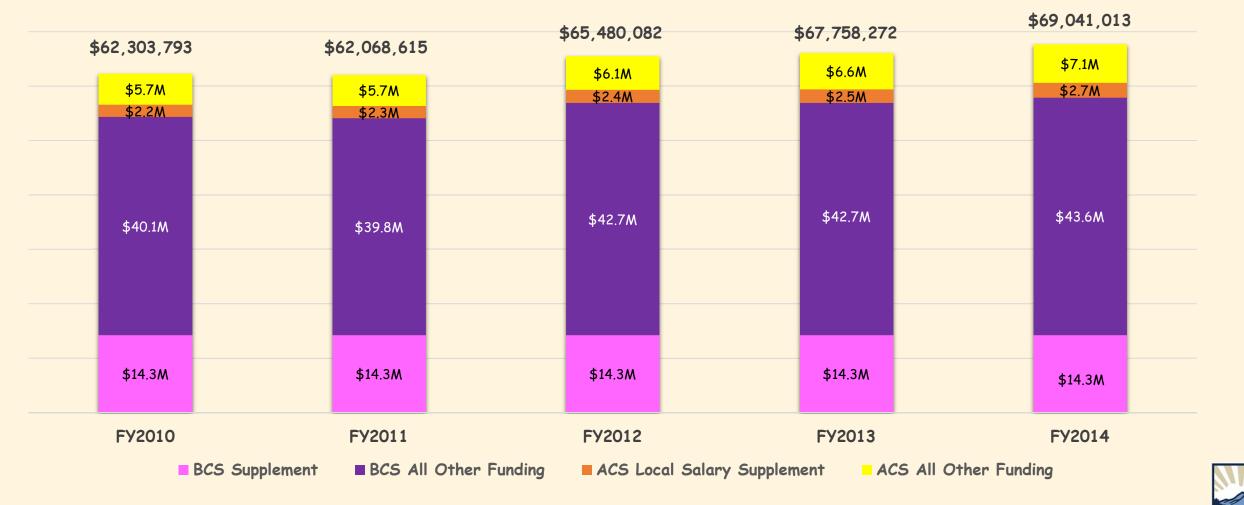






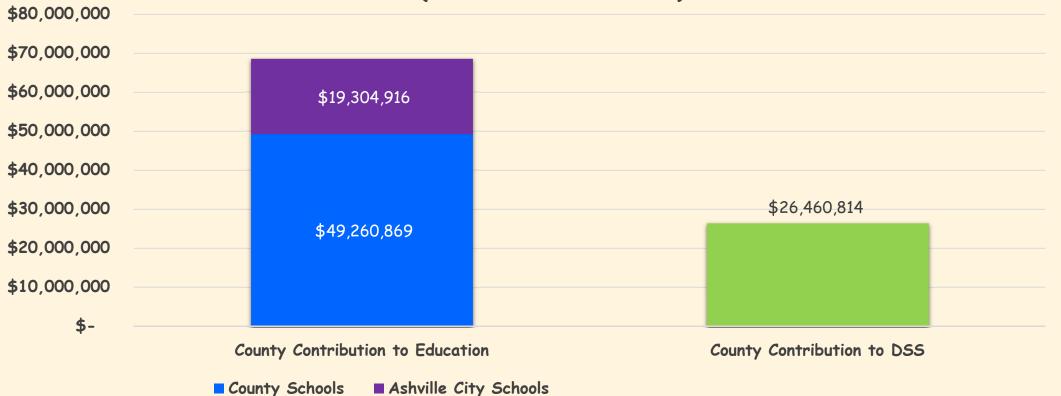
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#### Local Salary Supplements



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#### Contribution to Education Compared to DSS (Fiscal Year 2014)

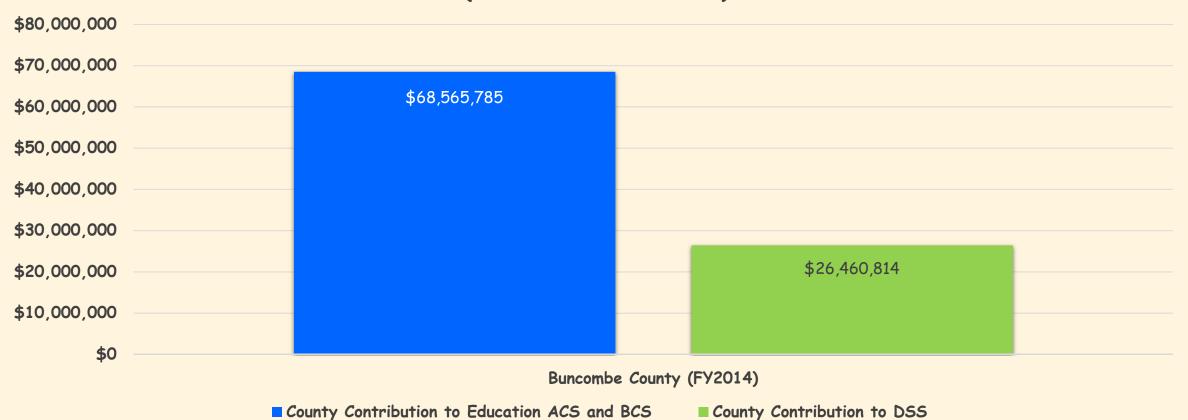


County Contribution to DSS is 39% of the County Contribution to Education



Expenditures - Human Services

#### Contribution to Education Compared to DSS (Fiscal Year 2014)







# Capital Plan



#### BUNCOMBE COUNTY CAPITAL PLAN FY 2015 - FY 2019

#### Buncombe County Requests:

FY Funding			Total Est.	Annual Debt	
Needed	Requested By	Description	Cost	Service	
FY 2015	Planning	HHS Building Addition & Parking Deck - Design and construction of a 650 space parking deck to expand employee and public parking and a 49,000 square-foot addition	\$ 44,300,000	\$ 3,238,862	
FY 2015	ABTCC	Slab parking deck for ABTCC classroom at Public Safety Training Center.	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -	
FY 2016	Election Services	Voting system replacement	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 183,470	
TOTAL BUNCOMBE COUNTY REQUESTS - FY2015 - FY2019				\$3,422,331	
FY 2022	Planning	Jail Addition Phase 1 - Architectural and design services for construction of an addition to the existing Detention Center on Davidson Street	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 398,360	
FY 2024	Planning	Jail Addition Phase 2 - Construction of an addition to the existing Detention Center on Davidson Street	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 2,390,160	



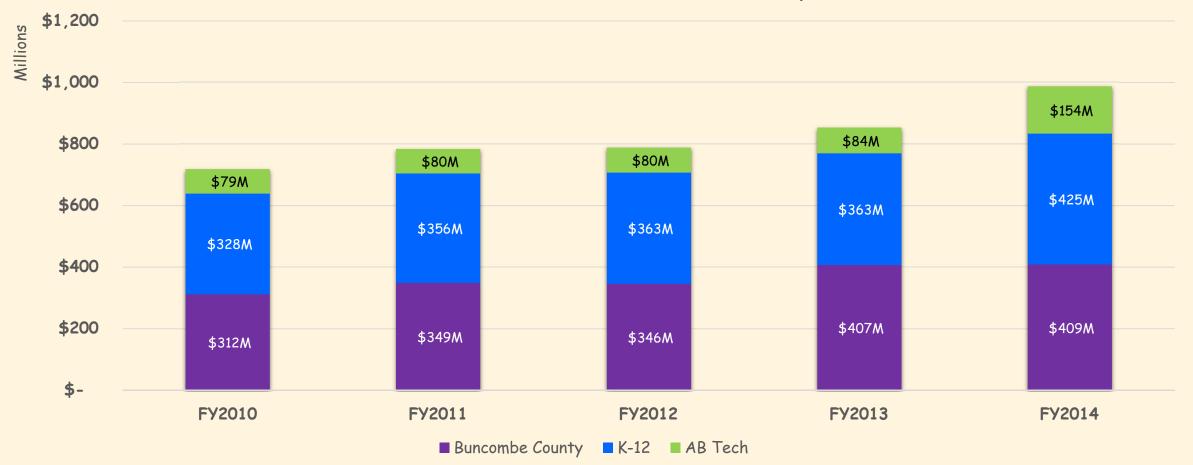
#### Library, Recreation & Culture Requests:

FY Funding Needed	Description	Total Est. Cost	A	nnual Debt Service
FY 2015	Build indoor pool	\$ 6,500,000	\$	475,228
FY 2015	Implementation of Lake Julian Master Plan (improvement to "Back Park" section)	\$ 200,000	\$	14,622
FY 2016	Renovate East Asheville branch library	\$ 1,500,000	\$	109,668
FY 2016	Begin implementation of Greenway Master Plan	\$ 500,000	\$	36,556
FY2018	Greenway I-26 Long Shoals to Brevard Road	\$ 1,000,000	\$	73,112
TOTAL Culture	& Recreation Authority Requests - FY2015 - FY2019	\$ 9,700,000	\$	709,186
	Build new library branch in Avery's Creek area to accommodate population growth	\$ 2,500,000	\$	199,180
	Build new library branch north of Weaverville to accommodate population growth	\$ 2,500,000	\$	199,180
	Implementation of Sports Park Master Plan	\$ 6,099,810	\$	445,969
	Implementation of Lake Julian Master Plan	\$ 3,206,350	\$	234,423
	Construct new aquatics facility with indoor competition pool with spectator areas; lap pool and warm water pool; outdoor splash pool; locker rooms; exercise room; gym; classroom/meeting room for programming and community events and offices for pool staff	\$ 30,000,000	\$	2,193,360
	Sweeten Creek Branch (Relocation of Oakley Branch Library)	\$ 2,435,000	\$	178,028
	Expand current Enka library into space currently occupied by Post Office. Would increase from 4,800 to 9,000 square feet	\$ 545,000	\$	90,036
	Relocate the Swannanoa branch to a new location along the US 70 corridor	\$ 2,435,000	\$	178,028



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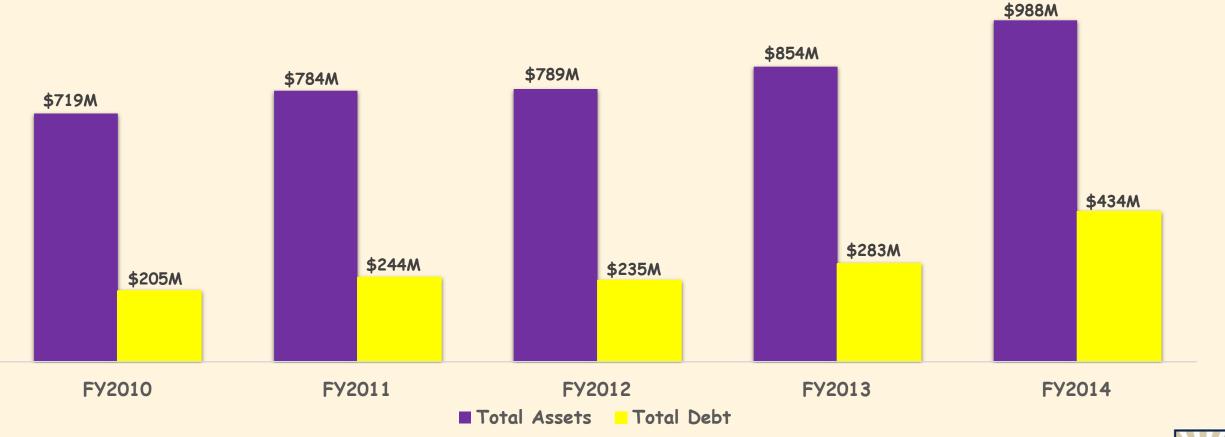
#### Assets Education & Buncombe County





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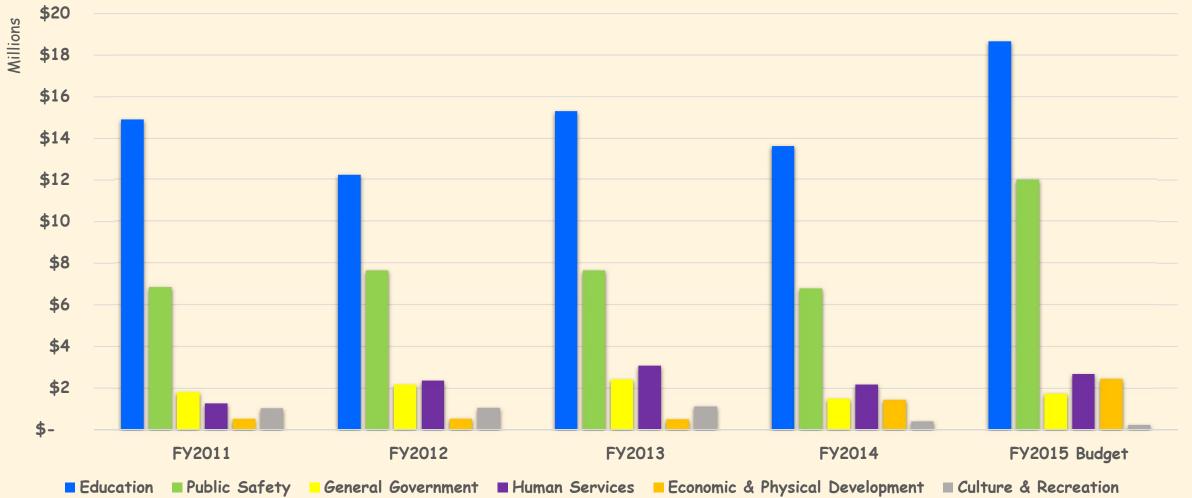
#### Debt to Assets





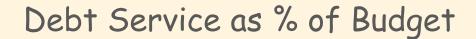
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#### Debt Service by Function



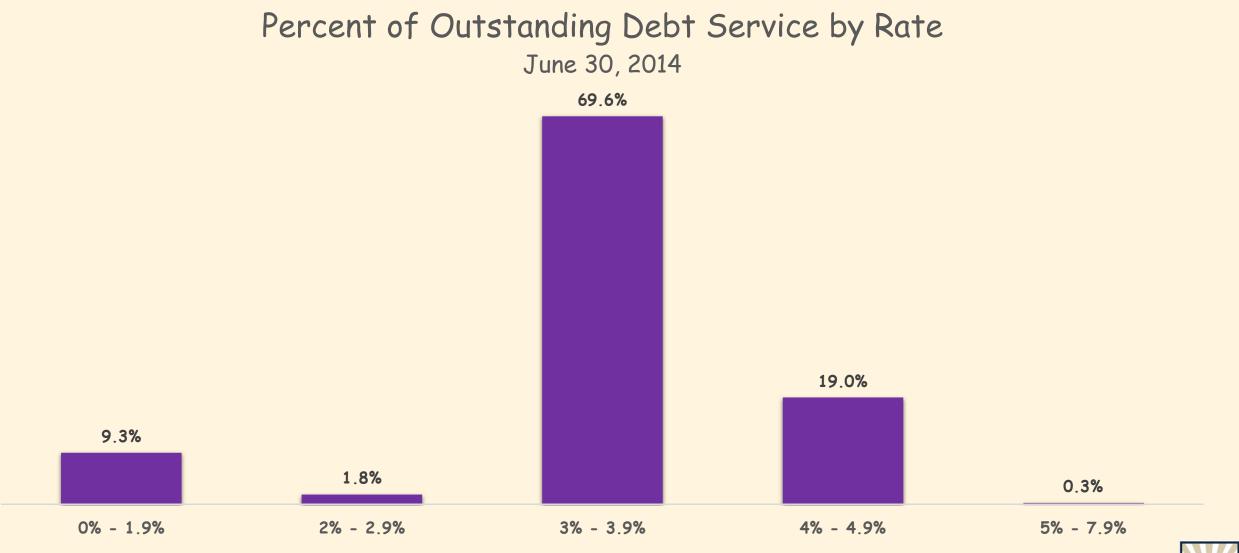


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#### House Worth: \$200,000

#### Mortgage: \$88,000







# Concerns for Future



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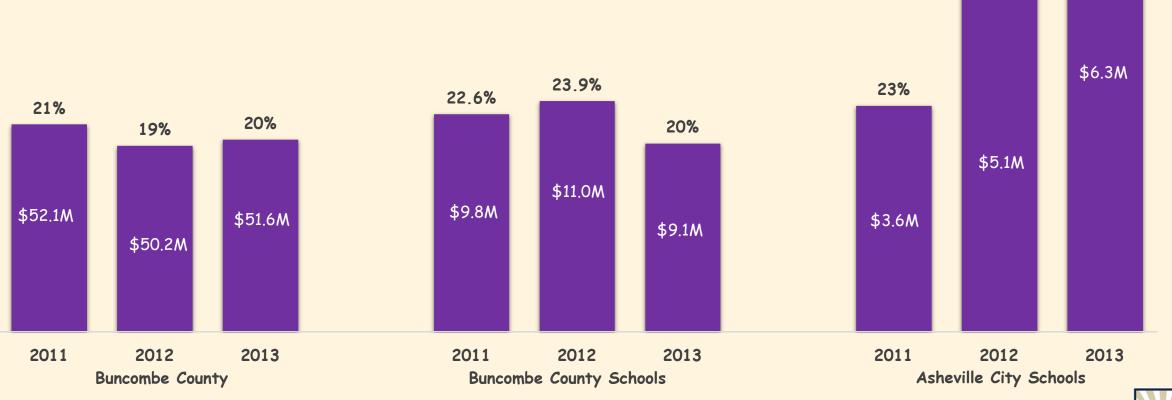
# Unresolved Concerns

- 1. Senate and House Budget
- Buncombe County Schools request for \$1M in fund balance
- 3. Additional Recurring Savings



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#### Available Fund Balance Percentage of Expenditures





42%

35%



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