

Resolution #

RESOLUTION OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO STRATEGIC, SUSTAINABLE PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, Buncombe County Commissioners are dedicated to strengthening the quality of life for everyone by setting new fiscally, socially and environmentally responsible goals that will guide decisions and improve our community for future generations; and

WHEREAS, we want a healthy, safe, well-educated, and thriving community with a sustainable quality of life; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of this Board to establish strategic priorities to set the direction of the County and to address issues facing our community today.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. This Board commits to the following goals as a guide to shape partnerships and investments of resources to insure a healthy, safe, well-educated, thriving and sustainable community:
 - a. Stem the disease of opioid addiction, a crisis that threatens the health and safety of growing numbers of people in our community.
 - b. Implement the best fiscally and environmentally responsible energy solutions to reach the goal of 100 percent renewable energy sources for Buncombe County's operations while helping to educate, equip and move our community toward practical renewable energy solutions.
 - c. Ensure that every child in Buncombe County has an equal opportunity to thrive during their first 2,000 days including access to quality early childhood education.
 - d. Ensure comprehensive opportunities for affordable and safe housing as a foundation for healthy and thriving families and neighborhoods.
 - e. Coordinate a justice system that is efficient, effective, equitable and protects our public safety while holistically addressing the needs of people involved in the system.
 - f. Cultivate a robust, inclusive local economy with a diverse workforce and pipelines to jobs and education for all.