



Asheville
Buncombe
Community
Christian
Ministry

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ABCCM Quick Facts for 2021
2021 Poverty Statistics

CFC #31651
SECC #1532

Federal Poverty Threshold (FPT); annual household income: Single = \$14,092 Family of 3 = \$21,831 Family of 4 = \$27,575
People living below the FPL by percent and person (2020 Census figures); Buncombe County Population: 269,452

Population living below 100% FPL:	US = 37,643,600 (11.6%)	NC = 1,468,600 (13.9%)	Buncombe County = 37,453 (13.9%)
Uninsured adults (below 100% FPL):	US = 28,337,000 (8.6%)	NC = 212,000 (11.3%)	Buncombe County = 39,340 (14.5%)
Population living below 200% FPL:	US = 92,042,400 (28.3%)	NC = 3,129,000 (29.7%)	Buncombe County = 74,902 (27.8%)
Uninsured adults (below 200% FPL):	US = 95,225,500 (28.9%)	NC = 3,351,043 (32.1%)	Buncombe County = 70,596 (26.2%)
Homeless (2021 PIT Count):	US = 580,466	NC = 9,280	Buncombe County = 527
Unemployment	US = 3.9%	NC = 3.7%	Buncombe County = 2.8%
Incarcerated:	Average 438/monthly census in Buncombe County Detention Center		

Crisis Ministry

29,645	Total Requests
13,683	Served
5,473	Households (unduplicated)
9,263	Hot meals (50+/day)
44,932	Food bags
1,319	Emergency assistance
1,189	Christmas Angel children
780	Volunteers
40,590	Volunteer hours
77,802	Clothes/furniture

Jail Ministry

438	Avg # of inmates
4,680	Chaplain visits
1,860	Bibles distributed
450	Christmas gifts
Activities	Bible studies/mth
suspended	Attendees
Activities	Volunteers
suspended	Volunteer hours

Veterans Restoration Quarters

329	Veterans
6	Civilians (transitional housing)
41	Emergency shelter residents
134	Employed / 171 disability
73%	Successful discharge rate
1,382	Volunteers
14,772	Volunteer hours
124	Residents volunteering
23,690	Resident service hours

Veteran Services of the Carolinas

Veterans Employment & Training Service

282	Veterans enrolled
136	Placed in jobs
\$14.62	Average wage rate
49%	Placement rate

Supportive Services for Veteran Families

329	Households enrolled
248	Total housed
91%	Successfully housed

NCServes Network

3,951	Total served
70%	Resolution rate
6,000+	Total network providers

H.O.P.E.

22	Veterans identified
15	Peer Support
8	Housed
155	Access to services

Medical Ministry

9,031	Medical
16,557	Pharmacy scripts
\$2,952,300	Pharmacy (two)
25,469	Patient contacts
274	Volunteers
6,722	Volunteer hours

Transformation Village

123	Women and children
13	Veterans (included in above)
35	Children (included in above)
29	Employed / 9 disability
88%	Successful discharge rate
1,173	Volunteers
1,342	Volunteer hours

Community Navigation Program

15,175	Referrals to 90 agencies
72	Food markets

Special Events

82	Volunteers
1,439	Volunteer hours

Impact of Charitable Giving

- * \$11.8 M in cash gifts, added to \$11.8 M of volunteer hours, contributed goods, and services generated a \$23.6 M impact.
- * A total of 5,528 volunteers gave 97,101 hours.
- * Of every dollar given only 3¢ is spent on administration and 3¢ on fundraising.
- * Of every dollar given 94¢ goes into program services.

ABCCM Served 28,343 or 1 in 11 persons in Buncombe County in 2021

Crisis Ministry: Provides food, clothing, furniture and emergency financial assistance for utilities, rental assistance to keep families intact, in their homes and on the job.

Jail Ministry: Provided meaning and direction to inmates through Bible studies, religious materials and chaplaincy.

Homeless Ministries: Served 489 homeless, provided 452 homeless with transitional housing, and provided 166 overnight stays for 31 persons; plus the Code Purple van went out to distribute food and blankets to encampments.

Employment and Training Ministry: 299 total employed; and an average job placement rate of 56%

Doctors' Medical Clinic: Served about 30% of uninsured in Buncombe Co., and distributed \$2,952,300 in medicine.

Crisis Ministry
828-259-5300

Jail Ministry
828-259-5300

Medical Ministry
828-259-5339

Steadfast House
828-259-5365

Veterans Restoration Quarters
828-259-5333

Veterans Services of the Carolinas
828-259-5314

Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry

ABCCM is a unique faith-based ministry addressing hunger, homelessness and access to health care for the under-served in Buncombe County and homeless Veteran services across NC. Begun as a small collaboration of churches in 1969, ABCCM is still church owned and volunteer driven by 300+ churches of all denominations and other faith groups. Volunteers offer listening with dignity, grace, mercy and lovingkindness through six ministries without discrimination. www.abccm.org

Crisis Ministry (4 locations) is a listening ministry of volunteers providing short-term and long-term strategies through counseling, food, clothing, furniture, household items and financial assistance for rent/mortgage, utilities, heat; along with furniture and household items in collaboration with the Donations Ministry. Call 828-259-5322 to arrange for a large furniture pick-up.

Jail Ministry is a listening ministry in the Buncombe County Detention Center where volunteers offer Bible studies and Chaplains connect to help detainees find meaning and purpose at the crossroad in their lives. Library cart volunteers organize religious materials. Ministry needs listed on the web page.

Medical Ministry offers the only free clinic led by volunteers so the uninsured have access to medical care and medicine. Most, working without insurance of any kind are served by two pharmacies that distributed about \$2.9 million in prescriptions and about \$3.1 million in medical care, for an impact of \$6 million in health care in Buncombe County. Dental services were suspended during the pandemic.

Transformation Village volunteers offer 100 transitional housing beds for women and moms with children, including Veterans. Emergency shelter is offered along with clinical treatment. Healing, Hope & jobs leads to 8 out of 10 successfully graduating with stable income and permanent housing.

Veterans Restoration Quarters volunteers offer a 250 bed campus for men with 160 transitional housing beds for Veterans; 40 beds for emergency shelter; plus 50 permanent supportive housing units. Emergency shelter is offered along with clinical treatment. Healing, Hope, and jobs leads to 8 out of 10 successfully graduating with stable income and permanent housing.

Veterans Services of the Carolinas serves through four programs: 1) Veterans Homeless Prevention/Rapid Rehousing serving 270+ families, 2) Veterans Employment and Training Services (VETS) placing 300+ Veterans into jobs, 3) Veterans Call Center averaging 1,000 crisis calls a month, and 4) HOPE (Healing Outreach Partnerships for Empowerment) reintegrating chronically homeless vets.

ABCCM has a great stewardship track record where 94¢ of every dollar donated goes into direct ministry to people in need, compared to the national average of 75%.



ABCCM MISSION STATEMENT

The Christian Ministry is a family of Christian congregations organized to provide individuals an opportunity to grow, mature and express their faith through fellowship and service for the joy set before us in Christ.

The Christian Ministry will stimulate doing together what individual congregations cannot do separately, in an ecumenical spirit.

We are committed to Christ to translate our faith into cooperative action which ministers to the spiritual, social, physical, economic and emotional needs of our neighbors in Buncombe County.

Through Christ, our pioneer and perfecter, we persevere to restore and/or maintain the dignity of every person, bring reconciliation to hostilities, bring new skills, strategies, and hope to the thwarted/disadvantaged lives; share our common victories of life.