Right now in Western North Carolina...

1 in 6
Residents is food insecure

1 in 4
Kids is facing hunger

The working poor make up one third of the North Carolina workforce. NC has the second highest working poor percent of any state in the nation.

50%
of NC residents can’t afford rent.

Rent is considered unaffordable when it accounts for more than 30% of household income.

NC wages are lower today than before the recession.

Factors affecting the Growing Need for Food in Western North Carolina

This data comes from the following sources:
NC Budget and Tax Center
Feeding America’s Map the Meal Gap
EPI Analysis of Community Population Survey
MANNAFoodBank.org