

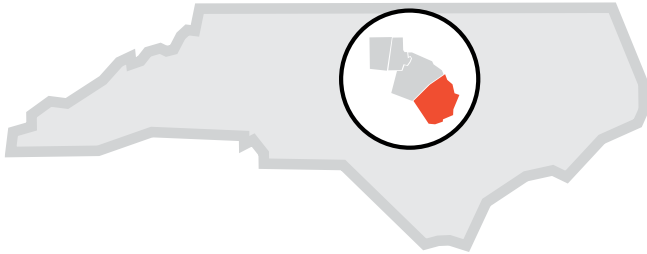
Johnston County

NC Regional Challenges



United Way
of the Greater Triangle

Total Population: **203,308**



11.4%

of residents live below
the poverty line*
(23,177)

13.9%

of children live
below the poverty
line*

For a family of 4 (2 adults,
2 children) to be self-
sufficient, they must bring in:

\$63,627/yr

"Self-sufficiency" is the amount of income required for working families to meet basic needs at a minimally adequate level without assistance.

Johnston County is the
fastest growing county
in North Carolina.



Average Smithfield rent is
\$1,300/mo. Across NC, rent
increased by

20%

from 2021 to 2022.

for a 2-bedroom apartment



11.5% of Johnston
County residents
are food insecure

64%

of children in
Johnston County
enter kindergarten
not meeting literacy
benchmarks

Of Those Living With Poverty*,
A Breakdown By Race:

- White **44%**
- Hispanic **26%**
- Black **17%**
- Other **13%**



24.5%

of Johnston County
households spend
30% or more of their
monthly family budget
on housing.



*The US Government defines the poverty line as income of \$27,750 or less for a family of 4. "Low-Income" is anything less than 200% of the poverty line.

