



FEMA

# North Carolina Recovery One Year Later - Connecting Projects with Interagency Recovery Coordination

## ECONOMIC (EDA)

2\$ million for local government recovery, tourism, and technical assistance. DOL allocated \$10 million for disaster relief jobs and training.

**Total: \$12,000,000**

## HEHS

Funding for emergency prescriptions, crisis counseling, and education recovery grants.

**Total: \$22,657,648**

## HUD

Various funds for housing, families, businesses, and assisting the homeless.

**Total: \$1,661,820,000**

## EPA (NCDEQ SRF)

Funding for clean water, drinking water, and wastewater systems via the State Revolving Fund.

**Total: \$746,000,000**

## NOAA

Grant supporting community-led planning, hazard assessments, and local recovery efforts.

**Total: \$130,000**

## Philanthropy

\$2 million grant to repair roads and bridges. \$77K for building homes, utility bills , and a retaining wall.

**Total: \$2,077,000**

## SBA:

Disbursed loans, including EIDL loans.

**Total: \$238,140,000**

## USACE (IS RSF)

Funding for stormwater improvements, water infrastructure rehabilitation, and wastewater repairs.

**Total: \$50,744,000**

## USDA

Funding for rural housing, infrastructure, community services, disaster supplemental funds for producers, food benefits, and natural resource restoration.

**Total: \$1.097 Billion**

## USDOT

Funding for emergency repairs to roads and bridges.

**Total: \$5,100,000**

## USGS

Pending funds for landslide hazard risk reduction.

**Total: \$500,000**



**CA:**

Conducted 5 recovery workshops. Developed recovery plans for Buncombe County and 6 jurisdictions. Supported the Stoney Creek Bridge rebuild which provided emergency access to 16 properties.



**ECON:**

\$500K was allocated to four COGs (Land of Sky, Southwestern Commission, High Country, and Foothills) to support technical assistance, outdoor recreation, and tourism, fostering economic recovery and sustainable development in disaster-impacted areas.



**EPA Advisor:**

\$685M was appropriated for the State Revolving Fund, and four workshops were held with NCDEQ to assist COGs in planning water and wastewater projects, ensuring resilient infrastructure and long-term recovery.



**HEHS:**

\$2.4M in Emergency Prescription Assistance helped 815 survivors. All 19 Project SERV applications were approved (\$7.35M), along with \$9.7M in Crisis Counseling grants and \$200K for Land of Sky COG to replace food stocks and equipment.



**USDA:**

Allocated funding includes \$286.5 million for FNS and \$472 million for FSA disaster supplemental funds. Further USDA commitments cover: NRCS (\$38.5M EWP, \$6M EQIP), USDA Rural Development (\$25M), and US Forest Service infrastructure repair (\$268.5M).

*Interagency Recovery Coordination (IRC) has facilitated over \$3.8 billion in funding across federal, state, and philanthropic sources, supporting housing, infrastructure, behavioral health, and economic recovery initiatives in North Carolina.*

## Stoney Creek Bridge Rebuild (Edneyville, Henderson County)



After Hurricane Helene



After reconstruction



**UFR Advisor:**

Actively coordinating with resource agencies such as USACE, USFWS, and SHPO to develop tools and protocols to streamline the environmental compliance review process, prevent duplication of efforts, and reduce burden on federal partners.



**SBA:**

SBA disbursed \$238.1M, including \$43.69M in EIDL loans, and held nine workshops across eight counties, offering direct assistance, resource referrals, and education to sectors like agriculture, tourism, and nonprofits.



**Philanthropy Advisor:**

A \$2M grant was coordinated for Lutheran Disaster Response Carolinas to partner with Mennonite Disaster Service, repairing private roads and bridges. \$77K from Catholic Charities to rebuild homes, pay utility bills and construct a retaining wall.



**USACE Advisor:**

- \$20,000 for Helene outreach coordination.
- Water/Wastewater projects  
  \$41M+ for town of Canton  
  \$4M for town of Weaverville  
  \$3.4M for Robbinsville  
  \$1.5M for Murphy

# Hurricane Helene Recovery Project Highlights

**Edneyville, Henderson County**



**IRC/CA/USFS:** The Stoney Creek Bridge rebuild project provided emergency access to 16 properties. The Mennonite Disaster Service did the construction without cost to state/local government.

**Buncombe County**



**IRC/CA/USFS:** The firewood and lumber repurposing project processed 320,000 lbs. of wood debris in Buncombe County, preventing the debris from going to waste in landfills.

**Chimney Rock, Rutherford County**



**ECON:** State Recovery funds (\$5.5 M) for 6 projects to rebuild infrastructure and revitalize Main Street. Projects include downtown streetscape improvements – sidewalks, curbs and pedestrian infrastructure, - as well as improvements to infrastructure.

**McDowell County**



**HMPG:** Pending grant for ~\$6.4 million for 25 properties in McDowell County. Estimated benefit is ~\$18.9 million for a benefit cost ratio of 2.93.

**Lake Lure, Rutherford County**



**PA:** Temporary bridge enabled the Lake Lure Park to reopen with full operations expected by September 27, 2025 (\$3.5 M).

**Madison and Buncombe Counties**



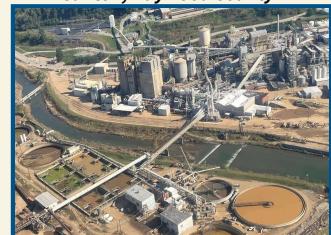
**Philanthropy:** Mountain BizWorks offers up to \$25,000 to small businesses for costs associated with Hurricane Helene.

**Marshall, Madison County**



If you're a North Carolina business or resident affected by Hurricane Helene, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is here to help.  
**SBA** representatives at the Marshall Library in November 2024 discussed disaster recovery options with homeowners, renters, and business owner.

**Canton, Haywood County**



**USACE** awarded a \$40.7 M Grant to Canton to build a new Wastewater Treatment plant.

**Lake Lure, Rutherford County**



**USACE:** As of August 2025, crews have removed over 861,366 tons of silt and sediment and more than 97,240 cubic yards of debris. About 330 truckloads of debris leave Lake Lure each day.

**Marshall, Madison County**



**USACE** measured 2,200 high-water marks as part of a larger, tri-state flood data collection mission.

**Multiple Counties**



**USDA:** Buncombe County hosted a WNC Wildfire Summit on mitigation and biochar production. Agricultural Recovery Centers in nine counties assisted 465 farmers, while NRCS waived cost-share for watershed protection (\$35.9M).

**Chimney Rock, Rutherford County**



**VAL:** Spokes for Hope has facilitated the arrival of over 2,000 volunteers to clear debris and rebuild structures.

# IRC Coordinating FEMA PROJECTS (PA-Eligible) with Federal PROGRAMS (Supplemental Funds)

Cumulative Growth in PA and IRC Facilitated Funding

October 2024 – October 2025

*Disclaimer: timeline is approximate*

