

# WPCOG MONTHLY IMPACT REPORT

## DECEMBER 2022

### ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

**Anthony Starr**  
**Sherry Long**  
**David Pugh**  
 Lucas Bentley  
 Lori Dixon  
 Tasmin Mack  
 Jason Toney

**Andrea Roper**  
 Ashley Adkins  
 Karley Connolly  
 Makayla Pannell  
 Brianna Wert

#### Finance



**5**  
Contracts Logged



**162**  
Checks Written



**151**  
Purchase Orders Processed



**134**  
Deposits Processed



**472**  
ACH/Online Payments



**12**  
Processed Payrolls for 272 Employees

#### Admin

- The WPCOG completed the search process for the Long View town manager position and the Brookford police chief. Staff are also assisting Hildebran for the search for a new town attorney and Hickory for a new city attorney. Work also continues for Greenway Public Transportation with the selection of a new executive director. Finally, work is beginning with search for a new county manager for Alexander County.
- Staff continue to work on the potential improvements for the Caldwell Railroad. Staff anticipate releasing the RFQ for architectural services for the expansion of the WPCOG office.

#### Outreach & Facilities Usage

Website



**2,381**  
Users

**3,960**  
Sessions

Facebook



**33**  
Posts

**9,522**  
Reaches

Twitter



**22**  
Tweets

**2,278**  
Reaches

Site Usage



**38**  
Meetings

**328**  
Attendees

### AREA AGENCY ON AGING

**Tina Miller**  
 Christina Franklin  
 Ricky Handoo  
 Michael Layza  
 Mary Mitchell  
 Karen Phoenix  
 Anita Roberts  
 Sarah Stamey



#### AAA OUTREACH

**6**

Community Presentations

**183**

In-Home Respite Hours



#### OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM ACTIVITY

**25**

Facility Visits

**2**

Facility Trainings

**5**

New Investigations

**4**

Cases Closed

**11**

Technical Assistance

**38**

Information & Referral Contacts

**21**

Attended FCSP Programs



#### PROJECT C.A.R.E. ACTIVITY

**9**

Assessments

**0**

Reassessment

**8**

Home Visit

**7**

Vouchers Issued

**4**

Agency Outreach Calls

**74**

People Reached/Outreach

**2,004**

American Rescue Plan Act - Meals Served

**12**

D Care Research Contacts

**21,057**

Meals Served

**3,085**

Hours of In-Home Aide Service

**7**

Housing/Home Improvement Projects

**688**

Medical/General Transportation Trips Provided

**132**

Hours of Legal Assistance Provided

**277**

Adult Day Care/Health Days of Service

#### Home & Community Care Block Grant

### COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Ben Willis**  
 Jennifer Cannon  
 Lisa Helton  
 Joel Herman  
 Rick Oxford  
 Laurie Powell  
 Erin Schotte  
 Paul Teague  
 Helen Whisnant



**21**

Homeowner Foreclosure Preventions



**4**

First-Time Homebuyers



**3**

Housing Rehab(s) Completed

Alexander - 1  
 Burke - 3  
 Caldwell - 7  
 Catawba - 7  
 Lincoln - 1  
 Wilkes - 0  
 Iredell - 2  
 McDowell - 0

Alexander - 0  
 Burke - 0  
 Caldwell - 1  
 Catawba - 3

Alexander - 0  
 Burke - 0  
 Caldwell - 2  
 Catawba - 1

### Grants and Activities

#### Essential Single Family Rehab (ESFR)

- 3 - Houses under contract in Alexander and Catawba Counties
- Burke Co. 4 houses under construction; 1 out to bid; 6 need rehab inspections
- Caldwell Co. 8 houses under construction; 1 out to bid

#### Urgent Repair (URP)

- 1 - URP under contract in Alexander/Catawba County
- Burke URP - 3 under construction
- Caldwell URP - 9 under construction

#### Other Programs/Projects

- Rhodhiss CDBG SSH - 1 under construction; bid opening on 1; 8 need rehab inspections
- Conover CDBG SSH houses under contract-5; 1 out to bid

- Catawba County SSHG-1 out to bid
- Newton SSHG-1 out to bid

#### Economic Development

- Assisted Morganton with a \$500,000 NC Commerce Building Reuse Grant on behalf of Gerresheimer Glass. The company is investing \$62 million and creating 78 new, full-time jobs.
- Assisted Newton with a \$175,000 NC Commerce Building Reuse Grant on behalf of Pasta Piccinini. The company is investing \$7 million and creating 27 new, full-time jobs.
- Provided a \$75k small business loan from city of Morganton CDBG program to Hillman Beer, creating 10 jobs.

# COMMUNITY & REGIONAL PLANNING

**Alison Adams**  
 Scott Berson  
 Robert Block  
 Duncan Cavanaugh  
 Taylor Dellinger  
 Dallas Goodnight  
 Haleigh Hopkins  
 Teresa Kinney  
 Dustin Millsaps  
 Jess Odette  
 Daniel Odom  
 Katerina Pascht  
 Chad Powell  
 Averi Ritchie  
 Trey Schweitzer  
 Caren Shorthouse  
 Johnny Wear  
 Curt Willis  
 Rachel Wooster  
 Ashley Young

<b>Planning</b>	6 Major, Minor & Exempt Subdivisions	30 Issued Zoning Permits	1 Major Subdivision Plan Review	0 Rezoning, Annexations, Variances, & Appeals
	5 Text Amendments	15 Zoning Enforcement Letters	4 Planning Board/Adjustment Meetings	12 Council, Commission, & other Meetings
<b>Transportation</b>	23 Greenway Passenger Sampling Trips 23 Catawba 6 Burke	3 Workshop /Training	30 Transportation Meetings Attended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyzed focus areas for larger transportation projects within the MTP.</li> <li>Draft UPWP completed, awaiting 5307 funding info.</li> <li>Began reviewing the Hildebran's zoning ordinance for needed text amendments</li> <li>Work begun on the Rhodhiss' zoning and subdivision ordinances.</li> <li>Regional Housing Tool Kit draft is complete and being reviewed internally</li> </ul>
<b>GIS/Data Center</b>	49 Data Requests	14 Presentations & Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed draft of Winter 2022 EIN (100th issue).</li> <li>Completed analysis of 2021 Traffic Count data for the region</li> <li>Completed November 2022 Greenway Monthly Report</li> <li>Updated Catawba County and Morganton building permit data</li> <li>Conducted 2 drone flights for Community Health &amp; Disaster Mitigation Explorer.</li> <li>Recreated background layers for Code Enforcement App</li> <li>Recreated 2 maps for Maiden (electric and sewer).</li> <li>Continued mapping Conover stormwater.</li> </ul>	
<b>Environmental Planning</b>	194 Maps/Spatial Data	65 Geocoded Points		
11 Outfall Inspections	0 Facility Inspected	0 Stormwater Plan Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Held two River Trail of Burke County Meetings</li> <li>Completed the final inspection for the Alexander County Emergency Watershed Project</li> </ul>	
6 Homeowner/IDDE Issues	5 SCM Inspected	4 Meetings	<b>Code Enforcement</b>	50 New Violations
			13 Monthly Town Reports	28 Nuisance Violations
				14 Abandoned or Junked Vehicles
				4 Residential
				3 Non-Residential
				32 Violations Resolved

# REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

**Stephanie Hanvey**  
 Lisa Acuff  
 Jennifer Cater  
 Kim Duncan  
 Kelley Hayward  
 Chasity Houck  
 Viveca Huffman  
 By Khang  
 Elizabeth Moncrief  
 Kaleigh Reinhardt  
 Doug Woodall

1,295 Units Leased	130 In Office Client Meetings	176 Inspections Completed	72 Vouchers Issued	276 Total Vouchers Pending
150 Congratulation Letters	2,403 Waiting List	\$563,731 Paid on Tenant's Behalf	\$435.31 Average Housing Assistance Payment	

## RHA BY THE NUMBERS

25	Hard to House Families
36	New Admissions
4	New Landlords
108	Recertifications Completed
52	Active Participants Pending Transfers to new units

# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

**Charity Patterson Hamber**  
 Donna Gilbert  
 Elizabeth Hilliard  
 Matthew Xiong

12 Scholarships Issued	61 New Register Unemployed
0 Trainings	140 1x NCWorks Registrants
Job seekers currently receiving training scholarships	People not working that newly registered in NCWorks.gov
Paid Internships	People that registered in NCWorks.gov for the first time

## EMPLOYER SERVICES

176	Employers Served at NCWorks Career Centers
0	Staff assisted Recruitment Events at a Career Center or Employer Site
10,825	Job openings in Alexander, Burke, Caldwell & Catawba Counties

## SCHOLARSHIP & TRAINING INDUSTRY

42%	Health Science
25%	Transportation
17%	Human Services
8%	Education
8%	Public Safety