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Thank
you
FROM
OUR
DIRECTOR

This Impact Report is more than just a collection of data and milestones; it is a testament to the power of a community that refuses to look away from our children in foster care.

Whether a one-time gift, sponsorship or a monthly commitment, our donors contributions translated directly into essential supplies, urgent needs and a sense of security for the children we serve.

Whether sorting donations, stuffing duffel bags, or simply offering a friendly face to those walking through our doors, our volunteers dedication is what makes our programming possible.

Because of all of you, we aren't just distributing shirts and toothbrushes—we are delivering hope, dignity and encouragement to our foster care community.

Stacy Pullen



THE HARRELSON
CENTER

2025 PARTNER OF THE YEAR

Foster Pantry was honored to accept the Harrelson Center's Partner of the Year!



Watch the Video!

SUPPORTED

102

Licensed Foster Parents

48

Kinship Caregivers

27

Reunifying Parents

618

Children 0 to 17

92

Young Adults 18+

38

18th Birthdays Celebrated

High School Graduates Celebrated

28

76

New Carseats Provided

Private Visits with Santa

102

65

New Bikes Provided

148

NEW PLACEMENT COMFORT BAGS



22

COUNTIES SERVED

SAFE BABIES COURT SUPPORT

Secured \$34,000 to support reunification and kinship placements in Safe Babies Court in New Hanover and Brunswick Counties

Reunification Barriers Supported for 13 families

Paid Housing Authority Fees

Provided Uber Gift Cards for temporary transportation

Paid fees for license restoration

Paid Substance Abuse and Parenting Classes

Kinship Placement Supported for 3 families

Provided Grandparent with emergency needs of a sick infant

Secured placement with grandma by providing all essential newborn needs

Provided Christmas gifts for grandparent who accepted guardianship



6

Reunifications Celebrated



Healthy Blue Care Together

ANCHORED IN ADVOCACY



In April, we partnered with **Cape Fear Guardian ad Litem Association** and invited our social workers and Guardian ad Litem to a day of networking with local resources to better serve our local children in foster care and those that care for them. Over 90 guests attended, and 24 local organizations came to share their programming.



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CAREGIVER & YOUTH SUPPORT



Family Support Network™
of Southeastern North Carolina

We worked with our friends at **Family Support Network of Southeastern NC** to design a year long parent education series specifically for our foster families that included trainings such as Triple P and Surrogate Parent Training. FSN secured funding to not just offer this training with dinner and childcare, but also provided the Kids WRAP Support Group by **Peer Recovery Resources**.

"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."

~ Helen Keller ~



**PEER RECOVERY
RESOURCES**



FOSTER CARE NETWORK

We joined **One Christian Network**, **Restored Souls**, and stakeholders from across the Cape Fear to launch the **Cape Fear Foster Care Network** to work on ways to Recruit & Retain Foster Families, locate new Wrap Around Supports and Educate Local Churches on ways they can support foster care.

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**FOSTER CARE
NETWORK**





"Every volunteer who walked through our doors this year brought heart, hope, and dignity. I'm deeply grateful for the way they show up for our community, again and again."

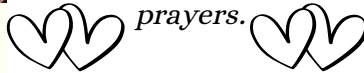
Stacy Pullen, Executive Director

2025
Volunteer
Hours
4252



Elisha Kline
1979 ~ 2025

This year packing bags and stuffing Easter baskets looks a little different as we remember two of our volunteers. We continue to keep their families in our hearts and prayers.



Deborah Jones
1959 ~ 2025

Thank you for being there when we need you most



Thank you for the gift cards so I could shop for my own clothes and favorite make-up

Gratitude Jar

Thank you for always helping the most you can and making a huge impact on us

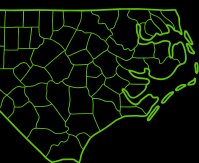
A few of the notes we received from our NCLINKS Youth 14-21

Thank you for showing love and giving us fun things to do together

VISION BOARD

EXPANDING REACH & DEEPEN IMPACT

Expanding our reach with additional satellite locations to better serve the rural areas of SE NC who do not currently have supports



FULL TIME FAMILY RESOURCE & VISITATION CENTER

Transition to a full time resource center to better support our families with visitations, play dates, support groups & more



STABLE HOUSING FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGING OUT

Create and support pathways to stable housing to ensure no youth who ages out experiences homelessness



COMING SOON IN 2026



YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Giving the youth we serve a voice in our programming decisions, and providing them mentorship & leadership experience.

FOSTER PARENT RECRUITMENT EVENTS & INCENTIVES

Assist in finding safe and loving homes for children who enter foster care so no child sleeps at an agency overnight.

CAREGIVER MENTOR PROGRAM

Providing Family Support Network's Parent Mentor Training and creating a network of Parent Mentors to assist foster caregivers struggling with similar experiences.

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