



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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YADKIN COUNTY

County Incorporated: 1850

Square Miles: 337.77

County Seat: Yadkinville

Population: 37,585 residents

(7/2015 US Census Bureau Estimate)

**Towns: Boonville, East Bend,
Jonesville & Yadkinville**

Median Household Income: \$38,652

Our Vision

"Yadkin County is committed to maintaining and promoting our rural heritage, character and values, while being good stewards of our resources and providing excellence in health, safety and service. We embrace growth and innovation while fostering an environment where all may live, work and play."



Yadkin County Board of Commissioners

Pictured left to right - Chairman Kevin Austin, Commissioner Gilbert Hemric, Vice-Chairman David Moxley, Commissioner Frank Zachary and Commissioner Marion Welborn

County Commissioners meet on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 am and on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Board of Commissioners' Room in the Human Resources Building located at 217 E. Willow Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055.

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Dear Yadkin County Citizens,

As County Commissioners, it is our honor and privilege to present you with the sixth Yadkin County Annual Report. We take pride in providing governmental services to you and your families and hope you take as much pride in our accomplishments as we do. This report highlights the required reporting of the finances and administrative activities of the County as set forth in North Carolina General Statute 153A-82(6).

During FY2016, we saw the opening of our new Agricultural & Educational Building on the campus of Surry Community College's Yadkin Center. We are very proud of this facility and the opportunities it provides our citizens. Naming Opportunities for the suites are still available by contacting the Manager's Office. The Banquet Rooms are also available for rent by contacting Wendi Thompson in the Manager's office or Steve Potts at the Agricultural & Educational Building.

The East Bend Waterline Project continues to advance with the financial support from the Appalachian Regional Council (\$300,000 grant) and a 0% interest NC Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan. The construction contract has been awarded and has received State approval, construction should begin in late calendar year 2016.

The General Assembly passed legislation in the FY2016 budget which allowed us to request the Legacy Medical Facility designation from the State allowing us to reopen the hospital or medical care facility within thirty-six (36) months without having to complete the Certificate of Need process. This legislation was in response to the number of rural hospitals that have closed over the last couple of years.

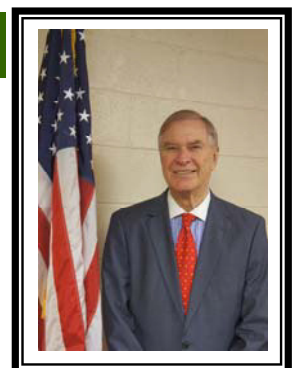
We are fortunate to have additional services now provided at the hospital facility. Dr. James McGrath opened a private practice in September 2015 and Amy Diachenko Foster relocated her Fostering Minds practice to the Facility in early 2016. In early FY2017 Dr. Lori Petree opened a dental clinic serving children and Dr. Alison Snider opened a family practice offering direct primary care. We plan further expansion of medical services within the facility during the upcoming year.

Thank you for being a part of our community and allowing us the opportunity to serve you.

County Attorney

The County Attorney is appointed by the Commissioners to advise the Board, County Manager and Department Directors on legal matters related to the operation of county government. Mr. Powell is responsible for ensuring that the affairs and actions of Yadkin County are conducted in accordance with federal, state and local laws. Opinions are provided on all laws, contracts, leases, resolutions and other legal documents.

Mr. Powell graduated from the University of North Carolina and Wake Forest School of Law. He is also a U.S. Army Veteran and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Mr. Powell's office is located in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.



Mr. Edward Powell

Administration

The County Commissioners, as the governing body, are responsible for developing policies, levying taxes, adopting ordinances, appointing committees, and appointing the County Manager, Tax Administrator, County Attorney and Clerk to the Board. The County Manager is responsible for the day to day operations of the government. The County Manager has a variety of responsibilities, including implementing and enforcing policies and goals adopted by the Board, administration of county departments, and the preparation of the recommended annual budget. The County Manager is currently assisted by various departments and offices.

Lisa Hughes holds an undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Masters in Public Administration from Appalachian State University. You may contact Lisa Hughes by email at lhughes@yadkincountync.gov or by phone at 336-679-4200.

Christopher Ong holds an undergraduate degree from Guilford College and Masters in Public Administration from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. You may contact Christopher Ong by email at cong@yadkincountync.gov or by phone at 336-679-4200.



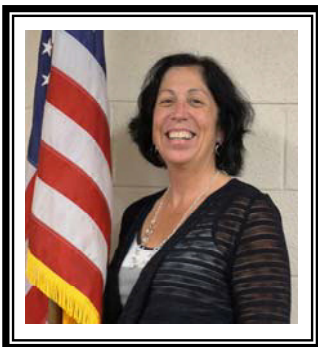
Lisa L. Hughes
County Manager



Christopher Ong
Assistant County Manager



Human Resources



Colleen Rumplach
Human Resources Coordinator

Human Resources is responsible for overseeing and updating personnel files, instituting or updating employees personal information, deductions, job/salary, and accruals throughout the County's system. Human Resources also manages benefits and services for all County employees. Human Resources coordinates and implements policies and procedures by the County, assists in the interview process, orientations/exit interviews, organizing training classes on safety, welfare and wellness for all County employees.

During Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Yadkin County Human Resources served:

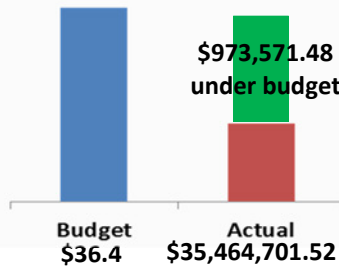
- 230 Full-time employees
- 7 Elected Officials
- 31 Appointed Board Members
- 104 Seasonal/Temporary (Poll workers, lifeguards)
- 52 Part-time employees

Full-time employee turnover: 13.79%

Finance Department

The Fiscal Year 2016 adopted budget for Yadkin County totaled \$36,438,273. The budget was an increase of 4.3% from FY2015. The budget contained no countywide tax increase and the rate remained sixty-six cents per \$100.00 assessed valuation.

FY 2016
Expenditures
Budget vs. Actual

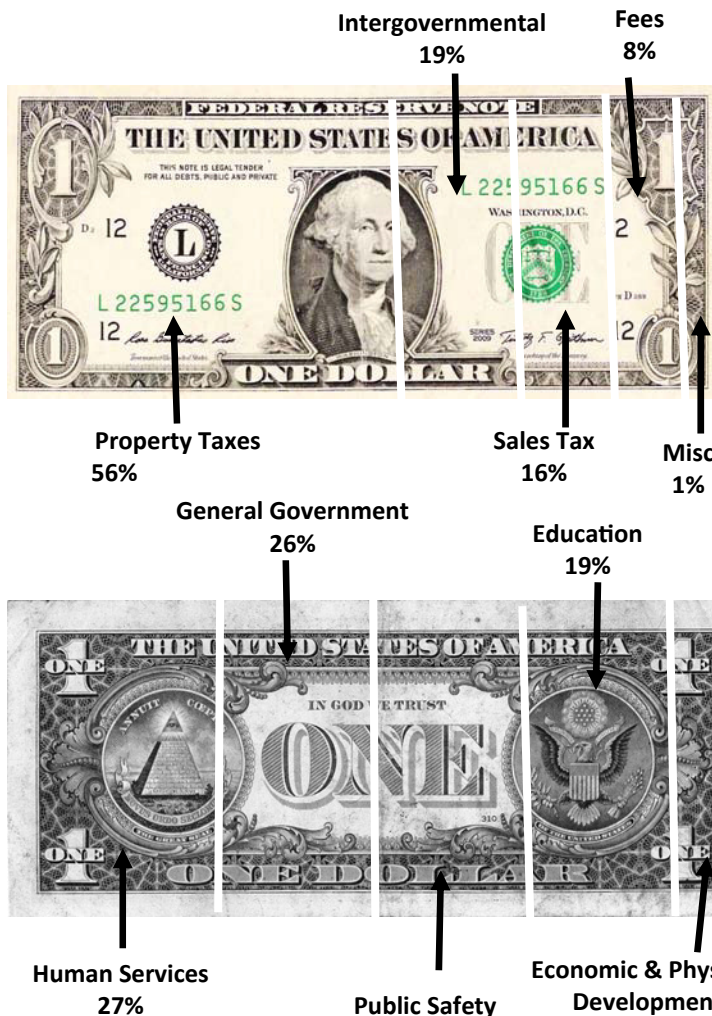


Gary Groce
Finance Officer

The Finance Department continues to implement changes regarding the state statute requiring the pre-audit of expenditures. This requirement requires funds are available prior to the actual commitment of the purchase. The finance staff annually reviews procedures to streamline the process as much as possible.

In an effort to reduce costs, over the past 3 years the County implemented a Procurement Card process which allows for small purchases under \$1,000. The usage of the P-Card reduces the number of purchase orders and paper checks written. Other efforts to reduce costs are in electronic fund transfers for the county volunteer fire departments and various day care services utilized by Social Services. Also direct deposit is highly encouraged for the deposit of payroll payments. Currently we have a few volunteer board members which are reimbursed for travel and only 2 on the regular payroll which do not have direct deposit.

Over the past four years the Finance Department, County Manager and the Board of Commissioners have worked vigorously to maintain a budget with minimal increases.



REVENUE - WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

The General Fund is Yadkin County's primary operating fund. Major sources of General Fund revenue include:

General Property Taxes - Annual taxes on real and personal property within the County.

Intergovernmental - Grants from state and federal governments.

Other Taxes - Primarily sales taxes.

Charges for Services - fees collected for services rendered (e.g., Permits, Register of Deeds, Park, Animal Shelter, Sheriff, etc.).

Miscellaneous - amounts received from other sources, such as donations, sale of surplus equipment and other miscellaneous sources of funds.

EXPENDITURES - WHERE THE MONEY GOES

The major components of General Fund expenditures are:

Human Services - Social Services Administration and Public Health and Assistance, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

General Government - conducting the financial support activities (infrastructure) of the County, Administration, Finance, Planning, Parks, Veterans, Tax.

Public Safety - includes support of EMS, E-911 Communications, Sheriff, Detention and Animal Shelter.

Education - Yadkin County Public Schools, Yadkin County Surry Community College expenditures.

Economic Development - long-range and short-range planning for physical, social, economic, and environmental issues.

Information Technology



**Dale Ring, Director of
Information Technology**

The Information Technology department is responsible for supplying and maintaining the county's information system and any other digital needs. This system is comprised of computers, servers, software, network wiring, switches, wireless, firewall, VPN, security video, and more.

While Yadkin County may not be the largest county in the state, we still have the exact same types of data that even the largest counties have, just a smaller amount. This means we have to take the same security precautions as the larger counties. It requires the same caliber of equipment to protect our smaller amount of data as it does for the larger amounts.

In today's world we must diligently monitor the network for attacks of any type and be ready to respond accordingly to intercept and stop the attack. Our firewall must stay patched to keep up with the ever changing types of attacks.

We are here to support all county departments with their IT resources. Whether it be through equipment and software or research and education, we strive to meet the department's needs efficiently and cost effectively. During FY2016, Yadkin County's Information Technology Department maintained the following:

- 33 virtual servers and 11 physical servers
- 28 miles of wiring and 13 miles of fiber
- 7 remote hardware VPN sites
- 150 various software applications
- 25 web based applications
- Internal & External WIFI throughout County buildings & Sheriff/EMS mobile units
- 386 landline phone users through 3COM VCX7000 VoIP system
- 74 mobile users
- 13 County locations contain Security Cameras
- 2,061 help tickets were processed
- Mobile Command Center

During the last year there were four (4) recoveries of County information due to Malware and Ransomware. Yadkin County is also PCI complaint, meaning Yadkin County meets the set of security standards designed to ensure that the information Yadkin County receives with regards to credit card transmittals is maintained on a secure environment.

Working together as a team we work with other departments to learn about a particular job and the workflow involved. This allows us to make informed recommendations concerning equipment and software tailored specifically for that job.

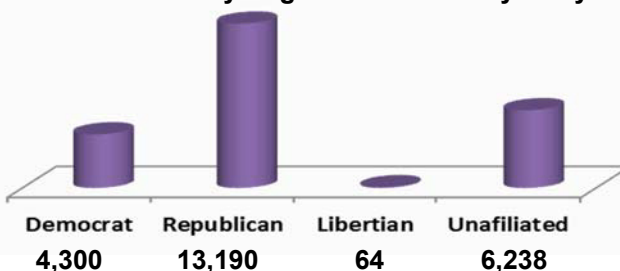
Elections

The Board of Elections holds elections every year. Federal, state and county elections are held during even numbered years and municipal during odd numbered years. The Board of Elections registers voters, holds filing for candidates, prepares ballots, tests machines and provides training for precinct workers.

Be sure to visit NC State Board of Elections website www.ncsbe.gov. for up to date voting and elections information.

**Yadkin County Board of Elections
is located at
213 E. Elm Street, Yadkinville, NC
or call 336-679-4227
Monday through Friday
8:00 am until 5:00 pm.**

Yadkin County Registered Voters By Party



**Elaine Barnes
Director**

Register of Deeds

By law, the Register of Deeds serves as custodian and manager of large volumes of public records for the County. The Register of Deeds is legally charged with the integrity, completeness, accuracy and safekeeping of these public records. This amounts to approximately 5,400 documents and plats recorded and 300 marriage licenses issued each year. The documents recorded include Deeds, Deeds of Trust, Powers of Attorneys, Separation Agreements, Plats, Deed of Trust Cancellations, Military Discharges and various agreements. The office also records and issues certified copies of birth, death and marriage records and issues notary public oaths and maintains a listing of all notaries who reside in the County. The annual revenue collected is approximately \$300,000 - \$320,000 for these various recordings and services.

We use the most current technology to ensure easy access and retrieval of all our records and provide a courteous and professional environment. In October 2015 e-recording was implemented which allows out of town attorneys and lending institutions to electronically file documents in a more efficient and timely manner. Every day registry employees work tirelessly to ensure that the documents we record reflect the trust that our patrons place in us. This commitment to excellence is the very foundation of our service. Please don't hesitate to contact this office if we can assist you in any way.

The Register of Deeds is located at 101 S. State Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055. You can reach Aric Wilhelm by email at awilhelm@yadkincountync.gov or by phone at 336-679-4225.



The Honorable Aric Wilhelm
Register of Deeds

Veterans Services



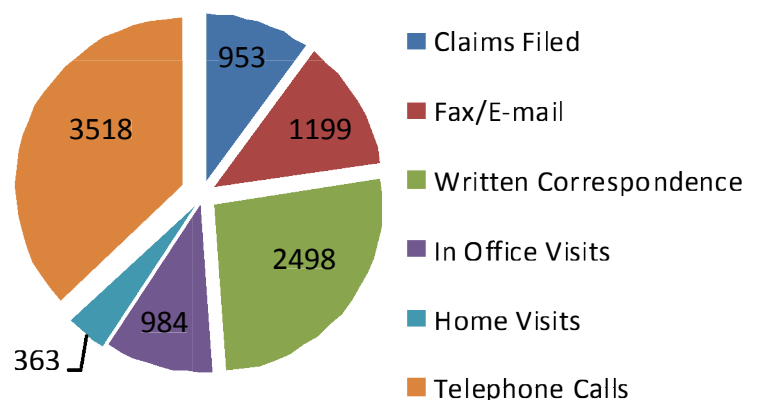
Chuck Knight
Veteran Services Officer

Veterans Services advises local veterans and dependents of their rights and entitlements under various federal and state laws, counsels them, and actively assists them by filling out necessary forms and papers, obtaining documents, affidavits and medical records and presenting some before the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The Department assists in gaining admission of eligible veterans to Veteran Hospitals. The County Veteran Services Department also advises and assists service members and their families concerning allotments, financial relief in hardship cases, disability retirement, and other benefits.

The Veteran Services Department is located at 101 S. State Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055. You can reach Chuck Knight by email at vetservices@yadkincountync.gov or by phone at 336-679-8209.



FY 2015/2016 VETERAN CONTACTS



Emergency Services

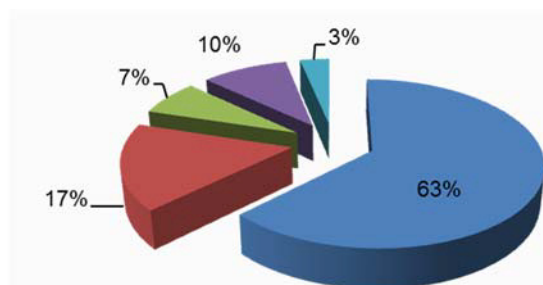


Keith Vestal, Director

Emergency Services contains three (3) divisions: Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services and Fire Marshal. Emergency Services is in charge of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at their main office at 108 George Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055. Our goal is to deliver the most advanced pre-hospital care possible to the citizens of Yadkin County, and to those who travel, work and recreate within our boundaries. Throughout the past year Yadkin County has responded to calls of various natures as defined below.

You can reach Keith Vestal by email at kvestal@yadkincountync.gov or by phone at 336-679-4232.

FY 2016 Call Statistics



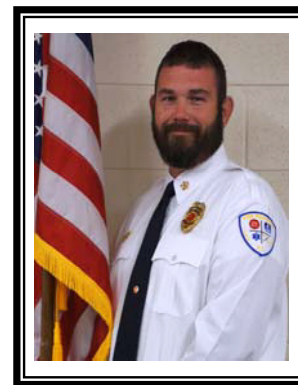
- **Medical** - sickness, cardiac, respiratory, neurological, psychiatric, allergies, bites
- **Accidents/Trauma** - wrecks, falls, physical injury
- **Transport/Assists** - facility transfers & citizen assists
- **Fire & Rescue** - smoke reports, structure & vehicle fires, strange odors, gas/fuel spills
- **Other** - assist other departments, hang ups, unknown problems

Fire Marshal

The Fire Marshal has many different responsibilities including, but not limited to, the County Fire Inspection Program, fire/arson investigations, budget preparation, coordination between county government and county fire departments, fire prevention programs, response to emergency situation and administrator over the county Knox System.

In the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, along with assistance from Emergency Services Director Keith Vestal a Rapid Entry Key System Ordinance was drafted, presented and approved by the Board of Commissioners in December 2015. The Knox system has 24 installed Knox boxes to date and 12 more ordered for installation. (This program was requested by Fire Chiefs to assist in emergency operations.) The program keeps Fire personnel from having to wait for a key holder or cause damage through forced entry when responding to business fire alarms. When there is no external sign of fire, the fire department waits for a key holder to arrive; the fire doubles in size every thirty seconds leaving a much larger fire to extinguish and costly damage for the property owner.

Fire inspections are completed daily on businesses. There are over 1500 businesses throughout Yadkin County. Inspections help to protect occupants of businesses from potential harm. Assisting in fire investigations is another role of the Fire Marshal. Forty-two (42) fires were investigated during this past year. The number of investigations is down significantly from previous years due to a training program and newly implemented policy most fire departments have completed.



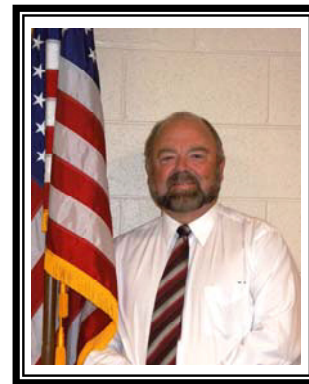
**Ricky Leonard
Fire Marshal**



The Fire Marshal responds and assists the county fire departments in various ways, from public education events to medical calls. With ten fire departments and only one fire marshal there is daily interaction in one capacity or another across the county. "This has been a great year for me as Fire Marshal." The Fire Marshal office is located at 108 George Street, Yadkinville, NC. Anyone that has questions or concerns can reach Ricky Leonard by phone at 336-679-4231 or by email at rleoard@yadkincountync.gov.

Building Inspections

Building Inspections issues all permits pertaining to new construction, additions, remodeling, and change of occupancy for the County as well as all the Towns within the County. Types of permits include building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, insulation, sprinkler, fire prevention, and day care permits. After permits are issued, a follow up to inspect is required to make sure the structures are built according to the plans submitted to our office and by state codes. If the structures are not up to code, inspectors advise what is needed to meet state requirements.



Gary Hayes, Director

| Inspections | 2016 | 2015 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|
| Building Inspections | 4933 | 4682 |
| Fire Prevention Inspections | 119 | 131 |
| Permits | | |
| Single Family Dwellings | 64 | 41 |
| Duplex Units | — | 4 |
| Commercial Projects | 51 | 39 |
| Additions-Remodel- | | |
| Misc. Structures | 94 | 121 |
| Manufactured Homes | 46 | 53 |
| Mechanical-Electrical- | | |
| Plumbing-Sprinkler | 593 | 622 |
| Construction Fire Permits | 10 | |

The Building Inspections Department is located at 213 E. Elm St., Yadkinville, NC. You can reach them by calling 336-679-4233.

Planning



Dawn Vallieres,
Director

The Planning Department develops and implements plans and policies supporting sustainable development of land in the County. Planning manages community development activities, performs special studies, and enforces many County development regulations, including: the Subdivision, Zoning, Flood Damage Prevention and Watershed Protection Ordinances.

Planning also provides technical and administrative support to the Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, and Watershed Review Board. In addition, Planning includes Geographical Information Systems (GIS) services, E- 911 addressing assignment, and computerized mapping. In 2016 there were 234 zoning permits issued, an increase from 191 in 2015.

In 2016, the Planning Department upgraded the County's mapping software to ArcMap 10.3 to provide better access to land use information. There are 34 County employees across 12 departments using this mapping software daily to serve the public. The primary activity of the GIS department is to assign addresses. Your E-911 address is a unique, assigned number that identifies where your property is located, and this is essential not just for deliveries, but especially for emergency services. Having your address clearly visible allows police, fire and ambulance to find your home quickly if ever needed. Post your address clearly and prominently at your entrance and on your home.

Posting your address at the driveway entrance and on your home will alleviate any confusion as to whether emergency responders have the correct location. Try using something reflective or illuminated so that it can be seen in the evening as well as during the day. If your house is not visible from the road, or is 75 feet or more from the road, post your address clearly at the road. Several local volunteer fire departments have address numbers available for a small fee.

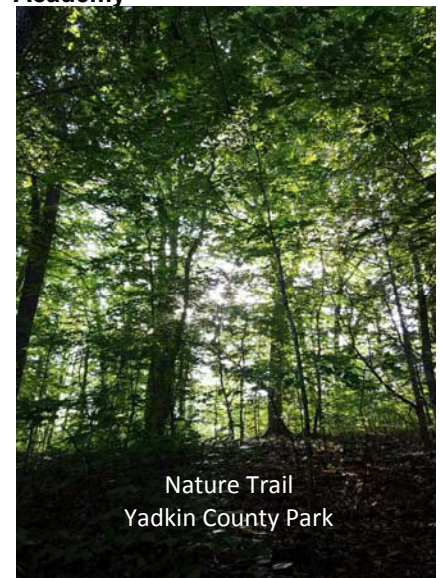
The public can access GIS mapping data online at www.yadkincountync.gov. Planning is located at 213 E. Elm Street, Yadkinville, N.C. 27055 and can be reached by phone at 336-679-4243.



Examples For Address
Posting

PHONE NUMBERS

| <i>Towns</i> | | <i>Public Safety</i> | <i>Libraries</i> |
|---|--------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Boonville Town Hall | 336.367.7941 | IN CASE OF EMERGENCY 911 | Boonville 336.367.7737 |
| East Bend Town Hall | 336.699.8560 | <i>Emergency Services</i> | East Bend 336.699.3890 |
| Jonesville Town Hall | 336.835.3426 | Yadkin Emergency Services (EMS) 336.679.4232 | Jonesville 336.835.7604 |
| Yadkinville Town Hall | 336.679.8732 | Yadkin Fire Marshal 336.679.4231 | Yadkinville 336.679.8792 |
| <i>County Government</i> | | Yadkin Rescue Squad 336.679.2430 | <i>Schools</i> |
| Animal Control | 336.677.2500 | <i>Fire Departments</i> | Administrative Offices 336.679.2051 |
| Building Codes/ Inspections | 336.679.4233 | Arlington FD 336.835.6184 | Elementary |
| Central Permitting | 336.679.4233 | Boonville FD 336.367.3018 | Boonville 336.367.7021 |
| Cooperative Extension | 336.679.2061 | Buck Shoals FD 336.468.2112 | Courtney 336.463.5510 |
| County Manager | 336.679.4200 | Courtney FD 336.463.5551 | East Bend 336.699.3989 |
| Economic Development | 336.679.2200 | East Bend FD 336.699.8663 | Fall Creek 336.699.8257 |
| Elections | 336.679.4227 | Fall Creek FD 336.699.3950 | Forbush 336.699.8447 |
| Environmental Health | 336.679.4244 | Forbush FD 336.961.8376 | Jonesville 336.835.3201 |
| Emergency Services (non-emergency line) | 336.679.4232 | Lone Hickory FD 336.463.5468 | West Yadkin 336.468.2526 |
| Fire Marshal | 336.679.4231 | West Yadkin FD 336.468.2844 | Yadkinville 336.679.8921 |
| Finance | 336.679.4338 | Yadkinville FD 336.679.8691 | Middle |
| GIS/Addressing | 336.679.4243 | Forestry 336.679.8941 | Forbush 336.961.6360 |
| Hospital Medical Records | 336.849.7795 | <i>Police/Law Enforcement</i> | Starmount 336.468.6833 |
| Information Technology | 336.679.2597 | LOCAL | High |
| Detention Center | 336.849.7840 | Boonville PD 336.367.7828 | Forbush 336.961.4644 |
| Land Records | 336.679.4224 | East Bend PD 336.699.2094 | Starmount 336.468.2891 |
| Landfill/ Solid Waste | 336.849.7720 | Detention Center 336.849.7840 | SCC - 336.679.4600 |
| Medical Clinic | 336.679.4210 | Jonesville PD 336.835.5020 | Yadkin Center |
| Mental Health | 888.235.4673 | Sheriff's Office 336.679.4217 | Yadkin Early College 336.386.3579 |
| Parks & Recreation | 336.679.4228 | Yadkinville PD 336.679.2863 | Yadkin Success Academy 336.679.4888 |
| Planning/Zoning | 336.679.4243 | <i>Utilities</i> | |
| Register of Deeds | 336.679.4225 | Duke Energy 800.769.3766 | |
| Road Signs (damaged or missing) | 336.849.7720 | Energy United 800.522.3793 | |
| Social Services/ Human Services/WIC | 336.679.4210 | Frontier Natural Gas 336.526.9940 | |
| Soil & Water | 336.518.3929 | Surry Yadkin Electric 800.682.5903 | |
| Sheriff (non-emergency line) | 336.679.4217 | Time Warner 888.376.1968 | |
| Tax Administration | 336.679.4221 | Water (Boonville) 336.367.7941 | |
| Tax Collection | 336.679.4223 | Water (East Bend) 336.699.8560 | |
| Tax Reappraisal | 336.679.2308 | Water (Jonesville) 336.835.4068 | |
| Veterans | 336.679.8209 | Water (Yadkinville) 336.679.2990 | |
| | | Water (Yadkin County) 336.849.7512 | |
| | | Yadtel 336.463.5022 | |



PHONE NUMBERS

Court System

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Clerk of Superior Court | 336.679.3600 |
| District Attorney | 336.679.3610 |
| NC Attorney General | 919.716.6400 |
| Probation | 336.679.8481 |
| Magistrate | 336.679.3619 |

State Government

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| NC Governor Pat McCrory | 800.662.7952 |
| NC State Senator Joyce Krawiec | 919.733.7850 |
| NC House of Represent- atives Lee Zachary | 919.715.8361 |
| NC Attorney General | 919.716.6400 |
| NC Driver's License | 336.679.3232 |
| NC License Plate Agency | 336.849.7731 |
| NC Employment Security Commission | 336.776.6720 |
| NC Highway Patrol | 919.733.7952 |
| NC Department of Labor | 800.625.2267 |
| NC National Guard | 919.851.3390 |
| NC Dept. of Revenue | 877.252.3052 |
| NC Transportation (Local) | 336.679.2242 |
| NC Transportation (State) | 877.368.4968 |

Federal Government

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|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| US Senator Richard Burr | 202.224.3154 |
| US Senator Thom Tillis | 202.224.6342 |
| US Congresswomen Virginia Foxx | 336.778.0211 |
| Consumer Safety | 800.638.2772 |
| Farm Service Agency | 336.679.8821 |
| FDA | 888.463.6332 |
| Internal Revenue Service | 800.829.1040 |
| Department of Labor | 866.487.2365 |
| Medicaid & Medicare | 877.267.2323 |
| Social Security | 800.772.1213 |
| Veterans Affairs | 800.827.1000 |
| US Postal Service | |
| Boonville | 336.367.7850 |
| East Bend | 336.699.3179 |
| Jonesville | 336.835.5047 |
| Hamptonville | 336.468.2919 |
| Yadkinville | 336.679.8310 |
| Heathcare.gov | 800.318.2596 |

Law Enforcement—STATE/FEDERAL

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| NC Alcohol Law Enforcement | 828.294.2226 |
| NC Alarm System Licensing | 919.788.5320 |
| NC Corrections | 919.716.3100 |
| NC Highway Patrol | 919.733.7952 |
| NC Highway Patrol | 336.835.5121 |
| NC Medicaid Fraud Unit | 919.881.2320 |
| NC Private Protective Services | 919.788.5320 |
| NC SBI | 919.662.4500 |
| NC Sheriff Standards | 919.779.8213 |
| ATF Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms | 336.235.4950 |
| FBI (Local) | 704.672.6100 |
| DEA Drug Enforcement | 202.305.8500 |
| US Marshal | 336.332.8700 |

Frequent Numbers

| | |
|---|--------------|
| American Cancer Society | 800.227.2345 |
| American Red Cross | 704.376.1661 |
| Arts Council | 336.679.2941 |
| Better Business Bureau | 336.725.8348 |
| Cancer Services, Inc | 336.760.9983 |
| Chamber of Commerce | 336.679.2200 |
| Christian Ministries (East Bend) | 336.699.4544 |
| Christian Ministries (Yadkinville) | 336.677.3080 |
| Domestic Violence | 336.679.2072 |
| Grace Clinic | 336.835.1467 |
| Hands of Hope Medical Clinic | 336.244.8201 |
| Historical Society | 336.679.2702 |
| Humane Society | 336.463.4990 |
| Work Force | 336.679.5627 |
| Jonesville Tri-County | 336.526.1089 |
| Juvenile Services | 336.679.2541 |
| Hospice-Mountain Valley | 336.679.2466 |
| Meals on Wheels | 336.367.3522 |
| New Horizons | 336.677.3843 |
| New Hope Pregnancy Care | 336.679.7101 |
| PART | 336.883.7278 |
| Poison Control | 800.222.1222 |
| Smart Start | 336.679.7833 |
| YMCA | 336.679.7962 |
| Vocational Rehab/ Independent Living | 336.679.4044 |
| United Fund | 336.679.4462 |



Know what's below.
Call 811 Before You Dig.

EMERGENCY - 911

Duke Energy
800.419.6356

Surry Yadkin Electric
800.682.5903

Energy United
800.386.4833

YADTEL
336.463.5047

Poison Control
800.848.6946

ROAD SIGN
missing?



Call
(336) 849-7720
to report

Human Services Agency

The Mission of the Yadkin County Human Services Agency is to protect and improve the health and quality of life of the citizens of Yadkin County. This is accomplished through the strengthening of families, promotion of self-sufficiency, eliminating poverty, assuring and maintaining a healthy environment, education of the people, providing preventative health services and enforcing state rules and regulations.

Yadkin County Human Services Agency is comprised of 77 employees with the social services division, health division and the animal shelter division. The Human Services Agency was formed in February 2013 at which time the Board of Yadkin County Commissioners consolidated operations of the Department of Social Services and the Health Department. Later in 2013 the Animal Shelter was added to the Human Services Agency.

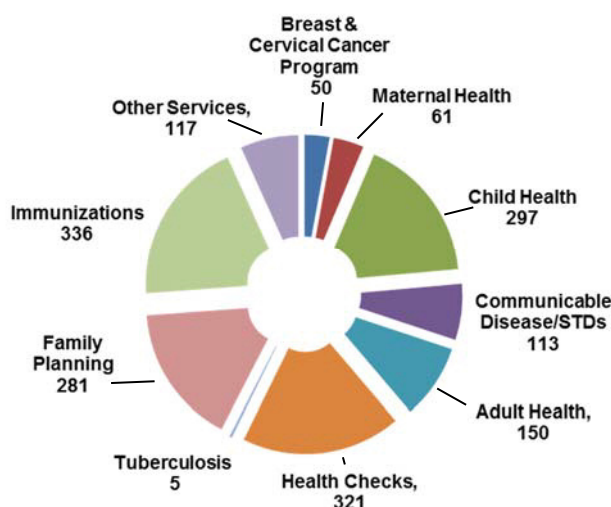
With an annual budget for all divisions of approximately \$9,708,427 in FY 15/16, much of this budget is comprised of state and federal dollars.

The Health Division of the agency includes the Yadkin County Medical Clinic, WIC, and Environmental Health. The Medical Clinic provides the following public health programs to eligible County residents; Breast and Cervical Cancer Program, Maternal Health, Child Health, Communicable Disease/STD's, Family Planning and Immunizations. WIC is a special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children. This program is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). WIC is located in the upstairs of the County Human resources building in the benefits section. The number of residents and the service received in FY15/16 can be seen in the chart below.



Kim Harrell
Director

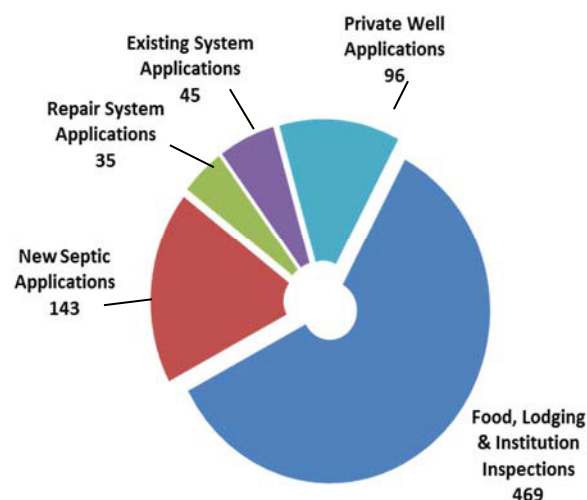
Public Health Programs



Jessica Wall
Assistant Director

The Environmental Health division of our agency has two main program areas, the Food, Lodging and Institution (FLI) section and the On-site Water Protection (OSWP) section. The FLI section is responsible for the regulations, permitting and inspection of all of the food service facilities in the county, including school cafeterias and nursing home food service. Additionally, we inspect all lodging facilities, child care centers, school buildings, nursing home and hospital buildings, residential care facilities, local confinements, tattoo parlors and public swimming pools. The average score across all food services facilities, school buildings, nursing homes, lodging inspected was 94.5. The On-site Water Protection section is responsible for protecting the environment and public health by regulating septic systems and private drinking water wells.

Environmental Health



Human Services Agency

The Social Services Division is the largest division and administers public assistance to income eligible recipients. Services offered through the Social Services division are set out below. The Social Services division also provides child support enforcement services to any County resident that has primary custody of a child and comes in to request this service. There are approximately 5,000 residents who receive Food and Nutrition Services with total monthly benefits of \$521,698.00 while approximately 8,000 residents receive Medicaid.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTERED THROUGH SOCIAL SERVICES

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Food and Nutrition Services | Family and Children's Medicaid | Foster Care |
| Adult Medicaid | Workfirst | Adoption Services |
| Subsidized Child Care | Crisis Intervention Program (CIP) | Licensure & Monitoring Adult Care Homes |
| Child & Adult Protective Services | Foster Home Licensing & Training | Low Income Energy Assistant Program (LIEAP) |



Marcy Mays
Assistant Director

Animal Shelter

The Yadkin County Animal Shelter completed a shelter expansion in June of 2016 with the completion of an isolation/quarantine room. This gave us the increased capacity for 15 additional dogs/cats. The shelter also added a new storage building in 2016.

In FY 15/16 the shelter had 579 animals adopted, rescued or redeemed by owners. Rabies Clinics are held semi-annually and adoption events quarterly.

Our community spay/neuter program served 50 cats and 40 dogs for FY 15/16.

The Animal Shelter is located at 1027 Speaks St, Yadkinville, NC. You can reach Jason by phone at 336-677-2500 or email at jroels@yadkincountync.gov.



Jason Roels
Shelter Manager



Pictured left - Animal Shelter

Below - Isolation/quarantine room addition - June, 2016.



Pictured left - shelter building for additional supply storage



The shelter had 20 people to volunteer in FY2016. Volunteers help with dishes, laundry, feeding, preparing treats, taking out the trash, sweep mop and socialize with the cats and dogs. Volunteers also help with Rabies clinics and adoption events.

Tax



The 2015 tax rate for Yadkin County remained at \$0.66 per \$100 valuation of estimated taxable property situated in the County as of January 1, 2016. The formula used to figure your real and personal property tax is as follows:

$$\text{Property Value } \$150,000.00 \div 100 \times 0.660 = \$990.00$$

The ad valorem tax is based on a total estimated real and personal property valuation of \$2,522,858,932 with an expected collection rate of 95.62%.

The total estimated motor vehicle valuation is \$2,486,498 with an expected collection rate of 100%.

Yadkin County offers a 2% discount for early payment of ad valorem taxes when you pay your taxes during the month of August after receiving your bill.

In addition to the property tax you are billed a fire service tax that is collected by the County and forwarded to each fire department. The rates are requested by each fire department and approved by the County Commissioners.

Contact the Tax Office at 336-679-4223 to inquire about short-term payment options or programs to assist property owners that are veterans, elderly or disabled.

Yadkin County's 2017 Reappraisal & Tax Equalization Program of Real Property

The purpose of this notice is to help the taxpayers of Yadkin County understand what a reappraisal is, how a reappraisal is performed, and how the reappraisal will affect the average property owner.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

The property tax in North Carolina is governed by Subchapter 11 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. Local Boards of Commissioners have very little discretion in property taxes due to these statutes (also known as the Machinery Act) being state law rather than local ordinances. The Machinery Act guarantees all 100 North Carolina Counties will administer the property tax under the same guidelines with a minimum of local discretion.

The Machinery Act requires each county to conduct a reappraisal of real property (land, buildings, and other improvements to the land) at least every eight (8) years. More frequent reappraisals may be conducted at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners. The Act also requires the counties to appraise real property uniformly at its true value in money. True value in money is "the price" estimated in terms of money at which the property would change hands between a willing and financially able buyer and willing seller, neither being under any compulsion to buy or sell and both having reasonable knowledge of all the uses to which the property is adapted and for which it is capable of being used (NCGS 105-283).

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2016 FIRE TAX RATES

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| ARLINGTON | \$0.0800 |
| BOONVILLE | \$0.0725 |
| BUCK SHOALS | \$0.0725 |
| COURTNEY | \$0.0800 |
| EAST BEND | \$0.0675 |
| FALL CREEK | \$0.0600 |
| FORBUSH | \$0.0700 |
| LONE HICKORY | \$0.0750 |
| WEST YADKIN | \$0.0875 |
| YADKINVILLE | \$0.0650 |

Top 10 Taxpayers

| | Values | Tax Amount | Industry |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| UNIFI | \$85,735,554 | \$565,854.66 | Manufacturing |
| DUKE ENERGY | \$50,941,671 | \$336,215.03 | Utility |
| B&G FOOD SNACKS INC. | \$35,977,236 | \$237,449.76 | Manufacturing |
| PVH | \$31,201,181 | \$205,927.79 | Manufacturing |
| LYDALL, INC. | \$30,612,352 | \$202,041.52 | Manufacturing |
| SURRY-YADKIN EMC | \$11,546,814 | \$76,208.97 | Utility |
| GENERAL MOTORS LLC | \$6,331,656 | \$41,788.93 | Leasing |
| PARKDALE AMERICA #25 | \$6,227,102 | \$41,098.87 | Manufacturing |
| ENERGY UNITED EMC | \$5,811,316 | \$38,354.69 | Utility |
| YADKIN NURSING CENTER | \$5,633,948 | \$37,184.06 | Health Care TWE-Advance |

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Simply put, this means when two people trade land for money, both knowing what can and cannot be done with the land, and an agreement on the price is reached and the trade occurs, market value is established. Market value is not necessarily the price for which a realtor may list the land, nor is it the price for which a father may sell his son a piece of land. Market value is generally determined from sales between unrelated and unbiased buyers and seller. This is commonly known as an “arms length” transaction. You may feel this should have no effect on you because you may have owned your property for many years and it is not for sale. However, you will be affected because the Machinery Act requires counties to appraise real property uniformly. If comparable properties in your neighborhood are being sold in the \$50,000 range and there are no significant differences in your property and the comparable properties, it is reasonable to believe your property may be worth in the \$50,000 range. It is unlawful to assess taxes on your neighbors who recently purchased their property at \$50,000.00 and assess your property value at \$20,000.00 because you paid \$20,000.00 for the property twenty years ago.

WHY IS UNIFORMITY AND EQUALIZATION SO IMPORTANT?

The most important point to remember is that the primary goal of reappraisal is uniformity. The purpose of a reappraisal is not to increase revenues or to provide tax breaks, but to fairly, equally and uniformly appraise all real property at its true value in money.

Since ad valorem taxes (property taxes) are based on value, it is important to have all property valued periodically on a uniform basis, using a modern system of valuation. Since market value appraisals become the foundation for assessments, equalized values create equalized and uniform taxes. Equalization also creates a better tax climate in the community since each taxpayer is paying only his or her fair share.

HOW IS MY PROPERTY VALUE DETERMINED?

The 2017 Property Appraisal is being conducted by employees of the Yadkin County Tax Department, “not” by an outside appraisal company. Our appraisers are experienced, real property “Ad Valorem” Tax Appraisers certified by the North Carolina Department of Revenue. Our appraisers continually verify and update the County’s property data files by making onsite and drive-by visits of your property. Please understand that the appraiser does not “set”

value; he or she simply researches the values that have already been established by buyers and sellers in the local real estate market. Then, the appraiser applies knowledge of the local market and appraising experience, using proven methods and procedures for analyzing comparable properties and considering the many factors affecting value, and using the current “Schedule of Values” approved by the local Board of County Commissioners. Your property should appraise at the price of comparable properties on the market, plus or minus adjustments for differing factors.

WHEN ARE THE NEW ASSESSMENTS GOING INTO EFFECT?

The new values became effective on January 1, 2017, so they will be reflected in the tax bills you will receive in August 2017.

WHAT IS THE APPEAL PROCESS IF I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE VALUE?

If after receiving the notice of your new values, you believe that the value as shown on the Reappraisal Notice is in excess of the market value and you have information to support your position, you have a number of steps available in the administrative appeal process.

1. Must file a written request for an Informal Review of your value.
2. If you do not agree with the value determined after the Informal Review you may file a written request for a formal hearing conducted by the County Board of Equalization and Review.

If you do not agree with the value determined after the Formal Review you may appeal to the North Carolina Property Tax Commission in Raleigh. After exhausting these three levels of appeal, your case could be heard by the N.C. Court of Appeals.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE 2017 REAPPRAISAL CONTACT THE TAX OFFICE AT

**101 S. STATE STREET / P.O. BOX 1446
YADKINVILLE, NC 27055
336-679-2308**

Yadkin County Sheriff's Office



A message from the Sheriff...

Another year has passed and once again it is time to reflect on what we have accomplished. It is also time to look ahead and set new goals for the Sheriff's Office for next year. Thanks to the hard work of employees at the Sheriff's Office we were able to meet our goals for last year and continued to improve services to Yadkin County.

Last year over 41,000 calls for service was received by Telecommunicators here at the Sheriff's Office. As you review the statistical data from last year you will see that the number of robberies, assaults and burglaries were all down from the previous year. Due to this reduction in crime the overall number of arrests and persons detained were down slightly from last year. The Sheriff's Office remained focused on its priority of aggressive drug enforcement, which resulted in the large increase of drug related arrests. Domestic violence calls went up slightly, but were still down from 2013 and 2014 reports. The numbers of animal related calls were down from last year, however Animal Control Officers still responded to over 2100 calls for service. The Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Program presented over 300 programs in schools, senior centers, church groups and businesses throughout the County. Some of our top programs were drug awareness, anti-bullying, elder abuse, scams and frauds, animal awareness, child safety, domestic violence, business safety and home protection. The building of the new Detention Center continues to pay off in many ways. Not only did it eliminate the huge cost of out of county housing and transportation, it now generates approximately \$20,000 a month in revenue from housing inmates from other counties.

Professional development has been an internal project of our agency since I took office. During the past year employees of the Sheriff's Office received over 2100 hours of training. The Agency adopted an online training program for completion of state mandated training, which resulted in a cost savings of approximately \$20,000 in overtime. A new Field Training Officer program was developed that provides newly hired deputies with three months of supervised on the job training. Additionally a career ladder program has been developed that allows employees to advance once they have met established criteria in training, performance evaluations and years of service. As a result of these programs, seven deputies have already been awarded with Advanced Law Enforcement Certificates from the NC Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission. Our goal in the end is to provide high quality professional law enforcement to the citizens of Yadkin County.

If you are now reading this report, the elections are over and our country has new leadership. My hope is that all elected to leadership positions will embrace the US Constitution and the NC Constitution as they were written and will look to God for guidance and listen to the will of the people. This country desperately needs leadership that will bring us together instead of finding ways to divide us as a nation. We were all created equal, and all lives matter. The Yadkin County Sheriff's Office will continue its efforts to provide all citizens with professional and cost effective law enforcement. Again, I would like to thank the employees of the Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Yadkin County as they work together to make this County a better place to call home.

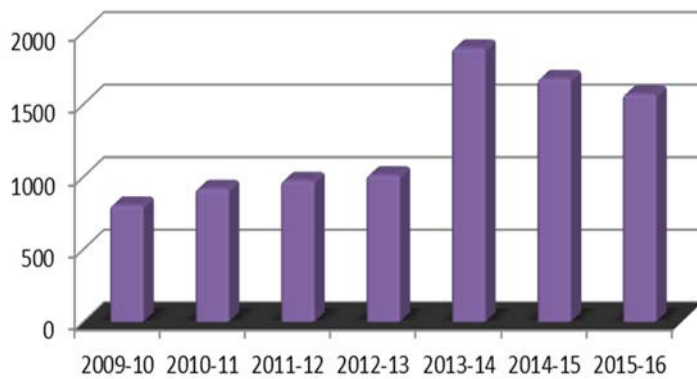
May God bless you and keep you safe,

Sheriff Ricky Oliver

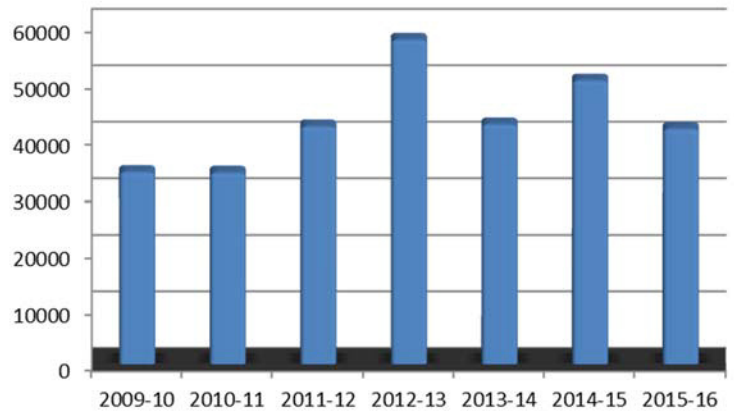


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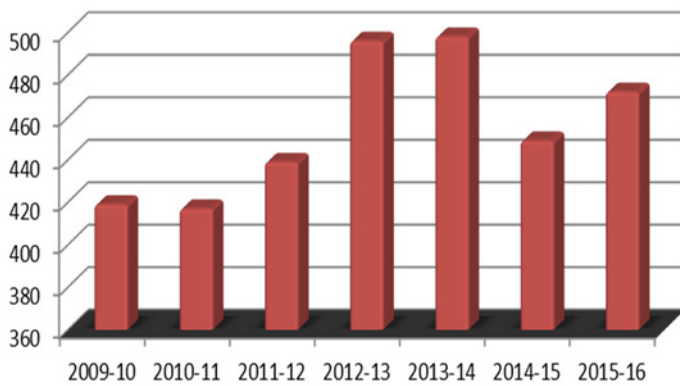
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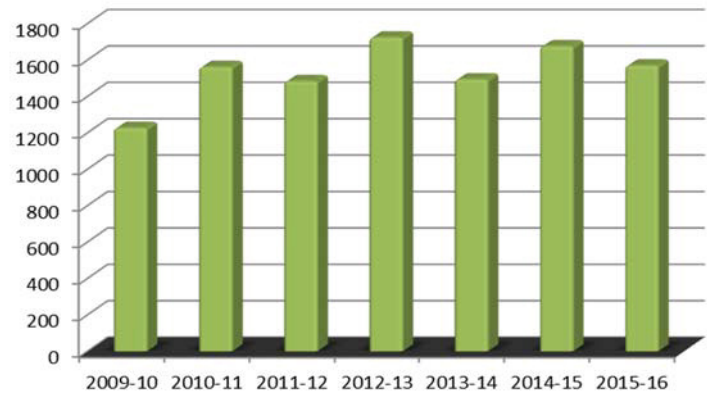
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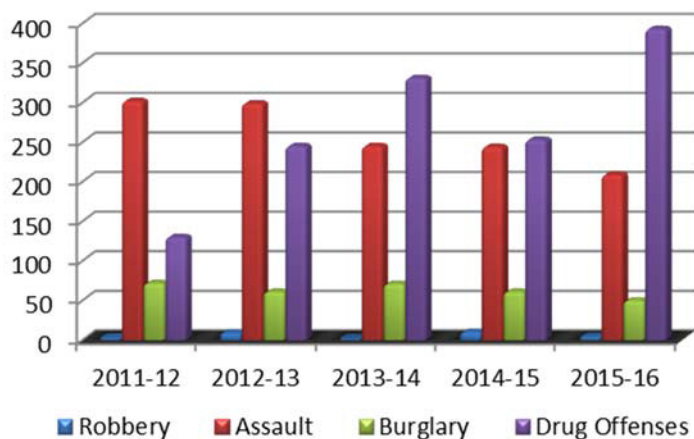
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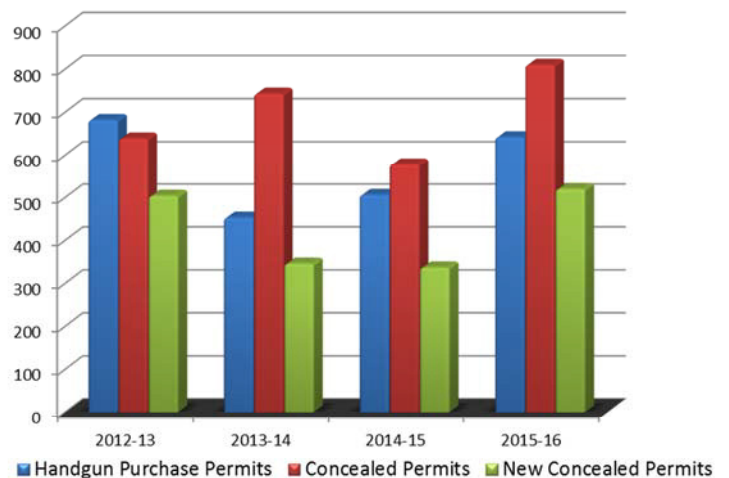
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GUN PERMITS



Parks & Recreation

Yadkin County Parks & Recreation operates Memorial Park/Lake Hampton, Yadkin County Park, Styers Mill Park, Donnaha Park, Shores River Access and Huntsville River Access.

Yadkin Memorial Park/Lake Hampton has been open for 2 years offering a beautiful and peaceful setting for citizens to enjoy. The park's amenities include: 2 picnic shelters, a multipurpose trail, playground, picnic tables, grills, two fishing piers and a boat launch. Kayaks and Jon boats are available for rent to use on Lake Hampton. Non-gas powered private boats are permitted on the lake. A registered agent for the NC Wildlife Resources Commission is on staff and citizens can purchase hunting/fishing license as well as register their boats while at Memorial Park. Duck Hunting is offered through a lottery system on Lake Hampton. Yadkin County has been adding onto the current walking trail to the downstream side of the Hood-Chamberlain Dam. When completed, the trail will be approximately two miles one way. Memorial Park is located at 1142 Crystal Lane, Yadkinville, NC. Reservations and questions can be answered by calling 336-849-7751.



Jason Walker
Director of
Parks & Recreation
and Soil & Water

FY 2016 rentals/sales:

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|-------------------------|------|---------------------------|-----|
| Boat Launch | 1775 | Vessel Registrations | 179 |
| Boat Launch Season Pass | 192 | Duck Hunting Applications | 197 |
| Boat Rental | 1063 | Duck Blind Permits | 80 |
| Boat License Sold | 581 | Shelter Reservations | 68 |

Yadkin County Park offers a swimming pool, playground, sports fields, nature trail, walking trail, fishing pier, 2 small fishing ponds, amphitheater, disc golf course and 2 picnic shelters. The park has recently finished a new shelter at the entrance of the disc golf course where players can meet before a round or get away from passing rainstorms. Recently completed is Yadkin County's first dog park located directly behind the Ted C Williams Amphitheatre, offering a small and large dog lot with handicap accessibility. The amphitheater and large shelter next to the playground, have also been renovated, including new flooring, cabinets, countertops and appliances. The Yadkin County Park is located at 6600 Service Road, Yadkinville, NC. Contact the park office at 336-679-4228 for reservations or information.

FY 2016 rentals/sales:

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|--------------------|------|
| Pool Passes Sold | 5300 |
| Shelter Rentals | 47 |
| Ball Field Rentals | 262 |
| Pool Party Rentals | 28 |



Yadkin County maintains 3 river accesses located at different places along the Yadkin River, intended to give citizens easy access for launching a boat or fishing from the banks. These access points are Donnaha Park, Yadkin Shores River Access and Huntsville River Access. Yadkin County works closely with the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) to monitor locations and provide guidance to citizens. Donnaha Park has recently been added to the NCWRC list of boat and fishing accesses and is scheduled for an upgrade in the 2017 Fiscal Year. A new boat ramp and parking area will be constructed by the NCWRC similar to the recent project completed at the Yadkin Shores River Access. If you have any questions about the Yadkin County River Accesses please call the Yadkin County Park office at 336-679-4228.

For up to date information regarding Parks & Recreation please visit www.yadkincountync.gov.



Yadkin County Agricultural & Educational Building

We are very pleased with the completion of the Yadkin County Agricultural & Educational Building located at 2051 Agricultural Way on the campus of Surry Community College's Yadkin Center on Highway 601.

This facility offers additional classrooms and labs on the lower level for Surry Community College and the Early College to use and on the upper level; it provides office space for NC Cooperative Extension, Soil and Water Conservation District (NRCS), USDA Farm Services Agency and NC Forest Service. The upper level also offers two Banquet Rooms that may be combined into one larger room and a commercial kitchen that are available for rent for private and public functions.

Naming Rights opportunities are still available for the upper level. Naming Rights are available for the office suites and the commercial kitchen for a 10 or 20 time period. The funds received will help maintain the areas and provide equipment/supplies for the commercial kitchen. The Naming Rights also includes complimentary usage of the banquet rooms. Donations in any amount are also appreciated. For more information contact County Manager, Lisa Hughes at 336-679-4200.



The Yadkin County Agricultural & Educational Building is a perfect location for meetings, parties and weddings and is located in Yadkinville, NC. The Banquet Room offers one large room that accommodates approximately 306 people seated with tables and 655 without tables. The room can be separated into two smaller rooms.

- * Room A (204) accommodates approximately 189 people seated with tables / 404 without tables
- * Room B (202) accommodates approximately 117 people seated with tables / 251 without tables

A podium, audio/visual equipment, wireless microphones and sound system are available for use with a system laptop at no additional charge. Rental also includes tables and chairs.

A commercial kitchen is also available for rent with the banquet room. Kitchen rental includes preparation areas, refrigerator, freezer, stove, oven, coffee maker, ice maker, plates, goblets, coffee cups/saucers, flatware, utensils and pitchers.

Call 336-679-4200 to inquire about renting the Banquet Room for your event or meeting. Booking for 2017 now!

Public Buildings

The Public Buildings Department is responsible for the overall cleaning and maintenance of public buildings owned by Yadkin County. Yadkin County owns 40 buildings and is currently responsible for the maintenance of 233,505 square feet of floor space. During FY 2016, 409 maintenance work order tickets were processed. Public Buildings also maintains the five automobiles that are maintained within the Yadkin County vehicle fleet.

Water & Sewer

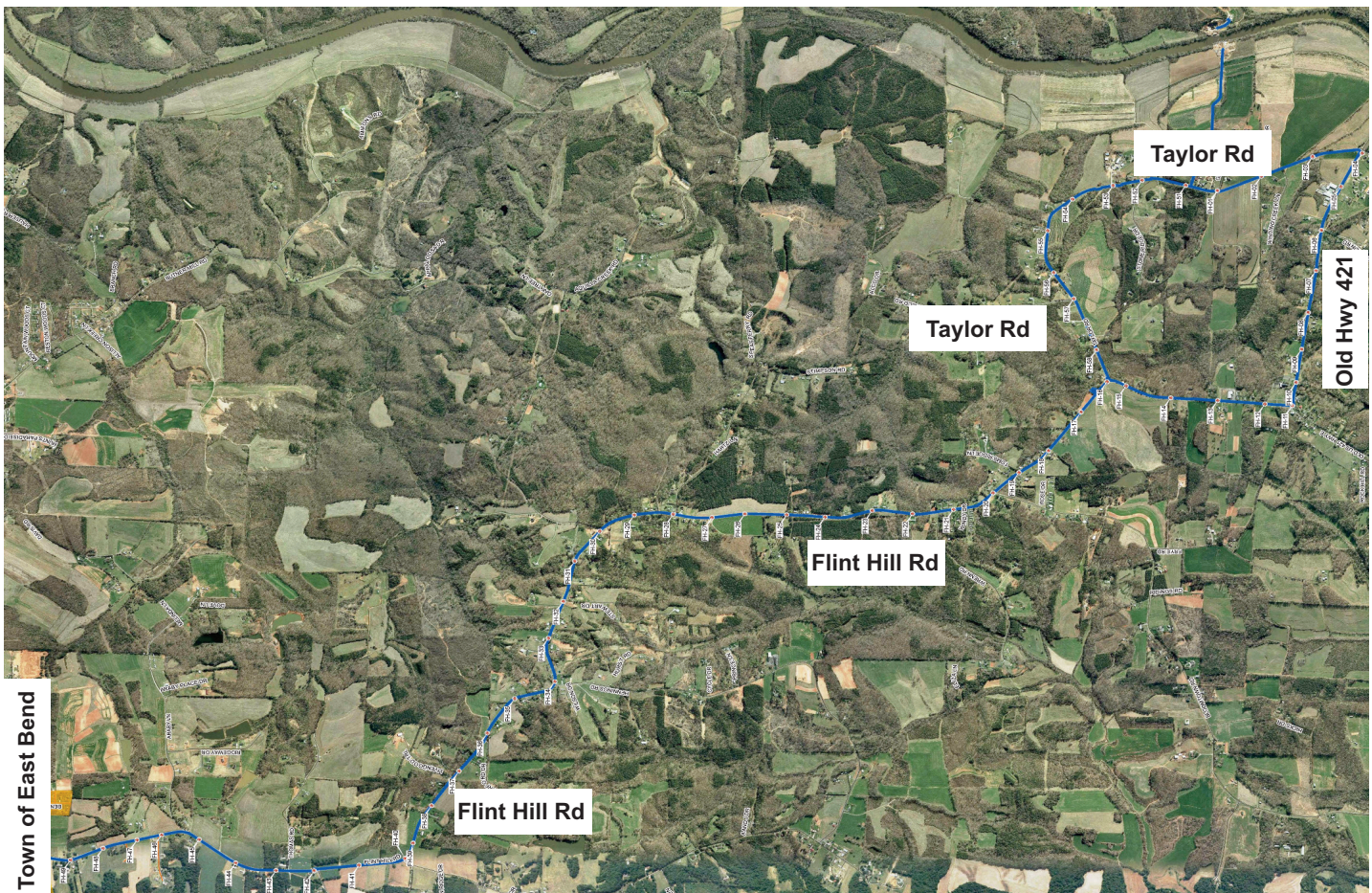
The County owns two water lines and one sewer line that were initiated for economic development purposes. Typically, water and sewer operations are functions of towns rather than counties. The County has purchase agreements with the Towns of Yadkinville and Jonesville for the water and maintenance agreements with the Town of Yadkinville for water and sewer. The County maintains its waterline on Highway 21.

The Town of East Bend approached the County about assisting them with water because its wells were contaminated and East Bend was having difficulty obtaining financing for a new system. The County entered into an Agreement with Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Utilities Commission to sell Yadkin County water through the pipe installed under their dam on the Yadkin River. Yadkin County then entered into an Agreement to sell the Town of East Bend water. The County has obtained financing through a \$4.1 million 0% interest loan from the NC Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and a \$300,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission.

The waterline will connect to the Winston Salem/Forsyth County Utilities Commission line and come up Old 421, Taylor Road and Flint Hill Road to East Bend. This line required approximately 150 easements and will be 54,000 linear feet long. Property owners along the line were given the opportunity to purchase a tap for a reduced fee prior to the construction contracts being awarded.

The construction contract has been awarded to Charles D. Lowder, Inc. of Winston-Salem. Construction should begin in December 2016.

Below is a map of the East Bend Waterline location.



Solid Waste & Recycling

Yadkin County provides 8 convenience sites available to 12,500 households located throughout the unincorporated areas of Yadkin County to drop off bagged household garbage and mixed recyclables.

Costs of Managing Solid Waste and Recyclables

In Fiscal Year 2015-16, the volume of solid waste (26,861 tons) and recyclables (1,389 tons) collected reached 5-year highs.

In Fiscal Year 2015-16, approximately 611 tons of single-stream recyclables were collected from convenience sites, schools, and other County facilities and processed at the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in Conover, NC.

In Fiscal Year 2015-16, Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) was collected from the convenience sites, schools, and other County facilities and transported to the Yadkin County Transfer Station. After arriving at the Transfer Station, approximately 26,861 tons of MSW was transported to Foothills Regional Landfill in Caldwell County. The cost of collecting, transporting, and disposing of trash in Yadkin County was \$1,619,721 or \$60.30 per ton in FY 2015-16.



Shannon Harris
Solid Waste
Operations Supervisor

Over the past year Yadkin County recovered recyclable materials from the waste stream at the following costs:

| Materials | Amount Recovered | Direct Cost* | Cost Per Unit |
|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Scrap Tires | 541 tons | \$42,258 | \$78.05/Ton |
| Electronics | 63.5 tons | \$15,423 | \$242.88/Ton |
| White Goods | 173.5 tons | \$0 | \$0 |
| Motor Oil | 2,105 gallons | \$240 | \$0.11/Gallon |
| Oil Filters | 3 (55-gallon barrels) | (See Above) | N/A |
| Pesticides | 2,167 lbs. | \$0 | \$0 |
| Single-Stream | 611.4 tons | \$47,441 | \$77.60/Ton |

*Direct cost is the cost of contracted service.



*Be sure to visit
www.yadkincountync.gov
for updated fee schedules
and all information regarding
solid waste & recycling*



SOLID WASTE FACILITIES

| Site Number/Name | Address | Phone # | Hours |
|---|---|--------------|--|
| Solid Waste Facility (Transfer Site) | 1149 Landfill Road Yadkinville, NC 27055 | 336-849-7720 | M-F 8am-4:30pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 1, US HWY 21 *in front of the EMS Station | 1008 Catherine Lane Jonesville, NC 28642 | 336-526-4700 | Mon-Thur- Fri 11am-7pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 2, Maranatha Ch. Rd. *off of 421 West | 3016 Maranatha Ch Rd. Hamptonville, NC 27020 | 336-468-1818 | Mon & Thur 11am-7pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 3, Patterson Mill Rd. | 1810 Patterson Mill Road Yadkinville, NC 27055 | 336-367-5742 | Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 4, Mill Hill *off NC 67 E on Mill Hill & Dal Rd | 3304 Dal Road East Bend, NC 27018 | 336-699-4304 | Mon & Thur 11am-7pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 5, Lone Hickory | 1209 Lone Hickory Road Yadkinville, NC 27055 | 336-463-4632 | Mon & Thur 11am-7pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 6, Speer Bridge | 1405 Speer Bridge Road Yadkinville, NC 27055 | 336-961-6321 | M, Tu, Th & Fr 11am-7pm Sat 8am-2pm |
| Site No. 7, Hamptonville | 3240 Hamptonville Road Hamptonville, NC 27020 | 336-468-1448 | Sat 8am-2pm |

NC Cooperative Extension

North Carolina Cooperative Extension partners with communities to deliver education and technology that enrich the lives, land and economy of North Carolinians. Cooperative Extension is the outreach arm of North Carolina State and North Carolina A&T State Universities. We are county agents, professors, scientists and volunteers working together to improve the quality of life in North Carolina. The key components of NC Cooperative Extension's mission are:



- ✓ Sustaining agriculture and forestry
- ✓ Protecting the environment
- ✓ Maintaining viable communities
- ✓ Developing responsible youth
- ✓ Developing strong, healthy & safe families



Colleen Church, Director

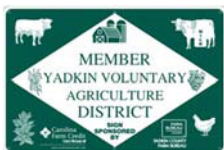
In 2015, Yadkin County Cooperative Extension served 22,934 county residents through educational workshops, demonstrations, field days, newsletters, and individual consultations. Yadkin County Extension agents and volunteers delivered 116 educational programs for 720 hours of training to 4,054 participants. During the past year, 664 Extension volunteers made 3,019 contacts and contributed 3,463 hours of volunteer service. Visit us online at www.yadkin.ces.ncsu.edu or contact us at 336.679.2061.

Through 4-H, hundreds of thousands of North Carolina's young people learn new skills and serve their communities each year. 4-H offers clubs, special interest programs, summer camps and school enrichment. Guided by NC Cooperative Extension agents and adult and teen volunteers, 4-H'ers gain knowledge, skills and experience that help them become responsible citizens and leaders. Through 4-H 2,651 youth increased their knowledge and skill set in STEM areas (science, technology, engineering and math).



NCECA, Inc. is a voluntary nonprofit organization functioning in cooperation with NC Cooperative Extension. Their mission is to strengthen families and communities through leadership development, community action, educational support and research based education from North Carolina State University and NC A&T State University.

Extension Master Gardener volunteers work with NC Cooperative Extension to provide gardeners with unbiased, research based information on gardens, lawns and landscapes. Under the guidance of Extension agents, volunteers complete a 40 hour training program, pass an examination, and complete a 40 hour internship. To remain active in the program volunteers must log a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service and 12 hours of continuing education each year.



The purpose of the Yadkin County Voluntary Agricultural District (VAD) program is to encourage the preservation and protection of farm and forestland from non-farm development. The State of North Carolina passed the Farmland Preservation Enabling Act in 1985, which authorized counties to establish farmland preservation programs, including agricultural districts.

The NC Cooperative Extension office is located at 2051 Agricultural Way, Yadkinville, NC 27055.

2015 Yadkin County Agricultural Statistics Source: 2015 NC Agricultural Statistics Book, NCDA&CS

| Commodity | Acres Harvested | Production Number | Rank in NC |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------|
| Corn for Grain (Bu.) | 11,200 | 1,335,000 | 26 |
| Hay (Tons) | 17,800 | 43,000 | 8 |
| Soybeans (Bu.) | 18,400 | 761,000 | 32 |
| Grapes (Farms) | 142 | 30 | 5 |
| Broilers | | 6,400,000 | 32 |
| Layers | | 1,100,000 | 2 |
| All Cattle | | 20,000 | 10 |
| Beef Cows | | 8,700 | 8 |
| Milk Cows | | 1,400 | 9 |
| Milk (Lbs.) | | 50,400,000 | 3 |
| Total Cash Receipts | | \$132,003,420 | 34 |

| Statistics | 1992 | 2002 | 2012 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Number of Farms | 968 | 1,044 | 952 |
| Land in Farms (acres) | 103,773 | 117,105 | 100,483 |
| Market Value Products Sold \$(1,000) | 43,133 | 65,023 | 124,670 |
| Tobacco (# of Farms) | 352 | 130 | 34 |
| Tobacco (acres) | 4,632 | 2,584 | 2,269 |
| Tobacco (1,000 lbs.) | 9,757 | 5,800 | 5,167 |
| Tobacco Sales (\$1,000) | 14,970 | 9,624 | 9,401 |

Soil & Water

The Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District operates under the guidance of the Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Board. The district office works with landowners to provide technical assistance to improve water quality and minimize soil erosion. The Soil and Water District also operates the 15 flood control structures within Yadkin County including the Hood/Chamberlain (5D) Reservoir.

In FY2016 there were 372 conservation plans covering 21,250 acres for practices that support the Farm Bill and other federal and state programs. Practices in these plans include crop based rotations, animal waste management, livestock exclusions, grassed waterways, field borders and other conservation practices.

The Soil & Water office is located at 2051 Agricultural Way, Yadkinville, NC.

Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Board: Mr. Lenuel Chamberlain, Chairman; Mr. Bobby Matthews Jr., Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Jo Linville; Mr. Van Hemric and Mr. Grady Shore.



Shugart Dam, an earthen dam



Hood - Chamberlain Dam

Senior Services

New Horizons Home Care, Inc. contracts with Yadkin County and the Piedmont Triad Regional Council Area Aging on Aging and Yadkin County Human Services Agency to provide the services listed below. Services available include In-Home Aide for Home Management/Personal Care and Caregiver Support Program and Community Respite. In 2015 we served: 308 individuals with the number of client visits being 21,366 for a total of 62,010 hours.

New Horizons Home Care, Inc. is located at **648 Carolina Avenue, Yadkinville, N.C.** And can be reached by calling at **336-677-3843** or online at **www.newhorizonshomecare.com**.



SERVICES AVAILABLE THROUGH YVEDDI SENIOR SERVICES

Caregiver Classes
General and Medical Transportation
Home Repair/Weatherization
Insurance Counseling/SHIP
Job Training/Placement

Congregate & Home Delivered Meals
Telephone Reassurance
Fellowship Opportunities
Day Trips/Senior Suppers
Social Security Information

Legal Services
Support Groups
Tax Preparation
Health Screenings
Senior Games &
Silver Arts

EAST BEND
473 East Main St. - East Bend
336-699-5100
Rhonda Beavers
Hours 8am - 5pm
Monday - Friday

YADKINVILLE
207 East Hemlock St. - Yadkinville
336-679-3596
Wendy Hayden
Hours 8am - 5pm
Monday - Friday

YADKIN VALLEY
121 Delos Martin Dr. - Jonesville
336-526-1087
Gilda Pruitt
Hours 8am - 5pm
Monday - Friday

Yadkin County Schools



The Yadkin County School System is comprised of fourteen schools; eight elementary schools, two middle schools, two traditional high schools, one Early College and the Yadkin Success Academy. Our schools are staffed by tremendously talented people who place children first every day. Our teachers, school leaders and other employees work diligently each day to provide the best educational opportunities they can for their students. We are proud that so many wonderful teachers and support personnel choose to work in Yadkin County Schools.

Yadkin County Schools is large enough to offer many educational programs for students but small enough to know every student's name. Over the past two years, Yadkin County Schools completed a 1:1 initiative. The initiative included purchasing laptops for all students at the high schools and middle schools to use. Students have access to Google Chromebooks and teachers create lessons that incorporate the use of technology. In the continuing quest to offer more educational opportunities, Chromebooks will be purchased for each elementary school sixth grade English Language Arts teacher to use. These teachers will be trained to incorporate technology into their daily lessons and on the use of our technology learning platform. Additionally, for the first time ever, high school students will be able to take classes through the Yadkin Virtual Academy. Students in the Virtual Academy take classes online. Currently seven courses are offered and we plan to add more each year. These classes are designed and taught by our teachers. We believe this will enable our high school students to have more flexibility and choice when designing their schedules. Additionally, Yadkinville Elementary School is now recognized as an A+ school. This means that Yadkinville is now an arts-based school and the arts are incorporated into the existing curriculums. This has brought a new dimension to classroom instruction for Yadkinville's students.

Two years ago, Yadkin County Schools started a Lego Robotics League for elementary and middle school students. Students build robots using Legos and program the robots to perform specific tasks. These students also work with mentors from local businesses and industries to learn more about Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). This program will culminate with a Lego Robotic League tournament in November. Also, for the first time we hope to have teams at the high school level. The formation of the league was made possible by grant funding and by the support of local business and industries here in Yadkin County.

A second classroom building was opened on the Yadkin Center of Surry Community campus where the Early College is housed. Because of the construction of the Yadkin Agricultural and Educational Building, Early College students have increased access to top-quality lab and classroom space. Additionally, students from the other high schools have the opportunity to travel to the Yadkin Center to take college courses and earn college credit free of charge while still in high school. There are also plans to construct a third building on the Yadkin Center campus. This new building will house an advanced manufacturing center that will provide training for those interested in pursuing employment in Yadkin County's industries and courses for interested high school students.

Yadkin County Schools continues its pursuit to offer top-quality educational experiences for all students. We recognize that our students are our greatest resource and so we continue our work to provide them with an innovative, positive educational experience.

Dr. Todd Martin, Superintendent
Dr. Myra Cox, Assistant Superintendent



Yadkin County Schools would like to congratulate Mr. Jake Hoots—2016-2017 Teacher of the Year. Jake Hoots is a math teacher at Forbush High School and a product of Yadkin County Schools. Jake attended Catawba College where he played football for 2 years. Upon completion of his sophomore year he decided to attend NC State to pursue a degree in finance. After graduating from NC State he went to work with his father but felt like something was missing and he was not using the gifts and abilities he had effectively. Upon taking the role of a Sunday School teacher, the fulfillment he received from working with the young boys in his class caused him to remember what all those former educators had told him about his need to become a teacher. Jake says that "Since becoming a teacher, God has confirmed with him over and over again that he is doing what He created him to do". He enjoys the relationships he builds with the Forbush High School students and the opportunity to influence their lives in a positive way. He sees the teaching profession as an opportunity to build relationships and influence his students to aspire to be good parents, spouses and citizens. Mr. Hoots says "The monetary rewards may not be great, but I am proud to be a part of the noblest profession. I never wanted to be a teacher, but I'm glad I became one".

Yadkin County Schools would like to congratulate Dr. Jed Cockrell – 2016-2017 Yadkin County Schools Principal of the Year. This honor is voted on annually by the principals of Yadkin County for one of their peers they feel has exemplified what it means to be a principal. Dr. Cockrell has served as a teacher and assistant principal prior to obtaining his principalship, serving at Courtney Elementary School. He is very fluent in data and interpreting it to find areas where improvement is needed and then looking for new ideas to improve the ways schools function. Dr. Cockrell has done this throughout his educational career. Even while he was a teacher in the classroom, he was leading discussions on data driven instruction to best meet the needs of students with his colleagues and school administrators. He has carried this "student first" mindset into his principalship. Dr. Cockrell has also just completed and been awarded his doctoral degree this past spring.



YADKIN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

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Yadkin Center - Surry Community College

Surry Community College is focused on expanding educational programming in Yadkin County at the Yadkin Center campus, and thanks to the partnership with the Yadkin County Board of Commissioners for additional classroom space, the college has been able to move forward with this goal.

A large group of dignitaries broke ground for the Yadkin County Agricultural & Educational Building on Dec. 5, 2014, at a special ceremony at the plot behind the Yadkin Center. Dr. David Shockley, President of Surry Community College, spoke about the importance that the Yadkin County Agricultural & Educational Building will have on the college's growth in serving the citizens of Yadkin County.

"This facility will be a game changer for Surry Community College in Yadkin County, and it will allow us, for the first time, to totally be able to offer an Associate in Arts degree for those students not enrolled in the Yadkin Early College who desire to do the college transfer program, right here in Yadkin County without having to leave. We are so excited about this opportunity," Shockley said.

In Fall 2016, two curriculum programs – the Associate in Arts degree and Mechatronics degree – were added to the Yadkin Center's existing offerings. The College Transfer program offers a quality education at an affordable price, giving students not only a chance to explore different classes before committing to their major, but also a head start on a bachelor's degree before attending a four-year college or university. Students can also begin working on a degree, diploma or certificate in Mechatronics Engineering at the Yadkin Center. Mechatronics Engineering Technology is an advanced manufacturing field that combines electronics, mechanical engineering and robotics. Surry's Mechatronics Engineering students are highly skilled, high-tech trouble shooters that are finding good paying jobs in a field that's in high demand.

A ribbon cutting ceremony for the new building was held on June 1, 2016, along with a ground breaking ceremony for the G. Allen Mebane IV Industrial Training Center. The college held a Yadkin Center Open House on June 30, 2016, to show off the new classroom space and introduce the additional curriculum offerings along with spotlighting other programs offered by the college. Around 100 prospective students attended the event with their family and friends in what turned out to be a true community event.

Before Fall 2016 class registration ended at the Yadkin Center, a second session of Mechatronics classes were added. Additional History classes were also scheduled to meet the demand for College Transfer. Curriculum enrollment at the Yadkin Center increased by 32 percent from Fall 2015 (246 students) to Fall 2016 (325 students) due to the new course offerings.

The college plans to continue offering additional educational programming to the citizens of Yadkin County. The G. Allen Mebane IV Industrial Training Center will be build on the Yadkin campus along with the construction of a new truck driving range that will be Professional Truck Driver Institute (PTDI) certified. In Fall 2017, the college will begin offering Welding, Computer-Integrated Machining, and Electrical classes in addition to offering the Truck Driving Training classes on the Yadkin Center campus. Currently, these classes are held at a private range off-site.

The Yadkin Center also currently offers Customized Industry training sessions with Ed Gann, Nurse Aide, Fire & Rescue, Highway Patrol, Small Business Center seminars, Computer Technology classes, Adult Basic Education, College and Career Readiness, High School Equivalency, Adult High School Diploma, and many continuing education classes such as Notary Public, Pet Grooming, Motor Vehicle Dealer, and Defensive Driving.

The Yadkin Center has been home to the Yadkin Early College since 2007, and currently 230 students are enrolled in the dual enrollment program where they receive high school and college credits simultaneously through a partnership with Yadkin County Schools and Surry Community College.

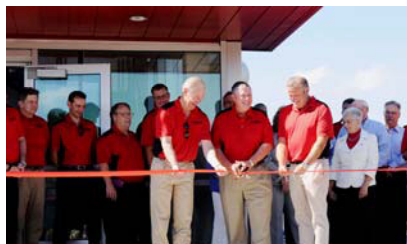
The college's ultimate goal at the Yadkin Center campus is to serve 1,000 curriculum students including Yadkin Early College, College Transfer, Career & College Promise and Engineering Technologies along with 5,000 corporate and continuing education students in Yadkin County.

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Economic Development

Domestic Tourism in Yadkin County generated an economic impact of \$36.16 million in 2015, an increase of 3.13% from 2014. In 2015, Yadkin County ranked 38th in travel impact among North Carolina's 100 counties. Travel generated \$6.36 million in payroll in 2015, and state and local tax revenues from travel to Yadkin County accounted to \$2.83 million. Room taxes are collected by Tourism Development Authorities to specifically promote travel and tourism. In the last fiscal year, Yadkinville TDA collected \$31,153.00, Yadkin County TDA collected \$ 27,017.00, and Jonesville TDA collected \$306,005.00. Yadkin County has seen continued growth of new lodging choices, including Buck Shoals Cabins in Hamptonville, and Christy's Inn Bed & Breakfast and Peppermint Hill Cottage in East Bend.



In June, **Lydall Thermal Acoustical** held a ribbon cutting to dedicate two new buildings on their Hamptonville campus. A new 90,000 square foot manufacturing and warehousing facility and a new 24,000 square foot office facility will serve new growth in the metals division. Golden Leaf Foundation assisted with the project in securing funding for a scrap metal bailer. This bailer will assist in recycling of scrap produced during the manufacturing process. Lydall also operates a fiber division located in Yadkinville, providing problem solving solutions primarily for the automotive industry. Lydall, headquartered in Manchester, Connecticut (NYSE: LDL) has manufacturing operations in the United States, Germany, France, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, and China. Lydall has a total of 2,100 employees, with almost 800 of these based in Yadkin County.

Unifi has recently expanded the **REPREVE® Recycling Center** in Yadkinville. This most recent expansion, located at the Allen G. Mebane Industrial Center Complex will process recycled water bottles into fiber used in thousands of different fabrics and products, available globally. Brands using REPREVE include Ford Motor Company's Fusion, and Focus automobile interiors, apparel by Haggar, Patagonia, Quicksilver, Adidas, Dockers, Polartec, New Balance, Nike, and many others. "Visit Yadkin", the Tourism Development Authority for Yadkin County and Yadkinville, has had a collapsible logo bag manufactured by Chicobag that is made from REPREVE to use at tradeshow and events. REPREVE yarn is also used by **RePatriot Flag Company** to manufacture American flags in various sizes. Between 10 & 15 plastic bottles are recycled to produce the outdoor flags.



B & G Foods announced in July that Mama Mary's manufacturing and warehousing operations would be relocating to their Yadkinville facility. This \$7.6 million investment will create at least 58 new positions in addition to the current full-time workforce of 172 employees. B & G Foods produce many high quality branded shelf-stable and frozen foods across North America. Based in Parsippany, N.J., brands include Accent, Cream of Wheat, Emeril's, Green Giant, Le Sueur, Molly McButter, New York Style, Old London, Ortega, Pirate's Booty and others.

Southland Transportation is consolidating and expanding operations on River Road in Boonville. They are completing a \$1.6 million capital investment to allow the consolidation of facilities currently located in Yadkin and Surry counties. This expansion will create at least six new jobs in Boonville. Southland Transportation currently operates a fleet of over 100 trucks and contracts with an additional 20 owner-operators.



O2 EMC, based in Cornelius, completed construction of a 3.5-megawatt solar farm in Yadkinville in 2015. Located at 2323 Old US 421, Yadkinville Solar covers about 18 acres on land that previously served as a grass airstrip. The farm not only produces clean energy – almost 7 million kilowatt hours of power annually – from the solar panels, it serves as an agricultural farm as well. Mark Hollar uses the fenced area as pastureland for sheep, which cuts down on mowing and provides additional benefits. O2 EMC also hopes the farm will be used by school groups as an educational tool. Yadkinville Solar sells the generated power to Duke Energy, and generates enough power to meet the needs of about 600 homes annually.

Agriculture is the highest source of employment in Yadkin County.

Agriculture = 3,084 jobs

That accounts for 21.2% of Yadkin County's Job Market

(Source Agriculture & Agribusiness Report 2012, NCSU)

| Company Name | Industry | Number Employed |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Unifi Manufacturing Inc. | Manufacturing | 1,000+ |
| Yadkin County Board Of Education | Education & Health Services | 500-999 |
| PVH Corp | Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 500-999 |
| Lydall Thermal/Acoustical | Manufacturing | 500-999 |
| County Of Yadkin | Public Administration | 250-499 |
| Workforce Unlimited | Professional & Business Services | 250-499 |
| B&G Foods Snacks Inc | Manufacturing | 100-249 |
| Yadkin Nursing Care Center Inc | Education & Health Services | 100-249 |
| The Austin Co | Manufacturing | 100-249 |
| Johnsons Modern Electric Co Inc | Construction | 100-249 |
| Peoplelease Corporation | Professional & Business Services | 100-249 |
| Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corp (YADTEL) | Information | 100-249 |
| Food Lion | Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 100-249 |
| Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc. | Leisure & Hospitality | 100-249 |
| Yadkin Valley Economic Development | Human Services | 100-249 |
| Indera Mills Co. | Textile | 50-99 |
| Cohesive Networks Inc | Professional & Business Services | 50-99 |
| Shoreline Healthcare Management LLC | Information | 50-99 |
| YMCA Of Northwest North Carolina | Other Services | 50-99 |
| US Postal Service | Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 50-99 |
| New Horizons Home Care Inc | Education & Health Services | 50-99 |
| Blue Rhino | Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 50-99 |
| Dorsett Technologies | Technology | 50-99 |





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Your tax dollars were used to print and mail this report. The total approximate Yadkin County tax dollars spent on this report was \$18,231.50. This is approximately \$0.49 cents cost to each individual citizen in Yadkin County. This year we printed 18,100 booklets and mailed 18,000.