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How Do Children in House District 117 Fare?

The road to a more prosperous future starts with strategic investments in the health, education, and economic security of children and their families. Smart public policy decisions can improve child well-being.

A Strong Start

Children who attend pre-school perform better in school and have better employment and health outcomes later in life.

5,577

Children in District 117 are under age 6

WHAT WORKS?

- Promote early literacy, starting at birth and going through third grade.

Family Economic Security

Child care consumes a significant portion of household budgets, leaving many families without quality options.

AVERAGE ANNUAL COST BY PROVIDER TYPE AND AGE, NC[1]

	CCC[2]	FH[3]
INFANT	$9,107	$6,828
4-YEAR OLD	$7,471	$5,826
SCHOOL AGED	$3,740	$3,641

WHAT WORKS?

- Make eligibility for child care subsidies consistent at 200% FPL for all children younger than 12.
- Restore pro-rated payments for partial day care.

Healthy Children

The health of children and their parents during the earliest years of life forms the foundation of future health outcomes.

9.9%

Children in District 117 are uninsured

WHAT WORKS?

- Ensure Medicaid reform improves access to high-quality, preventive care.
- Expand Medicaid to cover adults to below 138% FPL

Nurturing Homes and Communities

Children who wander off track require developmentally appropriate interventions that help correct misbehavior and reduce recidivism, without limiting their future life chances.

1,691

16- and 17-year olds live in District 117

WHAT WORKS?

- Raise the age of juvenile court jurisdiction from 16- to 18-years old.
- End the outdated practice of corporal punishment in public schools.

NC Child advances public policies that improve the lives of North Carolina children. We work statewide to ensure that all children are healthy, safe, well-educated, and economically secure by engaging communities and informing decision-makers. County-level data are available online at www.ncchild.org.

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COUNTY: Henderson

DEMOGRAPHICS	DISTRICT 117	STATE
Total population	80,376	9,651,380
Child population	16,863 (21%)	2,275,036
Child population by race and ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.4%	1.3%
Asian	1.5%	2.5%
Black or African American	4.7%	23.7%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	21.5%	14.0%
Other	3.7%	4.9%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0%	0.1%
White, not Hispanic or Latino	69.6%	54.7%

A STRONG START	DISTRICT 117	STATE
Children under age 6	5,577 (34.3%)	755,209 (33%)
Children ages 3 and 4 **not** enrolled in preschool	59.5%	56.5%

FAMILY ECONOMIC SECURITY	DISTRICT 117	STATE
Median household income	$44,236	$46,334
Children in families receiving SSI, SNAP, or cash assistance	24.1%	29.4%
Poverty		
All ages	14.7%	17.5%
Children under age 5	23.3%	29.1%
Children under age 18	20.1%	24.9%
Children with all parents in the labor force		
Under age 6	67.1%	65.8%
Under age 18	70.3%	69.9%

HEALTH AND WELLNESS	DISTRICT 117	STATE
Children with disabilities	6.4%	4.4%
Uninsured by age group		
Adults ages 18-64	26.8%	22.9%
Children under age 18	9.9%	7.4%

HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION	DISTRICT 117	STATE
School age population ages 3-17	12,168	1,705,136
Percent attending public school	87%	87.8%
Educational attainment		
Population age 25 and over with a high school diploma or higher	86.3%	84.9%
Population age 25 and over with a bachelor's degree or higher	26.4%	27.3%

NURTURING HOMES AND COMMUNITIES	DISTRICT 117	STATE
Grandparents living with and responsible for grandchildren	54.5% (858)	48.6% (100,422)

DATA NOTES AND SOURCES

Unless otherwise noted, all data are from the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2009-2013 5-Year Estimates.[1] Child Care Aware of America. 2014 Child Care in America State Facts. For more data and information on the well-being of children in your district, visit www.ncchild.org or contact Laila A. Bell at laila@ncchild.org.

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