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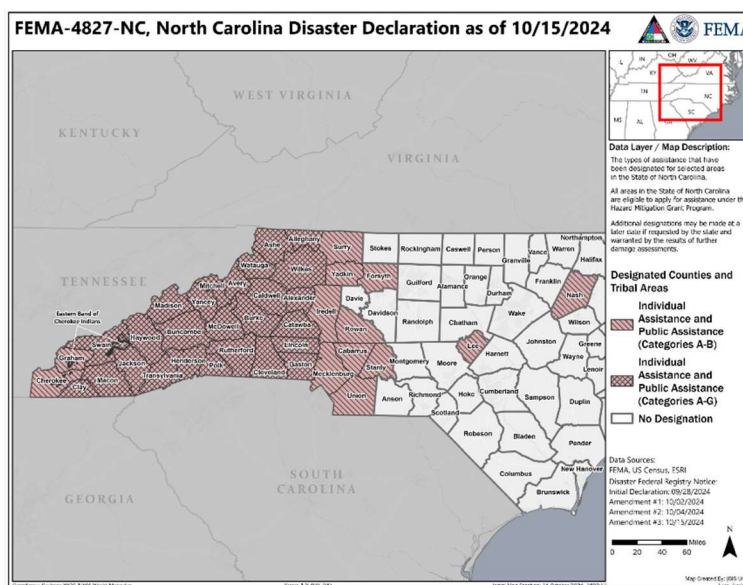
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INTRODUCTION

This report provides an overview of the state and federal funds dedicated to Hurricane Helene relief and recovery efforts through June 30, 2025, and how North Carolina is using those resources to aid affected communities as required by [SL 2025-2 \(HB 47\) § 4.1\(g-h\)](#). Unless otherwise noted, this third quarterly report encompasses activities from the onset of the storm through June 30, 2025.

Hurricane Helene's Impact – \$59.6 Billion

Hurricane Helene reached North Carolina on Friday, September 27, 2024, generating historic rainfall, strong winds, landslides, and tornadoes, among other weather impacts. President Biden subsequently declared a Major Disaster, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 39 counties for federal disaster assistance. An estimated 4.6 million people – more than 40% of the state's population – live in one of the designated counties. The region accounts for 45% of the state's GDP.



Hurricane Helene had a significant, long-term impact on western North Carolina. In addition to the devastating loss of more than 100 lives, the storm destroyed thousands of homes and damaged tens of thousands more. Millions of North Carolinians lost access to critical services such as water and sewer, electricity, telecommunications, and health care. Thousands of miles of roads and bridges were damaged, cutting off communities and

limiting access for residents, first responders, and recovery teams. The region's economy has suffered a severe blow, threatening livelihoods and the long-term outlook of some communities.

Estimates as of December 13, 2024, indicated that Helene caused direct damages of \$44.4 billion in the region, caused an additional \$9.4 billion in indirect or induced damages, and necessitated \$5.8 billion more for strengthening and mitigation.¹ Totaling more than \$59.6 billion across the state, these damages and needs are more than three times the \$16.7 billion impact of Hurricane Florence in 2018.

Government Funding for Recovery Efforts – \$7.6 Billion

As of June 30, 2025, the federal government and North Carolina state government had directed approximately **\$7.6 billion** – about 12.8% of the estimated impact of the storm – to aid western North Carolina communities in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. The state has provided just over **\$2.9 billion** in funding, including roughly **\$2 billion** in new appropriations and **\$508 million** in reallocations of previously appropriated funds by the North Carolina General Assembly, and at least **\$413.8 million** in existing state operational resources redirected by state agencies toward response and recovery efforts. In addition, federal funding totaling **\$1.61 billion** has been disbursed, including **\$1.1 billion** in eligibility-based FEMA funding to individuals, businesses, local government, state agencies, and nonprofits. Another **\$3.1 billion** in federal funding has been awarded to the State of North Carolina but requires additional approval steps before being disbursed to the state.

\$2 billion in state funds had been appropriated as of June 30, 2025.

State agencies are working to deploy funding effectively and efficiently to speed recovery efforts. The total \$2 billion in appropriated state funds includes \$331 million for state matching funds to draw down dollars from federal programs and \$272 million for loans to local governments or businesses. Other state appropriations require certain conditions to be met before expenditure. For example, \$120 million was appropriated for the State Home Reconstruction and Repair Program, which the state may begin spending upon completing federally reimbursable contractor procurements. The remainder of the funds may be spent by state agencies without significant constraints.

¹ Office of State Budget & Management (Dec 13, 2024). "Hurricane Helene Recovery, Revised Damage and Needs Assessment." <https://www.osbm.nc.gov/hurricane-helene-dna/open>

Scope of Data Included

This third quarterly report provides an updated overview of Hurricane Helene recovery expenditures and activities to date. The report is based on state and federal programmatic and financial data through June 30, 2025.

Please note that obligations and expenditures for the most recent Hurricane Helene relief session law, S.L. 2025-26, are not included here. The funds appropriated by that law were not certified and made available to state agencies until late July 2025, which fell after the June 30, 2025, cutoff date for the data and information included in this report.

State Funding

As of June 30, 2025 – the end of Fiscal Year 2025 – the North Carolina General Assembly had appropriated to state agencies approximately \$2 billion in new funds, reallocated to agencies another \$508 million in previously appropriated funds, and set aside in reserve but not appropriated to agencies another \$137.2 million for response and recovery efforts related to Hurricane Helene. This amount addresses 4.4% of the total Helene-related damage and need.

The NCGA's most recent act to provide funding for Helene recovery was Session Law 2025-26, known as *The Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 – Part II*, signed into law by Governor Stein on June 27, 2025. This law appropriated almost \$576 million and reallocated \$302 million in state funds for Helene recovery efforts. Although this law was enacted prior to the end of June 2025 and is therefore included in the total appropriation amount, the funds were not made available to state agencies until July 2025, as they were subject to the standard certification process conducted by the Office of State Budget and Management. Thus, those funds could not be obligated or expended during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2025, and they are not included in this report.

In addition to using the funds provided to them by the NCGA specifically for Helene-related purposes, state agencies have also redirected \$413 million of the funds they received prior to the storm. Some portion of expenses for these activities will be eligible for FEMA reimbursement. But a significant portion will be borne as state opportunity costs – the effect of redirecting resources away from other activities.

The following pages contain information on the State's recovery programs. The pages are in alphabetical order by state department/agency.

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Soil and Water Conservation Technical Assistance

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-57

Program Description

Funds to provide technical support to soil and water conservation districts in the affected area, including the creation of time-limited positions.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$2,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$1,971,458.00
Expenditures	\$28,542.00	\$28,542.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) is working to establish two time-limited positions in the Division of Soil and Water Conservation. One position is established and ready to begin recruitment, and the other is being established.

NCDA&CS will also support seven additional positions to be contracted through local soil and water conservation districts. These contracts take effect July 1, 2025, and run through June 30, 2028.

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

DACS Facility Repairs

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-57

Program Description

Money for DACS facility repairs in the Helene-affected area.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$210,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$152,600.00
Balance	n/a	\$57,400.00

Activities

SL 2024-57 allowed the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to consolidate and reallocate existing capital project funds up to \$210,000. Existing funds will fall short of anticipated need.

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-57

Program Description

Funds are appropriated for purposes in the affected area authorized under the Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP). StRAP funds projects that help reduce flooding, restore streams, and protect the integrity of drainage infrastructure across North Carolina’s waterways, such as vegetative debris removal, streambank stabilization, stream restoration, and rehabilitation of critical watershed structures.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$25,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$25,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) is facilitating work between local governments and the US Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Emergency Watershed Protection Program. Once USDA determines what they will cover through this program – likely in late August – NCDA&CS reports they will open applications for a state program.

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Agricultural Disaster Crop Loss Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

The 2024 Agricultural Disaster Crop Loss Program is established to provide financial assistance to farmers with verified losses from an agricultural disaster in this state in 2024. This \$200m is for Helene-specific damage of agriculture, aquaculture commodities, or farm infrastructure.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$200,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$89,498.88	\$89,498.88
Balance	n/a	\$199,910,501.12

Activities

The NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) is nearing completion of application verification for crops, horticulture, and aquaculture and will be contacting farm infrastructure applicants for verification in the coming weeks. The first round of payments to producers/applicants is expected in Summer 2025.

Department of Commerce

Visit NC Tourism Promotion

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53 & SL 2025-2

Program Description

Provides funds to the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina's (EDPNC) VisitNC division to support and revitalize western North Carolina's tourism economy.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$9,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$1,856,282.00
Expenditures	\$4,000,000.00	\$7,143,718.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

VisitNC is leveraging these funds to expand the reach of their existing tourism marketing initiatives, funded by the initial \$5,000,000 appropriated by the NC General Assembly for Helene recovery efforts. The additional funds will allow VisitNC to increase the reach and services of their initial plan.

- The reach of the programming as of June 30, 2025 is:
- 389,169,043 paid impressions
 - 1,199,751 page views of the mountain campaign landing page on visitnc.com
 - 4,064,458 engagements with Facebook and Instagram posts (likes, comments, shares, clicks)

Department of Commerce

Golden Leaf - Hurricane Helene Impacted Business Bridge Loans

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

The allocated funds support a no/low interest loan program for small businesses in areas impacted by Hurricane Helene. Loans are capped at \$100,000 per business, with terms extending no later than June 30, 2030. Interest rates during the interest-only period are capped at 1%, transitioning to a maximum of 6% post-period, with full amortization over the remaining term. New loans under this program must be awarded no later than October 31, 2028.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$50,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$50,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

As of June 30, 2025, 760 loans totalling just over \$44 million had been approved and disbursed and 6,163 jobs had been retained as a result of the loans. The application for loans is still open.

Department of Commerce

EDPNC Business Loss Assessment

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allocates funds to NC Commerce for its contract with EDPNC to conduct a business loss assessment in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$1,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

NC Commerce has transferred all funds to the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina (EDPNC). EDPNC spent approximately \$60,000 conducting the Business Loss Assessment through research and data collection. The report has been finalized and released. The organization has closed out all payments and does not expect to make any further expenditures.

Department of Commerce

Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

The purpose of this program is to assist small businesses by providing grants to local governments to expedite infrastructure repairs impacting the operation and patronage of small businesses in the affected area.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$55,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$7,300,000.00
Expenditures	\$9,480.84	\$9,480.84
Balance	n/a	\$47,690,519.16

Activities

The first Small Business Infrastructure awards were made on June 30, 2025. Nine awards were made, totaling \$7.3 million. Municipalities receiving awards were the Village of Chimney Rock, Town of Clyde, Town of Gamewell, and City of Morganton.

The next announcement of funding disbursement will be made on October 31, 2025.

Department of Commerce

State Home Reconstruction and Repair Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

A program to get a head start on NC Commerce Division of Community Revitalization's (DCR) housing repair and rebuild program in anticipation of the \$1.4B in CDBG-DR funding coming from HUD. The State Home Reconstruction and Repair Program works to shorten the timeline for home repair and rebuilding following Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$120,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$81,495,887.42
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$38,504,112.58

Activities

This program operates to improve the timeline for single-family housing repair and reconstruction while the state works with federal partners to receive the \$1.4 billion allocation of funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery. The program launched on June 16, 2025, under the name of RenewNC, and applications are now open.

The Department of Commerce's Division of Community Revitalization (DCR) has obligated \$81,495,887.42 for the implementation vendor contract for the RenewNC Single Family Housing program. Funds have not been disbursed by DCR yet because DCR has structured the contract to pay for outcomes, not activities. Payments will be made as the vendor meets the milestones set out in the contract. By structuring the contract to award outcomes instead of activities, DCR is choosing a different contracting model than has been used in previous recoveries.

As of June 30, 350 applications had been submitted. Most of the eligible applications were confirmed as Phase 1, Priority 1, meaning that the applicants are in a HUD-identified most impacted and distressed zone and below 60 percent of the area median income.

Department of Environmental Quality

Underground Storage Tank (UST) Repair Loan Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allocates funds to DEQ to provide emergency bridge loans for testing and repair of underground storage tank infrastructure in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$22,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$83,993.91
Expenditures	\$226,075.00	\$546,589.46
Balance	n/a	\$21,369,416.63

Activities

SL 2025-26 reallocated \$20 million from this program for other needs. The NC Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) has awarded all of the limited requests for loans that have been submitted. NCDEQ’s Division of Waste Management sent out notice letters to potential loan recipients, visited 35 sites in western North Carolina to meet with owners and operators, and reached out to inform more than 3,800 facilities about the loan program.

Department of Environmental Quality

Technical Assistance for Assessments and Design

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allocates funds to DEQ to provide technical assistance to local government units in counties with a federal disaster declaration for assessment and design of water and wastewater infrastructure repair, including the feasibility of regionalization.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$7,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$6,293,432.68
Expenditures	\$449,719.37	\$706,567.32
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

Nineteen technical assistance grants have been obligated to local governments for preliminary engineering as part of emergency bridge loans, which could also apply to preparation for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s State Revolving Fund allocation for repair of water infrastructure. Another 14 technical assistance grants have been obligated to local governments to assess and/or design interconnections for resiliency with other local government partners. See list of recipients in appendix.

Department of Environmental Quality

Weatherization Assistance

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds to supplement existing federal funds for weatherization services in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene. Weatherization reduces utility bills and energy costs and increases home safety.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

Funds totaling \$6 million will go to the Western Piedmont Council of Governments to manage “readiness” phase of weatherization, including investments like roof repair, plumbing updates, and ground leveling. The remaining \$4 million is being divided across 10 weatherization providers in western North Carolina. Those weatherization providers have been selected and are in the process of drawing up contracts with the state.

Department of Environmental Quality

Emergency Loans for Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Repair

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

The NCGA appropriated \$100 million in new funding to provide emergency bridge loans to local government units in counties with a federal disaster declaration for water and wastewater infrastructure repairs.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$100,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$67,502,353.80
Expenditures	\$1,915,388.19	\$4,704,706.21
Balance	n/a	\$27,792,939.99

Activities

SL 2025-26 reallocated \$25 million from this program. The maximum loan amount is \$3 million. SL 2025-26 also adjusts the loan terms to make them more favorable for local governments.

Department of Health and Human Services

Child Care Centers and Family Child Care Homes Disaster Relief

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

This appropriation provides one-time disaster relief grants to eligible child care providers (including child care centers, homes, and Pre-K sites) in the impacted counties and tribal communities. These restricted funds are to be utilized for capital costs, lost revenue, retention, recruitment, repairs, maintenance, or overcrowding expansion.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$5,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

NC DHHS has transferred \$5 million of the \$10 million to the North Carolina Partnership for Children, which then enters contracts with local Smart Start Partnerships to manage the application and allocation process for the child care centers. Funds were received by NCPC in late February 2025. As of June 30, these funds have served 1,407 children in 11 of the 21 eligible counties. Local partners have until June 30, 2027, to expend the funds and are working with the centers to determine needs and allocation.

Department of Health and Human Services

Rental Assistance

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Distribution of funds to county departments of social services in counties with a federal disaster declaration to provide rental assistance to households who have suffered hardship due to Hurricane Helene and are facing a housing crisis, such as imminent risk of eviction.

Funds can be used to pay for up to two rent payments per household.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$1,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

A total of 854 households received support through this program as of June 30, 2025. All funds have been expended by NC Department of Health and Human Services to county Departments of Social Services and are actively being drawn down. A total of 97% of the funds have reached households so far, and the remaining 3% of funds were expected to be expended by the end of July 2025.

Department of Health and Human Services

Mental Health Crisis Supports and Support for Individuals with I/DD

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Provides funds to strengthen behavioral health supports to ensure DHHS Division of Mental Health (DMH) can adequately respond to the expected rise in behavioral health needs of the more than four million individuals in the impacted counties, including crisis care, detoxification, and continued access to telehealth. Following Hurricane Helene, private investment in mental and behavioral health resources helped to fill the immediate needs of communities. Behavioral health needs typically begin to increase six-months after a traumatic event and continue to increase from that point. DHHS is working to allocate resources accordingly to meet identified and anticipated needs.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$25,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$16,499,999.07
Expenditures	\$1,666,786.67	\$1,666,786.67
Balance	n/a	\$6,833,214.26

Activities

Behavioral health crises tend to increase beginning six months after an incident and into the recovery period. Helene-impacted areas have seen a continued increase in the number of residents seeking mental and behavioral health support. These funds are serving the populations that need it most when they need it most.

Funds are being used to provide services through more than 20 programs, including: counseling services and supports for deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals; transitional housing, employment, and mental health/substance use services for veterans; support for federally qualified health centers to increase the amount of mental health support services they can offer; mobile units to support substance use or misuse treatment; expanded peer support center services; critical incident debriefing and counseling for first responders; crisis services and counseling for children and families; disaster preparedness training for group homes and organizations that support vulnerable populations; critical incident training and stress management for Division of Social Services employees; school-based mental health support; mental health crisis intervention, response, and counseling services; summer trauma recovery camps for children and families; and transition to community living.

As of June 30, 2025, 5,718 individuals have been served by these programs. While a significant portion of the funds has been obligated to local partners through letters of allocation, a lag in the process of invoice submission for reimbursement from the local partners means that the actual expenditures lag.

Department of Health and Human Services

Utility Assistance

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

This funding is for County Departments of Social Services, in counties with a federal disaster declaration, to provide utility assistance to households who have suffered hardship due to Hurricane Helene and are facing a housing crisis.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$9,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$3,414,377.21	\$8,813,395.91
Balance	n/a	\$186,604.09

Activities

As of June 30, 2025, 9,983 households have received assistance under the program. All remaining funds have been obligated, meaning that local DSS units are processing payments for invoices received and the funds will be expended by the end of July 2025.

Department of Health and Human Services

Local Health Department (LHD) Support

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds to assist Local Health Departments in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene with restoring essential functions, including temporary staffing, communicable disease and infection prevention efforts, environmental health efforts, and private well water quality efforts.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$12,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$12,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

All of the \$12 million was allocated to Local Health Departments (LHDs) in the impacted area, and 18 LHDs have accepted funds. As of June 30, 2025, nine LHDs have spent funds to serve a total of nine counties. Most of the expenses have been for staffing, emergency supplies, repairs, and equipment.

The remaining impacted counties declined funds for reasons such as no disruption or little to no impact on essential public health functions, services, or programs. LHDs have until May 31, 2030, to expend the funds and until June 30, 2030, to draw down funds for reimbursement.

Department of Health and Human Services

Child Welfare Essential Services

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

This program allocates funds to DHHS, Department of Social Services (DSS), to distribute funds to county Departments of Social Services to provide essential services and supports to children involved in the child welfare system who have been impacted by Hurricane Helene. Open to the 39 impacted counties.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$3,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$300,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$2,700,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

All funding – except 10% of the funds retained by DHHS for administrative costs – has been distributed to county DSS offices. A total of 25 counties have access to funds, and 15 of 25 counties have expended allocated funds. So far, 1,595 households have been served by the program.

These funds have been used to provide funding to replace essential items that children and families receiving child welfare services lost during the disaster and to provide support for children and impacted families that reduces the risk of maltreatment and prevents entry into foster care. FEMA, insurance, and other funds (like community donations) assisted families early on, but more needs are materializing as these resources end or do not come to fruition.

Department of Health and Human Services

Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53 & SL 2025-2

Program Description

This program allocates funds to DHHS, Division of Child and Family Well-Being (DCFW), to assist DCFW and county departments of social services in matching federal funds for the administrative expenses incurred in operating D-SNAP. The federal program provides food assistance to low-income households with food loss or damages caused by Hurricane Helene. Federal D-SNAP benefits are estimated to exceed \$200 million.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$2,905,220.78	\$3,771,792.61
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

A total of \$7,543,585.22 was spent on D-SNAP – 50% state and 50% federal. The funds served 72,703 households with food support following Hurricane Helene.

There will be no further updates to this program or expenditures made. The General Assembly reappropriated \$4 million of these funds to the Department of Commerce for tourism initiatives in SL 2025-02.

Department of Health and Human Services

Essential Services for Vulnerable Adults

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Supports individuals receiving adult protective services or guardianship services, helping vulnerable adults remain in their communities following the impact of Hurricane Helene, reducing institutionalization, and ensuring their essential needs are met.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$1,400,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$140,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1,260,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

All funding, except for 10% of the funds retained by NC Department of Health and Human Services for administrative costs, has been distributed to the county Departments of Social Services. As of June 30, 2025, 747 households have been served by the funds. All funds are expected to be expended by January 2026.

Department of Public Instruction

Additional Mental Health Funds for Public Schools

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Provides funds for mental health support for students and staff in districts and education institutions impacted by Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$5,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

All eligible Participating School Units (PSUs) impacted by Helene received a funding allocation. The staff hired by these funds will be deployed throughout each school district and will serve all impacted schools within that district. Funds have been budgeted and expended to provide salary and contractual services for school social workers, school counselors, health professionals, and school psychologists.

As of June 30, 2025, 27 school systems and charter schools have benefited from this funding.

Department of Public Instruction

School Nutrition Employee Compensation

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-51

Program Description

Compensation of school nutrition employees, located in federal disaster declaration counties, that would have been provided by school meal receipts as part of the National School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program. Funds are only for employees that are in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$16,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$104,497.72	\$2,556,692.72
Balance	n/a	\$13,443,307.28

Activities

Schools that participate in the National School Lunch Program in the Helene-impacted areas are eligible for these funds. This includes nearly all of the region’s public schools and some charter schools.

Funding has been made available to all schools in the impacted districts to cover both Helene-related missed days and non-Helene missed days, per a fix from the NC General Assembly. These funds keep all school nutrition employees whole during these periods of missed school. Funds have served 177 schools so far.

\$12.5 million in disaster relief funding previously allocated to the NC Department of Public Instruction was reallocated by the NC General Assembly in SL 2025-26.

Department of Public Instruction

Technology Funds for Public Schools

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for the replacement of school technology, particularly student and teacher devices, in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$424,268.46	\$424,268.46
Balance	n/a	\$4,575,731.54

Activities

The application process is still open for the program, and participating school units are expending the funding allotted to them within the procurement requirements. So far, nine PSUs have received allotments that support technology device replacements for 78 schools serving 61,342 students. PSUs have until June 30, 2030, to spend the funds.

Department of Public Instruction

School Extension Learning Recovery Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

A voluntary school extension learning program to provide instruction on specific subjects and enrichment to students in grades four through eight to address learning losses and other negative impacts caused by unusual and extraordinary conditions related to Hurricane Helene in the 2024-2025 school year.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$9,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$8,800,000.00	\$8,800,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$200,000.00

Activities

In all, 14 Local Education Agencies, 16 charter schools, and the North Carolina School for the Deaf opted in to the program to offer summer programming for students. Programs were required to offer math and reading courses, as well as time for enrichment programming and physical activity each day.

Programs are scheduled to conclude by the end of July.

Department of Public Instruction

School Nutrition Food, Supplies, and Equipment Loss

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for the repair or replacement of food nutrition equipment, food, and food nutrition supplies in public school units participating in the National School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1,469,280.29
Balance	n/a	\$3,530,719.71

Activities

Funds have been expended by the NC Department of Public Instruction to Public School Units (PSUs) that serve 318 schools and 149,470 students. As of June 30, 2025, 175 schools have used funds.

PSUs have until June 30, 2030, to expend the funds.

Department of Public Instruction

Capital Recovery Funds - Public School Facilities

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for repair and renovation of facilities for local school administrative units and lab schools in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene. These funds are for unmet needs not covered by insurance or available federal aid.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$50,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$5,276,941.41	\$50,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

This program served 21 schools in eight districts. Additional funds were appropriated to public school capital recovery in SL 2025-26.

Department of Public Safety

State Matching Funds

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-51 & 53

Program Description

Session Laws 2024-51 and 2024-53 provided a total of \$325 million for state match for federal disaster assistance programs for state and local governments. These funds will draw down an estimated \$2.9 billion in federal receipts, assuming a 90/10 federal match rate.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$325,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$69,296,530.00
Expenditures	\$883,360.86	\$57,731,440.00
Balance	n/a	\$197,972,030.00

Activities

These funds are expended when the federal government requires a state match for certain recovery services, like debris removal. Therefore, funds will not be expended immediately, but over time as the federal government sends money to the state for eligible work. The rate of spend from this fund has increased since April 2025, when FEMA denied the state’s request to extend the 100% federal cost share for Helene expenses.

Department of Public Safety

State Private Roads and Bridges Repair and Replacement Program

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

For the repair and replacement of private roads, culverts, pipes, and bridges damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Helene. NCEM shall prioritize applications for the repair and replacement of private roads or bridges that provide the sole option for ingress and egress for (i) emergency services to a residential property that is occupied by the owner for more than six months of the calendar year, (ii) multiple residential homes, or (iii) recreation or commercial facilities. These funds may be used for program costs incurred for the engineering, design, and construction of private roads, culverts, pipes, and bridges, and funding to nonprofit organizations supporting bridge repairs. These funds may also be used to provide technical support and assistance for individuals and local governments to comply with no rise certification requirements required by FEMA under the National Flood Insurance Program.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$100,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$21,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$10,000,000.00	\$10,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$69,000,000.00

Activities

As of June 30, 2025, approximately 4,400 interest forms were submitted through the state’s Private Roads and Bridges program online interest portal. Approximately 4,000 site assessments and more than 2,000 cost estimates have been completed by the NC Division of Emergency Management (NCEM).

The assessment process uncovered a significant number of duplicate forms, approximately 1,000 entries so far, meaning approximately 3,000 unique sites are in the state program queue. Duplication occurred because residents served by the same damaged road or bridge all submitted interest forms. NCEM assessments reveal that about half of the entries in the state’s interest form are for private road repair, a quarter are for private bridge repair, and another quarter are for the repair of privately owned pipes and culverts.

Construction has commenced on private bridges damaged by Hurricane Helene. Approximately 15 initial sites have been identified in Yancey, McDowell, and Buncombe counties. These will serve to gauge budgets and timelines for future projects.

SL 2025-26 appropriates an additional \$75 million to Private Roads and Bridges program.

Department of Public Safety

State and Local Government Unmet Needs

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

The NCGA allocated funding to NC Emergency Management for state agencies and units of local government in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene for unmet needs not covered by insurance or available federal aid.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$24,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$1,866,534.67	\$8,603,404.70
Balance	n/a	\$15,396,595.30

Activities

NC Emergency Management (NCEM) uses these funds to pay costs associated with Hurricane Helene recovery. Though this funding is to help with costs that are not typically reimbursed by the federal government, NCEM will still seek federal reimbursement for eligible costs.

Department of Public Safety

Ongoing Repair and Reconstruction (Volunteer Organizations)

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

Grants to any member organization of Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters actively involved in actual and ongoing repair and reconstruction projects from Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$10,000,000.00

Activities

The NC Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management (NCEM) issued a notice of funding opportunity and received applications for this grant program. The application window closed on May 15, 2025, and a review panel began review of the applications and made recommendations for funding. Award notifications are expected by mid-August.

SL 2025-26 appropriated an additional \$18 million to this program.

Department of Public Safety

NCEM Floodplain Mapping

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for floodplain mapping in counties with a federal disaster declaration due to Hurricane Helene. The funds will be used to revise existing floodplain maps according to new data and imagery which will capture changes in the region such as new high-water marks. NCEM will develop new models, incorporating new post-event LIDAR data along with high-resolution rainfall, stream gauge, and storm damage data, to identify areas for future updates to flood zones for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulatory digital flood insurance rate maps, in coordination with affected local communities. The new flood hazard data will also support building-level risk assessments and the evaluation of mitigation strategies, aiding local rebuilding efforts. Updated modeling will focus on watersheds that received the heaviest rainfall and where significant channel migration occurred.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

Funds totaling \$5 million have been obligated to vendors for post-processing of LIDAR mapping scans. This is a critical input for updating the state’s floodplain mapping, to better understand shifts that occurred due to Helene and how flood risk has evolved as a result. LIDAR map processing comes in two stages. The first stage – which is a 2D base level elevation map – is becoming available to counties now and will continue to be made available until the process is complete in the fall. The second stage, which requires FEMA input and approval, will take longer to complete.

Department of the State Treasurer

Line of Duty Death Benefits

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allocates funds to the Department of State Treasurer to pay line of duty death benefits to the dependents of public safety employees in counties with a Helene federal disaster declaration.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$300,000.00

Activities

These funds are administered by the State Treasurer in accordance with guidance from the Industrial Commission. Of the \$500,000 appropriated for line of duty death benefits in Helene-affected counties, \$200,000 has been paid out for two awards.

Department of the State Treasurer

Local Government Cash Flow Loans

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allocates funds to the Department of State Treasurer to administer a cash flow loan program to support local governments. Loans are intended to serve as bridge loans until FEMA reimbursement is received.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$100,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$67,887,149.78	\$100,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The Office of the State Treasurer is wiring newly approved loans weekly. A total of 53 loans have been wired to local governments in 17 counties as of June 30, 2025.

While \$73,251,369.52 has been expended as of June 30, 2025, an additional \$8,064,133.85 has been allocated to local governments and pending agreements. The remaining funds were offered to local governments and not accepted, and will be re-obligated for additional loans once additional information from grantees is received and they have indicated that they will accept the funds.

One loan has already been repaid and is shown as revenue in current accounting.

The North Carolina General Assembly appropriated additional funds for this program in SL2025-26.

Department of Transportation

Repair and Reconstruction of Transportation Infrastructure

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-57

Program Description

The NCGA reallocated \$125 million from the Transportation Emergency Reserve to be used for repair and reconstruction of transportation infrastructure in the affected area.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$125,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$125,000,000.00

Activities

As of June 26, 2025, the NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) spent \$867 million of existing agency operational funds on Hurricane Helene recovery.

This fund represents \$125 million normally held in reserve that may now be used for Helene recovery as needed. NCDOT expects transfer of the funds in this Emergency Reserve to the Highway Fund to begin later this summer as workloads and payouts increase with better weather, pushing cash levels lower. NCDOT may push transfer into next year depending on how work progresses.

North Carolina Community College System

Expanded Mental Health Support for Affected Community College Students

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Provides funds for mental health support for students and staff in districts and higher education institutions impacted by Hurricane Helene.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$1,250,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$383,068.99
Balance	n/a	\$866,931.01

Activities

The North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) has expended all of the funds to the community colleges in the system. Overall, the colleges have spent \$383,068.99 as of the end of June to cover additional mental health services for students. These funds have served 6,635 students and 1,952 staff so far.

Difficulty recruiting licensed counselors has made it challenging for colleges to expend the funds.

North Carolina Community College System

Tuition Grants for Students Attending Impacted Community Colleges

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds allocated to the Community College System Office to provide Spring 2025 grants that cover the cost of tuition and state registration fees for eligible students attending community colleges designated as having the most or medium impact by the System Office.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1,419,947.19
Balance	n/a	\$3,580,052.81

Activities

NCCCS has expended all of the funds to community colleges in its system. Overall, colleges have spent \$1,419,947.19 to support 3,003 students to cover tuition and state registration fees for impacted students.

The NC General Assembly reappropriated unspent funds in SL 2025-26 to support community colleges in the affected area that experienced enrollment declines from the 2023-24 academic year to the 2024-25 academic year, as well as for additional tuition and expense coverage for students.

North Carolina Community College System

Emergency Grants for Affected Community College Students

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Grants to assist students impacted by Hurricane Helene with tuition, fees, and emergency expenses that impact a student’s ability to remain enrolled.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$10,202,323.96
Balance	n/a	\$297,676.04

Activities

The North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) has expended all of the funds to the community colleges in the system. Overall, the colleges have spent \$10,202,323.96 or 97% of the funds allocated as of the end of June to cover tuition, fees, and emergency expenses to help students remain enrolled. The grants have supported 10,467 students.

The NC General Assembly reappropriated unspent funds in SL 2025-26 to support community colleges in the affected area that experienced enrollment declines from the 2023-24 academic year to the 2024-25 academic year, as well as for additional tuition and expense coverage for students.

North Carolina State Board of Elections

Elections

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-51

Program Description

Allocates funds to the State Board of Elections for items such as technology and internet connectivity, printing and communications, temporary staff, and mobile voting units and related supplies and equipment.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$523,009.71
Balance	n/a	\$4,476,990.29

Activities

These funds were allocated specifically to conduct the November 2024 elections.

From the \$5 million previously appropriated for the 2024 election in the affected area, \$2.25 million was reappropriated in SL 2025-26.

The NC General Assembly also issued a technical fix in SL 2025-26, allowing the NC State Board of Elections to spend the remaining \$2,226,990 for conducting future elections in the impacted area.

Office of State Budget & Management

Technical Assistance for Local Governments

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-51 & 53

Program Description

Provide grants to units of local government for technical assistance with local recovery funds, including applying for federal financial aid, seeking planning and permitting assistance, and building capacity for building and trade inspectors. Counties with a population of less than 250,000 will be given priority for these grants.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$7,500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$7,500,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) disbursed all funds equally among the the North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Governments, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, and the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

Office of State Budget & Management

Unmet Needs - Housing & Small Business

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Provide unmet needs funding to partners to stand up small business grant programs and jump housing redevelopment with non-profit partners.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$26,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$26,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The \$20 million allocated for the state’s investment in the Western North Carolina Small Business Initiative has been expended, in combination with \$10 million from Dogwood Health Trust and \$5 million from the Duke Endowment. Together, these funds expanded the small business grant program, which extended a total of \$55 million in grants to 2,182 businesses.

Habitat for Humanity is using \$3 million to cover permanent repairs of 160 homes, construction of six new homes, and temporary housing for 12 households for up to six months. Habitat will reimburse homeowners up to either \$10,000 or \$20,000, depending on the project. Eligible applicants are homeowners at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI). Habitat has begun work and has received and completed one reimbursement request so far.

Baptists on Mission is using the \$3 million allocation solely for rehabilitations and immediate needs. The organization is spending a maximum of \$30,000 per home on repairs. As of June 30, 2025, Baptists on Mission has repaired 317 homes with these funds.

Office of State Budget & Management

Unmet Needs - Debris and Sediment Removal

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

Funding distributed by OSBM to state agencies and units of local government for debris and sedimentation removal unmet needs. NCEM shall assist OSBM in coordinating the debris removal with relevant state agencies and local stakeholders. OSBM shall prioritize using these funds to address identified gaps in debris cleanup not met by other federal and state programs.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$20,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$12,500,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$7,500,000.00

Activities

Agreements allocate funding to the NC Department of Environmental Quality, NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, and NC Division of Emergency Management to fund debris removal operations not covered by FEMA or state pre-positioned contractors.

Office of the State Fire Marshal

Grants to Small and Volunteer Fire Departments

Enacting Legislation SL 2025-2

Program Description

Grants to be disbursed to small and volunteer fire departments in counties in the affected area that qualify for Individual and Public Assistance Categories C-G to cover expenses incurred due to Hurricane Helene, to purchase equipment, or to make capital improvements to assist with readiness for future emergency response. A grant under this subdivision shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$10,000,000.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

The NC Office of the State Fire Marshal (NCOSFM) is in the process of awarding grants and disbursing payments as of June 30, 2025. As part of the review process, NCOSFM found some requests that were ineligible under this statute, so it is working with local departments to update their applications and freeing up unused funds to get volunteer and small fire departments the support they need. As of June 30, 2025, NCOSFM received grant requests totaling approximately \$44 million, far exceeding the \$10 million it was granted in this appropriation.

SL 2025-26 provides \$18 million to fire departments and rescue squads to be used to repair or replace equipment and facilities damaged by Hurricane Helene and to enhance wildfire response and preparedness.

University of North Carolina System

Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for the Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities program to make additional award funds available in FY 2024-25, which will be used to provide additional financial aid to eligible disaster-impacted students.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$3,500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$75,949.00	\$3,500,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

These funds are for awards to students from Helene-impacted counties attending a UNC institution or community college outside the impacted area. These funds provided 4,082 awards to students from Helene-impacted counties attending a UNC institution or community college outside the impacted area.

All funds have now been spent.

University of North Carolina System

Emergency Grants for Affected Private College and University Students

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds to distribute to eligible private colleges and universities to assist students impacted by Hurricane Helene with tuition, fees, and emergency expenses that impact a student’s ability to remain enrolled.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$1,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$846,661.00
Balance	n/a	\$153,339.00

Activities

As of June 30, 2025, 607 students have been served by these grants. All private institution requests have been covered.

University of North Carolina System

Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for the Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities program to make additional award funds available in FY 2024-25, which will be used to provide additional financial aid to eligible disaster impacted students.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$15,600,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$2,152,472.00	\$15,600,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

These awards are for students at Appalachian State University, the University of North Carolina at Asheville, and Western Carolina University and directly impacted UNC and community college students. As of June 30, 2025, 19,197 students have received awards from this program.

Awards for Summer 2025 programming completely expended the original \$15.6 million appropriated by the NC General Assembly in SL 2024-53. The NC State Education Assistance Authority (NCSEAA) reallocated unobligated Next NC need-based funding to further supplement this program, allowing the program to support more students.

University of North Carolina System

UNC Capital Recovery Funds

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds for repair and renovation of facilities in counties with a federal disaster declaration for local school administrative units and lab schools. These funds are for unmet needs not covered by insurance or available federal aid.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance	n/a	\$5,000,000.00

Activities

The \$5 million was designated for unmet needs not covered by insurance or other programs. Due to the length of time associated with assessments of FEMA and private insurance coverage, the NC General Assembly reallocated this funding in SL 2025-26 to allow additional flexibility in spending.

University of North Carolina System

Emergency Grants for Affected UNC Students

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

To assist students impacted by Hurricane Helene with tuition, fees, and emergency expenses that impact a student’s ability to remain enrolled.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,000,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$5,000,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

Emergency grants were awarded to 5,021 students to assist students impacted by Hurricane Helene with tuition, fees, and emergency expenses that affect their ability to remain enrolled.

This program funding has been completely expended and is now closed.

University of North Carolina System

Need-Based Scholarships for Students Attending Private Colleges and Universities Additional Awards

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Allows for use of unobligated funds available for need-based scholarships for students attending private institutions of higher education to provide additional financial aid to eligible disaster-impacted students.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$2,500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$104,736.00
Expenditures	\$32,444.00	\$2,395,264.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

These awards are for students at Helene-impacted schools and students from Helene-impacted counties attending private institutions outside the impacted area. As of June 30, 2025, 3,043 students have received awards. The remaining funds are obligated for the Summer 2025 term.

University of North Carolina System

Tuition Grants for Students Attending UNC Asheville

Enacting Legislation SL 2024-53

Program Description

Funds to provide Spring 2025 grants that cover the cost of tuition for eligible students.

	State Fiscal Year Q4	As of June 30, 2025
Appropriation	n/a	\$5,500,000.00
Obligations	n/a	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$3,312,882.00	\$5,500,000.00
Balance	n/a	\$0.00

Activities

Awards were issued to 1,474 students for the Spring 2025 semester, 1,122 for the Summer term, and 445 for the Fall semester. Remaining funds are obligated for continued student assistance.

Redirected Funds

In addition to using the funds provided to them by the NCGA specifically for Helene-related purposes, state agencies have also redirected \$413 million of the funds they received prior to the storm. Some portion of expenses for these activities will be eligible for FEMA reimbursement. But a significant portion will be borne as state opportunity costs – the effect of redirecting resources away from other activities.

Agency	Q4 Expenditures	June 30 Obligations	Cumulative Expenditures
Administrative Office of the Courts	\$ 13,240.25	\$ -	\$ 308,478.77
Office of State Budget and Management	\$ 1,152,323.85	\$ -	\$ 1,427,218.82
Department of Justice	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,794.35
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$ 2,421,004.34	\$ 89,918.14	\$ 3,224,133.90
Department of Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,942.38
Department of Environmental Quality	\$ 2,016.42	\$ -	\$ 22,408.54
Wildlife Resources Commission	\$ 220,548.09	\$ -	\$ 1,155,449.10
Department of Public Safety	\$ 142,575,603.97	\$ 5,519,976.93	\$ 395,849,495.22
Department of Health and Human Services	\$ 4,153,835.78	\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ 4,203,452.92
Department of Military and Veteran Affairs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,125.39
Department of Information Technology	\$ -	\$ 106,563.00	\$ 151,035.19
Department of Commerce	\$ 674,284.44	\$ -	\$ 792,917.11
Department of Natural and Cultural Resources	\$ 518,543.93	\$ 56,033.79	\$ 1,140,102.23
State Bureau of Investigation	\$ 387,220.44	\$ -	\$ 493,003.53
Department of Adult Corrections	\$ 2,473,704.25	\$ 123,817.99	\$ 4,143,799.80
N.C. School of Science and Math	\$ 19,194.09	\$ -	\$ 95,146.63
UNC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 836,642.00
Total	\$ 154,611,519.85	\$ 15,896,309.85	\$ 413,891,145.88

Federal Funding

North Carolina has received a total of \$1.6 billion in federal funding as of June 30, 2025. Of these funds, \$1.1 billion of eligibility-based funding has been disbursed or obligated by the Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Another \$540 million has been disbursed by other federal agencies, including from the U.S. Small Business Administration for home and business loans, the U.S. Department of Labor for unemployment insurance, and the Federal Highway Administration for road repairs. Another \$3.1 billion in federal funding has been awarded to the State of North Carolina but requires additional approval steps before being disbursed to the state.

Awarded Federal Funds Highlights

- \$1.4 billion will be administered by the Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization (DCR) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the state's single family home repair and reconstruction program. Applications are open, and construction on homes should begin later this summer.
- The City of Asheville received \$225 million in Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR), and its plan has been approved by HUD. The plan allocates \$125 million for Infrastructure; \$52 million for Economic Revitalization; \$31 million for Housing; approximately \$11.2 million for Administration; approximately \$3.7 million for Planning; and \$2 million for Public Services.
- NC Department of Transportation (DOT) is preparing an authorization request for the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for approximately \$1.15 billion, in addition to the \$750 million authorization already received. FHWA's Emergency Relief Program provides federal funding to repair federal-aid highways and federal lands roads damaged by natural disasters and catastrophic events. DOT believes there will still be a shortfall of approximately \$1 billion for Helene repairs that will need to be filled with state and federal funding.
- NC Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is administering \$685 million from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to repair wastewater treatment and drinking water facilities.

American Relief Act Funds

In December 2024, Congress appropriated funds for Helene recovery to the state through HR 10545, [*The American Relief Act of 2025*](#) (ARA). In February 2025 the state estimated its

expected allocation from the ARA to be approximately \$5.95 billion. As of June 30, 2025, the state is still waiting for federal agencies to disburse \$4.2 billion of these appropriated funds to NC agencies. Federal funding disbursement delays have impacted state agency timelines for several major recovery components. For example, the timeline for private property debris removal and demolitions has lengthened because of slow and inconsistent disbursements from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. In addition, as of June 30, 2025, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (USDHHS) had not opened the application period for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) which provides one-time disaster grant funds to child care providers, centers, homes, and Pre-K sites. Congress appropriated \$250 million for the CCDBG in HR 10545, [*The American Relief Act of 2025*](#).

Additional Congressional Appropriations Requested

North Carolina requested Congress appropriate an additional \$11.6 billion in federal funding to address unmet recovery needs, including critical investments in child care infrastructure, child welfare programs, landslide hazard mapping, flood reduction, and water infrastructure projects. Although the state has invested \$2.9 billion of its own funds, this amount combined with federal assistance received thus far still pales in comparison to the estimated total damage of \$59.6 billion. Western North Carolina communities require additional federal assistance to achieve a comprehensive recovery.

Eligibility-Based Programs

FEMA's Individual Assistance (IA), Public Assistance (PA), and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), as well as the programs at the Small Business Administration (SBA) and Department of Labor (DOL), are eligibility-based programs and do not require stand-up of new programs or funding sources. They do require the state to invest alongside the federal government by matching a portion of the funding received. To date, North Carolina has appropriated \$331 million in state match funds.

Department of Education			
Project School Emergency Response to Violence (SERV)	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
Office of Elementary School and Secondary Education (OESE)	Direct to Schools	\$7,350,907.00	\$6,875,266.00
Description	Activity		
This funding goes directly to the districts. The funding is for short-term education-related services following violent or traumatic disruptions to the learning environment. This funding would support overtime for teachers, counselors, law enforcement and security officers, emergency transportation and other costs to operate school at an alternative site, targeted mental health assessments, and temporary security measures.	As of June 30, 2025, 18 awards have been made by the U.S. Department of Education to western North Carolina school districts that applied for the Project SERV grants. One grant application is still in the review process. Common themes from the 17 awarded grants include: providing mental health services for students, hiring mental health counselors and/or purchasing tele-mental health services, adding tutors, adding a disaster relief coordinator, adding afterschool academic services, adding college application assistance, adding summer school academic programing, and adding an exceptional child teacher service.		

Department of Homeland Security

Crisis Counseling Immediate Services Program (ISP)	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
FEMA	NC Department of Health and Human Services	\$-00	\$2,912,532.00

Description

Operated only in 90 days after start of disaster. Program is a short-term disaster relief initiative designed to provide immediate psychological and emotional support to individuals and communities affected by disasters. FEMA activated ISP to address the mental health needs of residents dealing with stress, trauma, and challenges resulting from the storm's destruction.

Activity

FEMA Crisis Counseling Regular Services Program (RSP)	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
FEMA	NC Department of Health and Human Services	\$-00	\$9,709,292.07

Description

This is the second phase of the FEMA Crisis Counseling Grant Program. This program provides funding for mental health services to individuals and communities affected by natural and human-caused disasters for up to nine months after a Presidential disaster declaration. It's designed to help survivors cope with the emotional and psychological impact of disasters.

Activity

The FEMA Crisis Counseling Grant provides funding for the Hope4NC program, which assists individuals in communities as they recover from Hurricane Helene's devastating impacts. As of June 30, 2025, the grant has provided 337,989 services to western North Carolina communities such as:

- Individual Crisis Outreach and Support
- Group Crisis Outreach
- Public Education
- Community Networking and Support
- Assessment, Referral, and Resource Connections

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (RUSH) 1	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
	Department of Health and Human Services	\$3,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00

Description

North Carolina has requested to receive the maximum allocation of Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (RUSH) funds, \$10 million, as soon as possible. HUD has the authority to provide these funds, so HUD needs neither additional appropriation nor legislation to allocate these funds. North Carolina has received \$4.9 million in RUSH funds and has already deployed them to rehouse individuals at risk of homelessness, including individuals living in temporary shelters.

Activity

The state has received two allocations of funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The first allocation of immediate funding of \$3 million has been awarded to partners by the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and is in the expenditure process. Programs are available to serve residents at risk of homelessness.

DHHS is in the process of contracting the second allocation of \$1.9 million for awards to subrecipients by the end of July 2025.

Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (RUSH) 2	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
	Department of Health and Human Services	\$1,910,417.00	\$1,910,417.00

Description

North Carolina has requested to receive the maximum allocation of Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (RUSH) funds, \$10 million, as soon as possible. HUD has the authority to provide these funds, so HUD needs neither additional appropriation nor legislation to allocate these funds. North Carolina has received \$4.9 million in RUSH funds and has already deployed them to rehouse individuals at risk of homelessness, including individuals living in temporary shelters.

Activity

The state has received two allocations of funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The first allocation of immediate funding of \$3 million has been awarded to partners by the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and is in the expenditure process. Programs are available to serve residents at risk of homelessness.

The second allocation of funding of \$1.9 million is currently in contracting for awards to subrecipients. Contracting is expected to be completed by the end of July 2025.

Economic Revitalization - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CDBG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$111,140,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Funds to provide relief to the nearly 500,000 business establishments in the Helene disaster-declaration counties.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$111,140,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to the economic revitalization program.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Community Infrastructure Program - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$193,500,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Funds projects that are necessary to address identified unmet disaster recovery needs in communities and counties that are not funded by other federal recovery programs.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$193,500,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to the community infrastructure program.

Multifamily Construction Program - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$191,340,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Grants to support housing repair, affordable housing construction, rental assistance, local redevelopment capacity, and mitigation activities.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$191,340,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to the multifamily construction and repair program.

Workforce Housing for Ownership - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$53,380,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Grants to support housing repair, affordable housing construction, rental assistance, local redevelopment capacity, and mitigation activities.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$53,380,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to workforce housing for ownership.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Administration - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$71,406,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Grants to support housing repair, affordable housing construction, rental assistance, local redevelopment capacity, and mitigation activities.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$71,406,000 or 5% of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to help administration costs.

Mitigation - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$186,277,000.00	\$0.00

Description

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$186,277,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive for mitigation efforts.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Reconstruction and Rehabilitation for Owner-Occupied Units - CDBG-DR	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CBDG-DR	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$807,354,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Grants to support housing repair, affordable housing construction, rental assistance, local redevelopment capacity, and mitigation activities.

Activity

The NC Department of Commerce Division of Community Revitalization (DCR) is in the process of finalizing a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The NC General Assembly appropriated \$120 million in funds to DCR in SL 2025-02 to allow the state to begin this program before the HUD funds have been received. The program launched on June 16, 2025, and is accepting applications.

In the HUD Action Plan submitted by the state to HUD, the state allocated \$807,354,000 of the overall \$1.4 billion allocation the state expects to receive to the single-family housing program.

Department of Labor

Disaster Affected Workforce Training and Support	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
	North Carolina Department of Commerce	\$10,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00

Description	Activity
US DOL issued North Carolina a conditional grant of \$10 million, prior to the passage of HR 10545, to temporarily expand the service capacity of dislocated worker training and employment programs at the state and local levels. The state has received two installments totaling \$6 million. However, the state needs additional support and funding certainty. North Carolina has requested an additional supplemental allocation of \$44 million from DOL to fully meet the current needs of the state's dislocated workforce. This would bring the total allocation to \$50 million. The state also requests that US DOL issue the funds in larger installments and extend the program deadline through 2027 to avoid delays and disruptions in service, provide certainty for program planning, and to reduce administrative burden.	The North Carolina Department of Commerce has received two allocations of funding totaling \$6 million from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) for this program. Funds have been distributed to seven workforce development boards serving the counties included in the federal disaster declaration. As of June 30, 2025, 198 participants have been enrolled, and 64 worksites have been identified. The activities carried out for this grant include funding for general labor and humanitarian positions, employment and training, and supportive services. All funds have been obligated to the workforce development boards; funds are drawn down from the Department of Commerce by the workforce development boards by request based on need. As of June 30, 2025, local workforce development boards have expended 33% of allocated funds.

Department of Transportation

FHWA Emergency Relief (ER) Program	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
FHWA	NC Department of Transportation	\$750,000,000.00	\$68,400,000.00

Description	Activity
Funds to reimburse our state for costs associated with damage to roads and bridges in the National Highway System. North Carolina has received \$750 million in authorization for reimbursement from the Emergency Relief program, and expects a total allocation of \$2.8 billion from the funding appropriated in HR 10545.	The Emergency Relief program is not cash, it is spending authority from which the NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) must seek reimbursement. As of June 30, 2025, NCDOT had received \$68,400,000 in reimbursement. NCDOT is preparing an additional request of spending authority from FHWA that could reach \$1,000,000,000. NCDOT anticipates a shortfall for Helene expenses that they will need to make up from federal and state sources.

Environmental Protection Agency

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
CWSRF-Wastewater	Department of Environmental Quality	\$253,681,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Of the \$3 billion allocated by Congress in HR 10545 to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for wastewater treatment and drinking water facilities, North Carolina is estimated to receive \$630 million. However, this amount will cover only about half of the \$1.2 billion needed to repair water system damages in affected communities.

Activity

The State Water Infrastructure Authority has approved the required Intended Use Plans for these funds, and the Department of Environmental Quality submitted them to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Applications are now open for local governments to apply for principal forgiveness and zero-interest loans for eligible drinking water, wastewater, and decentralized wastewater treatment systems in Helene-impacted communities. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

CWSRF	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
State and Tribal Assistance Grant	Department of Environmental Quality	\$22,510,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Funds to improve resilience of decentralized wastewater treatment systems by promoting interconnection, and connecting more homes to decentralized systems. North Carolina requested an allocation of \$17 million from the \$85 million appropriated in HR 10545. The state requested Congress allow loan forgiveness.

Activity

The State Water Infrastructure Authority has approved the required Intended Use Plans for these funds, and the Department of Environmental Quality submitted them to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Applications are now open for local governments to apply for principal forgiveness and zero-interest loans for eligible drinking water, wastewater, and decentralized wastewater treatment systems in Helene-impacted communities. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

DWSRF	State Recipient	Approved/Awarded	Received
State and Tribal Assistance Grant	Department of Environmental Quality	\$409,422,000.00	\$0.00

Description

Funds for water emergencies technical assistance and grants. North Carolina requested an allocation of \$12 million from the \$60 million appropriated in HR 10545.

Activity

The State Water Infrastructure Authority has approved the required Intended Use Plans for these funds, and the Department of Environmental Quality submitted them to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Applications are now open for local governments to apply for principal forgiveness and zero-interest loans for eligible drinking water, wastewater, and decentralized wastewater treatment systems in Helene-impacted communities. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Eligibility-Based Programs

Some eligibility-based federal funding streams are winding down. For example, applications closed for FEMA Individual Assistance and U.S. Small Business Administration loans. Grants will likely continue to be disbursed over the next several months as applications work their way through the standard processes, but outlays have slowed. Funding for disaster unemployment assistance also ended.

FEMA Funding

FEMA programs include Individual Assistance (IA), Public Assistance (PA), and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), among others. While IA, PA, and HMGP are eligibility-based and do not require stand-up of new programs, they do require the state to invest alongside the federal government by matching a portion of the funding received. Of the 100 counties in the state, 39 are eligible for FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) and 26 are eligible for all categories of FEMA public assistance (FEMA Public Assistance Categories A-G).

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

The state expects to receive about \$1.4 billion from the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) to reduce the long-term risks to people and property from future disasters. The program provides grants to state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to implement cost-effective measures that seek to minimize disaster damage, enhance community resilience, and reduce reliance on federal disaster assistance. Eligible projects include infrastructure improvements, property acquisition, flood risk reduction, and community planning. So far, the state has received an initial \$16.3 million for its management costs. The state is working with counties to batch and submit applications to FEMA on a rolling basis. As of June 30, 2025, nine applications for acquisition were submitted to FEMA covering 181 residential properties. An additional nine applications for acquisition were being finalized to submit to FEMA, representing 249 properties.

Federal Eligibility-Based Funding as of June 30, 2025

Individual & Business Assistance		
	Program	Disbursed
FEMA Individual Assistance	Housing Assistance	\$208,286,085
	Other Needs Assistance	\$264,111,095
	Private Roads and Bridges	\$23,780,319
Small Business Administration	Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL)	\$41,442,885
	Physical Damage Loans	\$82,153,308
	Home and Personal Property Disaster Loan Program	\$90,440,562
Unemployment Insurance	Department of Labor	\$57,495,894.45
	FEMA Disaster Unemployment Assistance	\$38,716,145.50
Assistance to State Agencies, Local Governments, and Nonprofits		
	Program	Obligated Costs ¹
FEMA Public Assistance	(A): Debris Removal	\$135,411,671.81
	(B): Emergency Protective Measures	\$223,592,811.21
	(C): Roads and Bridges	\$120,432,569.02
	(D): Water Control Facilities	\$287,509.53
	(E): Buildings and Equipment	\$8,071,504.28
	(F): Utilities	\$10,502,517.02
	(G): Parks, Recreational Facilities, and Other Items	\$65,33,975.79
	(Z): Management Costs	\$22,131,560.60
FEMA Hazard Mitigation	Management Costs	\$16,310,368.00

¹ Source FEMA Portal as of June 30, 2025. Reflects approved projects by FEMA. Once a project becomes obligated the funding becomes available for recipient(s) to drawdown from FEMA.

Table 4.1: Certified State Appropriations

As of June 30, 2025

Agency	Purpose	Amount	Session Law
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	Agricultural Disaster Crop Loss Program	\$200,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	DACS Facility Repairs	\$210,000	SL 2024-57
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	Debris Removal	\$25,000,000	SL 2024-57
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	Soil and Water Conservation Technical Assistance	\$2,000,000	SL 2024-57
Department of Commerce	EDPNC Business Loss Assessment	\$1,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Commerce	Golden Leaf - Hurricane Helene Impacted Business Bridge Loans	\$50,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Commerce	Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program	\$55,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Commerce	State Home Reconstruction and Repair Program	\$120,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Commerce	Visit NC Tourism Promotion	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Commerce	Visit NC Tourism Promotion 2	\$4,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Environmental Quality	Emergency Loans for Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Repair	\$100,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Environmental Quality	Technical Assistance for Assessments and Design	\$7,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Environmental Quality	Underground Storage Tank (UST) Repair Loan Program	\$22,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Environmental Quality	Weatherization Assistance	\$10,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Child Care Centers and Family Child Care Homes Disaster Relief	\$10,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Child Welfare Essential Services	\$3,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)	\$10,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) 2	(\$4,000,000)	SL 2025-2
Department of Health and Human Services	Essential Services for Vulnerable Adults	\$1,400,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Local Health Department (LHD) Support	\$12,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Mental Health Crisis Supports and Support for Individuals with I/DD	\$25,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Rental Assistance	\$1,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Health and Human Services	Utility Assistance	\$9,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Instruction	Additional Mental Health Funds for Public Schools	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53

Agency	Purpose	Amount	Session Law
Department of Public Instruction	Capital Recovery Funds - Public School Facilities	\$50,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Instruction	School Extension Learning Recovery Program	\$9,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Public Instruction	School Nutrition Employee Compensation	\$16,000,000	SL 2024-51
Department of Public Instruction	School Nutrition Food, Supplies, and Equipment Loss	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Instruction	Technology Funds for Public Schools	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Safety	NCEM Floodplain Mapping	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Safety	Ongoing Repair and Reconstruction	\$10,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of Public Safety	State and Local Government Unmet Needs	\$24,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Public Safety	State Matching Funds	\$325,000,000	SL 2024-51 & 53
Department of Public Safety	State Private Roads and Bridges Repair and Replacement Program	\$100,000,000	SL 2025-2
Department of the State Treasurer	Line of Duty Death Benefits	\$500,000	SL 2024-53
Department of the State Treasurer	Local Government Cash Flow Loans	\$100,000,000	SL 2024-53
Department of Transportation	Repair and Reconstruction of Transportation Infrastructure	\$125,000,000	SL 2024-57
North Carolina Community College System	Emergency Grants for Affected Community College Students	\$10,500,000	SL 2024-53
North Carolina Community College System	Expanded Mental Health Support for Affected Community College Students	\$1,250,000	SL 2024-53
North Carolina Community College System	Tuition Grants for Students Attending Impacted Community Colleges	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
North Carolina State Board of Elections	Elections	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-51
Office of State Budget & Management	Technical Assistance for Local Governments	\$7,500,000	SL 2024-51 & 53
Office of State Budget & Management	Unmet Needs - Debris and Sediment Removal	\$20,000,000	SL 2025-2
Office of State Budget & Management	Unmet Needs - Housing & Small Business	\$26,000,000	SL 2024-53
Office of the State Fire Marshal	Grants to Small and Volunteer Fire Departments	\$10,000,000	SL 2025-2
University of North Carolina System	Emergency Grants for Affected Private College and University Students	\$1,000,000	SL 2024-53
University of North Carolina System	Emergency Grants for Affected UNC Students	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53
University of North Carolina System	Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$3,500,000	SL 2024-53
University of North Carolina System	Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$15,600,000	SL 2024-53

Agency	Purpose	Amount	Session Law
University of North Carolina System	Need-Based Scholarships for Students Attending Private Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$2,500,000	SL 2024-53
University of North Carolina System	Tuition Grants for Students Attending UNC Asheville	\$5,500,000	SL 2024-53
University of North Carolina System	UNC Capital Recovery Funds	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53

Table 4.2 State Fund Expenditures

As of June 30, 2025

Agency	Purpose	State Funds Appropriated	Obligations	Expenditures	Balance	Session Law
DACS	Agricultural Disaster Crop Loss Program	\$200,000,000	\$0	\$89,499	\$199,910,501	SL 2025-2
DACS	DACS Facility Repairs	\$210,000	\$0	\$152,600	\$57,400	SL 2024-57
DACS	Soil and Water Conservation Technical Assistance	\$2,000,000	\$1,971,458	\$28,542	\$0	SL 2024-57
DACS	Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$0	\$0	SL 2024-57
Commerce	EDPNC Business Loss Assessment	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
Commerce	Golden Leaf - Hurricane Helene Impacted Business Bridge Loans	\$50,000,000	\$0	\$50,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
Commerce	Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program	\$55,000,000	\$7,300,000	\$9,481	\$47,690,519	SL 2025-2
Commerce	State Home Reconstruction and Repair Program	\$120,000,000	\$81,495,887	\$0	\$38,504,113	SL 2025-2
Commerce	Visit NC Tourism Promotion	\$9,000,000	\$1,856,282	\$7,143,718	\$0	SL 2024-53 & SL 2025-2
DEQ	Emergency Loans for Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Repair	\$100,000,000	\$67,502,354	\$4,704,706	\$27,792,940	SL 2024-53
DEQ	Technical Assistance for Assessments and Design	\$7,000,000	\$6,293,433	\$706,567	\$0	SL 2024-53
DEQ	Underground Storage Tank (UST) Repair Loan Program	\$22,000,000	\$83,994	\$546,589	\$21,369,417	SL 2024-53
DEQ	Weatherization Assistance	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Child Care Centers and Family Child Care Homes Disaster Relief	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Child Welfare Essential Services	\$3,000,000	\$300,000	\$2,700,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$3,771,793	\$2,228,207	SL 2024-53 & SL 2025-2
DHHS	Essential Services for Vulnerable Adults	\$1,400,000	\$140,000	\$1,260,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Local Health Department (LHD) Support	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Mental Health Crisis Supports and Support for Individuals with I/DD	\$25,000,000	\$16,499,999	\$1,666,787	\$6,833,214	SL 2024-53

Agency	Purpose	State Funds Appropriated	Obligations	Expenditures	Balance	Session Law
DHHS	Rental Assistance	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DHHS	Utility Assistance	\$9,000,000	\$0	\$9,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DPI	Additional Mental Health Funds for Public Schools	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DPI	Capital Recovery Funds - Public School Facilities	\$50,000,000	\$0	\$50,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
DPI	School Extension Learning Recovery Program	\$9,000,000	\$0	\$8,800,000	\$200,000	SL 2025-2
DPI	School Nutrition Employee Compensation	\$16,000,000	\$0	\$2,556,693	\$13,443,307	SL 2024-51
DPI	School Nutrition Food, Supplies, and Equipment Loss	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$1,469,280	\$3,530,720	SL 2024-53
DPI	Technology Funds for Public Schools	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$423,050	\$4,576,950	SL 2024-53
DPS	NCEM Floodplain Mapping	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	SL 2024-53
DPS	Ongoing Repair and Reconstruction (Volunteer Organizations)	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000	SL 2025-2
DPS	State and Local Government Unmet Needs	\$24,000,000	\$0	\$8,603,405	\$15,396,595	SL 2024-53
DPS	State Matching Funds	\$325,000,000	\$69,296,530	\$57,731,440	\$197,972,030	SL 2024-51 & 53
DPS	State Private Roads and Bridges Repair and Replacement Program	\$100,000,000	\$21,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$69,000,000	SL 2025-2
Treasurer	Line of Duty Death Benefits	\$500,000	\$0	\$200,000	\$300,000	SL 2024-53
Treasurer	Local Government Cash Flow Loans	\$100,000,000	\$0	\$67,887,150	\$32,112,850	SL 2024-53
DOT	Repair and Reconstruction of Transportation Infrastructure	\$125,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$125,000,000	SL 2024-57
NCCCS	Emergency Grants for Affected Community College Students	\$10,500,000	\$0	\$10,500,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
NCCCS	Expanded Mental Health Support for Affected Community College Students	\$1,250,000	\$0	\$1,250,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
NCCCS	Tuition Grants for Students Attending Impacted Community Colleges	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
NCSBE	Elections	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$523,010	\$4,476,990	SL 2024-51

Agency	Purpose	State Funds Appropriated	Obligations	Expenditures	Balance	Session Law
OSBM	Technical Assistance for Local Governments	\$7,500,000	\$0	\$7,500,000	\$0	SL 2024-51 & 53
OSBM	Unmet Needs - Debris and Sediment Removal	\$20,000,000	\$12,500,000		\$7,500,000	SL 2025-2
OSBM	Unmet Needs - Housing & Small Business	\$26,000,000	\$0	\$26,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
Fire Marshal	Grants to Small and Volunteer Fire Departments	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	SL 2025-2
UNC System	Emergency Grants for Affected Private College and University Students	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$846,661	\$153,339	SL 2024-53
UNC System	Emergency Grants for Affected UNC Students	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
UNC System	Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$3,500,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
UNC System	Need-Based Scholarship for Public Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$15,600,000	\$0	\$15,600,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
UNC System	Need-Based Scholarships for Students Attending Private Colleges and Universities Additional Awards	\$2,500,000	\$104,736	\$2,395,264	\$0	SL 2024-53
UNC System	Tuition Grants for Students Attending UNC Asheville	\$5,500,000	\$0	\$5,500,000	\$0	SL 2024-53
UNC System	UNC Capital Recovery Funds	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	SL 2024-53