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SCHOOL SYSTEM UPDATES

Asheville City Schools

All Asheville City Schools have potable water, and Superintendent Maggie Fehrman said she is confident on an Oct. 28 reopening date. A lot of work is happening now to meet this opening date including testing bus routes, securing sufficient food, time for staff to return and prepare for students, and securing drinkable water. Asheville City Schools is partnering with Buncombe County Schools and other area schools to develop a plan for distributing drinking water to all public schools. Bridge Learning, an enrichment program for kids while schools are closed, will end after Friday.

Buncombe County Schools

There has been great progress at Buncombe County Schools. As of today, 44 out of 45 schools have power, 34 out of 45 have water, and 38 out of 45 have internet connectivity. Team members are currently being trained on fire watch in the case fire system sprinklers are not fully functional. While no facilities suffered catastrophic damage, restoration continues in facilities that received flooding damage. Staff is working on transportation, including re-routing routes and establishing community stops and pivoting to prepare meals without potable water to offer free breakfast and lunch. Schools are also getting support from school counselors and social workers from all over the state to support with the emotional wellbeing of students and

staff during these times. A reopening date will be announced as soon as schools are able to safely reopen.

BIRTH PLANNING SUPPORT - Deciding to Adjust?

- Here is a resource for folks who are currently pregnant and deciding if and how their birth plans should adjust here in WNC. [Link here](#).

BREASTFEEDING SAFETY, CARE & RESOURCE

[Appalachian Breastfeeding Network Hotline](#)—Call: 888-588- 3423 OR Text: BFHOTLINE to 839863

BUNCOMBE COUNTY

Asheville

- East Asheville: Breastmilk available [HERE](#).
- Emergency Infant Feeding Crisis Resources in WNC:
 - Milk Depot located at [Lilac Health Birth and Wellness Center](#) (390 S French Broad Ave, Asheville, NC 28801, Near Mission ER) in same building as Lantern Health
 - 10 AM - 4 PM Daily
 - https://www.instagram.com/p/DAvoFOuPmN-/?img_index=1

Resources include: House calls for lactation/feeding, Deliveries of supplies, donated breast milk, pumps and supplies, diapers, disposable cups for safely feeding babies, cleaning supplies, power, internet, freezer storage for donated breast milk, etc, expertise in breastfeeding, pumping and infant feeding provided by IBCLC

Black Mountain

- **Milk Depot located at Temple Chiropractic**
10 E Market St Suite B, Black Mountain, NC 28711
 - Resources include: donated breast milk, pumps and supplies, diapers, disposable cups for safely feeding babies, power, internet, freezer storage for donated breast milk, etc, expertise in breastfeeding, pumping and infant feeding provided by IBCLC

HENDERSON COUNTY

Hendersonville

- Freezer space for breastmilk storage, electricity for pumping purposes located at Hands On Museum in Hendersonville

JACKSON COUNTY

Sylva

- 10/3, AM: Milk Depot located at [Birthstone Breastfeeding and Wellness Center](#)
494 W Main St, Sylva, NC 28779-Contact Brandi Harrison

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CHILD & INFANT SAFETY/DISPLACED CHILDREN

- Child Safety Efforts/Foster Families: [Foster Family Alliance of NC](#) & NCDHHS are collaborating to ensure the safety of all children in custody following Hurricane Helene. [Form to fill out](#) (WNC Helene How to Help Google Doc here: <https://docs.google.com/document/u/0/d/1JGhyBN3NO970ZxZFEQroMKBvXphLN6JIKUIYoJ2kSaQ/mobilebasic?%23heading=h.aczyuw2yex2w>)
- Disaster Relief for Caregivers of displaced children available [HERE](#). Kids displaced by natural disaster are considered homeless. Enrollment is immediate, even if you have no records, and your kid should be able to transition back to their original school with no issues. (And it's federal, so it works the same way everywhere, even if kids cross state lines)

PREGNANCY & POSTPARTUM CARE & RESOURCES (Doulas, Lactation Counseling, Transportation, Housing Assistance)

- 10/3, AM: Birth Belongs To Women has opened forums for people to volunteer or request help in specific areas with needs specific to birth & postpartum. They're looking for volunteers willing to offer cooked meals, delivery of supplies, midwifery care, birth + full spectrum doula care, postpartum care, lactation counseling, donations of breast milk and formula, transportation and gasoline deliveries, relocation and housing assistance. Request or offer help [here](#)
- [Emergency Support Pregnancy/Postpartum](#): (Doula, Midwives, Transportation, Gasoline, Wellness Checks, Cooked Meals, Groceries, Water, Donated Breast Milk, Housing): Fill out a needs request form and we will match you with an incredible support person standing by in your area" [Link here](#).

SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN CARE, Child Care & RESOURCES

- [Contact – National Emergency Child Care Network](#) Families can submit a form online to request emergency child care <https://emergencychildcare.org/contact>
 - From the CEO: We are 100% FREE. 😊 We do not charge families anything for our service. We are a 501c3 nonprofit and are 100% volunteer based. Volunteers deploy for 4 to 8 hour shifts to give relief and respite to parents.
 - We are ready and happy to deploy volunteers to:
 1. Homes of families impacted by the disaster and need emergency child care.

- 2. Hotels where displaced families are staying.
- 3. Disaster shelters.
- 4. Schools, child care centers, home based child cares and pop up child care camps.
- 5. And we even have a few families willing to foster kids for a few days or a week.

Source: Website and Silke Knebel, Founder & CEO. (added 10/12)

SUPPLY HUBS - (Activities for kids, Baby Supplies, Diapers, Food, Powdered Milk, etc.)

Asheville

- Daily, ongoing. BeLoved Asheville. 32 Old Charlotte Hwy. (Source: 10/7, BeLoved Asheville)

Black Mountain

- Daily, ongoing. 11am to 5pm. The RailYard. 141 Richardson Blvd. (Source: 10/7, The RailYard)
- ~~10/4, 2pm to 5pm. Asheville High School. 419 McDowell St. Free baby supplies. Also distributing water, dry food, cleaning supplies. (Source: 10/4, [Facebook page.](#))~~
- ~~10/4 thru 10/6. 12pm to 5pm. Citizen Vinyl. 14 O'Henry Ave. Free diapers, wipes, powdered milk. Also: free meals; kids activities; music; water distribution. Source: [Instagram](#)~~
- ~~ASHEVILLE ASNC (Autism Society of North Carolina), they have limited water, hygiene supplies, and baby formula. 306 Summit St. Thursday 10/3/24 from 11-12~~
- ~~Barnes & Noble at the Asheville Mall (3 S Tunnel Rd, Asheville, NC 28805) has formula and other baby essential (retrieved 9/30, approx 10am, from Threads)~~
- ~~Diaper Bank of America is providing baby diapers, pullups, formula, period products, and adult incontinence items (first come first serve) at the following locations, trucks arrived Monday 9/30:~~

~~Black Mountain Fire Department
106 Montreat Road
Black mountain, NC 28711
Contact: Steve Parker 919-946-5208~~

~~Mitchell County, First Baptist church
125 West Tappan Street
Spruce Pine, NC 28777
Contact: Linda Pitman 919-527-7257~~

~~Yancey County
Mountain Heritage High School
333 Mountain Heritage High School Rd
Burnsville, NC 28714
contact: David Laviner 910-280-3628~~

HENDERSON COUNTY

Hendersonville

- 10/2 and ongoing 8:00am-4:30pm daily. [Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center](#) (204 S King St, Hendersonville, NC 28792). Water, PBJ's, hot dogs/hamburgers, clorox wipes, trash bags, diapers, baby wipes, propane tanks, etc. (Source: 10/7, FTBC)

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