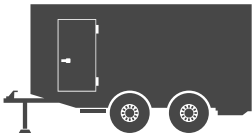


The American Kennel Club® (AKC®) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1884 to promote the study, breeding, exhibiting, and advancement of purebred dogs. Together with our clubs and affiliates, AKC works to advance the health and wellbeing of all dogs, protect the rights of dog owners, and promote responsible dog ownership. We represent nearly 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **147 clubs in the state of North Carolina.**

The AKC sanctions over 28,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in North Carolina spend annually on their dogs.



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DISASTER RELIEF TRAILER DONATIONS

AKC Pet Disaster Relief is a lifesaving program in which AKC Reunite® partners with AKC clubs to donate trailers stocked with equipment to help create a safe, temporary shelter for at least 65 pets before, during, and after a disaster is declared. The trailer's crates and generator can be set up as co-location shelters, where owners can evacuate with their pets, as well as emergency animal shelters for displaced animals.

\$6.7 million
SUPPORTING
CANINE HEALTH
RESEARCH



The AKC Canine Health Foundation® (CHF) has invested nearly **\$6.7M in canine health research** at North Carolina institutions statewide through the support of **100 projects, research grants, and educational studies to benefit dogs.** This research has spanned topics related to general canine health and behavior predictors with assistance dogs, the genetics of oncology and research regarding lymphoma, osteosarcoma and hemangiosarcoma, immunology and infectious disease, cardiology, dermatology and allergic disease, epilepsy, gastrointestinal disease, hepatic disease, kidney and urological disease, lung and respiratory diseases and conditions, musculoskeletal conditions and disease, neurology, ophthalmology, immunology, infectious and tick-borne diseases at the **Canine Comparative Oncology and Genomics Consortium Inc., Duke University, North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.** There are currently **15 active grants and an awarded clinician-scientist fellowship.** CHF prioritizes a One Health and comparative medicine research approach to diagnose and treat health conditions that affect both ends of the leash while advancing canine health for all dogs.

2025 NC dog events **991** events  **97,800** participants

\$2.15 million

economic benefit of dog show weekend

Surveys demonstrate that exhibitors at AKC conformation dog shows spend an average of **\$982 per show weekend.** This means spending by AKC dog show exhibitors for a show weekend could inject more than \$2.15 million into the local economy. And because AKC dog shows are an educational and family-friendly event, large spectator gates can generate additional revenues for cities and towns statewide.

AKC REUNITE® ADOPT A K-9 COP GRANTS

AKC Reunite® and AKC Clubs work together to fund the purchase of law enforcement K-9s for police departments around the United States.



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NORTH CAROLINA POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS

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| Ahoskie Police Department (2) | Haywood County Sheriff's Office | Pikeville Police Department |
| Apex Police Department | Hertford County Sheriff's Office (2) | Pitt County Sheriff's Office |
| Buncombe County Sheriff's Office (3) | Hillsborough Police Department | Raeford Police Department |
| Butner Public Safety Police Department | Holly Springs Police Department | Ranlo Police Department (2) |
| Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office | Jackson County Sheriff's Office (2) | Roanoke Rapids Police Department |
| Caldwell County Sheriff's Office | Kinston Police Department | Rocky Mount Police Department (4) |
| Camden County Sheriff's Office | Lumberton Police Department (2) | Rowan County Sheriff's Office |
| Canton Police Department | Maggie Valley Police Department (2) | Southern Pines Police Department |
| Carteret County Sheriff's Office (2) | Moore County Sheriff's Office | Southern Shores Police Department |
| Chowan County Sheriff's Office | Mooresville Police Department | Sylva Police Department |
| Clayton Police Department | Morehead City Police Department | Tarboro Police Department (2) |
| Currituck County Sheriff's Office (3) | Mount Olive Police Department | Vance County Sheriff's Office |
| Davidson County Sheriff's Office | Nashville Police Department (2) | Wadesboro Police Department |
| Dunn Police Department | NC State University Police Department (2) | Wallace Police Department |
| Durham Tech Police Department | NC State Bureau of Investigation (2) | Waxhaw Police Department |
| Erwin Police Department (2) | NC State Capitol Police | Waynesville Police Department (2) |
| Forsyth Tech Police Department | New Bern Police Department | Windsor Police Department |
| Fuquay-Varina Police Department | Northampton County Sheriff's Office | Wingate Police Department |
| Guilford County Sheriff's Office | Person County Sheriffs Office (3) | Winston-Salem Police Department |
| Halifax County Sheriff's Office | | Zebulon Police Department |