



AKC IMPACT IN NORTH CAROLINA

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 more than 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **148 clubs in the state of North Carolina**.

The AKC sanctions over 22,000 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.

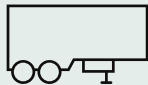
AKC DOG EVENTS IN NC (2022)

854 EVENTS **84,000** PARTICIPANTS

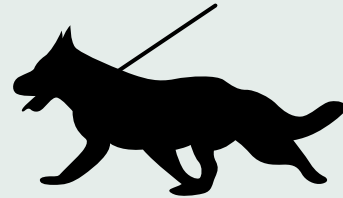
An increase in 13%
increase in events in 2021.



2 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.



\$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.

NORTH CAROLINA POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS



APEX POLICE DEPARTMENT
BUNCOMBE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CURRITUCK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
FUQUAY-VARINA POLICE DEPARTMENT
PERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
MOUNT OLIVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
HILLSBOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT
JACKSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
MAGGIE VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT
NASHVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
HALIFAX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ROCKY MOUNT POLICE DEPARTMENT
SYLVA POLICE DEPARTMENT
WAYNESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
HERTFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
AHOSKIE POLICE DEPARTMENT
VANCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
WINGATE POLICE DEPARTMENT
BUNCOMBE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SUPPORTING CANINE HEALTH RESEARCH

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) has invested nearly **\$6.35M in canine health research** at North Carolina institutions state-wide through the support of **92 projects, research grants, and educational studies** to benefit dogs at **Duke University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina State University, Canine Comparative Oncology and Genomics Consortium, Inc, and the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences**. 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. There are currently **17 active grants** which comprise projects such as enhanced detection and characterization of a novel tick-borne disease infecting clinically ill dogs, understanding with the gut-brain axis associated with canine idiopathic epilepsy, a longitudinal comparison of development in assistance dog puppies, and the prevalence of bartonella infection in dogs with cardiac and splenic hemangiosarcomas. 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.



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