



4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW

Wake County 4-H Youth Development is a non-formal educational outreach program of the local NCSU Cooperative Extension Office, with joint leadership by the Children, Youth and Families Division of Wake County Human Services. The solution focused efforts of Wake County 4-H Youth Development in partnership with the community represent the primary strategies for addressing critical issues in our community regarding youth. 4-H uses a variety of age appropriate, experiential and evidence-based strategies to build competency and resiliency among school age youth, and to support families throughout Wake County. Efforts are delivered in partnership with more than 100 non-profit, educational and faith-based organizations and aligned with agency wide and community wide efforts. 4-H Youth Development is vital in the delivery of services, especially for under-served and hard to reach populations, and in building the capacity for positive youth development programming to strengthen Human Capital Development efforts.

Prevention of high risk behaviors is not the same as preparation for the future. Indeed, an adolescent who attends school, obeys laws, and avoids drugs is not necessarily equipped to meet the difficult demands of adulthood. Problem-free is not the same as fully prepared.

-K Pittman & M Cahill

Wake County 4-H Youth Development 2011 Total Program:

- \$2,172,284 Total Budget
 - ◆ 72% County funds
 - ◆ 28% Outside funds
- \$187,000 in additional resources from North Carolina State University
- 31 Full time and 1 part time 4-H positions
- 5,117 Youth served (Six or more hours of instruction)
- 1,100 Volunteers
 - ◆ 50,000 Volunteer hours devoted to youth development
 - ◆ \$992,412 Value of volunteer hours (National Standard)

SCHOOL BASED SERVICES

Budget \$388,291

Six 4-H Positions

1116 - Total young people served in 23 schools

Primary Efforts:

- ✿ **FASST** – (*Families And Students Succeeding Together*)
- ✿ **Making Magic Summer Camps**
- ✿ **Staff Led Life Skills Groups**

COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Budget \$1,783,993

25 Full time and 1 part time positions

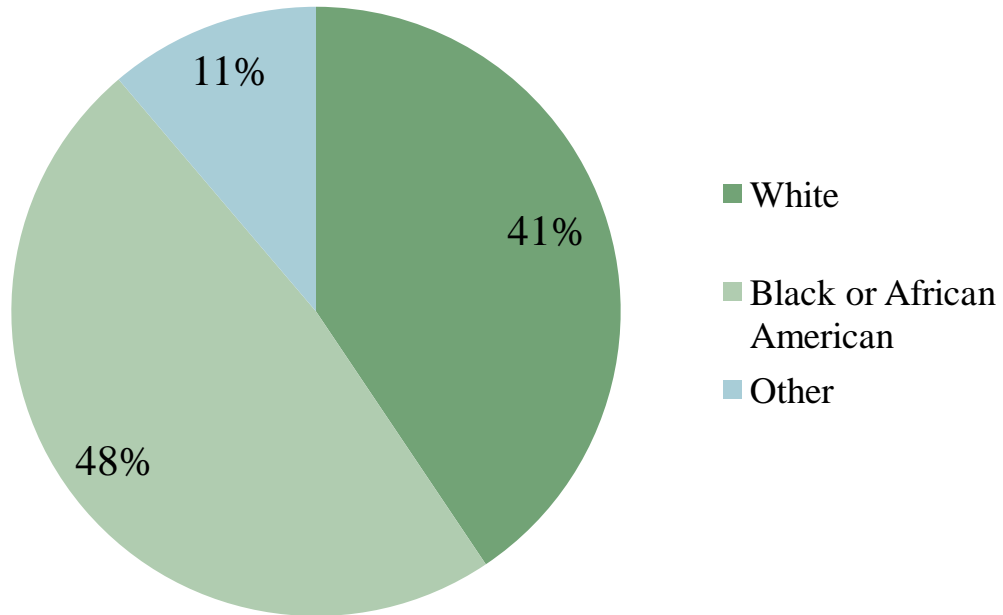
4001 – Total young people served

Primary Efforts:

- ✿ **Volunteer Led Clubs**
- ✿ **Staff Led Life skills Groups**
- ✿ **Substance Abuse Prevention**
- ✿ **Leadership Development**
- ✿ **Outreach and Community Capacity Building**
- ✿ **Life Coaching**
- ✿ **Week Long Sleep Away Camp**

Unduplicated count = 5117 clients reported on Sept. 31, 2010

Racial Composition



Reasons for Referral

