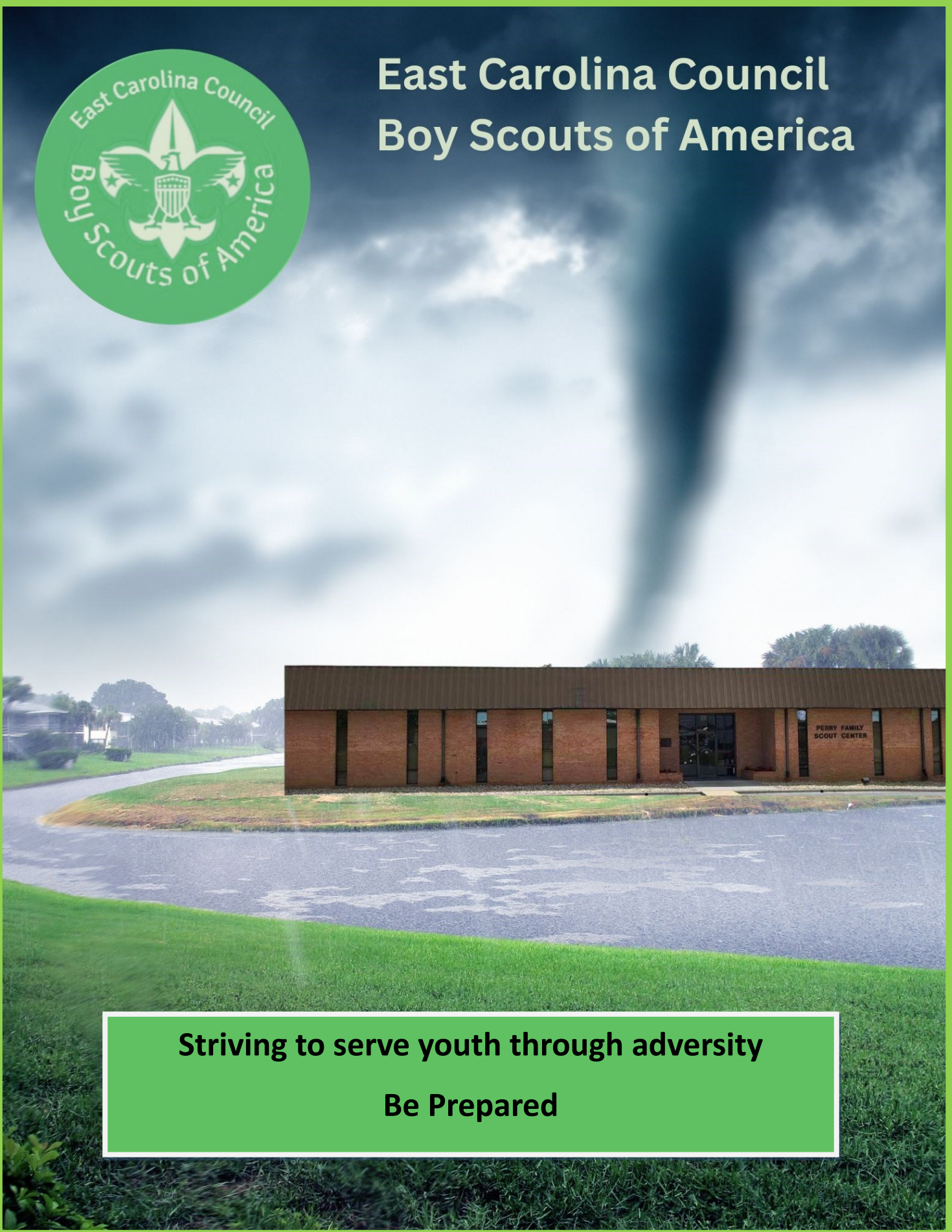




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As we continue to navigate through promising yet uncertain times, the mission of the Boy Scouts of America remains consistent—to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law. To properly fulfill the national mission and local vision, we must expand and accelerate efforts to reach more youth, attract more families and secure the confidence of the youth and their guardians. We must identify ways to enhance the development and usage of council facilities to inspire the next generation of Scouts and Scouters to reconnect with nature, outdoor adventure and more.

As you read through the following annual report, we hope you are struck by what has been achieved in the past year. However, it is not our accomplishment alone. We thank all who have contributed to our success, especially during an ever-changing landscape. Specific highlights include:

- We saw over 740 Scouts and Leaders attend East Carolina Scout Reservation during this year’s Summer Camp and High Adventure programs.
- As of October 2023, we’ve recognized 91 young people who have earned the rank of Eagle Scout
- 2023 Scouting for Food Totals
 - 741 Scouts Participated
 - 356 Leaders Participated
 - 2,561 Service Hours Logged
 - 35,357 Pounds of Food Collected
- We are thankful for the support of 667 Businesses and Individuals Donated to our “Friends of Scouting” Annual Giving Campaign and the 128 **Charter Organizations that charter units in East Carolina Council**
- We made and kept a commitment to get our Youth Protection Training statistics to 100% of our leaders trained and compliant with the annual recertification.

Despite the challenges and constraints, it has been a productive year, which would not have been possible without our partners. Moving forward, we will continue adjusting to the new normal in our work, without diminishing the mission while adapting to a changing environment. We look forward to developing more productive and resilient ways to positively affect youth in our area and look forward to your help in achieving that goal.

Although, we will still have challenges to overcome, we have a bright future ahead of us, and I want to take a moment as we reflect to thank each volunteer, key leader, parent, partnering organization and staff member who has helped to make possible our progress thus far.

Yours in Scouting,

East Carolina Council Leadership 2023

Proudly serving young people in the counties of Beaufort, Bertie, Carteret, Craven, Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington, and Wilson.

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History of Scouting in East Carolina Council

A charter was granted to Wilson County in February 1918, the East Carolina Council was incorporated in the state of North Carolina Corporation Law. Mr. Penn T Watson was the first Lone Scout along with Mr. Sanders Darden in 1917. The first independent troop was in Wilson that was chartered by the First Methodist Church in 1918. In 1924, service was extended to Eastern North Carolina and the County of Wilson of North Carolina, and the corporation's name was changed to East Carolina Council. In February of 1924, the council was registered in North Carolina as a non-profit corporation authorized to conduct its operations in that state. Mr. Ben E Eagles was the first President of Wilson Council. Mr. Eagles was the first one to receive the Silver Beaver Award the highest award in council. In 1928 Wilsonian Herbert H. Harris donated 141 acres of land near Bailey Scout Camp. It was named Camp Charles in his brother's honor. Troop 5 claimed to be the first one to use this camp.

Wilson Council was organized with over 20 counties in the 1930's. At the time the Scout Executive Mr. H. Travis stated to the Regional office in Atlanta on 1930 stating, "There is a fine Scouting spirit and attitude of coordination on the part of our of people and I predict a pleasant relationship between this area and its new "mother". I consider myself a present member of the great army of unemployed and shall be glad to consider any opening for which you feel, I could be recommended" After this Wilson County was called "East Carolina Council." In 1936 there was a fire and all records of our scouting history was loss. There are no records before April 17, 1950 that we had changed our name.

In 1967, Dr. Sam Hatcher made available 330 acres of land near Morehead City to East Carolina Council. In 1969, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner of Washington, NC gave 330 acres pm Broad Creek for a campsite. Another 470 acres was purchased from Weyerhaeuser, Denton and Evans family at Blounts Creek.

In 1975 East Carolina Council was moved to Kinston which provided a permanent office facility. A new headquarters was dedicated on October 31, 1976.

The Council's Croatan Lodge was chartered in 1940. Wilsonian who served as Croatan Chief are: Woody Harrison until 1960, Henry Skinner until 1963, and Joseph until 1977. Mr. Arnie Formo received the Lodge Founders Award in 1983. Mr. William (Red) McKemey and Mr. Arnie Formo built a Camp Masters Lodge.

Without Your Support We Could Not Be The Best Council Today



In 2023 we have had 95 Eagle Scouts

In 2023 we have 1,263 Cub Scouts

In 2023 we have 1,267 Scouts BSA

In 2023 we have 32 Venture Crew Members

In 2023 we have 22 Sea Scouts

In 2023 we have 54 Explorers

In 2023 we have 49 Cub Scout Units

In 2023 we have 73 Scouts BSA Units

In 2023 we have 4 Venture Crew Units

In 2023 we have 4 Sea Scout Units

In 2023 we have 7 Explorer Posts

In 2023 we have 2,104 Adult Leaders

In 2023 we had 2,547 Scouts and Leaders
Attend Camp Boddie and Pamlico Sea Base

***As of 11/7/2023**

Youth Registration Numbers from:

2,151 Registered Youth on 3/1/23

2,311 Registered Youth on 8/1/2023

2,616 Registered Youth on 11/7/2023

Since 3/31/2023 we recruited 465 Scouts

Since 8/31/2023 we recruited 305 Scouts



Our Charter Organizations

American Legion Post 110	First Christian Church Disciples of Christ
American Legion Post 154	First Christian Church Scouting Foundation
American Legion Post 182	First Methodist Church
American Legion Post 78	First Missionary Baptist Church- LaGrange
American Legion Post 99	First Presbyterian Church
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Calvary Memorial United Methodist Church	Greenville Noon Rotary
Camp Boddie	Hollywood Presbyterian Church
Cape Carteret Presbyterian Church	HOWARD MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Castalia Volunteer Fire Department	I Need It Now Trophies
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CHURCH

Queens Creek Methodist Church

Restoration Church

Riverdale United Methodist Church

ROANOKE RAPIDS ROTARY CLUB

Rotary Club

Rotary Club of Morehead City

SAINT JAMES UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH

Salisbury AME Zion Church

Sand Hill Volunteer Fire Department

Sound Side Missionary Baptist Church

ST ANNES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Triangle Volunteer Fire Department

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Wilson Scouting Optimist Club

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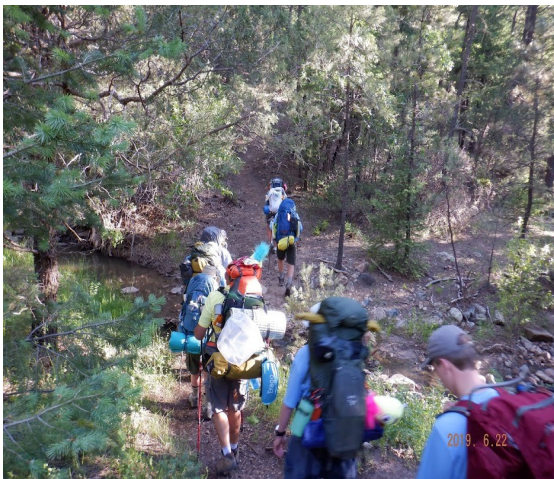


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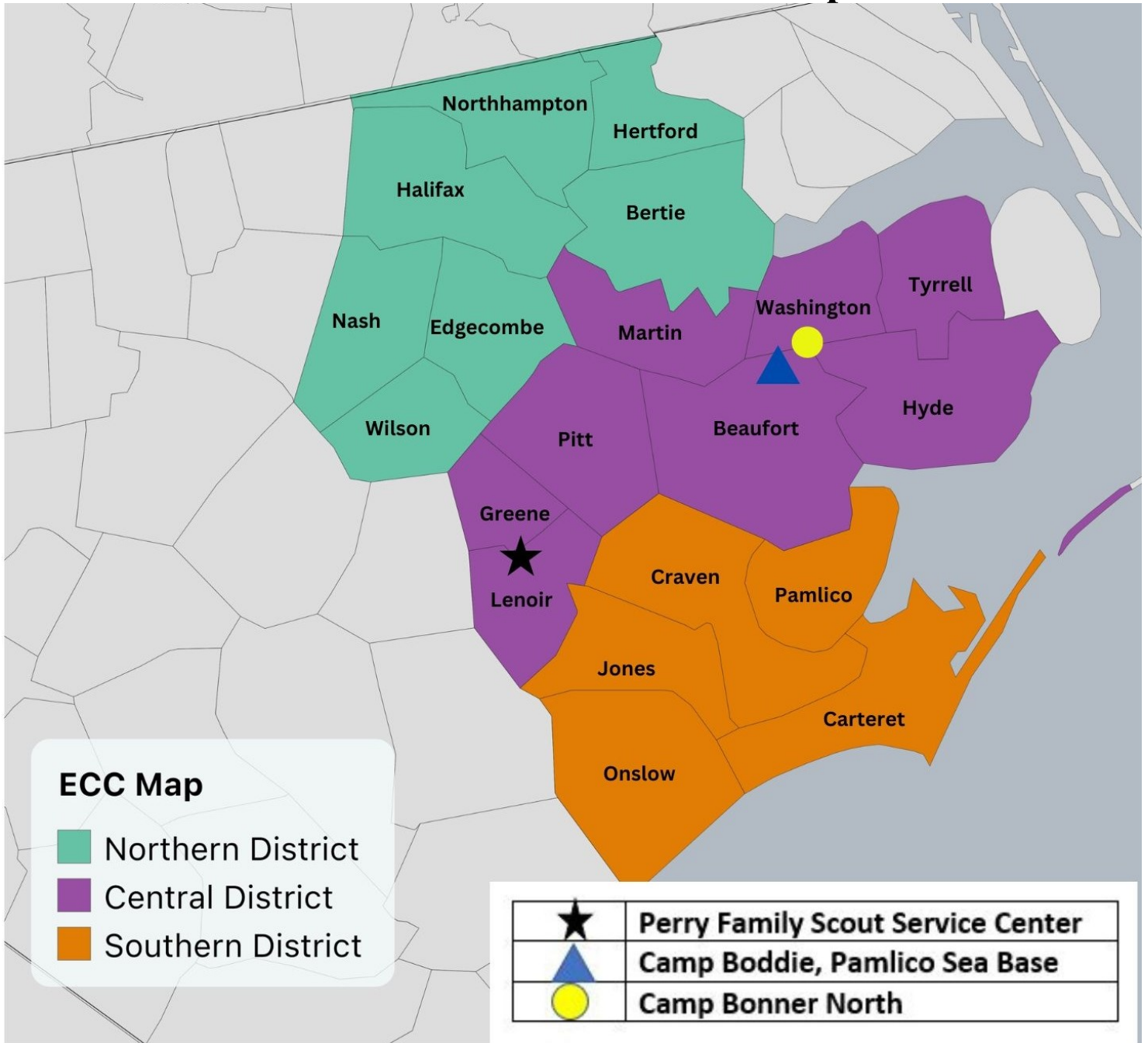
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