



ECMHSP North Carolina Branch — North Carolina

The NC Branch evolved out of two former delegate agencies of East Coast Migrant Head Start Project, St. James Christian Church, Inc., and a human service organization serving Duplin, Onslow and Pender Counties (DOP). These two delegates dissolved and later became the NC Branch of ECMHSP in 1997. At that time, four centers were in operation through the church and one center was being operated by the human services agency.

The NC Branch currently operates seven Migrant Head Start Centers in Eastern North Carolina. Centers are located in the rural areas of Duplin (2), Greene, Johnston, Nash, Pender and Pitt Counties. A total of 463 children are served by NC Branch Centers annually.

Our Centers are located in agricultural areas with the highest statewide annual ranking in the production and harvesting of tobacco, sweet potatoes, strawberries, blueberries, wheat, beans, peppers, pine trees and flowers. Within our service areas, there is a concentration of approximately 10,000 migrant and seasonal farm workers during peak harvest. This is a tremendous challenge – serving migrant families with limited capacity in each one of our centers.

Please call the NC Branch at 1-800-457-5059 should you desire our services.