



The Problem: Accidental childhood injury

Accidental injury is the number one cause of death among children ages 14 and under in the United States. Also, each year one out of every four children needs medical attention for an accidental injury.

The Solution: Safe Kids

Safe Kids Jackson County is one of more than 300 grassroots coalitions in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico that bring together health and safety experts, educators, governments, and volunteers to educate and protect families. Safe Kids Jackson County is a member of Safe Kids Worldwide, a global network of organizations dedicated to preventing accidental injury. We know our efforts are needed because 90% of accidental injuries can be prevented.

About Us

Safe Kids Jackson County was created in 2013 by its lead agency-- the Jackson County Department of Public Health. The coalition has grown to include representation from numerous agencies in and around the County.

The mission of the coalition is to reduce accidental death and injury to children ages 0-19 years in Jackson County through prevention, education, and intervention.

Programs

Safe Kids Jackson County works with local schools, community groups, and more to implement child injury prevention programs. Please contact us if you are interested in working with Safe Kids Jackson County on an ongoing safety program.

Child Passenger Safety

Pedestrian and Bike Safety

Water Safety

Poison Prevention

Fire Safety

Smoke Alarm Canvassing

Awareness Campaign Requirements

Risk Area Requirements

Coalitions are required to address 3 risk areas through education and awareness campaigns.

Professional Development

- Attend Safe Kids NC Injury Prevention Conference— Annually in May
- Fire and Life Safety Conference – Annually in February
- Buckle Up NC Conference – Annually in May

Resources

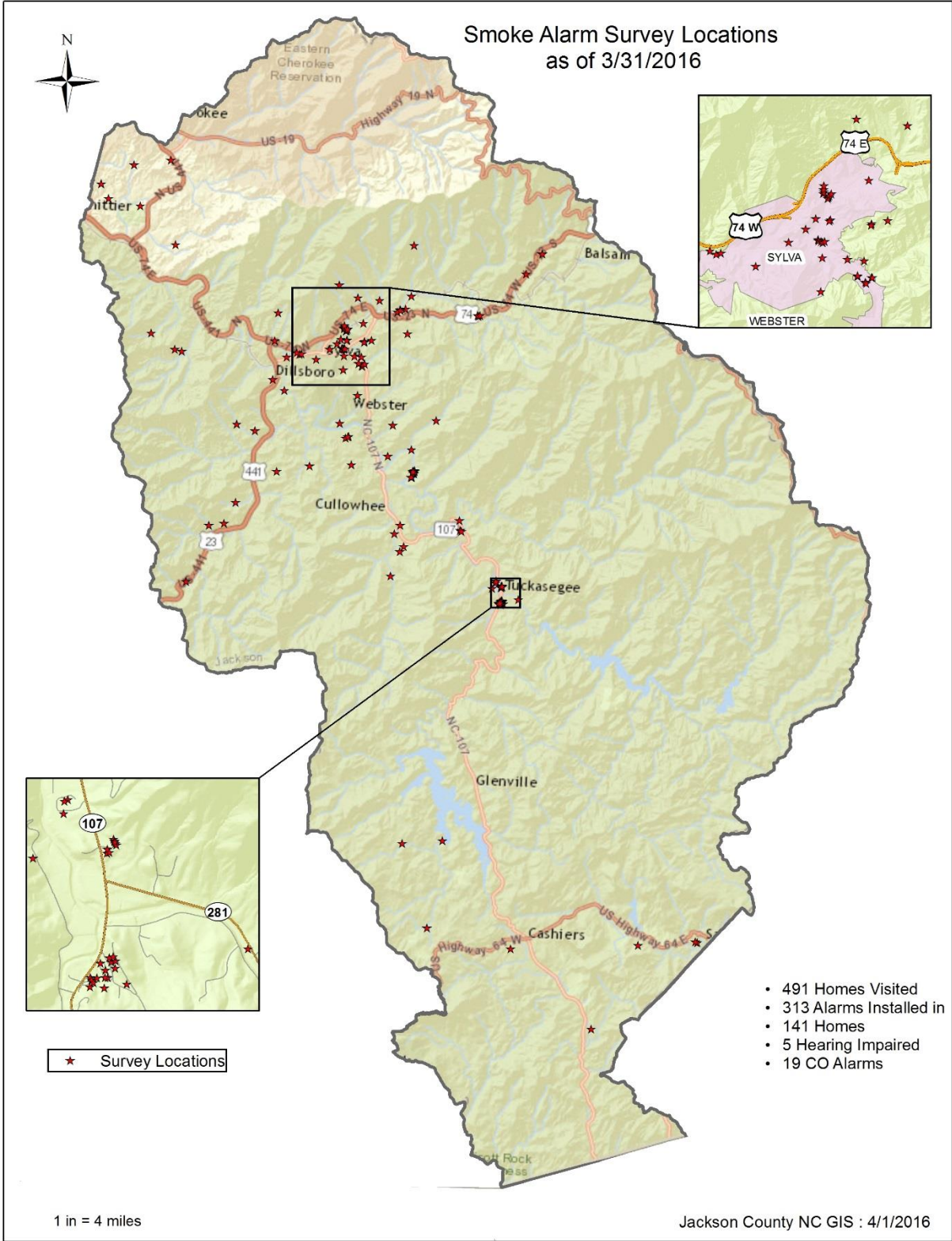
- Safe Kids Worldwide: www.safekids.org
- Safe Kids NC Website: www.ncsafekids.org
- Safe Kids NC Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/NCsafeKids>
- Safe Kids Jackson County Facebook Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/safekidsjacksoncounty/>

Smoke Alarm Canvassing Program

In April of 2015 Safe Kids Jackson County revived a grant through the North Carolina Department of Insurance - Office of State Fire Marshal for smoke alarm education and installation. This program is designed as a total community canvassing project to provide both education and long-life smoke alarms as needed. We identified high fire risk areas in our community to target and conduct fire safety sweeps. In addition to the smoke alarms we have received carbon monoxide alarms through our local Wal-Mart to install in residences throughout the County.

In the past year, 313 smoke alarms were installed in our county (see attached map).

Smoke Alarm Survey Locations as of 3/31/2016



- 491 Homes Visited
- 313 Alarms Installed in
- 141 Homes
- 5 Hearing Impaired
- 19 CO Alarms

★ Survey Locations

1 in = 4 miles

Jackson County NC GIS : 4/1/2016



Car seat checks planned for national safety week

