

### PENDER ADULT SERVICES, INC.

**DESCRIPTION:** Pender Adult Services, Inc. provides a range of services and activities to the older adults in Pender County for the purpose of administering to older adults' needs, maintaining them in the community, supporting their independence and providing choices which will allow them a sense of purpose and well being. Pender Adult Services administers seven different programs serving approximately 25% of the County's population. The agency is the lead agency for aging services, as well as the lead agency for transportation services. The programs administered by the agency are: Congregate Meals, Meals on Wheels, Transportation, Community Alternative Program, Personal Care Program, Senior Center Programming, Fitness/Wellness Services, Home Care and Pender County Volunteer Center. County funds provide the required local match for the Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Transportation, and In-Home Aide Service Programs. Without the County's matching funds, these services could not be offered.

**USE OF COUNTY FUNDS:** County funds make it possible for the elderly to receive home delivered meals, receive medical transportation or transportation to the senior center for nutritious meals, or to receive medical assistance from a nurse's aide. The funds will also go towards the cost of the update to the County Transportation Development Plan. These funds are a local match required by the NC Division of Aging and the NC Department of Transportation.

**SERVICES:** In FY 06-07 the agency: completed construction of Wellness Center; implemented coordinated transportation system in Pender County and procured vendor to provide services; increased participation in agency services – increased client caseload by over 200 individuals; and procured grants in excess of \$400,000.

In FY 07-08 the agency plans to: open new Wellness Center and increase participation from the community; increase participation in Pender Senior Games; implement Rural General Public Transportation services throughout the County; identify supplemental funding opportunities; and celebrate 25 years of service to the citizens of Pender County.

**FY07-08 County Funding Requested: \$69,500 FY07-08 County Funding Recommended: \$69,500 FY07-08 Agency Budget: \$3,269,000**

### PENDER PRIDE

**DESCRIPTION:** North Carolina Big Sweep, Clean NC and Keep America Beautiful have combined under the umbrella "Pender Pride" in Pender County as a nonprofit, environmental, educational organization whose primary mission is to educate and motivate North Carolinians to achieve cleaner roadsides, streets, beaches and inland waterways. With the bonus being beautification, the organization seeks to rid Pender County of litter, illegal dumps, unsightly, dilapidated structures, abandoned cars and mobile homes, and piles of discarded tires.

**USE OF COUNTY FUNDS:** Funds are used for education and motivation for cleaner roadsides and streets, cleaner beaches and inland waterways, safer environment for wildlife and sea creatures enabling better fishing and hunting for residents and visitors; and beautification of the County as this organization seeks to rid the County of litter, illegal dumps, piles of discarded tires, abandoned cars and mobile homes and other unsightly health hazards.

**SERVICES:** In FY 06-07 Pender Pride: did comprehensive sweep of beaches, inland waterways and roads; educated residents through newspaper articles, speeches and other events; educated and provided information for visitors and vacationers on the danger of litter on the beach and ocean; and held the Six Pack Ring contest in seven elementary schools. In FY 07-08 Pender Pride plans to: continue growth and enhancement of programs and contests in county schools; comprehensive cleanup of beaches, waterways and roads; create more awareness of the benefits Pender Pride will bring the County while recruiting volunteers; continue to provide education for citizens through media, speaking engagements and events; and impress parents to teach their children that littering is against the law.

**Total FY07-08 County Funding Requested: \$2,500 Total FY07-08 County Funding Recommended: \$1,100 Total FY07-08 Agency Budget: \$7,700**