Outstanding Government Service: Holly Jordan



Buncombe County Cooperative Extension Director Holly Jordan was presented with the 2025 Governor's Award for Excellence for Outstanding State Government Service, which recognizes **those who go above and beyond their call of duty to serve the residents of North Carolina.**

The award noted that Jordan and her team:

- Organized a donation drive with the WNC Agricultural Center that collected more **than $55,000 of clothing for survivors**
- Coordinated helicopters and trucks **to deliver 10,000 bales of hay and 60,000 pounds of cover crop seeds**.
- Pivoted **educational programming** to address post-Helene questions and concerns.
- Helped farmers and families **apply for financial assistance and aid**
- Guided efforts with multiple partners and organizations to help meet the unique needs of the local agricultural community.