

**North Carolina Hospital Community Benefits Report**  
**Watauga Medical Center**  
**2023**

<b>Community_Benefits</b>	
A. Estimated Costs of Treating Charity Care Patients	\$752,413
B. Estimated Unreimbursed Costs of Treating Medicare Patients	\$22,612,830
C. Adjustment In This Period's Medicare Revenues For Extraordinary Adjustments	\$0
D. Without This Medicare Adjustment, Medicare Losses Would Have Been (Measures 116 + 117)	\$22,612,830
E. Estimated Unreimbursed Costs Of Treating Medicaid Patients	\$1,929,393
F. Adjustment In This Period's Medicaid Revenues For Extraordinary Adjustments	\$0
G. Without This Medicaid Adjustment, Medicaid Losses Would Have Been (119 + 120)	\$1,929,393
H. Estimated Unreimbursed Costs Of Treating Patients From Other Means-Tested Government Programs	\$0
I. Adjustment In This Period's Other Means-Tested Government Program Revenues For Extraordinary Adjustments	\$0
J. Without This Adjustment, Other Means-Tested Gov. Program Losses Would Have Been (122 + 123)	\$0
K. Community Health Improvement Services and Community Benefit Operations	\$533,272
L. Health Professions Education	\$73,227
M. Subsidized Health Services	\$0
N. Research Costs	\$0
O. Cash And In-Kind Contributions To Community Groups	\$210,956
P. Community Building Activities	\$0
Q. Total Community Benefits With Settlements And Extraordinary Adjustments	\$26,112,092
R. Total Community Benefits Without Settlements And Extraordinary Adjustments	\$26,112,092
S. Estimated Costs Of Treating Bad Debt Patients	\$5,537,604

Source: Reported by hospitals on the 2023 Community Benefits section of the NCHA Annual Survey