



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
**GOVERNOR PAT McCrORY**



*Governor Pat  
McCrory and First  
Lady Ann McCrory  
Host Dog Adoption  
Event*

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## **GE Aviation Breaks Ground in Asheville**



Governor Pat McCrory traveled to Asheville for GE Aviation's groundbreaking ceremony Thursday, November 14. The new \$125 million factory will create advanced composites. GE is a global leader in jet engine and aircraft system production. The 170,000-square-foot facility, built next to an existing GE Aviation machining plant, will be the first in the world to mass produce engine components made of advanced ceramic matrix composite materials.

"We are excited for GE Aviation and its new CMC (ceramic matrix composite) facility in Asheville," said Governor McCrory. "The aviation sector is an important industry for our state, and GE continues to put North Carolina on a national and international stage with its investment. We're proud that these advanced engine components will be manufactured right here in Asheville."



GE will begin hiring at the new plant in 2014 and expects to employ 340 people at full capacity. The company currently employs 290 people in Asheville. The Buncombe County CMC facility is part of a larger four-county project that includes Durham, West Jefferson and Wilmington. GE currently employs more than 1,300 people at its four North Carolina sites.

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## **Bosh Global Expansion Bringing Jobs to Cumberland County**

BOSH Global Services will be expanding its operations in Cumberland County, Governor Pat McCrory and Secretary of Commerce Sharon Decker announced Wednesday, November 13.



“Our state has a proud history of working closely with companies like Bosh Global Services because we have an extremely talented pool of veterans and military personnel,” said Governor McCrory. “We’re excited that BOSH Global has decided to invest in North Carolina once again.”

BOSH Global Services provides technical and operational services, research, and development related technologies to unmanned vehicles as well as the ground systems that utilize data from unmanned systems for military, commercial and agricultural use. The average annual wage for the new jobs will be \$85,000 plus benefits. The Cumberland County average annual wage is \$34,000.

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## **Governor and First Lady Help Rescued Dogs Find Homes**



Governor Pat McCrory and First Lady Ann McCrory hosted a Dog Adoption and Humane Awards event at the Executive Mansion Saturday, November 16. Families were invited to visit with and adopt dogs from the recent Pender County puppy mill bust, as well as rescues from Greensboro and Charlotte. Almost every dog brought to the mansion was adopted.

Prior to Saturday's adoption event, First Lady Ann McCrory visited the Humane Society of Charlotte to raise awareness for dog adoption and rescue.

The governor and first lady have their own rescue, a chocolate lab named Moe. Representative Jason Saine and Senator Neal Hunt spoke at the event about their own love for dogs and their determination to pass a bill in the short session that would establish basic standards of care for large commercial dog breeding facilities.

[Read more about First Lady Ann McCrory's Visit to the Humane Society of Charlotte](#)

[Read more about Saturday's dog adoption event here](#)

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## **Governor McCrory Hosts Metro Mayors**

Governor Pat McCrory welcomed members of the bipartisan North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors Coalition to the Executive Mansion in Raleigh on Wednesday, November 13. This marked the second time Governor McCrory, a former mayor of Charlotte, has hosted the coalition which he helped establish in 2001.



"When I was elected I promised we were going to have continuous communications and that we'd work together," said Governor McCrory. "There are several issues important to us all. One is transportation: tying in urban and rural areas, tying in ports and the coast."

Joining the governor and mayors from North Carolina's largest cities was North Carolina Secretary of Transportation Tony Tata to discuss the parameters of the new Strategic Mobility Formula which will determine future state funding for major infrastructure projects including roads and airport improvements. The funding changes brought about by the Strategic Mobility Formula will yield 260 projects and create 240,000 jobs during the next 10 years, 85 more projects and 66,000 more jobs than the formula it replaced.

Susan Kluttz, Secretary of Cultural Resources and a former mayor of Salisbury, and several members from the General Assembly also attended the meeting.

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## **Task Force on Safer Schools Announced**



The appointees to the state's new Task Force on Safer Schools were announced Wednesday, November 13. The task force includes students, teachers, elected officials, lawyers and law enforcement officers from across North Carolina. The task force will provide guidance to the Center for Safer Schools and consider future policy and legislative action to improve school safety in North Carolina. In September, Governor McCrory visited Hoggard High School in Wilmington and announced the executive order he signed to create the task force.

“School safety is a top priority of my administration,” said Governor Pat McCrory. “One of my first actions after taking office was tasking the Department of Public Safety with developing a comprehensive plan to make our schools safer for students, parents, teachers and administrators. I am pleased to announce a very diverse, talented and functional task force that will provide guidance and sound advice that is needed to improve school safety in North Carolina.”

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## **Governor McCrory Meets with North Carolina Business Committee for Education**

Governor Pat McCrory met with members of the North Carolina Business Committee for Education on Thursday November 14. The bipartisan committee founded by Governor Hunt brings together members of the business community to discuss ways to improve North Carolina's education and economy.

While meeting with the NCBCE, the governor stressed his initiatives and policies meant to bring commerce and education together so that each industry knows what each other needs to create a qualified and competitive workforce for the jobs of the future.

Also discussed was the new NCBCE initiative for 2014 called Teachers at Work. This is a partnership between NCBCE and the Department of Public Instruction that will provide teachers learning opportunities with local businesses to understand how to connect their classroom curriculum to local jobs.



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## **Governor McCrory Tours Novozymes**



Governor Pat McCrory toured a Novozymes facility in Franklinton Tuesday, November 12. The facility creates enzyme products and other industrial biotechnology. The company is a global leader in its field and operates the country's largest multi-purpose enzyme manufacturing facility. Its corporate headquarters are in Denmark.

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## **Commemorating North Carolina's Oldest Broadcast Station**

On Friday, November 15, Governor Pat McCrory was in Charlotte to help dedicate a historic marker in honor of WBT radio, the oldest broadcast station in South and North Carolina. It was established in 1922. WBT, or Channel 3, was also the first TV station in both Carolinas. The governor was joined by current and former station members including Doug Mayes.



## Update on the Linville Forest Fires



On Thursday, November 14, the governor flew over the Linville forest fire. At the time more than 100 firefighters were fighting the fire that charred more than 1,300 acres. As of Sunday, around 140 firefighters from 10 states were working to contain the fire. (via [Citizen-Times](#)) Governor McCrory offers his prayers and gratitude for the firefighters battling to protect the beautiful state of North Carolina.



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