



Fact Sheet



WHAT WE DO

The Camino Research Institute (CRI) serves as a community-driven research hub that informs the development of services and policies tailored to the needs of Latinos. By utilizing community-based participatory research (CBPR), CRI explores the social determinants of health impacting Latino communities and collaborates with community leaders, pastors, and researchers to generate meaningful insights.

IN 2024, CAMINO RESEARCH INSTITUTE MADE AN IMPACT

This year, CRI actively engaged with the community, expanded research efforts, and contributed to key academic discussions:

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Participated in **30+** community events, including cultural festivals, resource fairs, panels, and church gatherings
- Engaged Latino communities across **nine** North Carolina cities, including Lumberton, Elizabeth City, Asheville, Wilmington, Durham, Wilson, Kannapolis, and Winston-Salem

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **Completed and released** the Western NC LCSNA Report
- Collected **1,091** new surveys and interviewed **49** leaders for the LCSNA
- Conducted six focus groups with Latina mothers
- Completed Kannapolis LCSNA data collection, analyzing **315** surveys

NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS WILL EXPLORE

- Barriers that Latino families face in accessing mental health resources for children
- Challenges that Latino fathers encounter in balancing work and family responsibilities
- Oral histories that document the growth of the Latino community in Charlotte