

Wilmington's Recovery Is a Real Estate Advantage

How federal investment in western NC reshapes long-term value

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\$5 million

Infrastructure Grant Allocation

This latest round of funding is part of a broader recovery effort for western North Carolina.

The \$5 million in new infrastructure grants announced by Governor Stein on September 24, 2026, is specifically targeting small business recovery in western North Carolina, including key communities along the Cape Fear coast. These funds are not just short-term relief—they are investments in long-term resilience that directly impact real estate stability and future appreciation potential.

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<https://www.commerce.nc.gov/news/press-releases/2026/09/24/governor-stein-announces-5-million-strengthen-small-businesses-western-north-carolina>





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Resilience Is Now a Market Differentiator

For Wilmington, this means that neighborhoods benefiting from such grants—especially those with upgraded drainage and pedestrian infrastructure—are becoming more attractive to buyers seeking stability over speculative growth.

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Recovery Funding = Future Appreciation

This isn't just about fixing damage—it's about building a foundation for sustained growth. Investors who recognize this shift now are positioning themselves ahead of the curve, leveraging public funding as a proxy for long-term value.

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