

P.A.C.E Meeting for June 12th 2025

***The synopsis for the P.A.C.E meeting will include the following sections. *Opening remarks* followed by *Stat Review*. *Discussion and Questions* and *Upcoming Events*. ***

Opening Remarks

On June 12th at the Neuse Regional Library our agency continued engagement with our community with 2025 first P.A.C.E meeting. A few things Major Jenkins mentioned was the Gun Prevention seminar our agency held last year as well as the upcoming suicide prevention month in September.

Stat Review

Data analyst Emma Slabbert arranged current juvenile stats for the committee to review. Conversations around how the school year has been going and if there has been an influx in juvenile court. The topic of working metal detectors in our school was brought up for conversation. Information on applicable training for teachers and early detection software will continue to be researched. Attendees talked about the impact suicide prevention has on the community and the escalation of this crisis in our city. February to now our city has seen a positive shift.

Discussion and Questions

Major Jenkins mentioned a volunteer's committee being created for the upcoming National Night Out this Oct 7th to help plan the event. Mrs. Joyce Hawkins notified attendees of the Juneteenth event at the Neuse Regional Library. Mrs. Hawkins also mentioned the community resource guide on the library's webpage has a multitude of resources included in the "Lets Connect Program". Mrs. April Houston covered information on the upcoming summer "Lit Fest" at Pearson Park. Mrs. Colleen Kosinski reviewed the many updates Recovery Courts ENC has implemented, including a new building, the "Keys to Life" program and new drug testing capabilities brought to Kinston. Antonio Hardy presented to attendees a Juneteenth flyer from Mrs. Barbara Sutton. The "Juneteenth Tents Celebration" information will be included below.

Upcoming Events

June 19th 2025

- Storyteller Linda Gorham presenting at the Lenoir County Public Library 6:30pm.
- Juneteenth Tents Celebration at the African American Museum & Cultural Center 12pm-3pm.

June 21st 2025

- Summer Lit Fest at Pearson Park 10am – 12pm.

June 22nd 2025

- Recovery ENC presentation at G.I Joe's Military Living History Museum 2:30pm.

June 25th-27th 2025

- Camp Inspire at the Kinston Police Dept 8am -5:30pm.