

### 2013 Employee Climate Survey

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# Background

- 11<sup>th</sup> Year
- Survey Purpose:
  - Assess employee motivation and satisfaction
  - Assess progress in achieving scorecard goals
  - Identify employee perceptions of business support services
  - Results used to evaluate and amend management policies and practices affecting employee productivity



# Methodology

- 69 Corporate Survey Questions
- Several Department-Specific Questions
- Administered on-line (full and part-time employees)
- Three-Weeks: April 15 May 6



# Responses

### Who responded

3,539 out of 4,396 (representative sample)

- 81% response rate
  - -Increase of 1% over FY12

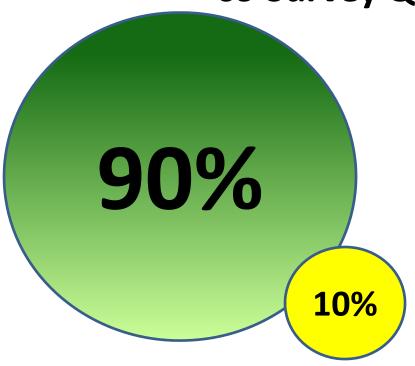


### **Overall Performance is Exemplary**



# **Overall Results**

#### **69 Survey Questions**



Performance Legend		
	Exemplary	
	Successful	
	Mixed Results	
	Needs Improvement	

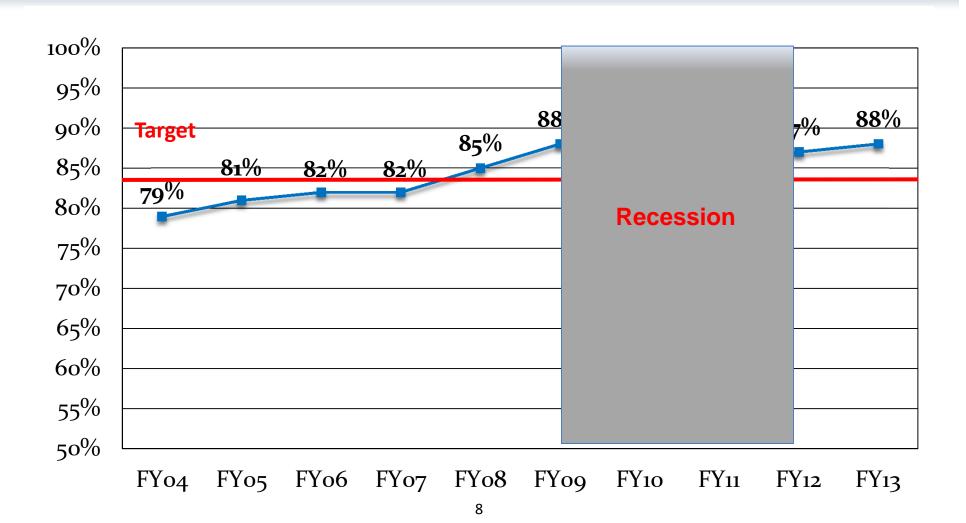
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# Major Indicators of "Organizational Health"

Indices	County Average
Accessibility to Information Index	89%
Employee Development Index	88%
Diversity Perceptions Index	91%
Motivation & Satisfaction Index	88%

### Employee Motivation & Satisfaction



# New Questions in 2013

ltems	County Average
Importance of work	98%
Resources to complete workload within performance expectations	81%
Time to complete workload within performance expectations	80%
Awareness of Report Line	66%

In FY11....

**Overworked** No401KMatch RisingCosts Understaffed **NoRaises Underappreciated** 

### In FY12....

Cost of Living
Department does not communicate No input from frontline Retirement Matches I feel valued

Last minute communication Cleaner bathrooms Communication from frontline Understaffed HR meets My needs

### In FY13....

Heavy work load is important

Want clear communication of Short-staffed by supervisor in the work load is important

The work load is important Recommend County as a good place to work Too busy for trainings

Negative press harms morale

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# Still Opportunities to Improve

Question		FY12	FY11
I have an individual development plan (IDP). <sup>2</sup>		82%	69%
My division continuously looks for ways to do things better.		82%	80%
My department leadership clearly communicates department performance goals.		82%	76%
The executive leadership of Mecklenburg County values County employees. *		*	*
Overall, I feel safe going to my vehicle after regular business hours. <sup>1</sup>	77%	<b>79%</b>	74%
My department leadership clearly communicates what is going on in my department.		76%	73%
The Board of County Commissioners values County employees. *		*	*

<sup>\*</sup> New measure

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Question worded differently on 2012 survey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Results reflect % Yes response.



# **Department Performance**



# **Department Results**

- Successful to Exemplary Performance
  - Employee Access to Information for Job Success 19 of 20 departments at successful or exemplary levels
  - Employee Training and Development 17 of 20 departments at successful or exemplary levels
  - Managing a Diverse Workforce All departments at successful or exemplary levels
  - Employee Motivation & Satisfaction 19 of 20 departments at successful or exemplary levels
  - Eight departments were successful or exemplary on all four major indices above



- Overall Performance Exemplary
- Department Performance Mostly Successful to Exemplary
- Many results returned to pre-recession level
- New questions reveal opportunities (i.e., workload, report-line awareness)



# **Next Steps**

- Overall Performance
  - Maintain strategies to retain and enhance performance levels
  - Continue to invest in employees
- Department Level
  - Address opportunities for improvement
  - Utilize internal (e.g., BSSA-Organizational Improvement) and/or external resources, as needed



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