Childhood Food Insecurity

Rate of Childhood Food Insecurity
- 22.7% - 25.8%
- 25.801% - 29.0%
- 29.01% - 31.8%
- 31.801% - 35.8%


2018 ACT Aspire District GPA

University of Arkansas’s Office for Education Policy
The Community School Model

- Integrated Student Supports Individualized to Students’ Needs
- Expanded High-Quality Out of School Learning Opportunities
- Active Family and Community Engagement With the School Operating as a Community “Hub”
- Collaborative, Trusting Leadership Involving School Leaders, Teachers, Parents, and Community Members

Love Thy Neighbor?: ALICE in AR

Rev. Shantell Hinton Hill
Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation
What pictures of poverty are in YOUR head?
Those images tell us about...

• the “COLOR” of poverty
• the “CHARACTER” of poverty
• the “CAUSE” of poverty
• the “CRUELTY” of poverty

Change the Conversation:

• People and/or personal choices are not the problems (i.e. why poverty exists)
• Combination of low wages, rising cost of living, and other interlocking factors keep many people from getting ahead
MEET ALICE

Who is ALICE?

- Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed
- Above FPL, below Household Survival Budget
- Low-wage jobs – cashiers, health care workers, security guards, laborers, office administration
- No savings:
  - For emergencies
  - For investing in the future – education, homeownership, retirement

Households by Income, Arkansas, 2017

- Above ALICE Threshold 684,738 Households 59%
- Poverty 192,370 Households 17%
- ALICE 281,585 Households 24%

Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2017; American Community Survey, 2017
WHO IS ALICE?

ALICE households are all Races/Ethnicities
WHAT DOES THE ALICE DATA TELL US/WHAT CAN BE DONE?
ALICE helps us be a better neighbor:

• ALICE causes us to check our assumptions about poverty and the people experiencing it
• ALICE invites us to move beyond short-term relief/charity to advocacy for long-term solutions
• ALICE calls us into accountability for creating a more inclusive economy/community

How ALICE measures have been used

| Program eligibility – Public assistance, child care, scholarships |
| Jobs agenda – wages, scheduling, benefits |
| Health care – Needs, neighborhood investment, social determinants of health |
| Education and training – community college programing, investment, targeting |
| Community investment – affordable housing, public transportation, water Infrastructure Investment |
| Taxes – EITC expansion, child care credits, payroll taxes |
Want to know more?

• For more information about ALICE, visit:
  • www.aliceinar.org
  • www.unitedforalice.org

• For more information on changing the conversation/building a better future with ALICE:
  • www.reimaginearkansas.com