

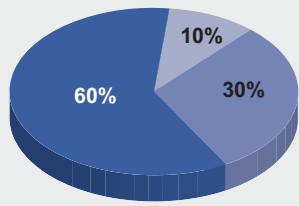
# UNITED WAY OF SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT

Number of Households – 106,170

## How many households are struggling?

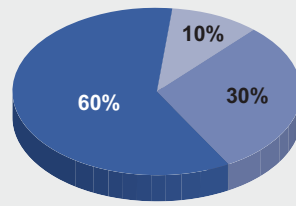
**ALICE** is an acronym for **A**sset Limited, **I**ncome Constrained, **E**mployed – households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the area (the ALICE Threshold). Combined, the number of ALICE and poverty-level households equals the total population struggling to afford basic needs.

### United Way of Southeastern Connecticut service area



- Poverty: 10,199 HH, 10%
- ALICE: 32,358 HH, 30%
- Above ALICE: 63,613 HH, 60%

### Connecticut



- Poverty: 134,494 HH, 10%
- ALICE: 406,673 HH, 30%
- Above ALICE: 816,102 HH, 60%

Note: Municipal-level data often relies on 5-year averages, is not available for the smallest towns that don't report income, and may overlap with Census Designated Places (CDP).

| Town             | Total HH | % ALICE & Poverty |
|------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Bozrah           | 1,005    | 25%               |
| Colchester       | 5,818    | 25%               |
| East Lyme        | 7,330    | 26%               |
| Franklin         | 721      | 26%               |
| Griswold         | 4,454    | 48%               |
| Groton           | 16,051   | 42%               |
| Lebanon          | 2,682    | 27%               |
| Ledyard          | 5,791    | 28%               |
| Lisbon           | 1,554    | 23%               |
| Lyme             | 1,066    | 32%               |
| Montville        | 6,750    | 36%               |
| New London       | 10,600   | 67%               |
| North Stonington | 1,989    | 35%               |
| Norwich          | 16,017   | 54%               |
| Old Lyme         | 3,191    | 27%               |
| Preston          | 1,808    | 35%               |
| Salem            | 1,544    | 24%               |
| Sprague          | 1,137    | 38%               |
| Stonington       | 7,878    | 35%               |
| Voluntown        | 971      | 29%               |
| Waterford        | 7,813    | 33%               |

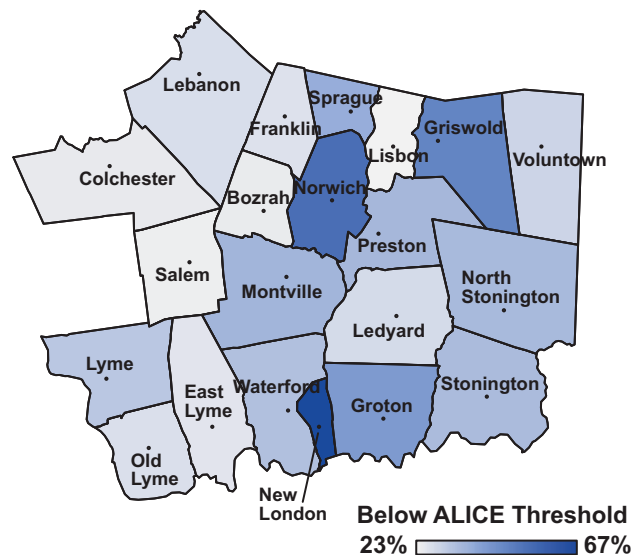
## Household Survival Budget

|                | SINGLE ADULT | 2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| Monthly Costs  |              |                                   |
| Housing        | \$732        | \$1,119                           |
| Child Care     | \$-          | \$1,589                           |
| Food           | \$182        | \$603                             |
| Transportation | \$341        | \$682                             |
| Health Care    | \$213        | \$792                             |
| Technology     | \$55         | \$75                              |
| Miscellaneous  | \$182        | \$570                             |
| Taxes          | \$293        | \$836                             |
| Monthly Total  | \$1,998      | \$6,266                           |
| ANNUAL TOTAL   | \$23,976     | \$75,192                          |
| Hourly Wage    | \$11.99      | \$37.60                           |

## Why do so many households struggle?

The Household Survival Budget reflects the bare minimum that a household needs to live and work today. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college. In 2016, costs were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$11,880 for a single adult and \$24,300 for a family of four.

Sources: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Internal Revenue Service, Tax Foundation, and Connecticut 211Childcare, 2016; American Community Survey.



## Where does ALICE live?

ALICE and poverty-level households live in every town in Connecticut. Towns with the highest percentage of households below the ALICE Threshold are shaded in the darkest blue; towns with the lowest percentage of households below the ALICE Threshold are shaded in lightest blue.