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United Way
of St. Clair County

United Way of St. Clair County has four Impact Areas. All programs we fund are designed to lift up our community and empower our residents to overcome obstacles and live more positive and self-sufficient lives. These programs are driving forces in our quest to raise the quality of life of St. Clair County.

IMPACT AREAS:

- * Teaching Youth Life Skills ~ **1,518 served**
- * Reducing the Need for Emergency Services ~ **1,221 served**
- * Helping Adults through Education or Training ~ **82 served**
- * Improving Quality of Life through Health & Advocacy ~ **3,014 served**

(St. Clair County residents served through the programs we fund that are provided by our Affiliated Organizations.)

FURTHER COMMUNITY IMPACT

Other UWSCC Funded Programs People Served

Direct Services Four Internal Funds	37
Medical Loan Closet Durable Medical Equipment Disposable Medical Supplies	589 175
Other Supported Programs Ten Programs	433
2-1-1 (Phone, Email, Chat)	2,528 Direct Contacts
Imagination Library Total Children Receiving Monthly Books Of Total, Number Funded By UWSCC	4,777 2,054 (43% of Total)

While there are many assistance programs throughout St. Clair County, the majority of the unmet needs below are due to a service not being available at the time of request.

UNMET NEEDS:

- 206 Utility Assistance**
- 198 Housing**
- 15 Food, Meals**
- 72 Clothing, Personal, Household Needs**
- 33 Transportation**
- 51 Income Support, Assistance**
- 3 Employment**

Source: 2-1-1 Serving Northeast Michigan 2018 Report

U.S. Census Bureau St. Clair County Quick Facts:

2018 Population Estimate ~ 159,337 People under 18 years ~ 21.1%
 No High School Diploma or equivalent ~ 9.9% Less than a Bachelor's Degree ~ 82%
 Per Capita Income in 2017 dollars ~ \$27,807 Under 65 years of age with a disability ~ 12.5%

St. Clair County Community Services Collaborative Strategic Plan:

General health and health care and mental health services were identified among the top community needs.

National Institute of Mental Health

4.5% of US adults are living with a Severe Mental Illness; about 5,679 in St. Clair County.

St. Clair County Health Department 2016 Community Needs Assessment:

Only 1 in 3 with poor mental health currently take medication or received treatment.

Source: 2-1-1 Serving Northeast Michigan 2018 Report



WHO IS ALICE?

ALICE is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed.

The ALICE Threshold categorizes households that earn above the Federal Poverty Level and still struggle to manage their most basic needs: shelter, food, transportation, health care, child care, and necessary technology.

When funds run short, ALICE households are forced to make impossible choices, such as deciding between quality child care or paying the rent, filling a prescription or fixing the car.

These households are one unexpected expense or emergency away from financial crisis.

2019 ALICE REPORT FOR ST. CLAIR COUNTY: (2017 STATISTICS)

Household Survival Budget - St. Clair, Michigan, 2017		
	Single Adult	2 Adults, 1 Infant, 1 Preschooler
Housing	\$578	\$911
Child Care	\$0	\$1,122
Food	\$199	\$604
Transportation	\$434	\$868
Health Care	\$234	\$879
Technology	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$180	\$511
Taxes	\$303	\$650
Monthly Total	\$1,983	\$5,620
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$23,796	\$67,440
Hourly Wage	\$11.90	\$33.72

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; U.S. Department of Agriculture; Bureau of Labor Statistics; Internal Revenue Service; Tax Foundation; and Early Childhood Investment Corporation, 2017.

- * Population: 159,350 Individuals ~ 65,117 Households
- * Unemployment Rate: 5.6%
- * ALICE Threshold: Basic Cost of Living
- * Total of 40% Below ALICE Threshold
Households in Poverty ≈ 11% (≈ 7,163)
Households in ALICE ≈ 29%
(Between Federal Poverty and ALICE Threshold)
- * Households w/ Children Below ALICE Threshold
≈ 38.5% (≈ 6,379)
- * Households Under 25 Years Old
≈ 40% in Poverty
≈ 37% in ALICE
(Total of about 1,991 Young Adult Households)
- * MI Jobs Paying \$20 Or Less Per Hour
≈ 61% (over 2,500,000 jobs)
(Almost 2/3 of those are \$15 or less)

ST. CLAIR COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS BELOW THE ALICE THRESHOLD:

Algonac: 46%	Clay Twp: 38%	Fort Gratiot Twp: 41%	Lynn Twp: 33%	Riley Twp: 32%
Berlin Twp: 29%	Clyde Twp: 39%	Grant Twp: 31%	Marine City: 52%	St. Clair: 42%
Brockway Twp: 41%	Columbus Twp: 37%	Greenwood Twp: 35%	Marysville: 40%	St. Clair Twp: 24%
Burtchville Twp: 46%	Cottrellville Twp: 40%	Ira Twp: 35%	Mussey Twp: 37%	Wales Twp: 34%
Casco Twp: 35%	East China Twp: 47%	Kenockee Twp: 36%	Port Huron: 60%	Yale: 57%
China Twp: 19%	Emmett Twp: 33%	Kimball Twp: 41%	Port Huron Twp: 45%	

HOW HAS THE NUMBER OF STRUGGLING HOUSEHOLDS CHANGED OVER TIME?

“The number of households below the ALICE Threshold fluctuates throughout the year. Households move in and out of poverty and ALICE as their circumstances worsen or improve. The general trend has been a flat recovery since 2010, the end of the Great Recession. In many locations, the cost of basics has increased more than wages, leading to an increase in the number of ALICE households.”

Source: 2019 ALICE Report for St. Clair County