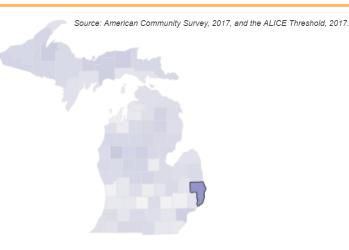
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## What is ALICE?

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed

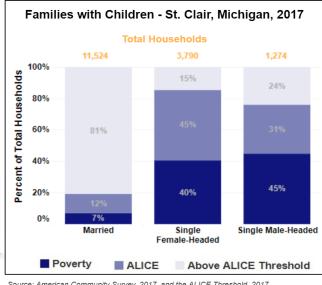
The ALICE Threshold categorizes households that earn above the Federal Poverty Level and still struggle to manage their most basic needs: shelter, food, transportation, health care, child care, and necessary technology.

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

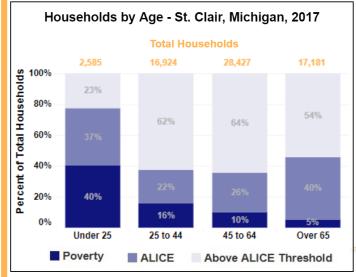
## How many families with children are struggling?

Children add significant expense to a family budget, so it is not surprising that many families with children live below the ALICE Threshold. Though more families are headed by married parents, those families with a single parent are more likely to have income below the ALICE Threshold.

6,380 Total Families with Children living in or below ALICE Threshold



Source: American Community Survey, 2017, and the ALICE Threshold, 2017.



## What are the differences in ALICE households by age?

There are ALICE households in every age bracket. The youngest group (people under 25) is more likely to be in poverty, and both the youngest and the oldest (people 65 and older) are more likely to be ALICE.

> 1,991 Young Adult Households living in or below ALICE Threshold

Young Adults

Source: American Community Survey, 2017, and the ALICE Threshold, 2017