# UNITED WAY OF MILFORD

Number of Households – 21.549

### How many households are struggling?

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

Town	Total HH	% ALICE & Poverty
Milford	21,549	34%

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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).

Household Survival Budget			
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 Preschooler	
<b>Monthly Costs</b>			
Housing	\$1,002	\$1,274	
Child Care	\$-	\$1,718	
Food	\$182	\$603	
Transportation	\$341	\$682	
Health Care	\$213	\$792	
Technology	\$55	\$75	
Miscellaneous	\$219	\$609	
Taxes	\$396	\$944	
Monthly Total	\$2,408	\$6,697	
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$28,896	\$80,364	
Hourly Wage	\$14.45	\$40.18	

### 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.

## 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.

