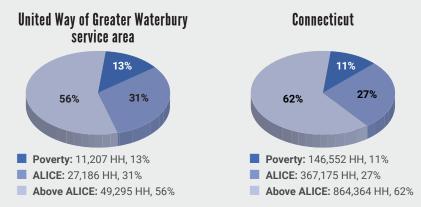
UNITED WAY OF GREATER WATERBURY

Number of Households – 87.688

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.



% ALICE & Town Total HH Povertv Bethlehem 1,306 30% Cheshire 10,162 22% Middlebury 2.699 22% 3,367 24% Prospect 7.900 28% Southbury 3,134 29% Thomaston Waterbury 40,579 64% 8,522 29% Watertown Wolcott 5.880 31% Woodbury 4,139 26%

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
Monthly Costs		
Housing	\$697 - \$913	\$1,092 - \$1,310
Child Care	\$-	\$1,917 - \$1,958
Food	\$293 - \$309	\$886 - \$935
Transportation	\$357	\$826
Health Care	\$222	\$742
Technology	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$194 - \$221	\$670 - \$687
Taxes	\$302 - \$368	\$1,076 - \$1,118
Monthly Total	\$2,136 - \$2,429	\$7,374 - \$7,561
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$25,632 - \$29,148	\$88,488 - \$90,732
Hourly Wage	\$12.82 - \$14.57	\$44.24 - \$45.37

Sources: AAA, 2018; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018–Consumer Expenditure Surveys; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2019–Consumer Expenditure Survey; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018–Occupational Employment Statistics; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2016-Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2019; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2019- Medicare - Chronic Conditions; Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, 2018; Federal Highway Administration, 2017; Feeding America, 2019; Fowler, 2019; Internal Revenue Service, 2020; Internal Revenue Service-FICA, 2020; Medicare.gov; Scarboro, 2018; The Zebra, 2018; U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2018–Official USDA Food Plans; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2018-Fair Market Rents; Walczak, 2019.

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 2018, costs were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$12,140 for a single adult and \$25,100 for a family of four.

